



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

January 12, 2020

Things Too Wonderful For Me

Bill McFarland

“Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand; things too wonderful for me, which I did not know” (Job 42:3b). Such was Job’s confession regarding what he had said as he passed through the furnace of affliction. It was the mistake of which he declared he was repenting (42:6). He had finally realized that he had been arrogantly counseling the Almighty about the exercise of his sovereignty in matters which are beyond the grasp of any man. Not all of his questions had been answered, but Job had learned to let God be God.

What a powerful and important life lesson! In a world of advancing technology and exploding information, some things remain too wonderful for us, surpassing our understanding. For example, anyone who contemplates the God who is present everywhere and who knows our thoughts before we think them, our ways before we travel them, and our words before we say them still has to sing, “Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it” (Ps. 139:6).

That does not mean, however, that we are excused from considering such weighty truths or from taking their implications to heart. The singer observed that despite our inability to take in the extent of God’s knowledge of us and involvement in our lives, our souls still know very well that his works are wonderful, and that we are fearfully and wonderfully made, and that praise is due him (Ps. 139:14).

Neither, then, does the fact that there are “things too wonderful for me” mean that there is nothing we can know of God’s thoughts or of his ways for us. Another of the songs of David observes, “You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told” (Ps. 40:5). He may be incomparable and his works may be innumerable, but we know of them and must speak of them.

But what the “things too wonderful for me” principle does mean is that there is a time for us to know the humbling, liberating impact of simply hoping in the Lord. One of the songs puts it this way: “O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high; I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me. But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me” (Ps. 131:1-2).

From this time forth and forevermore, may I let God be God.

Order of Worship

Greeting

Announcements
Bob Snider

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

Scripture Reading
John 10:2-5
Chris Andrews

#599 (1,2,3)
#564 (1,2,3)

Opening Prayer
David Grimm

#132 (1,2,3)
#12 (2,3,4)

The Lord’s Supper
Travis Morrison

Our Contribution
Travis Morrison

#822

Message
Bill McFarland

#125 (1,3)

#319 (1,3)

Closing Prayer
John Hulett

Serve Communion

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

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
January 5

Bible Study:	228
Morning:	296
Evening:	160
Wednesday (1/8):	204
Contribution:	\$10,331

FAMILY MATTERS

FAMILY CONCERNS

- **Jerry Gillespie** is back at the nursing home after his fall.
- **Ann Freeze** has been dealing with pneumonia but is better now.
- **Debbi Ratterree** spent a long day in St. Louis last week. She is pretty overwhelmed by all that lies ahead. You can send cards or an email of encouragement to dratterree@sbcglobal.net. KEEP PRAYING!
- **Tom Meeks** had skin cancer removed from his scalp last week.
- **Russell Harber Betty Grabber, Marty Long** are all dealing with lingering health problems.
- ◆ Continue to remember **Carolyn Young, Debbie Crawford, Ruth Raines; Clarence & Ola Jean Feeney, Connie Thompson, Dennis Smith, Sandra Pingenot, Lynette Schreiwes, Sherry Sherman**

Friends & Family

- ◆ **Wayne Williams**, the person responsible for helping start Know Your Bible at North National years ago, is dealing with health issues and is now in Wichita with his daughters. He will be 100 years old in June.
- ◆ **Ellie Swartz** (former member) has been recovering from breast cancer surgery and treatment, and then a week or so ago she fell at home and broke her hip and femur. She had surgery last Saturday and is in a nursing home for rehab. Her address is 1422 NW 9th, Ankeny IA 50023. She would love your cards.
- ◆ **George Mahon**, John's nephew, has stage 4 cancer that has spread to his brain and other parts of his body.
- Debbie Crawford's mom, **Crystal Bradford**, is in the hospital in Houston with pneumonia
- 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 Rosenberg**, 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 Pingenot
Nancy Snider

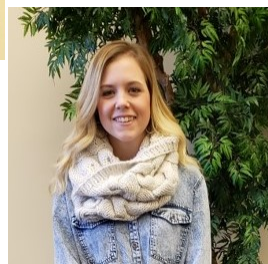
Expectant Moms

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

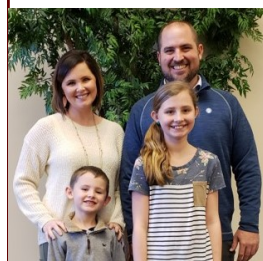
Pictures of some of our new families!!



