

# WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIS

## Weekly Newsletter

# April 4, 2021

## Order of Worship

*Greeting* Patrick Springer

*Children's Time* Justin Hatfield

Song Leader Kerry Cole

#282 (1, 2, 3)

#542

**Prayer** Eddie Currier

#950

#408

## *The Lord's Supper* John Dutton

#523 (1, 2, 4)

*Message* Bill McFarland

#526 (1, 2)

#583 (1, 3)

Announcements/ Prayer Barney Crawford

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt. 5:14)



## He Awoke

*Christ arose.* That's the first and the bottom-line claim of gospel of hope. But one day long while before he arose, *he awoke.* And, though those who were present at the time didn't realize it, it may have been the best glimpse they would get of what it would mean for him to be raised up.

You remember the story. (It's in our Bible reading for today.) As they're crossing to the other side of the sea, a frightening wind storm descends upon them. Big waves begin breaking into the boat, quickly filling it with water. The disciples are frantic. But there lies Jesus in the back of the boat, asleep on a cushion! They're in the grip of dangerous forces way beyond their ability, and he's lying there.

And in this case it isn't God who woke him. It's the disciples. As they're doing so, they're saying with urgency, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" I wonder if a similar question doesn't cross their minds again all those months later when his body has been laid in another man's new tomb. "We've seen his power," they may have thought, "doesn't he care what the dark forces around us are doing?"

But that day in the boat "he awoke" (Mk. 4:39). He told the wind and the sea to be still, and there was a great calm. He taught his disciples that there was no need for them to be so afraid, and that there was good reason for faith in him, and that if even the wind and the sea obey him, they should keep doing so, too.

That morning later on when the stone had been rolled away and the only explanation was "Do not be alarmed...He has risen," they learned just how right he was. I wonder if they remembered that time when, before he arose, he awoke. And I hope there was a great calm in their lives—and in mine and yours today.

--Bill McFarland

## WEDNESDAY EVENING

Please join us Wednesday at 6:30 pm in person or via livestream (YouTube) Bill will be starting a new series of lessons.

Wedding Shower for Briley Ewing and Kara Kleín Sunday, Apríl 18th at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Room They are registered at Amazon and

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Target.

We want to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards and concerns, over this past year, for Victoria. She is now finished with her treatments and doing very well.

> In Christian Love, Don & Ruth Essex

## Shut-Ins

Pat Blackburn Ron Bower Mary Bratcher Don Essex Clarence Feeney Ola Jean Feeney Wanda Frost Doris lorg Jim & Ruth Reaves Doris Tobler Dennis & Carolyn Smith

## **Nursing Homes**

Ann Freeze Wayne Harmon Virginia Morgan Sandra Pingenot Nancy Snider

~In Need of Our Prayers~

Carolyn Young will be having outpatient surgery on April 5th to help fix the problem with her knee. ~ Leona Snider is now home from the hospital and will be doing her rehab at home. Julie Alexander will be going to Barnes on April 12th for her pre-op and then returning on April 16th for her surgery. ~ Don Tracy is doing well. ~ David Nimmo's surgery, to remove some skin cancer on his ankle, went well ~ John Mahon is still working hard in therapy. ~ Ruth Lund's brother, John Alspaugh, has Parkinson's and is not doing well. ~ Truman and Helen Coltrane continue to need our prayers. ~ Marlene Matthews is having a very difficult time with her health, please keep both her and Illene in your prayers. ~ **<u>Ruth Raines</u>** continues to improve. ~ <u>Shirlane Horton</u> is having therapy and slowly improving. Shirlane also has a friend, Sheir, that is having surgery on April 6th. ~ Nancy Snider is still having some health concerns. ~ Tom Davis' grandmother, Dorthy Davis, will be having surgery in Michigan soon on both of her carotid arteries to clear blockage.

#### Continued prayers for health concerns:

Bob & Leona Snider, Van & Barbara Barnes, Makesha Davis, Alice Daniels, David High (Lucile High's son), Ron Bower, Betty Grabber, Izumi Loomis' mother, Sandra Pingenot, Beverly Hammond (Coyeatte Ewing's mom), Ann Freeze (Jo Baggett's mom), Dennis & Carolyn Smith, Ruth Lindsey (Jon Davis' grandmother), Wendy Williams (Kerry Cole's cousin), Dorothy (David Grimm's mother), Linda (Sue Aherin's sister-in-law), Sandie Shelby (Lucile High's niece)

e for con- for ced oing	The YFC families will meet next week in the Fellowship Room immediately following services on Sunday, April 11th to discuss our word of the month, FAITH and make plans for the Youth Led Service based on that word at the end of the month. Sunday, April 25th at 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Youth Led Service This month's theme for our Youth Led Service is FAITH. Please join us as we train and encourage our young people in service and worship to our lord.				Birthdays4-03Logan Steinshouer4-04Brian Carroll4-06Jon Davis Devin Nimmo Carl Tindall4-07Matt Kelley4-08Ola Jean Feeney4-10Madden McFarland Alison Thurlkill4-11Jonathan Pendergraft4-16Russell Harber Darren Wake	
HAPPY HOLLOW WORK DAYS April 10th, April 24th, and May 15th (They could use all the help they can get!)		Paredis Night-Out		,	<u>Youth Group</u> The youth group will not be meeting this Sunday.	
Pleas	ITION TEACHERS & STUDENTS se <b>check in</b> at the education ach time before going to class.	<u>Parents Night Out</u> April 23rd and May 7th		April Anniversaries 4-06 John & Lisa Stayton~25 years 4-07 Gaylen & Dedra Jones ~ 31 years 4-11 Carl & Yvonne Tindall ~ 67 years 4-15 Brock & Christina Snitker ~ 15 years 4-17 Mike & Constance Jackson ~ 22 years 4-26 Byrle & Virginia Hayter ~ 58 years		
THIS WEEK       We extend our deepest sympathy to <ul> <li>Prayer time Sunday evening, April 4th at 5:00 pm.</li> <li>the family of Rick Hyder of which</li> </ul>						

- Thursday Ladies Bible Class will meet on April 8th at 10:30 am. Virginia Buck will be teaching Chapter 5 of the book, "From Bethlehem To Golgotha," by Hillard Story.
- Quilters will meet at 9 am; Card Makers will meet at 9:30.

includes his sister Debra Davis and his aunt finda Currier. Rick passed away Wednesday, March 31, 2021.