

Weekly Newsletter

April 15, 2018

Order of Worship

Song Leader Kerry Cole

#200 #619 (1,2,4)

Opening Prayer
Aaron Schwartz

#220 #764

The Lord's Supper Randy Blackburn

Our Contribution Randy Blackburn

#682

Message Bill McFarland

#382 (1,3)

Announcements
Jon Ewing

#213 (1,3)

Closing Prayer Ron Stokes

Serve Communion

Brian Carroll Aubrey Cobb Charles Crum Tom Davis Verl Duncan John Dutton Don Gaunt Barry Hannah Byrle Hayter John Hulett

STILL HOPING

We received a letter to the church from someone in another town in the area. It began, "Please pray for us now in the hour of our need. These pleas regard a life and death struggle ..." After listing several specific matters for which prayer was desired, the writer signed the note simply, "Still Hoping."

This serves to remind us that there are people around us who are indeed in the midst of weighty struggles. Some are carrying loads of care which are so severe that they test body, mind and spirit. Our Lord was able to "see" such individuals, and he was "moved with compassion" for those who were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd (Matt. 9:36). His people today must also have eyes that see, hearts that hurt, and hands that help. Compassion for those who are in the hour of need should be a big issue to us.

Realizing what others are going through has a way of helping us regain our own perspective. We can get so wrapped up in ourselves that the smallest of troubles looks huge. But what of those who are dealing with matters of life and death? What of those who must cope with abuse, family breakdown or financial ruin? Perhaps my problems are not so big after all. Maybe we are more blessed than we thought.

One of those blessings is the possession of what everyone is seeking: hope. Through the work of Christ, we have reason to expect that what is precious to us will be fulfilled. We have hope which is good (2 Thes. 1:6), blessed (Tit. 2:13), living (1 Pet. 1:3). That hope is the anchor of our souls, and it is something we must be passing along to people around us who so hunger for it. We have within our hands the gospel of hope. The world needs it.

Pray for all of us who are still hoping. Pray for those who need to be hoping and don't even know it. Pray for world conditions which will allow people to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth.

--Bill McFarland

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

Frayer 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 April 8

 Bible Study:
 213

 Morning:
 334

 Evening:
 188

 Wednesday (4/11):
 180

 Contribution:
 \$ 9,725

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Continue to remember Rachel Lilly, Eula Compton, Ron Bower, Cecil Frost

- <u>Don Essex</u> is now home after suffering a heart attack and having 3 stents put in last Saturday.
- ♦ <u>Shawna Stockdale</u> is recovering at home after back surgery.
- ♦ **Doris Iorg** is dealing with several health issues.
- ♦ Frances Grann at Sonshine Manor, 300 S. Cottonwood, Republic, MO 65738.
- ◆ <u>Laurie Atwood</u> is dealing with serious health issues
- ♦ <u>Jeanetta Hardy</u> is dealing with health issues.

Friends & Family Family Putture Cloric Luc

- Fannie Buttram, Gloria Luallin's mom, is in Cox South after surgery Thursday night for a spinal infection; she will have a long recovery
- <u>Jason Green</u>, Oran & Nadean's son and Gaitha's brother, is in the hospital in Texas after having surgery for infection in his spine. He hopes to be moved to rehab on Monday. Oran & Nadean are still in Texas with him.
- Shirlane Horton's mom, Sandy Long, is in Mercy Hospital, with a small fracture in her back following a fall.
- Elizabeth Lilly's dad, <u>Frank Cunningham</u>, continues to have several health issues.
- Russell Harber, Jan Bowling's dad, had his pacemaker replaced recently and is taking cancer treatments.
- Lucile High's niece, Marj Hooper in ID, has breast cancer
- <u>Neal Rosenburg</u>, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father, is dealing with cancer.
- Bill's mom, <u>Pauline Redmon</u>, is not doing very well right now. She is at Care Manor, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653.
- Adam Eilenstein's grandma, <u>Janiss Bryant</u>, is very ill in the hospital with Leukemia and pneumonia.
- Former member, Jackie Davis' 35 year old nephew passed away. Jackie is requesting prayers for her sister Karen Bolton.

Long Term/

Shut-Ins
Marsha Bower
Eula Compton
Don Essex
Ola Jean Feeney
Doris Iorg
Doris Tobler
Nursing Homes
Ella Mae Findlay
Ann Freeze
Chloe Gaddis

Jerry Gillespie Frances Grann Sandra Pingenot Nancy Snider

Lonnie Wilkinson



Expectant Mom

Chelsea Thrasher/ July/boy



We extend our sympathy

to Carol Griffin and her family in the loss of her dad, <u>Bud</u> <u>Creson</u>, this past week.



