



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

March 9, 2014

Order of Worship

Welcome

Song Leader
Jon Ewing

#400
874
#947

Opening Prayer
Don Essex

#203

The Lord's Supper
Verl Duncan

#402 (v. 1)

Contribution
Verl Duncan

"In Christ Alone"

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#859

Announcements
Jerry Young

#438

Closing Prayer
Oran Green

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



FAMILY VALUES

There is within our culture an interest in, even a hunger for, family values, but a deep confusion over just what these values are. The book of Proverbs can help. Fee and Stuart observe, "As a generalization, it is useful to note that Proverbs teaches what might be called 'old fashioned basic values'." (*How To Read The Bible For All It's Worth*, p. 195).

Consider, for example, Proverbs 3:1-12. This wonderful passage outlines the values which bless families and build lives.

1. A heritage of proven principles. "My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you" (v.1,2).

2. Kind and honest treatment of other people. "Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So will you find favor and good success in the sight of God and man" (v.3,4).

3. Real and meaningful faith in God. "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths" (v.5,6).

4. Humility and reverence in all behavior. "Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refinement to your bones" (v.7,8).

5. Stewardship of material things which honors God. "Honor the LORD with your worth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine" (v.9,10).

6. Being made better through difficulties. "My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights" (v.11,12).

Values like these make life work. "Fads and fashions change, but the basic structure of family life, its joys and sorrows, remain constant.... Proverbs' wise advice on the things that make for happy and stable home-life, and the things that undermine it, is as sound as ever" (*Eerdman's Bible Handbook*, p. 358,359).

-Bill McFarland

**Join Us For
Family Bible Time
Tonight at 5**

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.



Elder of the Month
Jerry Young

JOIN US FOR BIBLE
STUDY SUNDAY
MORNING AT 9 AM &
WEDNESDAY
EVENING AT 7 PM.



- ◆ Continue to remember [Eula Compton](#), [Thelma Fain](#), [Greg Larimore](#)
 - ◆ [Dale Harp](#) is at Mercy Villa; he has been able to make a couple of short visits home; he is feeling a lot better
 - ◆ [Diana Compton](#) is slowly recovering from back surgery
 - ◆ [Norman High](#) as he continues to deal with cancer
 - ◆ [Wayne Snider](#) is not doing well; he has been put under hospice care
- Friends & Family**
- ◆ [Mary Bratcher's](#) son, [Bruce](#), is in Mercy Hospital with very serious heart problems
 - ◆ [Tim & Becky Marsolf's](#) 2 year old granddaughter, [Aviley](#), who continues to have some health concerns
 - ◆ [Norman and Lucile High's](#) granddaughter, [Sarah Reynolds](#), her husband [Ray Reynolds](#), and their little boy [Izak](#) who has a broken leg
 - ◆ Continue to remember [Carolyn Young's](#) sister, [Nita](#); [Jean Evans](#), [Lyle Mishler's](#) sister; and [Ruth Reaves' brother](#), [Jim Hocker](#), who are dealing with cancer

SYMPATHY



We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of [Irene Johnson](#), one of our shut-ins who was a long-time member. She passed away last Sunday. No service is planned.

Baptism

We rejoice with [Norman & Lucile High](#) as their great granddaughter, [Alyssa North](#), was baptized by her granddad [David High](#), last Sunday. They were here visiting [Norman and Lucile](#).

Long Term/ Shut-ins

Kay Adams
Shirley Bartlett
Doris Burch
Eula Compton
Fern Davis
Thelma Fain
Ella Mae Findlay
Chloe Gaddis
Mary Head
Doris Iorg
Doris Tobler
Judy Todd
Pat Woods

Expectant Moms

Megan Jobs
(girl) (March)
Brittany Morrison
(girl) (June)

PROMOTION DAY FOR
OUR KIDS' BIBLE
CLASSES HAS BEEN
MOVED TO [AUGUST 3RD](#).

*The Golden
Messenger for
March is
available at the
Information
Desk.*



*If you have lost
or misplaced your
Bible, please
check the table
next to the coat room.*

The latest issue of *The Voice of Truth International* is available in the foyer for members and visitors alike to pick up one or more copies for your use and to share with others.



*I'd like to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls, prayers and all the acts of kindness before and after my Mother's (Betty Shaw) passing. I don't think anyone knows how wonderful the Brothers and Sisters of Water Mill are until they experience their love first hand. Thank You All In Christian Love,
Marsha and Ron Bower*

*I want to say "thank you" for all the prayers, cards, phone calls and concern expressed to me and my family during my recent heart procedures. My biggest challenge now is regaining my strength. Thank you again and keep me in your prayers.
Truman Coltrane*

*Thank you for making our anniversary day special with all the beautiful cards and good wishes.
Bob & Betty Stockstill.*



Congratulations to **Tim & Jan Bowling** on the safe arrival of

their new grandson, **Ethan Hale**, born Wednesday afternoon to **Kenneth and Audra**. He weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. and all are doing well!

