

# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

July 29, 2018

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*Song Leader*  
*Jon Ewing*

*Opening Prayer*  
*Aaron Morrison*

*The Lord's Supper*  
*David Kern*

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*David Kern*

*Message*  
*Adam Blaney*

*Announcements*  
*Scott Barton*

*Closing Prayer*  
*Aaron Schwartz*



## *The Urgent Issue for the Church: Godliness*

*Bill McFarland*

Our beloved brother Paul wrote the first letter to Timothy, his true child in the faith, in the midst of pressing circumstances. His theme is how one ought to behave himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God (1 Tim. 3:15). This, of course, is something every child of God wants to know.

What is striking in such a letter is the frequency with which the apostle turns our attention toward *godliness*. In fact, he brings it up eight times in 1 Timothy. His use of the term as he discusses the behavior of the family of God is thought-provoking because he employs it only two other times outside this letter, and it is used only four other times in the New Testament.

What does he mean by this word? "Godliness" has been described as the mixture of fear and love which constitutes true devotion to God. Its essential quality is the respect which wants above all to be well-pleasing to God. It implies goodness and holiness as a way of life, with an emphasis on the source of that lifestyle, which is a deep reverence for God.

Consider the prominence the practical pursuit of godliness is to have in life and thinking of the church.

- The object of our prayers for those in positions of civil authority is that we may lead godly lives (2:2).
- The effect of the entire Christian system is profound godliness—genuine humility, reverence before God, and worship of him in our lives (3:16).
- Our training and disciplining ourselves in the words of the faith and of the good doctrine must be in pursuit of godliness, not controversies (4:6-7).
- There is value in developing godliness because it holds promise both in this life and in the life to come (4:8).
- Sound teaching accords with godliness rather than puffing up with conceit (6:3).
- It is unhealthy to, in any way, treat godliness as if it were merely a means of gain or influence (6:5).
- Perhaps the greatest gain to be had in this life is godliness with contentment, for there is nothing else we can take out of the world (6:6-7).
- Godliness lies at the heart of what a man of God pursues with every fiber of his being; it is central to what he fights for and wants to take hold of (6:11-12).

*The burning issue for the church is **godliness**. May we order our prayers, our priorities, and our practices accordingly.*

# 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

July 22

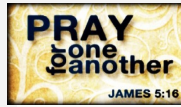
Bible Study:	181
Morning:	315
Evening:	156
Wednesday (7/25):	155
Contribution:	\$ 8,878



We extend our prayers and sympathy to Virginia Buck and her family in the loss of her mom, Ellarose Partin, who passed away last Monday. She was 95 and leaves behind 3 generations of faithful Christian children. There will be a memorial service for her in Idaho soon.

## New Address

The Eilenstein Family  
215 Lakewood Loop  
Marshfield MO 65706



Continue to remember Rachel Lilly, Eula Compton, Cecil Frost, Sheryl Low, Don Essex

- ◆ Ron and Marsha Bower are now home from the hospital.
- ◆ Little Tate Thrasher is now home and doing well.
- ◆ Laurie Atwood had the stent put in her kidney last Monday and is feeling better.
- ◆ Virginia Buck as she continues to recover from shoulder surgery
- ◆ Nancy Snider has not been feeling well lately.

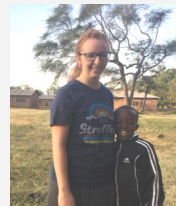
## Friends & Family

- ◆ Jon Ewing's mom, Joan Ewing, is now in long-term care at The Maples, Health & Rehabilitation, Room 119B, 610 W. Sunset, 65807. Visits would be good except for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 11:00-5:00 while she is gone to dialysis. Cards would be good too.
- Nancy Snider requested that we send cards to a 3 year old child who is in St. Jude Hospital: Merick Lutz, c/o St. Jude, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.
- Kenny Barnett, great-nephew of Illene Birdsong.
- Jason Green, Oran & Nadean's son. His address: 10317 Crowne Pointe Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76244.
- Bob & Leona's neighbor's son, Brad Kerr, is receiving treatment for pancreatic cancer and dealing with complications from the treatments
- Shirlane Horton's mom, Sandy Long, as she continues to have health issues; also Shirlane's sister, Mary Mast, and Danielle's mom, Brenda Chayer.
- Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father, is dealing with cancer.
- Bill's mom, Pauline Redmon, is at Care Manor, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653.
- Suzanne Dabbs' friends, Brenda & Kenneth Cope.

