



# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

WELCOMING, SERVING AND GROWING IN JESUS

January 16, 2022

## Order of Service

### **Greeting/**

### **Announcements**

Josh Brumfield

### **Children's Time**

Justin Hatfield

### **Song Leader**

Elijah Morrison

### **Prayer**

Barry Hannah

### **The Lord's Supper**

John Mahon

### **Contribution**

Josh Luna

### **Message**

Justin Hatfield

### **Prayer**

Jon Ewing



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

## Great!

In daily conversation, "great" may be an overused adjective, or an exclamation of delight or frustration, or an accurate description when there's just no better word. In Acts, "great" is used in this last way several times with reference to the progress of the gospel and the experience of the church. These instances are instructive, especially when considered together.

What are the "great" things in the church's life? "Great power" with which the apostles bore witness to the Lord; not their own power, but the Spirit's, to confirm their words and to enable us, even now, to believe them (Acts 4:33a; cf. 6:8; 8:13). "Great grace" upon everyone, both as favor from God and kindness toward each other (4:33b, 34; 11:23). "Great fear," the sense of awe and respect that goes with awareness of God's judgment (5:5, 11). "Great persecution," and even "great lamentation," such as the church endured with the loss of Stephen (8:1, 2). And the "great joy" associated with the good news of Christ and its fruit in the hearts and lives of people (8:8; 15:3).

It's an unusual mixture of blessings, attitudes, actions, and experiences, isn't it? But it's also a balanced portrayal of spiritual health and vitality. The Lord is present and involved, and his people are responding to him and continuing with him. And, though, they are just regular people, the outcomes are in many ways "great."

It's interesting that they aren't "great" in the measurements so often applied now—organizations, structures, programs, and so forth. What's really "great" is a group of people in right relationship with the Lord, and whose hearts, lives, and relationships correspond to that reality. That is a "mega" (the word translated "great" or "much") church, the kind of one each congregation of the Lord's people surely wants to be.

—Bill McFarland

# Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us today. 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 click on the barcode on the front of the bulletin to leave a record of your attendance. We hope you can stay around for a few minutes so we have the opportunity to meet you.

## THIS WEEK...

- ◆ Sunday evening we meet at 5 p.m.
- ◆ Thursday Ladies Bible Class will meet on January 20th at 10:30 a.m. Jon Ewing will be teaching THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, lesson 6, God the Son, His Birth and Baptism.
- ◆ Quilters will meet at 9:00 a.m. and Card Makers at 9:30 am.



### OUR DAILY BIBLE READING

In the foyer is a copy of the 2022 Daily Bible 'Study' Schedule; it will also be available online. Our reading for 2022 will be the New Testament and its Old Testament citations. As we learn what it means to 'grow in Jesus,' let us focus on Him with this reading/study schedule. Thanks for your participation. We will be blessed.

## Men's Fellowship Chili Lunch

(Rescheduled date is Feb. 19th)



### Hospitali-TEA

is being rescheduled, a new date to be announced soon.

## Ladies who Brunch

\*\*\*IN HATS\*\*\*

(Rescheduled Date)

February 26, 2022

### Shut-Ins

Barbara Barnes, Pat Blackburn,  
Ron Bower, Mary Bratcher,  
Don Essex

Clarence & Ola Jean Feeny  
Wanda Frost, Betty Grabber  
Doris Iorg, Hazel McDonald

Jim & Ruth Reaves  
Dennis & Carolyn Smith  
Doris Tobler

### Nursing Homes

Ann Freeze, Wayne Harmon  
Virginia Morgan, Sandra Pingenot,  
Nancy Snider

### For The Record January 2

Bible Study:	226
Morning:	275
Evening:	111
Wednesday (1-12)	147
Contribution:	\$35,116
Weekly Avg.	\$21,536

## Happy Anniversary

- 1-16** Bill & Gail White  
(12 years)  
**1-17** Dennis & Carolyn  
Smith (69 years)



### Dennis & Carolyn Smith

are dealing with health issues. No visitors at this time but phone calls are welcomed.

Julie Alexander will be

having wrist surgery Friday, January 14th at Cox.

Jammie Davis is doing a little better.

Elizabeth Lilly said that she is on the mend.

Robert Raines (Denzil & Ruth's son) was having surgery on Friday.

Carl Tindall will continue treatments Mon-Fri through thru January 21st.

### Continued prayers for health:

Orvilla Blackburn, Bonnie Cole, Vanessa

(Lucile High's grand-daughter), Ruth Raines,

Karen Duncan, Alice Daniels, Marge

Langston (Virginia Hayter's mom), Victoria Lacy

(Don & Ruth Essex's grand-daughter), Gerry Tassett

(Lora Luna's mom), Meshell Fox (Coyeatte Ewing's

sister), David High (Lucile's son), Vicky Thomas

(Tommy & Betty Grabber's niece), Wanda Lou

Hurd (Nancy Snider's cousin), Beverly

Hammond (Coyeatte Ewing's mom), Sandie

Shelby (Lucile High's niece), Chris Low (Sheryl's

son), Ethan (Barry & Cindy Hannah's nephew),

Sherrie Stern (Shirlane Horton's sister), John

Alspaugh (Ruth Lund's brother), Linda (Sue

Aherin's sister-in-law), Ima Coleman (Sara Keener's

friend), Steve Barnet (Kerry Cole's brother-in-law).



We recently received a sizeable donation from the Susan Ottendorf Estate in memory of Oran Green. Susan was Oran's sister. We are thankful to the family for this remembrance. ~The Elders

## WORKS WE SUPPORT

Joey & Tammy Treat,  
Northern Marianna Islands  
(They live in Guam.)

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"

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

01-16 Heath Bowling

01-18 David Scott

01-18 William Morrison

01-19 Jim Elliff

01-20 Betty Grabber

01-20 Charles Griffin

01-21 Pat Blackburn

01-21 Gena Ussery

01-23 Jerry Milligan

01-25 Lora Luna

01-29 Illene Birdsong

01-29 Tim Marsolf

01-31 Pat Culley

01-31 Rachel Lilly



Thank you all, dear family at Water Mill, for all your prayers, cards, and words of concern and comfort to me and my family through my Mom's illness and death. We love you and have felt your love in return.

Phil and Pam DeCarlis  
Kim Maples & family