

WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

August 11, 2019

Order of Worship

Greeting

Announcements Bob Snider

Song Leader Briley Ewing

> #738 #929 (1)

Opening Prayer Barry Hannah

> #215 (1,2,4) #436

The Lord's Supper Randy Blackburn

Our Contribution Randy Blackburn

#800 (1,2) "Father God" (1)

Message Bill McFarland

#380 (1,2,6)

#611 (1,3)

Closing Prayer Bryan Hannah

Serve Communion

Elijah Morrison
David Grimm
Cambre Thrasher
Allen McCann
David White
Jackie Buck
Brendan Carroll
Aubrey Cobb
Charles Crum
John Dutton

When a Christian Goes to School

All across our area, young men and young women have just stepped upon the stage for the next act in the drama of their formal education, or they soon will. It's an important time for everyone involved. School days bring their own special pressures, ranging from academic challenges, to the need to succeed socially, to demands upon schedules and finances. Only the passing of some years will reveal what a crucial role the choices made during these days play in the course of a life.

Anyone who considers the matter from a Christian perspective already realizes something of the profound significance of the educational process. One reason is that what you put into your mind may well set the tone for your whole life. Your mind is the part of you which reasons, thinks, and chooses—the part of you where the battle of life is really fought and where what you become is decided. Another reason is that your relationships with other people are likely to have a powerful influence on your life. We are social creatures, so it is natural to want to be liked and to seek friends and to try to fit in. It is when you are in the process of establishing your own self as a person that the opinions and standards of the people around you may impact you most. And a third reason is that when you are gaining education you are preparing for what you will do with the rest of your life. Who knows what doors of opportunity may be being unlocked or barred by what you do with these years of your life?

Make sure, then, that when you go to school, you take the following three principles with you. First, God is still God wherever you are, and he is to be loved and respected. He is no less present when you away from home, or in an academic setting. Steadfast love, justice, and righteousness are still more important than grades, athletic ability, or possessions. Keep your heart, soul, mind, and strength devoted to him, and keep your values, speech, and behavior fit for his presence.

Second, God's word is still the truth, and it is to be the authority and guide for our lives. It will always be right to do what the Lord says, and this will be the case no matter what kind of school you're in. Keep in mind that you never need to be afraid of anything that is true, but that truth is determined by the nature of God.

Third, God is still your Father, and you are to proceed like a child of his should. Be an imitator of God, as one of his beloved children, and walk in a manner worthy of your calling. It may be the case that not everyone else will be doing that, but don't be disillusioned; be your own best self. Keep trying to pursue excellence, honor, and dignity. Be considerate, decent, and kind.

After all, the whole point of education is to develop a person's life, and "the fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge."

- Bill McFarland



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.

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 Wav" 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10

> "KNOW YOUR BIBLE" 10:30 AM Sundays/ Springfield 33/KSPR

For The Record August 4

Bible Study: 178 Morning: 265 163 Evening: Wednesday (8/7): 196 Contribution: \$ 9.625

FAMILY MATTERS

FAMILY CONCERNS

- ◆ Ruth Essex had a biopsy on Friday and will have results from pathology in about a week. Pray for good results.
- ◆ Jerry Milligan is recovering from pneumonia.
- ♦ Continue to remember these who are dealing with cancer and treatments: Connie Thompson; Yvonne Tindall; Sandra **Pingenot: Dennis Smith**
- ♦ Continue to remember Oran Green, Clarence & Ola Jean
- ♦ It was good to see Barbara Barnes at church Sunday night. Friends & Family
- Trish Andrews' mother suffered a stroke recently and has been having difficulty with one of her eyes as a result of the stroke.
- Gene Kenyon's dad, **Bob Kenyon**, as he has serious health issues.
- Christine Davis is recovering from a complicated surgery and other procedures since surgery; pray she will heal properly and have a better quality of life.
- Russell & Elizabeth's daughter, Amanda Green, who is pregnant.
- Debbi Ratterree's friends, Scott & Kathleen, who are now both dealing with cancer. Their address is 8070 Shaw Rd., Rogers, TX 76569.
- Kathy Stephens is recovering from surgery. She is a sister in Christ and is Lucile High's daughter Kathy's best friend.
- Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father, and mother Vickie, are both dealing with cancer.
- Continue to remember Chris Andrews' dad, James; Susan Green; Wilma Nutter, Rosemary Sanders' aunt; Pat Culley's nephew, Bill Culley; Randy Wilson, Daniel's brother; Charles Renfro, Karen Duncan's brother



Many thanks to our Water Mill family for all the cards, phone calls

and especially for your prayers concerning the loss of our son Bruce. Carl & Yvonne

August Anniversaries 11 Don/Gayle Gaunt 57 yrs. 13 Matt/Sara Keener 20 yrs. 15 Charles/Susan Crum 39 yrs. 15 Todd/Brandi Kraus 21 yrs. 16 Tim/Jan Bowling 39 yrs. 18 Gene/Ruth Lund 56 yrs. 19 Scott/Melinda Barton 31 yrs. 21 Vern/Connie Thompson 15 yrs. 28 Lynn/Gloria Luallin 48 yrs. 30 Randy/Susie Cox 6 yrs. 31 Don/Ruth Essex 63 yrs.



