



# WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

January 5, 2020

## **Order of Worship**

### **Greeting**

**Announcements**  
**Bob Snider**

**Song Leader**  
**Briley Ewing**

#419 (1,2)  
#291 (1,2)

**Opening Prayer**  
**Brian Carroll**

#853  
#621

**The Lord's Supper**  
**Aaron Morrison**

**Our Contribution**  
**Aaron Morrison**

#237

**Message**  
**Bill McFarland**

#138 (1,4)

#786 (1)

**Closing Prayer**  
**Tom Davis**

## **Serve Communion**

**Devin Carroll**  
**John Dutton**  
**Jon Davis**  
**Mike Ussery**  
**Tom Easterly**  
**Don Gaunt**  
**Barry Hannah**  
**Byrle Hayter**  
**Tucker Jobes**  
**Gaylen Jones**

## **Imagine...**

### **That Our Prayers Were Answered**

The Sunday evening before Christmas, I asked fifteen of our brothers stand before us and complete this sentence: *"If our family could ask God to give our congregation one gift in the new year, it would be..."* I thought their comments were thoughtful and moving. Imagine what life among us will become if the prayers of our families move us through 2020 and are found to have been answered when the year draws to its close.

Longer arms to embrace and to encourage and to keep one another in the love of God.

What we already have—family—but with an enhanced sense of it and a recognition of each other as family.

Focus and awareness to recognize God's characteristics and to seek them in others.

To be people of God, fight the good fight of faith, remember or good confession, be rich in good works, and take hold of that which is truly life.

That we be one under God.

The strength and spirit that is going to be needed to meet the challenges we are sure to face.

That we work with Justin and Kari, make their transition easier, and help our young people's faith grow.

That the Lord would send forth laborers into his harvest—and they would be us.

Unity in stable congregations with good shepherds, giving their time to the word and prayer, while the rest of us are alert to doing our part.

Wisdom and strength in training up our young people to be the church and to function as its leaders.

Courage to do it—to do what is before us and to seek new opportunities.

That we enjoy seeing each other on the same page, and continue to grow in love as a family.

Christ—his mind, his ways, his rule—and the affection, sympathy, joy, and humility that is ours in him.

A clear answer to, "Why does God want Water Mill to be here?"

Remember, *we all can ask* for such gifts. Don't be surprised if the Lord begins to turn us into the answers of the prayers we have raised. Who knows what things can be like among us when he does!

—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

## WORKS WE SUPPORT

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/

For The Record  
December 29

Bible Study:	193
Morning:	290
Evening:	168
Wednesday (1/1):	137
Contribution:	\$26,967

## FAMILY MATTERS

### FAMILY CONCERNS

- **Jerry Gillespie** suffered a fall at the nursing home last week and was in the hospital a few days. He has returned to the nursing home
- **Debbi Ratterree** is home from the hospital as her numbers were looking better. She has tests tomorrow and then will go to Siteman in St. Louis for consultation. She will have more chemo after her trip to St. Louis. You can send her an email to [dratterree@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dratterree@sbcglobal.net). KEEP PRAYING!
- **Truman Coltrane's** procedure for a new defibrillator/pacemaker went well on Friday.
- **Russell Harber's** biopsy went well; they will have results sometime this week.
- **Betty Grabber** is dealing with health issues.
- **Marty Long** has been in the hospital with chest pains.
- ♦ Continue to remember **Carolyn Young, Debbie Crawford, Ruth Raines; Clarence & Ola Jean Feeney, Connie Thompson, Dennis Smith, Sandra Pingenet, Lynette Schreiwes, Sherry Sherman**

### Friends & Family

- **George Mahon**, John's nephew, has stage 4 cancer that has spread to his brain and other parts of his body.
- Vickie Baker's sister, **Renee Purcell** is dealing with breast cancer and treatments.
- Continue to remember: **Chris Andrews' dad James** and **Trish's mom; Neal & Vickie Rosenburg**, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father and mother; Debbi Ratterree's friends, **Scott & Kathleen**, dealing with cancer.
- **Gary Amburg**, Shirlane Horton's mother's brother, dealing with health issues.

### Shut-Ins

Ron Bower  
Mary Bratcher  
Don Essex  
Clarence Feeney  
Ola Jean Feeney  
Cecil Frost  
Wanda Frost  
Doris Iorg  
Jim Reaves  
Ruth Reaves  
Doris Tobler

### Nursing Homes

Ella Mae Findlay  
Ann Freeze  
Jerry Gillespie  
Frances Grann  
Wayne Harmon  
Virginia Morgan  
Sandra Pingenet  
Nancy Snider

### Expectant Moms

Kylie Dutton Galindo  
March 2020/Boy  
Jennifer Wood  
May 2020/??



Please extend a warm welcome to the following families who made known their desire to work and worship with us at Water Mill:

**Matt & Julie Kelley, Haylee & Camden**

7543 W. Persimmon Court  
Willard, MO 65781  
417-847-7126

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**Sandra Long**

2321 West Page Street  
Springfield, MO 65802  
417-576-7885

We're glad you chose to be a part of our family!!



### Helping Hands Contribution

Thank you so much for your generous contributions to our Helping Hands Fund last Sunday.



We extend our sympathy to family and friends of Kevin Fox, Jerry & Carolyn Young's neighbor, who passed away as a result of a recent motorcycle accident.

