



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

March 25, 2018

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Jon Ewing

#203
#442

Opening Prayer
Randy Blackburn

#380
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The Lord's Supper
Luis Tovar

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Our Contribution
Luis Tovar

"Wonderful Merciful Savior"

Message
Bill McFarland

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Announcements
Barney Crawford

#544

Closing Prayer
Tom Easterly

Serve Communion
Brock Snitker
Jerry Stockdale
Jeremy Thurlkill
Kevin Westerman
Patrick Springer
Jonathan Pendergraft
David Grimm
Mike Ussery
Jackie Buck
Brendan Carroll

There Is Hope for a Tree...But for a Man...?

We have been reading Job and 1 Corinthians concurrently. I thought it was an odd parallel when we started. As we finish, I can see that it is a necessary one. The pairing offers us an irreplaceable perspective on the suffering in life, the hope beyond it, and why it matters how we live within it.

We are allowed to listen in as Job sorts through his thoughts about his life in the shadows of loss, grief, pain, isolation, and confusion. He wonders why he could not have died the day he was born. He feels that his days are swiftly passing toward a hopeless end, always hanging by only a breath, and says he would choose death over his pains. He debates whether it makes any difference what a man does in his life.

As all these emotions are processed, though, we can hear Job's unwillingness to surrender his life to meaninglessness. He insists that he is going to hope in God even if God slays him. He reasons that even though a man is short-lived and full of trouble, a tree that is cut down will sprout again, so a man might be expected to live again. Finally, he says in triumph, "As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will take His stand on the earth. Even after my skin is destroyed, yet from my flesh I shall see God" (19:25-26).

Without 1 Corinthians, Job's agony would be familiar to us from human experience but his triumph would be seem an empty wish. But 1 Corinthians says there is living again because Christ died for our sins and was raised on the third day. It argues that the God who can make a seed sprout and give it a body of its own is fully capable of giving a man a body for glory. And it assures us that he certainly will.

What 1 Corinthians insists is that it matters, therefore, how we live. If there is hope for a man, it makes a difference what man does with his life. How we treat other people, what we do with our bodies, our marriage, our rights, our abilities, our work for the Lord—it all has meaning. We are to proceed in faith, knowing that our toil is not in vain in the Lord.

—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

March 18

Bible Study:	203
Morning:	280
Evening:	165
Wednesday (3/21):	180
Contribution:	\$ 9,825

A Special Thank You!

We are getting settled in our new home and church and looking forward to this new stage of our lives. But we wanted to let our Water Mill family know how much we appreciate all of you. You have been a wonderful start to our Christian journey with your love, encouragement and support and you will all always have a special place in our hearts. We look forward to visiting when we return to see family and you are always in our prayers. Yours in Christ, Pete & Renee (Address: 1302 N. 19th Street, Norfolk, NE 68701)



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

- Truman Coltrane is now at home recovering from complications from a recent fall
 - ♦ Don Essex is recovering from broken ribs and in a lot of pain.
 - ♦ Lonnie Wilkinson has moved to The Gardens, 1302 West Sunset, Room 204, 65807.
 - ♦ Shawna Stockdale's back surgery is scheduled for TOMORROW.
 - ♦ Doris Iorg is dealing with several health issues.
 - ♦ Wayne Harmon is in Manorcare following hip surgery.
 - ♦ Frances Grann has been moved to Sonshine Manor, 300 S. Cottonwood, Republic, MO 65738
- Friends & Family**
- Vickie Baker's family member, Joe Devall, has been put on comfort care at Columbia University.
 - Elizabeth Lilly's dad, Frank Cunningham, continues to have several health issues.
 - Russell Harber, Jan Bowling's dad, had his pacemaker replaced recently
 - Debbie Crawford's dad is now home from the rehab facility and doing well
 - Lucile High's niece, Mari Hooper in ID, has breast cancer
 - Betty Stockstill's good friend, Molly Patterson of Melbourne, FL, is in rehab recovering from a stroke
 - Bobby Kern, David & Debbie's son, dealing with health issues
 - Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father, is dealing with cancer.
 - Bill's mom, Pauline Redmon, in rehab at Care Manor, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653. She is not doing very well right now.

WELCOME

Please extend a warm welcome to Mike and Lisa Putnam who have made known their desire to work and worship with us at Water Mill. Their address is 4336 Kentbrook Dr., 65802, Phones: Lisa 256-591-6271/ Mike 256-591-6270. Welcome to Water Mill!



Sunday Morning Bible Classes

Just a reminder if you are looking for a new class: Jon Ewing has started a new study on "The Gift of the Holy Spirit" in Room 129. Bill McFarland's new study in Room 126 is "The Letters of John." **Please join us for Sunday and Wednesday Bible Study.**



We extend our sympathy to Kay McFarland and her family in the loss of her uncle, Eli Pendergrass, this past week. Also, former member Donna Harcrow, passed away this past week.