Thanks to the Water Mill congregation for all your prayers, cards, phone calls and acts of kindness in the passing of my brother Coy Duncan, In Christian love, Verl Duncan & Family

We want to thank each of you for your prayers, phone calls, cards and visits during Truman's recent fall and recuperation. Your cards and concern are really appreciated. Thank you again. Truman & Helen Coltrane

Thank you everyone for all the beautiful get well cards and the good wishes for my moving to my new home. Hopefully I will soon be settled and adjusted. I love you all and your support for this past year has meant more to me than you will ever know. Thank you. In Christian love, Doris Iorg

Thanks for all the birthday cards and calls I received. Thanks to Kerry and everyone for singing to me. Special thanks to Sheryl, Verl & Karen, Tim & Alice for taking me out to eat. I'm thankful for all of you. With Christian love, Lucile High

Thank you for blessing our Classical Conversations community by allowing us to use your classrooms and facility on Thursdays. You have blessed us tremendously! Charity Fahlstrom (See note from kids on the bulletin board)

We extend our sympathy to Pat Culley and her family in the sudden passing of Bill Friday afternoon.



Fair Haven's "Change for Children"



fund drive! Cans are at the information desk. PICK UP YOUR CAN AND CHANGE THE LIFE OF A CHILD!

News and Activities

If you are graduating this spring from high school or college, please notify the office or see Carrie Lines so you will be included in the Graduates Reception

Graduation Reception and 5th Sunday Potluck

April 29th after AM services.
Team 4 will be responsible for
working that day: A. Bean, J.
Thurlkill, Duncan, Green, Hayes,
Jones, Kenyon, Mahon, Thurlkill &
Tracy Families



Wedding Shower

Wedding Shower for Brooke
Baker and Adam Barton will be
TODAY 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.

- ◆ <u>Ladies Class</u> will meet Thursday at 10:30. Ruth Lund will be teaching about "Ruth."
- ♦ **Blood Drive**—June 6

"Sisters in All Seasons"

Saturday, April 28th 9am—1pm

Please join us as we travel through generations of godly women and be encouraged by their

Ladies Spring Tea

service to the Lord!

May 26, 2018
3 P.M.
Adam Barton &
Brooke Baker
at Water Mill
Church of Christ





Birthdays

15 Brigett Breckner
16 Darren Wake
21 Teresa Griter
Michelle Hulett
Alice Buckner
22 Lisa Stayton
26 Doris Iorg
Gail White
28 Ashley Stockdale
29 Larry Baggett





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



SERVICE TO THE BEREAVED

Thank you to all the workers that serve so diligently in this service to our Lord. We have had some new families join us and they are automatically assigned to a team posted on the bulletin board in the

west hallway.

When it is learned that a family member has passed away, the family is contacted to see how their needs may be met. If they request a meal, this is accomplished by one of four groups serving in rotation. The entire congregation helps to achieve this by contributing food or money when they are called upon.

It is a privilege in this work to be certain the grieving family members' needs are being met. If you have any questions, please contact me at 417-833-2323. Sheryl Low

AREA EVENTS

Golden Agers Rally, Northside Church of Christ in Harrison, AR/Friday, April 27 (Bill will be speaking) Gospel Meeting at Sparta/April 29-May 2 with Neal Pollard

Bags for Homeless

Bags are on the cart by the door.
As you leave today, take some
bags with you and give to a
homeless person you might see on
the street this week.

SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: Jerry & Pat Milligan Van Driver: Alison Bean/615-971-1320 **Nurserv:** Coyeatte Ewing/Christina Snitker

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Tom Easterly Opening Prayer: John Stayton Lesson: Bill McFarland **Closing Prayer:** Tim Stockstill

Communion: Tucker Jobes/Matt Keener **Nursery:** Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon

NEXT WEEK, April 22

PM Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Tom Easterly Song Leader: Opening Prayer: Patrick Springer Cambre Thrasher Communion: Allen McCann Tucker Jobes/Matt Keener

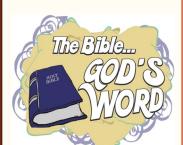
Closing Prayer: Luis Tovar Adam Barton

Greeters: Barney & Debbie Crawford Van Driver: Brock Snitker/405-694-9774 AM: Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum **Nursery:**

PM: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton

Wednesday, April 18 **Devotional:** Jon Ewing Song Leader: Jackie Buck Praver: Jon Davis

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 The Gift of the Holy Spirit Adult Room 129 Jon Ewing Adult Chronological Study of the Bible Room 130 Paul Lines The Church of the Bible Jeremy Thurlkill College Room 119

Wednesday Night

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

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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