**Daily Bible Reading Schedules for 2020 are available on the Information Desk!**

**Contribution Envelopes for 2020 are available in the office!!**

# What's Happening?



## HospitaliTea

All women are invited to a tea on **Sunday, January 26 at 2:30 p.m.** at the building. We will be honoring the women that have placed membership within the last two years. It will be a fun time to get to know each other better! Mark your calendar, ladies.



⇒ 19th: Youth Night at Brookline  
⇒ YOU January 24-26!!

- ◆ **Be a Blessing Meeting** January 12 at 4:30 p.m. in room 126.
- ◆ **Elders** meet on the 14th at 5 p.m.
- ◆ January 26: **Feeding the Homeless**; watch for signup sheets.
- ◆ The ladies Bible class, quilters and card markers will not meet again until Thursday, January 16.

The new 2020 Book Club brochure is on the information desk. Our theme for 2020 is Devoted to God with an emphasis on women devoted to God. We have over 30 books in our Water Mill Library that are suggested for consideration.



All those in grades 3-12 who are interested in participating in the Service Challenge Event in LTC can sign up in the foyer. See Sawyer Murphy if you have questions.

There is also a signup sheet for **7-12th grade choir.**



Thank you so much to everyone who was so kind to me after my health scare while attending services recently. I am doing well. Love you all. *Ann Nichols*

I wanted to thank everyone for calls, cards (love the handmade ones!) and PRAYERS. Numbers were some improved last Monday. More tests Monday and a trip to Siteman Tuesday. I'm very weak and feel discouraged but am putting one foot in front of the other. Blessings, *Debbi*



5-6 p.m.  
\$3 each

# New Bible Classes

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE NEW SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES ON THE BACK OF THE BULLETIN!

## WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASSES

**Adult** Rescued: A Study of II Samuel  
Bill McFarland Aud.  
**Teens & 20s** Rescued: A Study of II Samuel  
Jon Ewing Room 126

↓ *All students in their Teens and 20s are encouraged to attend the class in Room 126, and all other Adults the class in the Auditorium. We hope to accomplish the following:*

*Study the book of II Samuel  
Help our Teens participating in 'Leadership Training for Christ' connect their events to the lessons from II Samuel  
Develop mentoring relationships between those in College and Young Professionals (18-29) and those in Junior High and High School (13-18)  
Members across the two classes will participate in 'intergenerational' activities related to our study (TBA)*



## Anniversaries

1/9 Aaron/Isumi Loomis 19 yrs.  
1/16 Bill/Gail White 10 yrs.  
1/17 Dennis/Carolyn Smith 67 yrs.  
**Happy Anniversary!!**



**We are accepting monetary donations for the Food Pantry. Your donation can be given to Johnnie or Jason Luna. Thank you for continuing to contribute to this good work, and thanks to Jason & Lora for keeping the pantry stocked.**



## Birthdays

5 Gloria Luallin  
5 Brian Horton  
6 Ben Lines  
7 Bonnie Cole  
8 Raymond Daniels  
8 Nolan May  
9 Megan Hollingsworth  
9 Brock Snitker  
9 Brittany Springer  
10 Jacqueline Ussery  
11 Bill McFarland  
14 Gayle Gaunt  
15 Anita Cobb  
16 Heath Bowling  
18 David Scott  
18 William Morrison

**THIS MORNING**

**Greeters:** Jackie & Virginia Buck  
**Van Driver:** Jon Davis/417-864-9872  
**Nursery:** Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan

**THIS EVENING**

**Song Leader:** Josh Brumfield  
**Opening Prayer:** Eddie Currier  
**Lesson:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Matt Keener  
**Communion:** Aaron Morrison  
**Nursery:** Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin

**Wednesday, January 8**

**Song Leader:** Jeremy Thurlkill  
**Prayer:** John Mahon  
**Van Driver:** Charlie Crum/417-838-7152

**NEXT WEEK, January 12**

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Josh Brumfield
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	David Grimm	David Kern
<b>Communion:</b>	Travis Morrison	G. Lund/T. Kraus
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	John Hulett	Josh Luna
<b>Greeters:</b>	Tim & Alice Buckner	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	Tucker Jobes/417-894-0826	
<b>Nursery:</b>	AM: Wanita Duncan/Donna Jordan	PM: Alice Buckner

# New Bible Classes

## SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES

**Youth—Adult**  
 Grades 7-12 **Priceless: What You Are Worth To God**  
 Andy McFarland Room 122

Ages 18-29 **The Life of Jesus in My Everyday Life**  
 Travis Morrison Room 110

Adult: **Nighttime Bible Events of Importance for Us**  
 Byron Nichols Auditorium

Adult: **A Chronological Study of the Bible**  
 Paul Lines Room 130

Adult **What Next? Letters to the Thessalonians**  
 Bill McFarland Room 126

Adult **Knowing Christ: A Study of Philipppians And Colossians**  
 Jon Ewing Room 129

*The New Year is always a great time to get started back to Sunday School if you have been "missing in action." You will be blessed with these great studies, and you will be an encouragement to others with your presence.*

# JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY!

**Minister**

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**Elders**

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Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Jon Ewing	417-569-8698
Bob Snider	417-833-3498
Jerry Young	417-724-0324

**Deacons**

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

**Staff**

Secretary	Johnnie Elliff
Custodian	Tim Bowling

**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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May God Bless You  
With Wisdom, Charity  
And Courage  
This Year And  
Always!

