



# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

June 24, 2012

## Order of Worship

Welcome  
Eddie Sanders

Song Leader  
Jon Ewing

#627  
"Ancient Words"  
#884

Opening Prayer  
Jason Luna

Song: "In Christ  
Alone"

The Lord's Supper  
Aaron Morrison

#983

Contribution  
Aaron Morrison

#971

Lesson  
Bill McFarland

#125

Announcements  
Eddie Sanders

#438

Closing Prayer  
Paul Lines

Elder of the Month  
Eddie Sanders

## Why Should I Go to Church?

A few months ago a series of questions came to our email account. The gentleman who sent them explained that he had been doing some Bible study and that he was struggling with these few matters. First on his list was this: "Why should I go to church? I mean, what is the ultimate goal that I am trying to achieve? Is there a meaning or a reason why I should go to church?"

It would be good if each of us would obtain clear and scriptural answers to these questions, and if we could keep them in view all the time. In a world where there are so many things to do, why should I go to church? In a world where serious issues are so numerous, why should I think going to church means anything? And in a world where individuals go to church for all kinds of reasons, are there any that make any difference?

The reasons the New Testament gives for meeting with the church when it comes together can be summed up in the following ways.

We who belong to the Lord should meet with the church to remember the Lord and to thank him for what he has done to make us a people for his own possession. The context surrounding 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 illustrates this thought. The Lord wants us to gratefully remember that he has given his body and blood to establish a covenant with us. Remembering him in this way necessarily involves coming together as the church.

We who share together in the benefits the Lord has obtained for us should meet with the church to be a positive influence on our brothers and sisters in him. We come together realizing that we need to be together regularly if we are to stir one another up in love and good works (Hebrews 10:23-25). We are citizens of heaven living in exile; it is in our coming together that we regain our bearings and remember who we are.

We who are fellow-citizens of the kingdom of the Lord should meet with the church to express our identity as a people, and to express our unity in offering spiritual sacrifices to him (1 Peter 2:5, 9-10). The gathered church is like a spiritual temple where the Lord meets his people and where they, corporately as a holy priesthood, present their loyalty and devotion as gifts intended to please him.

It might be said that a person should go to church because he wants to in order to please God, and that the three thoughts above are the purposes to be accomplished.

—Bill McFarland

## Sunday's Lessons:

*AM: You Learned Christ!*

*PM: The Song of Those Who Care*

# Prayer List

## 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 your visit.

### For The Record

June 17

Bible Study: 230  
 Morning: 305  
 Evening: 213  
 Wednesday (6/20): 206  
 Contribution: \$ 7,261

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Paul Bratcher, Jim Reaves, Mary Charlotte Lines, Nancy Snider
- ◆ Pat Harp's surgery went well and she is hopeful she will not need treatments
- ◆ Dale Harp is dealing with several health issues
- ◆ Chatty Timmons will have several tests this week; she will see the surgeon Tuesday
- ◆ Norman High will have surgery July 2
- ◆ Bill Cully is doing better
- ◆ Pat Harris will leave Wednesday for California for 10 days; keep her in your prayers
- ◆ John Luallin, Lynn's brother, suffered a stroke and is now in rehab; he has also started chemo treatments; cards can be sent to John & Ruby at 2643 East 100N, Anderson, IN 46012.
- ◆ Continue to remember George Downing's father; Jo Baggett's mom, Ann Freeze; Kay McFarland's niece Beth
- ◆ Bill's sister-in-law, Joann McFarland, is back in Barnes Jewish Hospital, 1 Barnes Jewish Hospital Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63110, Room 12234.

Keep Larry Baggett and his group in your prayers as they begin their Happy Hollow Camp Session today.

### Mission Trip

Kylie Dutton will be leaving tomorrow for a month-long mission trip to the Czech Republic. She will be traveling with the Razorbacks for Christ, which is a ministry sponsored by the Mount Comfort church of Christ in Fayetteville, AR. Keep Kylie in your prayers that this will be a safe and fruitful mission trip. Also keep dad John in your prayers while she is away!

