



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

August 26, 2018

Order of Worship

Greeting

Song Leader
Adam Blaney

Opening Prayer
John Hulett

The Lord's Supper
Gene Lund

Fellowship
Gene Lund

Message
Bill McFarland

Announcements
Barney Crawford

Closing Prayer
Randy Blackburn



“After He Had Served the Purpose of God in His Own Generation”

It's a thought-provoking line, isn't it? It comes from the first of Paul's speeches in Acts. It was in the synagogue at Antioch of Pisidia, and he was demonstrating by the scriptures that God has fulfilled what he promised to the fathers by the resurrection of Jesus. Having noted their hope in "the holy and sure blessings of David," the apostle observed, "For David, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep and was laid with his fathers and saw corruption, but he whom God raised up did not see corruption" (Acts 13:36, 37).

Consider the implications of this awe-inspiring thought. Each of us lives in our own generation. It will pass. As all generations have, my own generation will fall asleep and be laid with its fathers. Yours will, too, whether you ever take the time to contemplate what this fact must tell us about the meaning of our lives, or not.

God will still be God. He is the God of a thousand generations. His character is the measure of each of them. He continues to work his purposes in all of them. His power and wisdom are far superior to any of them. Without this fact, wouldn't any generation simply be destined for corruption?

But something wonderful is possible. A person can "serve the purpose of God in his own generation" and "fall asleep." He can be quite a blessing to his own generation by doing the will of God within it (see the KJV of verse 36). By serving the counsel of God in his own generation, he may not only impact succeeding generations for good, but also be at peace with the passing of his own (note the ASV rendering of our verse).

What changes everything is that God raised up his Son. He did not see corruption. He is the interruption of what has been the inevitable end of every generation. He is "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor. 15:20). Through him, we will awake to life.

It is more meaningful than ever that we serve the purpose of God in our own generation. We must do his will, follow his counsel. Where we are. While we live. In whatever ways we can. Until we fall asleep.

—Bill McFarland

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.,

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

August 19

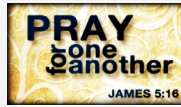
Bible Study:	210
Morning:	311
Evening:	120
Wednesday (8/22):	182
Contribution:	\$ 8,419



We extend our sympathy to the Snitker Family in the sudden loss of Brock's grandpa, Gale Marcial Snitker.

AREA EVENTS

- 9/8 Ladies Day at Bona Church of Christ
- 9/15 Ladies Day at Fordland
- 9/15 Marriage Seminar hosted by Mt. Vernon Church of Christ



Continue to remember Rachel Lilly, Eula Compton, Cecil Frost, Ron and Marsha Bower, Virginia Buck, Laurie Atwood

- ◆ Colton Orum continues to recover from his appendectomy and complications that followed.
- ◆ Mike Thurlkill is recovering from injuries he received while trying to save their beloved dog Max from an attack from a large dog. He may have a ruptured bicep in his right arm. Will have MRI and orthopedic surgeon visit this week.
- ◆ Jackie & Virginia Buck are on their way home after a difficult few weeks.
- ◆ Julie Alexander will have a heart catheterization on the 28th.
- ◆ Devin Carroll was scheduled for ACL surgery last Friday but as they were preparing for surgery, they found a tear in his lateral meniscus so they are being referred to a specialist in Kansas City or St. Louis.
- ◆ Shirlane Horton has a follow-up doctor's appointment for her arm/shoulder tomorrow.
- ◆ Virginia Morgan has been moved to Ravenwood Assisted Living, 1950 E Republic Rd, Springfield, 65804.
- ◆ Chloe Gaddis has been moved to the Lodge, room 211. No phone at this time.

Friends & Family

- ◆ Lowell Kennemer (Cheryl Thompson's father, Nathan Thompson's grandpa) (good friends of the Lunas) has Stage 4 cancer. It's in his liver, lungs & several lymph nodes in the chest.
- ◆ Lisa Burns, Gaitha Downing's sister-in-law (George's sister), is recovering from a heart procedure last Friday.
- ◆ Shawna Stockdale's dad had triple bypass surgery in Alabama last week.
- ◆ Wally Buttram, Gloria Luallin's brother, had knee replacement surgery and then got a staph infection.
- ◆ Dang Nguyen, was involved in a very serious auto accident recently. His address is 11508 Finnegans Way, Oregon City, OR 97045.
- ◆ Nancy Snider requested 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.
- ◆ Jason Green, Oran & Nadean's son, is much improved. His address: 10317 Crowne Pointe Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76244.
- ◆ Bob & Leona's neighbor's son, Brad Kerr, is doing well after pancreatic surgery last week.
- ◆ Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father, is dealing with cancer.



We are happy to let you know that **PAMELA MURPHY** has expressed her desire to work and worship with us here at Water Mill. A lot of you already have gotten to know Pam but if you have not, please make an effort to meet her and make her feel welcome. Address: 1549 W. FR 56, Springfield, 65803 phone: 325-716-9000.

Long Term/ Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower
Ron 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
Virginia Morgan
Sandra Pingnet
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.



**Fair Haven's
"Change for
Children"
fund drive!**
**CONTINUE TO
FILL YOUR
CANS WITH
CHANGE OR A
CHECK AND
TURN IT INTO
THE OFFICE OR
TO DAVID
GRIMM.**

News and Activities

Tonight Bill will bring us a lesson "So That We Will be Able to Comfort One Another" in an effort to help us better know how to help each other through grief. Please make a special effort to be present as we all deal with grief and struggle with how to help others.

Ladies Bible Class

LADIES CLASS WILL MEET THURSDAY AT 10:30 AM. The topic of study will be "Welcome Ties That Bind" led by Kelley Kenyon. This is the last lesson from the book Bind Us Together.