Long Term/ Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower
Eula Compton
Don Essex
Ola Jean Feeney
Doris Iorg
Doris Tobler

Nursing Homes

Bud Creson
Ella Mae Findlay
Ann Freeze
Chloe Gaddis
Jerry Gillespie
Frances Grann
Sandra Pingenot
Nancy Snider
Lonnie Wilkinson

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



Expectant Mom

Chelsea Thrasher/ July/boy

New address for Kim Maples & Family:

P.O. Box 142
Strafford 65757

News and Activities

**LTC PRESENTATION
TONIGHT AFTER EVENING
SERVICES IN THE
FELLOWSHIP ROOM.**



**THERE WILL
BE A MEN'S
(outside)
WORK DAY
ON SAT.,**

APRIL 7. Donuts and coffee will be provided from 8:30 a.m. till 9 and then work from 9 till 12. If you see something that you think needs attention, let one of the Elders know or contact the office and it will be added to their list. Please consider giving a small amount of your time to get some things done around the building.

Bags for Homeless

We are collecting items to be packed in plastic bags to give to the homeless. See the list of items needed on the Information Desk. Please place your items on the table in the Fellowship Room.

Bags will be packed immediately after the Sunday morning service on April 8. We still need some items and we need Packers!



April Anniversaries

6 John/Lisa Stayton 22 yrs.
7 Gaylen/Dedra Jones 28 yrs.
11 Carl/Yvonne Tindall 64 rs.
13 Mark/Deniece Breckner 24 yrs.
15 Brock/Christina Snitker 12 yrs.
26 Byrle/Virginia Hayter 55 yrs

Happy Anniversary!!

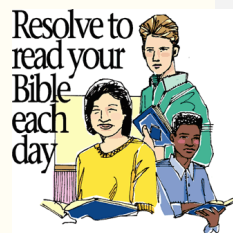
Wedding Showers



There will be a bridal shower for Charli Lines and Peyton Thomas Sunday, April 8th at 3:00 pm in the Fellowship Room. Please bring a cookie cutter for Charli's collection. They are registered at Target, Bed, Bath and Beyond and Amazon.



Wedding Shower for Brooke Baker and Adam Barton will be Sunday, April 15th following evening service in the Fellowship Room. This will be a Shower/Fellowship and everyone is invited! Please bring sandwiches, chips and finger foods. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Brooke and Adam are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond.



Resolve to read your Bible each day

Daily Bible Reading schedules for the 2nd Quarter are available at the Information Desk.

Ladies Day April 7th at Hollister church of Christ

Happy Hollow *Bible camp*

Work Days

Saturday, April 14 @ 9 AM
Saturday, May 5 @ 9 AM
MARK YOUR CALENDARS



"Sisters in All Seasons"

Saturday, April 28th
Mark your calendars and watch for more information coming soon.

- ♦ **Ladies Class** will meet Thursday at 10:30. Lisa Putnam will be the teaching about "Mary & Martha."
- ♦ **March 30-31—LTC Convention**
- ♦ **"Be a Blessing"** meeting next Sunday in room 126.
- ♦ **April 8—LTC Awards Night**
- ♦ **Elders** meet 4/10 at 5 p.m.



Friday April 13 & May 11 from 6 to 9 p.m. Sign-up sheet is at the Information Desk or contact Lora Luna.



Birthdays

27 Mason Blaney
28 Lucile High
Marlene Matthews
29 Oran Green
Tom Davis
30 Mary Bratcher (90)
Glenda Thurlkill
4/2 Sara Keener
Henry Springer
3 Christy Young
4 Brian Carroll
5 Carol Griffin
6 Carl Tindall
Jon Davis
Devin Nimmo

SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: Tom/Jammie Davis
 Van Driver: Jon Davis/864-9872
 Nursery: Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Adam Blaney
 Opening Prayer: Barry Hannah
 Lesson: Bill McFarland
 Closing Prayer: Bryan Hannah
 Communion: Jon Davis/John Dutton
 Nursery: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton

NEXT WEEK, April 1

	AM	PM
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Tom Easterly
Opening Prayer:	John Mahon	Josh Luna
Communion:	David Grimm	Tucker Jobs/Matt Keener
Closing Prayer:	Andy McFarland	Jerry Milligan
Greeters:	Gerri Dickens/Johnnie Elliff	
Van Driver:	Tucker Jobs/894-0826	
Nursery:	AM: Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan	PM: Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin

Wednesday, March 28

Devotional: John Dutton
 Song Leader: Travis Morrison
 Prayer: Paul Lines
 Van Driver: Charlie Crum/840-2632

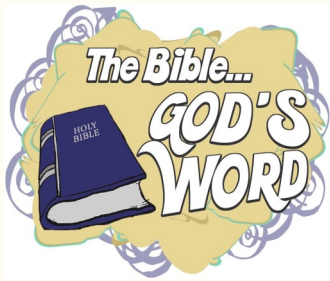
Bible Classes (Adult)

Sunday AM

Adult	The Letters of John	Room 126	Bill McFarland
Adult	Proverbs and 2018	Auditorium	Byron Nichols
Adult	The Gift of the Holy Spirit	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

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."

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 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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