



Weekly Newsletter

March 8, 2015

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#618
#147

Opening Prayer
Luke Lines

#260
#384

The Lord's Supper
Paul Lines

Contribution
Paul Lines

#884

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#288

Announcements
Jerry Young

#124

Closing Prayer
Tom Norrell

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



A Teacher Worth Imitating

Few passages reinforce my confidence in Christ more than the part of the Gospel of Luke we have been reading (chapters 6 through 8). If “everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher” (6:40), he is the one who deserves to be followed until we have learned from him how to live.

Consider how this conviction unfolds. First, Jesus declares a complete reversal of commonly assumed values: he turns upon its head the world’s thinking about what enriches, what satisfies, what leads to joy, and what brings a reward. Then, he demands behavior toward others that is like the God who is kind even to the ungrateful and the evil—not just the usual blessing of those who are a blessing—because goodness comes from the heart of a person, not as a response to someone else. Finally, he describes those who hear him and do what he says as building upon a foundation that will serve them well when the floods of life arise.

Assertions like these should neither be made out of thin air nor accepted without reason, and they are not. Remember what happens as the account continues. The Lord heals a respected centurion’s servant from a distance as well as an overlooked woman who touches him. He gives back a dead son to his widowed mother and raises up the only young daughter of a ruler of the synagogue. He calms a raging storm for his frightened friends and casts out a legion of demons from a forsaken victim. He accepts the loving service of a woman he has forgiven much, and he reassures a great man in his questioning.

This is “the Teacher” (8:49). The way he says I should go about life may be surprising, and is certain to be difficult (it did, after all, lead him to a cross). But if what he says about life is held fast in a good and honest heart, it will bear precious fruit in all circumstances. What’s more, it will show one to be a member of the family of “those who hear the word of God and do it.”

—Bill McFarland

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

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 1

Bible Study:	N/A
Morning:	N/A
Evening:	102
Wednesday (3/4):	N/A
Contribution:	\$4,115



Elder of the Month
Jerry Young



- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Estel Pendergrass, Clarence & Ola Jean Feeney, Mary Head, Dale Harp, Shawna Stockdale, Rachel Lilly, Sherry Sherman
- ◆ Nadean Green has been in Cox South this past week
- ◆ Emmie Dillon had her adenoids removed and tubes in both ears on Friday
- ◆ Estel and Thelma Pendergrass have both been in Mercy this past week
- ◆ Danielle Horton will not have the scheduled tests as she has found out that she is pregnant.
- ◆ Fred Lorenz had a pacemaker put in recently and is still in pain from that procedure
- ◆ Betty Stockstill is feeling better but will have an MRI Wednesday and hopes to have some answers soon
- ◆ Sandra Pengenot will not be attending services for now as she is in a lot of pain and Wayne doesn't feel comfortable bringing her; I'm sure she would love to hear from you letting her know that she is missed
- ◆ Continue to remember Clay and Sharon in your prayers and send cards as often as you can. Sharon is still holding her own.

Friends & Family

- ◆ Jon Ewing's brother, Mike, is back with his mom. Joan Ewing. Please keep Mike and Joan in your prayers.
- Gaitha's mother-in-law, Joyce Harmon, who is dealing with breast cancer and will start radiation soon

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
Sherry Sherman
Nancy Snider
Doris Tobler
Judy Todd
Pat Woods



Expectant Mom

Danielle Horton



CONGRATULATIONS to Steve and Leah Prewitt on the safe arrival of Lakota James born Friday morning weighing 7 lbs. 2 oz. Laramy and Layton are happy to have another boy in the family!



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We are totally out or have a very small supply of the following items in our food pantry. We would appreciate any help you can provide.

Cereal	Boxed Meals	Canned Meals	Peanut Butter
Jelly	Canned Corn	Jell-O	Pudding
Mac & Cheese	Soup		

Place items in the can in the fellowship room. Thanks.



Thank you for the many cards and kind gestures at the passing of my father. Thank you doesn't seem adequate for the generous and delicious dinner prepared for us after the funeral. We are deeply touched by your love and kindness. Much love and thanks. Gaylen & Dedra



March Anniversaries

16 Tim & Marty Stockstill 36 yrs.
19 Adam & Tabby Blaney 10 yrs.
19 Greg & Lee Ann Donoho 38 yrs.
30 Daniel & Terri Wilson 29 yrs.
Happy Anniversary



Birthdays

17 Pat Malanowski
18 Erica Dutton
Kevin Westerman
21 Barry Hannah



News & Activities

Upcoming Events

- [Singing Class](#) this evening at 4:30 p.m.
- [Book club meeting](#) Monday, March 9th at Marty Stockstill's home.
- [Elders](#) will meet Tuesday, March 17, at 1 p.m.
- [Quilters](#) will meet Tuesday the 17th at 10 a.m.
- March 29—[5th Sunday Potluck](#)
- March 29—[5th Sunday Contribution](#)
- [LTC Convention](#) April 3-4
- April 25 [LADIES DAY](#)

Golden Messenger for March is available in the foyer. Be sure to pick up your copy.



