



WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

March 24, 2013

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Jon Ewing

Scripture Reading:
Acts 4:1-22

#954
"Break My Heart"

Opening Prayer
Eddie Currier

#52
#90

The Lord's Supper
James Simons

#208

Contribution
James Simons

"In Christ Alone"

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#337

Announcements
Clay Joseph

#653

Closing Prayer
Chris Wiseman

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

Serving Our Lord Together This Week

Happy Springtime! It's off to an interesting start, isn't it? We are praying that it may turn out to be a rewarding season for all of us, and in all ways—physically, mentally, spiritually, and relationally.

Both our messages this Lord's day are going to take us into the heart of the events that unfold in the fourth chapter of Acts. For the church, three crucial and related qualities take center stage in this part of Luke's record. First, there is *conviction*—the apostles' confidence that they had seen and heard something in Jesus that is not to be found anywhere else. Then there is *courage*—their competent boldness in speaking of the Lord in the presence of intimidation. Finally, there is *encouragement*—the effect of generous and thoughtful action that renews them in the face of their great responsibility. I hope you will be able to be with us as we look into the sources of conviction, courage, and encouragement in our own life together.

Here is a thought that may be encouraging to us. Have you noticed that the things that have been mentioned in each of the chapters of Acts so far are *the resurrection* of Christ Jesus, the fact that believers in him were *together*, and that they lifted their voices to God in *prayer*. These would be appropriate things for us to focus upon, wouldn't they?

I have appreciated the comments I've heard from so many of you who are reading the scriptures along with us, all or in part. There is a certain kind of enjoyable fellowship in this, isn't there? *Remember to pick up your copy of the reading schedule for the second quarter of the year.* Johnnie has them available on the information desk now.

I have a good reading picked out for our Wednesday night "Peak of the Week." I think it will surprise you at first, but after you think about it you will agree about its significance. Be sure to be with us! Invite a friend, too!

We have several brothers and sisters, as well as a number of our young people, who have put in many hours of work in this year's LTC program. The time is almost here, and tonight after our service all of us who are interested will get a glimpse of the activities that are not related to serving in the assembly. Stay with us for the preview if you can. You might encourage somebody!

—Bill McFarland

Prayer List & Notes

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

March 17

Bible Study:	254
Morning:	326
Evening:	181
Wednesday (3/20):	209
Contribution:	\$ 8,677



Elder of the Month
Clay Joseph

In our prayers ... ♦ Continue to remember Eula Compton and Thelma Fain

- ♦ Dale Harp is in Mercy Hospital
- ♦ Sheryl Larimore will have surgery tomorrow
- ♦ Norman High as he continues to recover from his surgery
- ♦ Tom Meeks as he recovers from spine surgery
- ♦ Leona Snider as she deals with her need for hip replacement
- ♦ Blanton Glenn as he continues his struggle with prostate cancer
- ♦ Nancy Snider is still not feeling well

Friends & Family

- ♦ Tabby Blaney's grandmother, Cora Mathis, has recently been moved to Westside Nursing Facility; also keep Aunt Susie in your prayers as she is having a hard time with the move.
- ♦ Bobby & Lisa Kern (David & Debbie's son) and their unborn baby boy
- ♦ Wayne & Gwen Snider are both in Mercy Hospital
- ♦ Continue to remember Gene Lund's brother, Bill
- ♦ George's mother, Joyce Harmon, as she cares for her Aunt Mae
- ♦ Johnnie Elliff's sister, Annie Hysaw and Carolyn Young's sister, Nita

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy and prayers to Maxx Hatz in the loss of his dad this past week in Texas.

Long Term/ Shut-ins

- Kay Adams
- Shirley Bartlett
- Doris Burch
- Eula Compton
- Fern Davis
- Thelma Fain
- Ella Mae Findlay
- Lucille Ford
- Milton Ford
- Allen Harmon
- Doris Iorg
- Irene Johnson
- Carol Law
- Carol Mahon
- Wilma Melton
- Betty Shaw
- Doris Thomason
- Doris Tobler
- Judy Todd
- Pat Woods



Dear Christian Friends, We can't begin to tell you the love and concern we have felt before, during and since my surgery. The cards, calls and the wonderful food helped us so much. Especially the prayers you made in our behalf. I can't imagine how people get along without a church family. Thank you so much for all the anniversary cards we have received. Special thanks to Shawna Stockdale, Ruth Essex, Dwayne & Carol Jackson, Dennis & Carolyn Smith and Blanton & Betty Glenn for all they have done for us. Please continue to pray for us. With Christian love,
Norman & Lucile High

Dear Water Mill Family, A very special thank you for helping me with a very big move. It seems words are not near enough to tell you how much I appreciate you. Also a very special thank-you to the young people who gave up part of their spring break to help me. You kids are wonderful! Love, Ann Thiesen

- ### BIRTHDAYS
- Birthdays
- 1 Jack Lynch
 - Jacob Thornton
 - 2 Sara Keener
 - 3 Christy Sherman
 - 4 Kay Adams
 - Blanton Glenn
 - Brian Carroll
 - 6 Carl Tindall

SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AREA GOSPEL MEETINGS AND LADIES' DAY EVENTS



- ### April Anniversaries
- 3 Travis/Jill Morrison 14 yrs.
 - 6 John/Lisa Stayton 17 yrs.
 - 7 Gaylen/Dedra Jones 23 yrs.
 - 11 Carl/Yvonne Tindall 59 yrs.
 - 13 Mark/Deniece Breckner 19 yrs.
 - 18 Jeff/Elaina Treat 26 yrs.
 - 23 Chris/Regina Wiseman 14 yrs.
 - 26 Byrle/Virginia Hayter 50 yrs.