### Long Term/Shut-Ins

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Kay Adams        | Doris Iorg     |
| Alice Allen      | Irene Johnson  |
| Shirley Bartlett | Carol Law      |
| Paul Bratcher    | Carol Mahon    |
| Doris Burch      | Wilma Melton   |
| Bonnie Cole      | Jarita Nimmo   |
| Eula Compton     | Betty Shaw     |
| Fern Davis       | Wilma Spoor    |
| Thelma Fain      | Doris Thomason |
| Lucille Ford     | Doris Tobler   |
| Milton Ford      | Judy Todd      |
| Allen Harmon     | Pat Woods      |

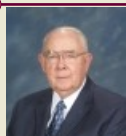
### Expectant Moms

Megan Jobes/boy/July  
 Sara Stipp/December  
 Leah Prewitt/January

### Sympathy



We extend our sympathy to **Greg Johnson** in the loss of his mother, **Willetta Johnson**, last week. Funeral services will be Friday. She was also **Brent Looney's** aunt.



## HOW DO YOU TAKE THE LORD'S DAY?

By Dennis R. Smith

"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice as of a trumpet" (Rev. 1:10). These were the words of the Apostle John as he began his writings of the Revelation. I would like for you to notice that these things happened on the Lord's Day. Prior to the establishment of the church and the ushering in of the Christian era, the Jews in keeping with the Law of Moses, considered the Sabbath Day holy. This practice ceased when the new dispensation of Christ came into effect. Since the Lord was risen on the day following the Sabbath, (Matt. 28:1; Mark 16:1; Luke 24:1; John 20:1) it was fitting that his followers observe the Day of his resurrection as their religious day instead of the old Sabbath or Saturday. It was the Apostle Paul who later wrote, "Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way nailing it to his cross" (Col. 2:14). This he spoke in reference to many things that once were binding under the law of Moses. It was then the practice of the early church to remember the "Lord's Day" or "First day of the week" (Acts 20:7; 1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 16:2) as their appointment for worship. It is to this end that we who are members of the Lord's Body (the church) prefer to use the scriptural language of the above rather than the unscriptural term of "Christian Sabbath."

# Upcoming Events

- ◆ Golden Agers meet next Sunday at 4 p.m.
- ◆ James River Nursing Home Devo/Singing July 7 at 2 p.m. All who can are encouraged to attend
- ◆ Book Club meeting is July 9th. We are reading books written by Grace Livingston Hill.
- ◆ Elders meet July 10 at 2 p.m.
- ◆ Elders/Deacons meet July 15 at 2 p.m.
- ◆ July 29 5th Sunday Potluck Lunch
- ◆ August 3-5 Christ Quest at Mountain Home
- ◆ August 15 BLOOD DRIVE

## BABY SHOWER

All are invited to a baby shower honoring Megan Jobs TODAY at 3 p.m. Tucker and Megan are expecting a boy and are registered at Target and Toys-R-Us.



Adam will be teaching the Wednesday night Bible class in the Auditorium this summer about the book of JAMES. You will be blessed by being a part of this class. Don't miss it!

## Elders, Ministers, Deacons

### Elders

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Barney Crawford | 417-866-0592 |
| Clay Joseph     | 417-833-3002 |
| Eddie Sanders   | 417-833-5712 |
| Bob Snider      | 417-833-3498 |
| Jerry Young     | 417-724-0324 |

### Minister

|                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Bill McFarland | 417-833-0110 |
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### Golden Age Minister

|              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| Dennis Smith | 417-866-6918 |
|--------------|--------------|

### Youth/Associate Minister

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| Adam Blaney | 304-520-9800 |
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### Deacons

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Scott Barton   | Jon Ewing       |
| Tim Bowling    | Matt Keener     |
| Tim Buckner    | Russell Lilly   |
| Tom Davis      | Paul Lines      |
| George Downing | Travis Morrison |
| Jim Elliff     | James Simons    |

### Staff

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| Johnnie Elliff | Secretary |
| Tim Bowling    | Custodian |

## Super Saturday VBS



July 28  
9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
“Step Right Up”

(a carnival big-top theme)

Lunch will be served followed by midway games

### New Teen Class

Adam will start a new teen Bible class this morning combining junior high/high school classes.