LADIES BIBLE STUDY

"Beyond The Masquerade"
Each Thursday at 10:30 a.m.
Books are available in the office for you to purchase for \$10.

Here's the schedule:

March 12 - "Spotting a Fraud"
- Ruth Essex

POTLUCK LUNCH WILL FOLLOW !!

March 19 - "Dodging the Snob Mob" - Jill Morrison

COME JOIN US FOR THIS EXCITING STUDY!!

Area Events

April 11 Ladies' Day at Highway 13 Church of Christ in Bolivar
(See brochure on bulletin board)

Important DATE!

Sunday, March 29
30 yrs. of service

A Day of Celebration as we honor Bill and Kay for 30 years of service with the North National/Water Mill congregation. We will have a potluck lunch after AM service/meet and greet after lunch and then meet back in the auditorium at 1 p.m. for a reflection over the past 30 years. We will conclude with our evening service at 1:30 p.m. We hope you will make plans to join us for this celebration.

ATTENTION GOLDEN AGERS

Since we had to cancel the February Golden Age Meeting due to extreme weather conditions, please be advised that our next meeting will be at 4:00 p.m., April 5. Blank Monthly Record Sheets will be available at the Information Desk for you to use for the month of March. Dennis

IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE ELDERS: Because of the bad weather since the first of the year, our contributions are already more than \$15,000 below budget for the year. We encourage you to always try to make up your contribution when it is necessary for you to be absent from Water Mill, whether it is weather related or otherwise. Thank you for your always generous hearts.



THE RIGHTFUL OWNER - (Or Hunting on Private Property)

By Dennis R. Smith

Do we dare to hunt on Private Property without permission? The answer to this question should be a strong absolute NO! Yet as we reflect back over the hundreds of years, we see multitudes carrying their guns, climbing over fenced property even where signs are clearly marked NO HUNTING! What is their prey? To see how many of their own kind they can kill and to capture that little piece of dirt which they have occupied. When will we ever learn that in either case we are trespassing on property owned only by God. Take a look at the following: "Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the Lord's thy God, the earth also, with all that therein is" (Deut. 10:14). "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein" (Psa. 24:1). "For every beast of the forest is mine and the cattle upon a thousand hills" (Psa. 50:10). Do we need more proof? Surely to the faithful believers these passages reveal that God truly is the rightful owner and the primary reason is that He created it in the first place. (See Gen. 1). God, being the rightful owner, has the right to "Post His Land" and protect all the "beast" therein. The Ten Commandments served as evidence of His desires - especially the one that says "Thou Shall Not Kill." Much is said today about preserving the earth and even though the reasons are strong, may we not forget who owns the ground we walk on. It is God, our Father- the Rightful Owner Thereof!

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

Nursery: Meredith Reaves
Greeters: Tom & Marty Norrell
Van Driver: Jon Davis//864-9872
KYB: Randy & Orvella Blackburn
Serve Don Gaunt/Dale Gregory
Communion: Byrle Hayter/John Hulett
Dewayne Jackson/Tucker Jobs
Brian Carroll/Matt Keener
Trevor Kraus/Fred Lorenz

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Jon Davis
Opening Prayer: Randy Blackburn
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: JJ Blevins
Communion: T. Morrison/J. Simons
Nursery: Alice Buckner/J. Carroll

NEXT WEEK, March 15

AM

PM

Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Jon Davis
Opening Prayer:	Eddie Sanders	Tim Bowling
Communion:	Jason Luna	T. Morrison/J. Simons
Closing Prayer:	Tom Easterly	Jackie Buck
Greeters:	Eddie & Donna Sanders	
Van Driver:	AM/Luis Tovar — PM/Chris Wiseman	
AM Nursery:	Jill Morrison/Meredith Reaves	
PM Nursery:	Lee Ann Donoho	

MONTH OF MARCH

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

Wednesday, March 11

Devotional: Eddie Sanders
Song Leader: Briley Ewing
Prayer: Byron Nichols
Van Driver: Travis Morrison/
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