Daily Bible Reading Schedules for 2nd Quarter are available on the information desk. Be sure to pick one up.

JOIN US AT SUNDAY SCHOOL!

News & Activities



⇒ **TODAY LTC**
Puppets and Drama
will meet all day.
 ⇒ **TONIGHT: LTC Presentation**
 ⇒ **March 29-30: LTC**
CONFERENCE in Rogers, AR
 ⇒ **March 31: Awards Night**



POTLUCK APRIL 7 AFTER AM SERVICE.

Team 1 is responsible for working that day: Freeze, Young, Blackburn, Barnes, Holden, Stipp, Westerman, Dickens, Lund Families
 Please let Travis or Jill know if you are unable to work.

Ladies Spring Tea

April 6
 11 AM - 2:30 PM
 (registration at 10:30)
"Keep it Simple and Sweet"
Please sign up by March 24!
All ladies are welcome to come and bring guests!

STAY WITH US TONIGHT
AFTER SERVICE FOR A
PREVIEW OF THE WORK OUR
YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
DOING PREPARING FOR LTC.



The next book club meeting will be May 13th at Panera Bread on North Kansas Expressway. We will be reading books dealing with growth through trials. The suggested books are:
Struggle Seek Grow by Cynthia Guy;
Slaying the Giants in Your Life by David Jeremiah;
Conquering Your Giants: Overcoming Your Fears with Faith by Nancy Eichman;
The Homeplace by Gilbert Morris

All of these except *The Homeplace* are available for you on the shelves in room 129. *The Homeplace* is on order but there are several copies at the Springfield-Greene County Library. Thank you, Linda Carrier

Next Sunday is the 5th Sunday. Again the Elders ask that you consider increasing your contribution to be used for paying on our building. Thank you for your willingness to always respond when there is a need and your continued generous 5th Sunday contributions.

Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

Elders

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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
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Adam Blaney	304-520-9800
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Deacons

Scott Barton	Russell Lilly
Tim Bowling	Aaron Morrison
Tim Buckner	Travis Morrison
Tom Davis	James Simons
Jim Elliff	John Stayton
Jon Ewing	Mike Thurlkill
Matt Keener	

Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian



GOD IS A GREAT RECORD KEEPER

By Dennis R. Smith

That our God is a Great Record Keeper is evidenced by The Book which he has left for mankind. It is a Book that has been given to different writers but all their words came by the inspiration of God Himself (2nd Tim. 3:16). In this Book you have ample evidence of His **Bookkeeping Skills** in such writings as Numbers, 1st and 2nd Chronicles and even in Matthew and Luke where the genealogy of Jesus is recorded. Also in the Book of Exodus God makes known the importance which he places on **Record Keeping**: "...in all places where **I record my name** I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee" (Exod. 20:24 - KJV, NKJV). As you can see from this passage, God also sets a great store on names. Let's talk about both His **Record Keeping** and what **Names** he endorses. It is evident that God is particular about where he will abide as we worship. Consider the following: (1) Does your place of worship include God's **name** or the **name** of His Son (Rom. 16:16; Matt. 18:20)? (2) Has God recorded His **name** in your heart (Rom.10:9)? As you read and study the Holy Scriptures, it becomes evident that **names** are very important in regard to the **proper name** by which you must be baptized (Matt. 28:19; Acts 19:5). Putting these two thoughts together we must conclude that **names** are very important to God because if His **name** has not been **recorded** in your heart, how can He **record** your **name** - CHRISTIAN - in the "Lamb's Book of Life" (Rev. 21:27)?

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....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/KSRP



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Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

AM Nursery: Linda Currier/Gin Crumrine
Greeters: Truman & Helen Coltrane
Van Driver: Lance Griter/350-4646
KYB Phone: Jerry & Pat Milligan
Serve Paul Lines/Fred Lorenz
Communion: Jason Luna/Andy McFarland
 Jack Lynch/John Mahon
 Les Malanowski/Luke Lines
 Daniel Meinsen/Gene Lund

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Jeremy Thurlkill
Opening Prayer: LTC
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: LTC
Communion: Bruce/Carl Tindall
Nursery: Glenda Thurlkill

NEXT WEEK, March 31

	MORNING	EVENING
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole	Jeremy Thurlkill
Opening Prayer:	Tom Davis	Jon Ewing
Communion:	Travis Morrison	Bruce/Carl Tindall
Closing Prayer:	David Kern	Matt Keener

AM Nursery: Jan Bowling
PM Nursery: Linda Barnett/Meredith Reaves
Greeters: Barney & Debbie Crawford
Van Driver: Jackie Freeze/616-9789

MONTH OF MARCH

AV Scott Barton/
Room: Ron Stokes
Open Building Tim Timmons
Secure Building: Justin Reaves/
 Tim Buckner

Wednesday, March 27

Devotional: Aaron Morrison
Song Leader: Aaron Tovar
Prayer: Dale Gregory
Van Driver: Todd Kraus/
 207-7877