### Birthdays Next Week

1 Carolyn Young  
Andy McFarland  
2 Donna Sanders  
Scarlett McCall  
4 Vern Thompson  
5 Ruth Lund  
Tyler Thornton

If you plan to attend Bill's session at Green Valley Bible Camp this summer (July 15-21) you will need to register and pay online for Session 7 at [www.greenvalleybiblecamp.com](http://www.greenvalleybiblecamp.com).



Thank you for all your acts of kindness and concern shown during my recent stay in the hospital. Your thoughtfulness was appreciated very much. **Bill Cully**

### About Our Work

“You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just” (Lk. 14:14b). This brief statement by our Lord is the promise that sustains every labor of love, all kindness shown toward those from whom nothing is to be gained, every good work done with no thought of attention or advantage for self. In fact, this is the reward for all that can be properly classified as service. It is only that which is done for the Lord that can be repaid by him.

This is the season for vacations and all the summer activities that take us here and there to do this or that. Do that which you can do while giving thanks to the Lord for it. Refresh yourself, but for greater service.

Bible camp sessions in which members of this congregation are involved are getting started this week. We have several people we love who are dealing with serious health issues. New classes are getting started. Please put yourself in other people's shoes and pray accordingly.

– Bill

## SERVICE ROSTERS

### THIS MORNING

Nursery: Linda Currier/Leona Snider  
Greeters: Tom & Gin Crumrine  
Van Driver: Daniel Wilson/773-6707  
KYB Phone: Daniel Meinsen/E. Tieszen  
Serve: George Downing/Briley Ewing  
Communion: Jackie Freeze/Verl Duncan  
Oran Green/Don Gaunt  
John Dutton/Jeff Fisher  
Mark Friend/Tom Easterly

### THIS EVENING

Song Leader: John Mahon  
Opening Prayer: Gene Lund  
Lesson: Bill McFarland  
Closing Prayer: Todd Kraus  
Communion: Mike Thurlkill/Jerry Young  
Nursery: Glenda Thurlkill

### NEXT WEEK (July 1)

|                 | AM                               | PM                            |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Song Leader:    | Kerry Cole                       | Jeremy Thurlkill              |
| Opening Prayer: | Scott Barton                     | John Mahon                    |
| Communion:      | Tom Norrell                      | Jackie Buck                   |
|                 |                                  | George Downing                |
| Closing Prayer: | Andy McFarland                   | Aaron Morrison                |
| Nursery:        | Donna Jordan/<br>Michelle Hulett | Lisa Stayton/<br>Emily Simons |
| Greeters:       | Barney & Debbie Crawford         |                               |
| Van Driver:     | Kevin Wuench/833-6134            |                               |

### Wednesday, June 27:

Devotional: John Mahon  
Song Leader: Travis Morrison  
Opening Prayer: Jeff Fisher  
Closing Prayer: Verl Duncan  
Van Driver: Jason Luna/838-7152

### MONTH OF JUNE:

AV Room: Jeremy Thurlkill/Luke Lines  
Secure Building: Paul Lines/Tim Buckner

### 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....7:00 PM

### WORKS WE SUPPORT

CHINESE AGAPE Foundation  
Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern  
Mariana Islands

Voice of Truth International  
Charles Renfro, Latin American  
Missions

World Christian Broadcasting  
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/Springfield 33/KSPR



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