Youth, don't forget to pay **Johnnie** for your T-shirts (\$8 each).

News & Activities

Upcoming Events

- ⇒ Golden Agers meet TODAY at 4 p.m.
- ⇒ Elders meet FRIDAY at 1 p.m.
- ⇒ Book Club meeting CHANGED to March 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Linda Currier
- ⇒ Anyone interested in working on cancer caps meet on March 18th at 10 a.m.
- ⇒ Youth Night at Fordland March 23rd at 5 p.m.

POTLUCK

March 30

Team No. 2 will be responsible for working that day.
Megan Glenn, Keener, Crawford, Carroll, Wilson, Buck, Blaney, Marsolf, Cobb, Low Families
Team List is posted on the Bulletin Board in the West Hallway. Let Travis or Jill know if you cannot work that day.



April 12

Annual Ladies Day here at the building. Sign up at the Information Desk before March 12.



Puppets & Drama teams meet next Sunday after AM service. Bring your own lunch

Thursday Ladies Bible Class

The Ladies Bible Class begins for the spring on Thursday, March 13 at 10:30 a.m. Ruth Essex will give the lesson on "Ruth and Naomi" followed by a report on the surprising response to her recent article in the Springfield News-Leader, "I believe we can know the Bible." Sheryl Low will be available to watch the children. All ladies are invited to attend the class and the potluck lunch to follow.

Area Events

The Fordland Church of Christ is hosting a married couples retreat. The event will be in Branson on Saturday March 29 from 10 am to 4 pm at the Westgate Branson Woods Resort. The theme is "Don't let satan ruin your marriage". Guest speakers are Maxie and Fran Boren. If anyone is interested please see Travis or Jill Morrison. There will be a sign up sheet on the Information Desk. There will not be any planned gathering Friday night. But, if anyone would want to spend Friday night we have rooms available. A few couples are planning to stay Friday night and eat together and play games. Jill Morrison

March 14-16: Seminar at the Bona Church of Christ with Kyle Butt of Apologetics Press (flyer on Bulletin Board)



March 20

Birthdays

16 Jason Bettendorf
17 Pat Malanowski
18 Erica Dutton
Kevin Westerman
22 Jackie Buck



WHERE WOULD WE BE WITHOUT SUNDAYS?

By Dennis R. Smith

A lot of folks have not paid much attention to Sundays for years. They have done what they wanted to do without giving any thought to it being "The Lord's Day." The message of this article is not to them - they wouldn't read it anyway. The message is to "us" and the question was directed to the "we." I'm talking about Christians or at best those who still have a little respect for their creator or those who have just come along for the ride with relatives. Let's (meaning members at Water Mill) go back and recap the long winter which has just smacked us again this past week. At least three times this winter we have had to cancel our services. Well, maybe I'm just in a rut, but I've been so mixed up all winter without my "landmarks" for the week that I don't (sometimes) know whether I am going to bed or getting up. At my house, we are so accustomed to planning our week based on the three services (sometimes 4) that we have on Sunday along with the mid-week services on Wednesday evening. My wife even plans our meals based on what day of the week it is. Today (Monday) we even had hamburgers! That's supposed to be Saturday and then we add another day and it's time for Sunday Services again. Perhaps by now you are beginning to get the message for possibly you have experienced this also. So I ask again: "Where would we be without Sundays?" The answer is, "We would be lost without them."

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
Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission
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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Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

AM Nursery: Pat Malanowski/O. Blackburn
Greeters: Byrle & Virginia Hayter
Van Driver: Kevin Wuensch/833-6134
KYB Phone: Jack & Rose Lynch
Serve
Communion: Ron Stokes/Van Barnes
Carl Tindall/Adam Barton
Luis Tovar/Randy Blackburn
Kevin Westerman/Tim Bowling
Aaron Alexander/Jackie Buck

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Russell Lilly
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Paul Lines
Communion: Briley Ewing/Luke Lines
Nursery: Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll

NEXT WEEK, March 16

AM

Song Leader: Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing
Opening Prayer: Jon Davis
Communion: Tom Davis
Closing Prayer: Jeff Fisher

PM

Travis Morrison
Jason Luna
B. Ewing/L. Lines
Andy McFarland

Greeters: John & Michelle Hulett
AM Nursery: Jill Morrison/Meredith Reaves
PM Nursery: Lee Ann Donoho
Van Driver: AM: James Simons/PM: Tucker Jobs

MONTH OF MARCH

AV Scott Barton/
Room: Bruce Tindall
Open Tim Timmons
Building
Secure Justin Reaves/
Building: Tim Buckner

Wednesday, March 12

Devotional: Tom Norrell
Song Leader: John Mahon
Prayer: Eddie Sanders
Van Driver: Tim Stockstill/
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