



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

February 18, 2018

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Jon Ewing

#732
#844
#268 (1,2,4)

Opening Prayer
Adam Blaney

#267
#742 (1-3,5)

The Lord's Supper
Travis Morrison

Our Contribution
Travis Morrison

#482

Lesson
Bill McFarland

"Jesus Is Lord"

Announcements
Scott Barton

#282 (1)

Closing Prayer
Tom Davis

Serve Communion

Tucker Jobs
Adam Barton
Todd Kraus
Trevor Kraus
Russell Lilly
Paul Lines
Josh Luna
Colton Orum
Eddie Sanders
Aaron Schwartz

THE BEST THAT CAN BE SAID OF A PERSON

When reading the book of Joshua, I am struck by how frequently the phrase "Moses the servant of the LORD" occurs. By my count, Moses is spoken of this way thirteen times in the book. That description of him is further emphasized by at least five more references to Moses as either "his servant" or, when God himself is speaking, "my servant." In the immediate shadow of his life, it seems clear that we are to understand this as the most honorable thing that could be said of Moses.

It is noteworthy that a similar impression is gained as we read the things said about Jesus in the wake of his death and life. Peter said God had "glorified his servant Jesus" (Acts 3:13). In prayer to God, the apostles recalled the city gathered together against "your holy servant Jesus" and recognized the signs being performed through "your holy servant Jesus" (Acts 4:27, 30). The term they used for "servant" can also mean "child," but it is the word for the chosen servant whom Isaiah had promised (cf. Matt. 12:18). One of the most beautiful passages in the New Testament describes the exalted place he has for having taken "the form of a servant" (Phil. 2:7).

The connection between Moses and Jesus as, above all else, servants of God may help us understand why this is the best that can be said of a person. In his amazing defense of the faith as we have it in Acts 7, our beloved brother Stephen reminded his countrymen that when Moses had seen one of them being wronged and had defended the oppressed man, he supposed they would understand God was saving them by his hand, but they did not (v. 24-25). It turned out, though, that forty years later God sent the same Moses they had rejected to be their ruler and redeemer (v. 35). Stephen saw that pattern repeated in the costly but triumphant service of the Christ (v. 52).

Servants of God love him. They have come to do his will. They do not see themselves as being too good to attend to the lowliest tasks, or to bear with the most frustrating of people, or to endure the worst hardships. There is a meekness about servants that is not found in other persons (cf. Num. 12:3; Matt. 11:29). Humility and courage and loyalty through the whole journey are characteristic of them.

New Testament writers—including James and Jude, the Lord's half brothers—seem glad to refer to themselves as servants of Jesus Christ (James 1:1; Jude 1:1). It was their honor and privilege to be servants of the Servant God. That is our fondest dream, too. Our hope is in the day when he will say, "Well done, good and faithful servant..." (Matt. 25:21, 23).

Whose servant a person is will be the only thing about his life that will last.

— Bill McFarland

Prayer List and Notes

Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

For The Record

February 11

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| Bible Study: | N/A |
| Morning: | N/A |
| Evening: | N/A |
| Wednesday (2/14): | 217 |
| Contribution: | \$ N/A |
| Weekly Budget: | \$ 10,119 |
| Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget: | \$(13,913) |



Continue to remember Rachel Lilly, Eula Compton, Ron Bower, Beverly McCormick, Jim Reaves, Cecil Frost, Don Essex

◆ Greg Larimore is recovering from hip replacement surgery.

