



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

April 25, 2021

Order of Worship

**Greeting/
Announcements**
Jon Davis

Children's Time
Justin Hatfield

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#238 (1, 2, 3)

#932 & #933

Prayer
Matt Keener

#226 (1, 2, 3)

#645

The Lord's Supper
Paul Lines

#833

Message
Bill McFarland

#800 (1, 3)

Prayer
Barney Crawford

#350 (1, 2)

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



Greatness

Who is great? It comes up twice in our reading for today. Both times, it's an issue among the Lord's closest disciples. Both times, it's in the immediate shadow of his telling them what he was about to suffer, and that he would rise. And neither time did Jesus just let the question lie there unaddressed.

The question of who is important, and how personal importance is gained, has never ceased to be one that dramatically impacts the course of human behavior. It still does for us. And Jesus' distinctive answer to it still distinguishes those who are imitating him from everyone else.

What did he say about who is great? We might try to express it with our own "amplified version" of his statements here in Mark 9-10. It would go something like this:

"In whatever you do, bear in mind that the Son of God took the form of a servant. He didn't come to get standing for himself, or to be waited on by as many as he could manipulate into letting him have his way. He came giving himself, even his life, in the interest of everyone, to let anyone choose life" (cf. 10:45).

"Let who your Lord is be the thing that determines who you think is great. Remember that it's the world who considers the important ones to be those who have the say and get their way. It can't be that way among you because that's not how your Lord thought or lived. Among you, the great ones must be those who serve everyone" (cf. 10:42-43).

"You will be first in importance when you are last of all, and not until then. And you won't be last of all until you are the servant of all. Start with one little child. Receive that one little one like your Lord would. You'll be receiving the One who sent Him, and you'll be great" (9:33-37).

--Bill McFarland



Makesha Davis' surgery went well and was able to go home the same day. ~ **Jim Reaves** procedure for skin cancer was successful. ~ **Julie Alexander** had her surgery and came home on Tuesday. ~ **Carolyn Young** is going to physical therapy. ~ **Leona Snider** is continuing her rehab at home. ~ **John & Teresa Mahon** are both getting a little stronger every day. ~ Ruth Lund's brother, **John Alspaugh**, has Parkinson's and is not doing very well. ~ **Ruth Raines** continues to improve. ~ **Nancy Snider** is still having some health concerns. ~ **Jacquelyn Raines** (Kim Mapels grandmother) is not doing well. ~ **Wendy Williams** (Kerry Cole's cousin) has several upcoming doctor appointments concerning her cancer.

Continued prayers for health concerns:

Chris & Trish Andrews, Alice Daniels, Bob & Leona Snider, Van & Barbara Barnes, Marlene Matthews, David High (Lucile High's son), Sandy Pingnot, Ron Bower, Betty Grabber, Izumi Loomis' mother, Beverly Hammond (Coyeatte Ewing's mom), Ann Freeze (Jo Baggett's mom), Dennis & Carolyn Smith, Ruth Lindsey (Jon Davis' grandmother), Dorothy (David Grimm's mother), Linda (Sue Aherin's sister-in-law), Sandie Shelby (Lucile High's niece), Dorthy Davis (Tom Davis' grandmother), Truman & Helen Coltrane

THIS WEEK ...

- ◆ **Thursday Ladies Bible Class** will meet on April 29th at 10:30 am. Beverly McCormick will be teaching Chapter 7 of the book, "From Bethlehem To Golgotha," by Hillard Story.
- ◆ **Quilters** will meet at 9 am; **Card Makers** will meet at 9:30.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Please join us Wednesday at 6:30 pm in person or via livestream (YouTube) Bill's current series is titled:
Tell Me a Story of Jesus—Parables for Us

YFC The YFC families will meet in the Fellowship Room immediately following services on Sunday, May 2nd to discuss our word of the month, **WORRY** 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.



Parents Night Out
May 7th

HAPPY HOLLOW
WORK DAY
May 15th

Youth Group News



MARK YOUR CALENDARS: We are starting to put together dates for this summer. Be sure to mark the events we have so far!

- May 22 - Fair Haven BBQ - Meet the Intern!
- June 20-26 - Burnt Cabin Christian Camp
- July 11-17 - Camp Water Mill
- July 18-24 - Happy Hollow - Travis and Jason's Session
- Aug 4-7 - Camp Wilderness

Note: Applications for Happy Hollow and Burnt cabin are located on the information desk in the foyer.



- 4-26 Byrle & Virginia Hayter ~ 58 years**
- 5-07 James & Lori McCall ~ 33 years**
- 5-07 Aaron & Brittany Morrison ~ 16 years**

BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS...

Our church library has all types of books, fiction, biographies, reference, children's, devotionals, commentaries, reference, motivational, marriage, parenting and more. Stop by and check them out.

New Address as of Monday 4-26-21

Dennis & Carolyn Smith
c/o Springhouse Village - Apt. 124
3877 E. Farm Road 132
Springfield, MO 65802
(Phone: 866-6918)

Shut-Ins

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

Nursing Homes

- Ann Freeze
- Wayne Harmon
- Virginia Morgan
- Sandra Pingnot
- Nancy Snider

Birthdays

- 4-25 Megan Jobs
- 4-26 Doris Iorg
Gail White
- 4-29 Larry Baggett
- 4-30 Lauren Brumfield
Carson Griffin
- 5-02 Stephanie Schwartz
- 5-03 Jo Baggett
- 5-04 Byrle Hayter
John Stayton
- 5-06 Jenny Carroll
Tom Easterly
Don Essex
- 5-07 Angela Brummet
Nicole Conley
Gregory Johnson
Jessica Orum
- 5-08 Clinton Holden



May 16th Devotional @ 5:00
Graduates' Reception to follow

Our 2021 Graduates

- Johnna Duncan--High School
- Colton Orum--High School
- Adam Barton--College
- Madison Davis--College
- Mercedes Luna--College
- Skyler Murphy--College



Dear Water Mill Church of Christ,
I want to thank you all for the prayers and cards I received following the passing of my brother, Henry. Thank you so much for the kindness you all have shown me. Please continue to keep me in your prayers during this time of sorrow.

In much Christian Love, Carol McCann