Continue to pray for all those who lost loved ones and those who were injured in the tragedy in Branson. Our hearts and prayers are with them.

## BAPTISM

We rejoice with the Winters Family as Emma Winters made the great decision to put on Christ in baptism while attending Green Valley Bible Camp. Please be an encouragement to Emma as she begins her walk as a Christian.



for the rest of the summer. When she has internet and time, McKenzi is writing about her experiences on her blog. In addition to praying for McKenzi, why not check out her blog and stop her a line of encouragement and prayers. She would be delighted, I am certain! Here is the link.

Enjoy!!! <https://chimalamission2018.wordpress.com>

## Long Term/ Shut-Ins

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

## Nursing Homes

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



## Expectant Moms

Kasey Sekulic

Late October/Girl

Christina Snitker

Jan. 2019

A baby is a blessing.  
A gift from Heaven above,  
A precious little angel  
To cherish and to love.

## Mission Group

As you know from our announcements before she left, our own McKenzi Maples is currently in Tanzania working with a mission group with her Nursing program from Oklahoma Christian

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

# News and Activities

**TODAY IS THE 5TH SUNDAY. AS ALWAYS THE ELDERS ASK THAT YOU INCREASE YOUR CONTRIBUTION IF POSSIBLE. IT WILL BE USED TO BRING OUR BUDGET IN LINE AND PAY EXTRA ON OUR MORTGAGE.**

## Wednesday Evening Summer Series

Our speaker Wednesday evening will be Derek Yarber and his topic will be "I am the Living One" (Rev. 1:17-18). Fifth grade and up will remain in the auditorium.

## Ladies Bible Class



All ladies all ages are invited to participate in our summer Ladies Bible Classes. We will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. and the lesson will be "Jump Into the Deep End" taught by Gerri Dickens and Sara Keener.

## August Anniversaries

- 1 Patrick/Brittany Springer 9 yrs.
  - 2 Gregory/Nancy Johnson 10 yrs.
  - 7 Dave/Pat Blackburn 58 yrs.
  - 8 Jerry/Lanae Gillespie 48 yrs.
  - 11 Don/Gayle Gaunt 56 yrs.
  - 13 Matt/Sara Keener 19 yrs.
  - 15 Charles/Susan Crum 38 yrs.
  - 15 Todd/Brandi Kraus 20 yrs.
  - 16 Tim/Jan Bowling 38 yrs.
  - 18 Gene/Ruth Lund 55 yrs.
  - 19 Scott/Melinda Barton 30 yrs.
  - 21 Vern/Connie Thompson 14 yrs.
  - 28 Lynn/Gloria Luallin 47 yrs.
  - 31 Don/Ruth Essex 62 yrs.
- Happy Anniversary!!**



## Upcoming Events



**BIBLE CLASS PROMOTION DAY NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 5**

- ◆ Sewing/Quilting Tuesday at 9:30.
- ◆ Woodland Manor Nursing Home Devo Saturday at 10 a.m.
- ◆ Christ Quest at Mountain Home: August 3-5
- ◆ August 5: PM service/Joey Treat Report
- ◆ August 19th: Bridal shower/potluck for Alison Bean and Jeremy Thurlkill immediately after AM service. They are registered at Myregistry.com. If something is listed on the website but you buy it locally, you can go back to the website and post that it has been purchased.
- ◆ FAIR HAVEN AUCTION—September 15
- ◆ OPEN HOUSE at Fair Haven Oct. 6. Watch for more details.
- ◆ October 13: Jeremy & Alison's wedding in Calvert City, KY