We are in need of a 5th grade Bible class teacher on Wednesday evenings. Please see Tom Davis if you are interested in this work.



Had a Great first PNO last week (about 20 kiddos)! Next two PNOs will be *Sept 7th* and *Oct 5th*. Sign up sheets will be on the info desk.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 5!

Birthdays

26 Billie Luna
 Sandra Pingnot
 27 Carolyn Smith
 31 Cambre Thrasher
 Brandon Lansdown
 9/1 Charlotte Springer
 5 Thomas Eilenstein
 7 Betty Stockstill
 Tiffany Meeks
 Makesha Davis
 8 Dewayne Jackson
 Karen Grimm

Happy Birthday

Upcoming Events

Sale for Lonnie Wilkinson
 2644 N. Marion Ave.
 Thursday & Friday
 August 30 & 31
 9:00AM to 6:00PM

CAMP TO-KNOW-HIM 2018/
 Sept. 28- 30
 Hidden Valley Outfitters
 27101 Marigold Drive, Lebanon,
 MO 65536
Sign up sheets are on the Information Desk. Please sign up by Wednesday, 8/29, if you plan to attend.
 Email: info@hvoutfitters.com
 Phone: 417-533-5628



To Donate Items:
 Contact Brad Fox or
 Barney Crawford at
 (417) 862-6675

You Are Invited To Our
15th Annual
LIVE & SILENT AUCTION
 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018
 8:00 A.M. (preview) | 10:00 A.M. AUCTION

LOCATION:
 Fair Haven Gymnasium
 3132 N. FairHaven Loop (Farm Rd. 209)
 Strafford, Mo. 65757

AUCTIONEER:
 BAILEY & ASSOCIATES AUCTION CO.

All proceeds will provide for the increased needs and needs of the children residing at Fair Haven Children's Home.

CONCERNS:
 HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, FRYO PEE, CHILI, POTATO CHIPS, DESSERTS, AND MORE...

ITEMS TO BE AUCTIONED:
 antiques, cars, trucks, vans, lawn and farm equipment, furniture, appliances, gift cards, gift certificates, quilts, small appliances, and etc.
 There will also be a silent auction for special items.

- ◆ Devo at Woodland Manor Saturday at 10 a.m.
- ◆ Be a Blessing Meeting 9/2 at 4:30 in room 126
- ◆ OPEN HOUSE at Fair Haven October 6. See Brochure on the bulletin board in the west hallway

You're invited!



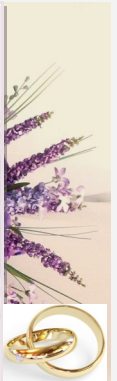
Please join us as we celebrate the 65th wedding anniversary of **WALTER & CORINE MYERS** Sunday, September 9 from 2-4 pm at the Strafford Senior Center, 201 W. Bumgarner, Strafford. Please, no gifts



ALYSSA TILLMAN and **AARON STARNES** request the honor of your presence at their wedding. September 15th at 2 p.m. Water Mill Church of Christ They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, Walmart, and Amazon.com.

Leslie and Betty Bean and Mike & Glenda Thurlkill invite you to celebrate with their children

Alison and Jeremy on their wedding day October 13th at 2 p.m. CST Calvert City Church of Christ, 4625 US-62, Calvert City, KY Reception to follow



September Anniversaries

28 Lynn/Gloria Luallin 47 yrs.
 31 Don/Ruth Essex 62 yrs.
 9/3 Jim/Johnnie Elliff 53 yrs.
 4 Brendan/Jenny Carroll 19 yrs.
 10 Robert/Kasey Sekulic 13 yrs.
 12 Ron/Kenna Taylor 9 yrs.
 22 Adam/Amanda Eilenstein 6 yrs.
 29 Paul/Carrie Lines 28 yrs.
Happy Anniversary!!



SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: *Jon & Coyeatte Ewing*
 Van Driver: *Kevin Wuench/833-6134*
 Nursery: *Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum*
Serve Communion

<i>Don Gaunt</i>	<i>David Kern</i>
<i>Barry Hannah</i>	<i>Trevor Kraus</i>
<i>Byrle Hayter</i>	<i>Gabe Mahon</i>
<i>Tucker Jobs</i>	<i>Tim Marsolf</i>
<i>Matt Keener</i>	<i>Aaron Morrison</i>

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: *Jon Davis*
 Opening Prayer: *Andy McFarland*
 Lesson: *Bill McFarland*
 Closing Prayer: *Mike Ussery*
 Communion: *Josh Luna/T. Morrison*
 Nursery: *Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton*

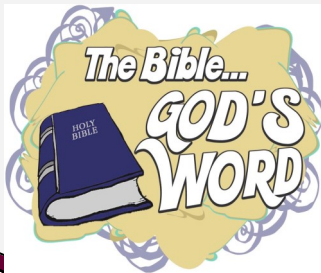
NEXT WEEK, September 2

AM PM

Song Leader: *Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing*
 Opening Prayer:
 Communion:
 Closing Prayer:
 Greeters:
 Van Driver: *Aaron Schwartz/816-309-9286*
 Nursery: *AM: Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan*
 PM: Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin

Wednesday, August 29

Devotional: *Eddie Sanders*
 Song Leader: *Adam Blaney*
 Prayer: *Byron Nichols*
 Van Driver: *Jason Luna/838-7152*



Bible Classes (Adult)

Sunday AM

Adult	2nd & 3rd John	Room 126	Bill McFarland
Adult	Things Surely Believed Among Us	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 Thurlkill

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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