*Russell & Helen
Harber*



Baylee Hedden



*Matt & Julie Kelley,
Haylee & Camden*

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

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



**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.**

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.

- ♦ **Be a Blessing Meeting** TODAY at 4:30 p.m. in room 126.
- ♦ **Elders** meet Tuesday at 5 p.m.
- ♦ The **Ladies Bible class** will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. The ladies are beginning a new book, "Prescriptions for a Woman's Soul." Cindy Hannah will be leading the study on "Faith the Foundation."
- ♦ **Quilters** meet at 9 AM on Thursday and **Card makers** meet at 9:30 a.m.
- ♦ Youth Night at Brookline 1/19 at 5 pm.
- ♦ YOU in Conway, AR January 24-25. Jason needs to know today if you plan to attend.



LTC 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 To our dear and precious brothers and sisters at Water Mill, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your Christmas, holiday and New Year's cards and notes. They were most encouraging and uplifting to both of us! God bless you. In Christian love, Jim & Ruth Reaves

Anniversaries

1/16 Bill/Gail White 10 yrs.
1/17 Dennis/Carolyn Smith 67 yrs.
Happy Anniversary!!



Our first book club meeting for 2020 will be tomorrow night at the Curriers. A light supper of salmon cakes will be at 6:30pm followed by book discussions on whatever book you chose to read and a look at the recommendations for this year. Anyone interested is invited.



A black leather jacket has been mistakenly taken from the coatroom, with a brown one left in its place. Please check to see if you might have it and if so just return it to the coatroom. The brown one is there for you to switch out. Thank you.

Feeding the Homeless and Underprivileged

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

Immediately after the morning worship service/806 N. Jefferson Ave

Contacts: - Aaron/Brittany Morrison

We need enough **food** to feed approximately 80 people!!

Watch for **SIGNUP SHEETS**



Game Night Mixer

Saturday, February 29, from 4—9 p.m. at Fair

Haven Children's Home. We will be having multiple games being played with all generations- from our YFC families to our youth group kids to our Ties that Bind couples! There will be sign-up sheets at the building for who you want to play in what game! Bring some snacks! More info to come!

TIES that BIND



Birthdays

- 14 Gayle Gaunt
- 15 Anita Cobb
- 16 Heath Bowling
- 18 David Scott
- 18 William Morrison
- 19 Jim Elliff
- 20 Betty Grabber
- 21 Pat Blackburn
- 21 Gena Ussery
- 22 Timothy Wood
- 23 Jerry Milligan
- 25 Sherry Sherman
- 25 Lora Luna



*Then Jesus said to them all:
"If anyone would come after me,
he must deny himself
and take up his cross daily and
follow me." Luke 9:23*

THIS MORNING

Greeters: Tim & Alice Buckner
Van Driver: Tucker Jobes/417-894-0826
Nursery: Wanita Duncan/Donna Jordan

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Josh Brumfield
Opening Prayer: David Kern
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Josh Luna
Communion: G. Lund/T. Kraus
Nursery: Alice Buckner

Wednesday, January 15

Song Leader: Jeremy Thurkill
Prayer: Allen McCann
Van Driver: Jason Luna/417-840-2632

NEXT WEEK, January 19

	AM	PM
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Josh Brumfield
Opening Prayer:	Paul Lines	Matt Kelley
Communion:	Byron Nichols	G. Lund/T. Kraus
Closing Prayer:	Russell Lilly	Wyatt Maples
Greeters:	Brendan & Jenny Carroll	
Van Driver:	Team Thurkill/615-971-1320	
Nursery:	AM: Coyeatte Ewing	PM: Teresa Mahon

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 Philipians And Colossians Jon Ewing	Room 129

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

JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY!

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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 Thurkill

Staff

Secretary	Johnnie Elliff
Custodian	Tim Bowling

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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