**A special thank you to all from this congregation who have dedicated endless hours preparing for and conducting/attending Bible Camps this summer. Your faithfulness will be rewarded.**

Barry, Bryan and I have enjoyed the delicious food since my recent surgery. It has been extremely helpful. My recovery is going well and your prayers, calls, visits and cards have been such a blessing. Thank you so much for your kindness and support! **Cindy Hannah**

To all my church family THANK YOU for your prayers. Looking forward to this new assignment in Charlotte, NC. I will miss my special time with the church and the all the ladies at Lady's Class. I should be returning this November for the Holidays. Until then, may our Heavenly Father continue to keep you in his will and bless you all. In Christ Love, **Vickie Baker**

Thank you very much for letting us use the church for our wedding shower. We truly appreciate being able to have such an amazing facility with such helpful people for an event that was so important to us. It was such a blessing to have everything we needed all in one place. I truly don't know what we would've done on such short notice. Thank you again. **Cassidy Low (Sheryl's granddaughter)**

## 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

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

Adam Blaney	304-520-9800
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### Deacons

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

### Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian

## Happy Birthday

### Birthdays

- 29 Virginia Buck
- 30 Ruth Reaves
- Jason Luna
- 31 Nadean Green
- Josie Eilenstein
- 8/2 Kevin Wuench
- 3 Gene Lund
- Lori McCall
- Chelsea Thrasher
- 4 Greta Thrasher
- 5 Braden Keener
- 6 Maranda Nimmo
- 7 Chloe Gaddis
- Davis Ratterree
- Madison Davis
- Gabe Mahon
- 8 Jerry Gillespie
- John Orum
- Kaven Mahon
- 9 James McCall
- Wanita Duncan

# SERVICE ROSTERS

## THIS MORNING

Greeters: *Scott & Melinda Barton*  
 Van Driver: *Todd Kraus/417-207-7877*  
 Nursery: *Lora Luna/Kirsten McFarland*  
Serve Communion

<i>Jonathan Pendergraft</i>	<i>Adam Barton</i>
<i>David Grimm</i>	<i>Brian Carroll</i>
<i>Mike Ussery</i>	<i>Aubrey Cobb</i>
<i>Allen McCann</i>	<i>Charles Crum</i>
<i>Gaylen Jones</i>	<i>Tom Easterly</i>

## THIS EVENING

Song Leader: *Patrick Springer*  
 Opening Prayer: *Tim Stockstill*  
 Lesson: *Adam Blaney*  
 Closing Prayer: *Briley Ewing*  
 Communion: *G. Kenyon/M. Putnam*  
 Nursery: *Lora Luna/Kirsten McFarland*

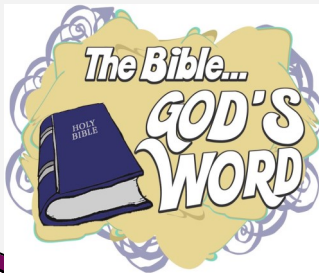
## NEXT WEEK, August 5

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
Song Leader:	<i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i>	<i>Jon Davis</i>
Opening Prayer:	<i>Patrick Springer</i>	<i>Allen McCann</i>
Communion:	<i>Todd Kraus</i>	<i>Josh Luna/T. Morrison</i>
Closing Prayer:	<i>Jonathan Pendergraft</i>	<i>Mike Ussery</i>
Greeters:	<i>Jerry &amp; Pat Milligan</i>	
Van Driver:	<i>Team Hulett/889-5344</i>	
Nursery:	<i>AM: Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan</i>	
	<i>PM: Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin</i>	

## Wednesday, August 1

### SUMMER SERIES

Prayer: *Jackie Buck*  
 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

### SUMMER SERIES IN THE AUDITORIUM

*If you are unable to attend services, don't forget that all of our services are "Live Streamed." Go to [www.watermillchurchofchrist.org](http://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 Study ....9:00 AM  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM  
 Sunday Evening Worship.... .....5:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....6:30 PM



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