- ◆ Lonnie Wilkinson is in Quail Creek rehab.
 - ◆ Wayne Harmon is in Cox South after hip surgery following a fall this past Monday.
 - ◆ David Kern is recovering from outpatient surgery
 - ◆ Frances Grann is in Republic Nursing Home and Rehab recovering from a minor stroke and hip replacement surgery. She has a long recovery ahead. Cards can be sent to Nancy's address.
 - ◆ Shawna Stockdale's surgery has been cancelled for now.
- Friends & Family**
- Mike Thurlkill's uncle, Henry, will have heart surgery tomorrow at the Arkansas Heart Hospital following a heart attack.
 - Betty Stockstill's good friend, Molly Patterson of Melbourne, FL, is in rehab recovering from a stroke
 - Marlene Matthews' son, Michael Phillips, is now home.
 - Bud Creson, Carol Griffin's father, is now in the Strafford Care Center.
 - Gerri Dickens' daughter, Karen Davis, is now at Gerri's home
 - Sara Keener's uncle, David Deffenbaugh, as he recovers from serious surgery and ongoing health issues.
 - Bobby Kern, David & Debbie's son, as he continues to have health issues
 - Jan Bowling's grandmother, Haseltine Pendergrass, is recovering from a stroke.
 - Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father, has been diagnosed with cancer.
 - Nancy Snider's sister, Paula Hunt, is now cancer free but has a long road ahead to get her strength back
 - Bill's mom, Pauline Redmon, in rehab at Care Manor, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653.
 - Maegan Sanders as she continues to deal with treatment for brain cancer.

Long Term/ Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower
Eula Compton
Ola Jean Feeney
Doris Iorg
Doris Tobler
Nursing Homes
Ella Mae Findlay
Ann Freeze
Chloe Gaddis
Jerry Gillespie
Sandra Pingenot
Nancy Snider

Remember our shut-ins and those with special needs. Sometimes just a phone call is all that's needed!



Expectant Mom

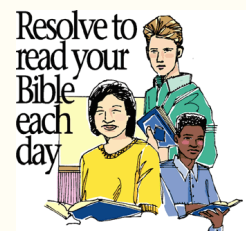
Chelsea Thrasher/
July



We are accepting monetary donations on a continuing basis for the Food Pantry. Your donation can be given to Johnnie or Jason Luna. We sincerely appreciate your continued support.



We are all saddened and heartbroken over the loss of our dear friend and brother in Christ, Tim Timmons. Tim passed away Friday night after a long, courageous battle with lung cancer. We express our deepest sympathy to Lisa, John & Hannah and Curt and his family along with the rest of his family and many friends. Everyone at Water Mill has been touched in some way by Tim's kindness and concern for others as well as his servant's heart.



Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

News and Activities

Married Couples Retreat

February 23rd and 24th

Stone Castle Hotel & Conference Center, 3020 Green Mountain Drive, Branson MO 65616

This is for **ALL** married couples - those who are just married or have been married 65+ years. Please plan to be with us again this year. If you have any questions, please talk with Jason and Lora Luna or Scott and Melinda Barton.

♦ Ladies Bible Class will meet **THURSDAY at 10:30 a.m.** The study is from the book "Sweet Truths." Linda Currier will be teaching the lesson, "Consulting the Creator."

LTC Puppets & Drama Rehearsals

LTC

Each Sunday of rehearsals

please bring a lunch and plan to be at the building ALL DAY until evening services. Here are the rehearsal dates: 2/18, 25, 3/11, 18, 25 (also PRESENTATION NIGHT!).



We want to thank our church family for the cards and words of comfort at our time of sorrow. We could not have gotten through this without you all. **The Hortons**

Thanks for the beautiful cards, calls, and prayers during the loss of my mother. Thank you for the memorial gifts to Fair Haven and St. Luke's. You are a great group of people. In Christian love, **Connie Fortner**

YOUTH IN FAMILY MINISTRY March 3-4

We have invited **Luke Dockery**, Bobby's son & my friend, to come and present a workshop/seminar for us about what ministering to young people looks like as a ministry through the collective work of families of a congregation. Luke has done massive amounts of research in this area of "Youth in Family" ministry, and we've invited him to come share his findings - to show the difficulties of raising kids to be faithful people when they leave home, the Biblical model of ministering to young people through the Physical and Faith Families, and the practical aspects of what Family-Based youth ministry looks like.

