

WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

January 20, 2019

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Adam Blaney

“Highest Place”

Welcome

“Lord, Reign in Me”
*“Every Time I Kneel
to Pray”*

Opening Prayer
John Hulett

#70
#122 (1,4)

The Lord’s Supper
Brendan Carroll

Our Contribution
Brendan Carroll

#844
*“Had it Not Been
the Lord”*

Message
Bill McFarland

#303 (1,3)

Announcements
Barney Crawford

#225

Closing Prayer
Andy McFarland

Serve Communion

Patrick Springer
Cambre Thrasher
Allen McCann
Devin Carroll
Aubrey Cobb
Charles Crum
Jon Davis
John Dutton
Don Gaunt
Barry Hannah

The Kicker

Did you guys see any of the stuff about the ending of the Bears/Eagles game a couple of weeks ago? The Bears, down by one point, seemed in place to take the contest with a last-second field goal. The kicker booted it, but the ball hit the left goal post, then the cross bar, and then fell to the ground—the “double-doink,” it is being called. His team seemed to stand in shock as their season came to a sudden end.

And it was all soon laid at the feet of that guy, the kicker—at least by many Bears fans. People immediately took to social media to express disgust with the guy, to threaten his physical well-being, and to generally brand him as the worst who ever lived. As for himself, the fellow said he felt terrible about the whole thing.

But there are some details to be taken into account. *First*, that he was trying to do something difficult: kick a held football between posts that are eighteen and a half feet apart, over a bar that is ten feet off the ground, from forty-three yards away, with a bunch of big guys rushing at him, and on a cold day. *Second*, that there were previous and numerous successes: he had already made three field goals in the game; that’s why the team even had the chance to win. *Third*, that the efforts of a strong opponent were involved: the kicker made his first attempt, but the opposing coach had gotten a timeout; besides, it turns out that one of their linemen got a finger on the ball this time. *Fourth*, none of the critics could do it either: some outfit in the city offered free tickets to any future game of their choice to any of them who could make the same kick; one hundred and three tried and the results were, of course, mostly ridiculous failures.

When I think about it, I wonder if there aren’t some lessons in this for us. It would be well for us to bear them in mind when we’re evaluating the work of parents, or the efforts of anyone who serves in any role in the church’s life, or the jobs people around us do with everyday responsibilities.

The kicker is that, even in a game, a team wins or loses. In life, it’s not that some succeed or fail, while others can merely look on and evaluate, often harshly. We are a people. It isn’t a game, and in so many ways we stand or fall together.

–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 January 13

Bible Study:	195
Morning:	301
Evening:	168
Wednesday (1/16):	171
Contribution:	\$ 9,618

Thank you!

Thank you for all the beautiful birthday cards, the cookies, and phone calls for my birthday. They made my day special. Love, **Bonnie Cole**

The past two months have been the most hectic we've ever had. We are either 100% or at least 50% invalids. Our love and special thanks for you are beyond measure, with our utmost gratitude for food, calls, cards, visits. We remain with our most humble love for Water Mill.
Jim & Ruth Reaves



Continue to remember **Rachel Lilly, Ron & Marsha Bower, Ola Jean Fenney, Jeanetta Hardy, Jim & Ruth Reaves**

- ◆ **Carolyn Young** as she is dealing with some health issues and going through tests.
- ◆ **Rosalie Cruse** is doing well after back surgery; they do not need any help at this time but keep them in your prayers.
- ◆ **Elizabeth Lilly** is ahead of schedule on her recovery from complete left shoulder replacement.
- ◆ **Clarence Feeney** is doing well after his pacemaker repair.
- ◆ **Nancy Snider** has not been feeling well lately.

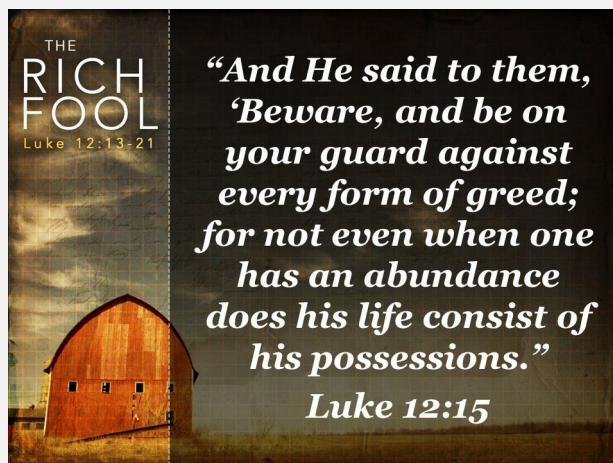
Friends & Family

- **Christine Davis**, former member and Sheryl Low's sister-in-law, continues her recovery at home. Please do not visit, call or text the family at this time. Prayers are welcome.
- **Bill's mom, Pauline Redmon**, is doing a little better.
- **Susan Green**, Oran & Nadean's daughter-in-law, is now in Sunshine Manor in Republic.
- Continue to remember **Lowell Kennemer** (friend of the Lunas); **Neal Rosenburg**, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father; **Danielle Horton's mom** as she deals with serious issues; **Frank Cunningham**, Elizabeth Lilly's dad, as he deals with health issues.



Daily Bible Reading schedules for the 1st Quarter are available at the Information Desk. Pick up a copy and get started now!

Contribution envelopes for 2019 are here. If you haven't been using envelopes but would like to do so, pick up a box from Johnnie's office and put your name and the envelope # on the pad provided.