Birthdays

12 Sandy Cole Jenna Nichols **Brooke Barton** 13 Pat Milligan Debbie Crawford **Melissa Girdley** Hunter Ratliff 15 Becky Marsolf Julie Alexander 18 Briley Ewing 21 Don Tracy Terri Wilson 22 Donna Jordan **Eric Duncan** 24 Michael Loomis



Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower

Ron Bower Mary Bratcher

Don Essex

Clarence Feeney

Ola Jean Feeney

Cecil Frost

Wanda Frost

Doris lorg Jim Reaves

Ruth Reaves

Doris Tobler

Nursing Homes

Ella Mae Findlay

Ann Freeze

Chloe Gaddis

Jerry Gillespie

Frances Grann Wayne Harmon

Virginia Morgan

Sandra Pingenot

Nancy Snider

Upcoming Area Events

September 7: Ladies Day at Fordland Speaker: Chantelle Swayne

9/29-10/2: Harding Annual Lectureship

10/26: Hillcrest Church/Pure on Purpose Flyers on the Bulletin Board





LADIES FALL RETREAT

September 13-14

Keeter Center, School of the Ozarks

TODAY is the last day to sign up!!

Flyers are on the Information Desk!!

Our 2019 Summer Series

The study is "What The Lord Would Say to His People in Our World" based on the Minor Prophets. Thanks to Beau Bennett for his lesson last week. This week's speaker will be Danny Boggs from Neosho and he will be talking about Haggai. We hope you will be present. It will be an encouragement to you, your fellow Christians, as well as our speaker.



BE SURE TO PICK UP YOUR COPY OF OUR NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY!! The mobile directory is also now available. If you need help setting that up on your phone, let us know.



OF YOUR LIFE depends upon the quality





Weaver Elementary Staff <u>Luncheon</u>

We will be providing a meal for the Weaver Elementary Staff on Monday, **August 12.** If you

did not bring your food today, you may take it to Weaver Elementary by 11 a.m. on Monday. If you have questions, see Jo Baggett or Cindy Hannah. Thanks to all who are helping with this luncheon.

THURSDAY LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The ladies Bible class will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. They will study the 1st of 2 lessons on "From Joshua to the Kingdom." Gloria Luallin will be the teacher. Quilters will meet at 9 a.m.

ALSO LADIES: If you are not into quilting at 9 a.m. on Thursdays, you are invited for creative fellowship making greeting cards. No artistic ability required—something for all levels of creativity. All supplies provided with tips from pros. We will meet weekly from 9:30 till 10:20 on Thursdays in the supply workroom beginning August 15. Lots of fun and laughs provided.

- Sept. 21: Fair Haven Auction
- Sept. 28: Fall Fest at the Lunas. Watch for more details.
- October 6 after PM service: Ties That Bind:
 Teenagers Turn; finger food & entertainment
 TIES by the teenagers.

 BIND



Camp To-Know-Him October 11-13

Hidden Valley Outfitters
Lebanon, Missouri
Campsite reservations can be made
by calling (417) 533-5628 or online
at http://www.hvoutfitters.com.
Contact Melinda or Scott for more

information.



Most schools in the area will start their 2019-20 school year

this week. We wish for all students and teachers a great and productive school year.

THIS MORNING

Greeters: Luis & Carol Tovar

Van Driver: Aaron Schwartz/816-309-9286 Nursery: Wanita Duncan/Donna Jordan

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Jon Davis
Opening Prayer: Joshua Luna
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Devin Carroll

Communion: David Kern/Jason Luna

Nursery: Alice Buckner

Wednesday, August 14

Summer Series: *Danny Boggs/Neosho/Haggai* Van Driver: Charlie Crum/838-7152

NEXT WEEK, August 18

AM PM

Song Leader: Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Jon Davis
Opening Prayer: John Hulett Gene Lund
Communion: Randy Blackburn D. Kern/J. Luna
Closing Prayer: Matt Keener Aaron Schwartz

Greeters: Chris & Trish Andrews
Van Driver: Todd Kraus/417-207-7877
Nursery: AM: Coyeate Ewing
PM: Teresa Mahon

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday AM

"Wonder-Life" Teen Room

"The Gospel of Mark: Room 126/Bill McFarland

Here in the Power of Christ I Stand"

"More About Jesus Would I Know" Auditorium/Byron Nichols
"The greatest of these is love. Room 129/Jon Ewing

Pursue love." (1 Corinthians 13:13b-14:1a)

"A Chronological Study of the Bible" Room 130/Paul Lines

"What Every Young Person Room 119/Travis Morrison

Should Know About Their Faith" (Ages 18-29)







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Tom Davis Aaron Morrison
Jim Elliff John Stayton
Matt Keener Mike Thurlkill

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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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