Adam



Birthdays

19 **Connie Thompson**
Kylie Dutton
21 **Charlie Cruse**
Laurel Pendergraft
22 **Trevor Kraus**
Aiden Schwartz
24 **Michael Fahr**
Britton Keener
25 **Eula Compton**
26 **McKenzie Maples**
27 **Luis Tovar**

Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

Elders

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Scott Barton | 417-234-2679 |
| Barney Crawford | 417-866-0592 |
| Jon Ewing | 417-569-8698 |
| Bob Snider | 417-833-3498 |
| Jerry Young | 417-724-0324 |

Minister

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| Bill McFarland | 417-833-0110 |
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Youth/Associate Minister

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| Adam Blaney | 304-520-9800 |
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Deacons

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| Tim Buckner | Russell Lilly |
| Tom Davis | Aaron Morrison |
| Jim Elliff | John Stayton |
| Matt Keener | Mike Thurlkill |

Staff

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| Johnnie Elliff | Secretary |
| Tim Bowling | Custodian |

TEACHER NEEDED

We are still in need of a male 5th grade teacher for our Wednesday evening class. Please see Tom Davis if you are interested in helping with this work.

AREA EVENTS

March 2-3: Clearing the Calendar/ Fordland Church of Christ Marriage Retreat in Branson

March 17-18: Youth Weekend Soulfit at the Fordland Church of Christ

March 24: Clinton Church of Christ Ladies Day/Speaker Jane Maynard

March 24: "How to Evangelize Your Community" by Dr. Stafford North at the Hollister Church of Christ
Flyers are on the Bulletin Board!

SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: *Gene & Ruth Lund*
 Van Driver: *Tom Easterly/417-848-9158*
 Nursery: *Coyeatte Ewing/Christina Snitker*

THIS EVENING

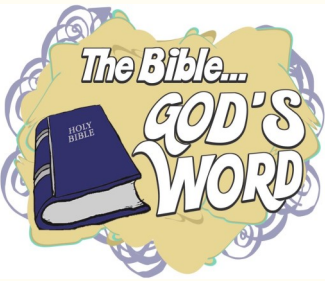
Song Leader: *Jon Davis*
 Opening Prayer: *Barry Hannah*
 Lesson: *Bill McFarland*
 Closing Prayer: *Ron Stokes*
 Communion: *John Stayton/Mike Ussery*
 Nursery: *Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon*

NEXT WEEK, February 25

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| | <i>AM</i> | <i>PM</i> |
| Song Leader: | <i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i> | <i>Jon Davis</i> |
| Opening Prayer: | <i>Jackie Buck</i> | <i>Verl Duncan</i> |
| Communion: | <i>John Mahon</i> | <i>John Stayton/Mike Ussery</i> |
| Closing Prayer: | <i>Devin Carroll</i> | <i>Eddie Currier</i> |
| Greeters: | <i>Luis & Carol Tovar</i> | |
| Van Driver: | <i>Jonathan Pendergraft/268-7633</i> | |
| Nursery: | <i>AM: Jenny Carroll/Tina Crum</i> | |
| | <i>PM: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton</i> | |

Wednesday, February 21

Devotional: *Travis Morrison*
 Song Leader: *Tom Easterly*
 Prayer: *Gene Kenyon*
 Van Driver: *Jason Luna/838-7152*



Bible Classes (Adult)

Sunday AM

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| Adult | Topical Studies | Room 126 | Bill McFarland |
| Adult | Proverbs and 2018 | Auditorium | Byron Nichols |
| Adult | Pray Without Ceasing | Room 129 | Jon Ewing |
| Adult | Chronological Study of the Bible | Room 130 | Paul Lines |
| College | The Church of the Bible | Room 119 | Jeremy Thurkill |

Wednesday Night

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| Adult | Prayers of God's People: | Auditorium | Bill McFarland |
| Adult | "Be Still, and Know that I am God." | Room 126 | Jon Ewing |
| Ladies | Characteristics of God | Room 130 | Shawna S./Ruth L. |
| Adult | Singing Class | Room 119 | |

If you are unable to attend services, don't forget that all of our services are "Live Streamed." Go to www.watermillchurchofchrist.org and click on "Live Video."

WORKS WE SUPPORT

CHINESE AGAPE Foundation
 Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands
Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission
Voice of Truth International
Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions
Churches of Christ Disaster Relief
Fair Haven Children's Home
"In Search of the Lord's Way"
 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10
"KNOW YOUR BIBLE"
 10:30 AM Sundays/Springfield 33/KSPR

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship....5:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....6:30 PM



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