"And He said to them, 'Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions.'"
Luke 12:15

Long Term/ Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower
Ron Bower
Don Essex
Clarence Feeney
Ola Jean Feeney
Doris Iorg
Doris Tobler
Nursing Homes
Ella Mae Findlay
Ann Freeze
Chloe Gaddis
Jerry Gillespie
Frances Grann
Wayne Harmon
Virginia Morgan
Sandra Pingnet
Nancy Snider
Lonnie Wilkinson

B A B Y

Expectant Moms
Christina Snitker
SOON / BOY
Kim Stokes

If you can provide a meal for the Snitker Family after the baby arrives, please sign up at the Information Desk.

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

News and Activities

Sisters IN Service CHRIST

February 2

9 am - 3 pm

LET'S GROW TOGETHER



A Spiritual
Growth Seminar
Study of Titus

Mexican Potluck Lunch.

Bring your favorite Mexican
dish, or a salad, or dessert!!

Sign up at the Information Desk!



**LADIES CLASS WILL MEET
THURSDAY AT 10:30 AM.**

This week's lesson from the new
book of study "God's Mystery" by
Stafford North, is "The Family"
taught by Linda Currier. Now
would be a great time for you to
get involved as the class begins a
new series of lessons.

- **Quilters/Sewers** meet each
Thursday at 9 a.m. before Ladies
Class.

POTLOCK

**February 3rd after AM Service
honoring the
Blaney Family
as they will be
moving that
week!**



**We will have a
time to visit and
then the PM Service will be at 1
p.m. Team 3 will work that day:
Buckner, Cole, Donoho, Ewing, Jobes,
Kern, Raines, Stayton, Ussery, Gower
Families**

LTC DRAMA/PUPPETS

All Day—Bring Lunch

January 20

February 10, 24

March 10, 24

April 7 AM & PM



**Friday, Feb. 1, March 1 and
April 12 from 6 to 9 p.m.**

**Sign-up sheet is at the
Information Desk or contact
Lora Luna.**



**The 2019 Water
Mill Book Club**

**Book Recommendations
brochure is now available
on the information desk.**

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

Wednesday Night Meal

Serving 5—6 p.m.

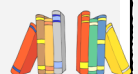
Happy Birthday

Birthdays

- 20 Betty Grabber
- 21 Pat Blackburn
- Gena Ussery
- 23 Jerry Milligan
- 25 Sherry Sherman
- Lora Luna
- 29 Illene Birdsong
- Tim Marsolf
- 31 Pat Culley
- 2/2 Don Gaunt
- Chace Eaves
- Shaneice Alton



Everyone is welcome to check out books from our library in room 134. Recent additions include some reference books and audio tapes (Greek vocabulary) from Lonnie Wilkinson's library. Other additions include Hope Against Hope by Jonetta Shank; C.S. Lewis's Case for Christ by Art Lindsley; Slices of Life by Judy Baer; and Daring to Hope by Katie Davis Majors. Just fill in the information on the Book Check Out sheet on the clip board provided and return the book when you are finished.



SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: Linda Barnett/Johnnie Elliff
Van Driver: No Van Service Today
Nursery: Coyeatte Ewing/Christina Snitker

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Paul Lines
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: John Stayton
Communion: John Mahon/Gene Kenyon
Nursery: Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon

Wednesday, January 23

Scripture Reading: David Grimm
Song Leader: Tom Easterly
Prayer: Gene Kenyon
Van Driver: Jason Luna/838-7152

NEXT WEEK, January 27

	AM	PM
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer:	Matt Keener	Jason Luna
Communion:	Tim Bowling	J Mahon/G Kenyon
Closing Prayer:	Jerry Milligan	Ron Stokes
Greeters:	Eddie & Linda Currier	
Van Driver:	Jonathan Pendergraft/268-7633	
Nursery:	AM: Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum	PM: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton

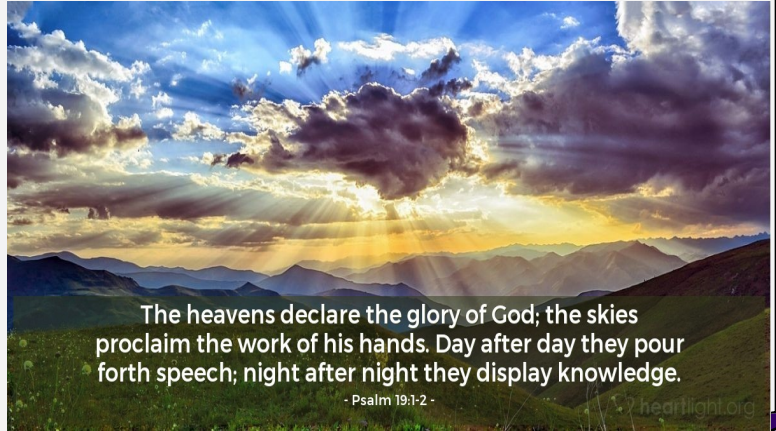
Adult Bible Classes

Sunday AM

"The Gospel of Mark: Here in the Power of Christ I Stand"	Room 126	Bill McFarland
"More About Jesus Would I Know"	Auditorium	Byron Nichols Jon Ewing
"Practical Lessons for Christians Today, A Study of the Book of Colossians"	Room 129	Paul Lines
"A Chronological Study of the Bible"	Room 130	

Wednesday Evening

"A View of Redemption: Historically, Conceptually, and Actually"	Auditorium	Bill McFarland
"Sticky Faith"	Room 126	Scott Barton
"Follow in His Steps"	Room 129	Women's Class



The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies
 proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour
 forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.

- Psalm 19:1-2 -

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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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