



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

March 15, 2015

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#951
#659 (1,2,3)

Opening Prayer
Eddie Sanders

#787
#452

The Lord's Supper
Jason Luna

Contribution
Jason Luna

#689 (1,2,4)

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#541 (1,2,3)

Announcements
Jerry Young

#446 (1,2)

Closing Prayer
Tom Easterly

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



About Our Work

I look forward to welcoming Spring this Thursday. I expect that many of us will do so with some enthusiasm. We are ready for the renewal indicated by "the blooming garb of spring" that we sing about sometimes. Our work together needs it, too. The series of bugs, storms, and breaks that have come in close succession recently have been a bit of a challenge.

This is a good time of the year to grow toward our best intentions. If you are not already, why not use it as the occasion to get started back to class and to our meetings on Sunday and Wednesday evenings? You would strengthen us and it would encourage you.

Sunday morning we will focus on "Our Praying as His People." This will be the third in a four part series that is intended to serve as the background for our thinking about the spiritual leadership we as a congregation will need for our future. Please follow the line of thought through the service: the majesty of Christ now glorified, favor at the mercy seat where atoning blood has been sprinkled, where he stands ever interceding for his people in love, having asked for himself only that the Father's will be done. I think you will find it to be a blessing.

Next Lord's day we will complete this series. We are planning a special service for that evening. We will simply pray. I encourage you to be present then.

This Sunday evening we are going to think on this year's LTC theme, "Don't Look Back." It has been in our Bible reading this past week, and it is great, challenging thought. I hope you will be able to be with us. The LTC convention is coming up shortly, and a number of our young people will be involved. Thanks to them, their families, and all their mentors.

Please remember me in your prayers as I work on a series to be presented for the Poplar and Warner church in Guthrie, OK in a month. Brent and Brenda Noe and their family are part of that congregation.

Thanks to you who have showed kindness and concern toward our family recently.

—Bill McFarland

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

Prayer List & Notes

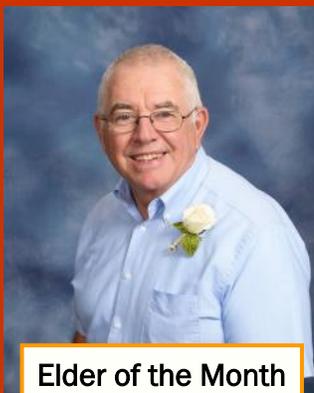
Welcome Visitors

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 8

Bible Study:	240
Morning:	304
Evening:	185
Wednesday (3/11):	181
Contribution:	\$13,763



Elder of the Month
Jerry Young



◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Mary Head, Dale Harp, Shawna Stockdale, Rachel Lilly

- ◆ Sherry Sherman will have a defibrillator implanted this week
- ◆ Estel and Thelma Pendergrass are both at the Manor at Elfindale; he is in room 208 and Thelma is in room 710.
- ◆ Donna Sanders is now home and doing better; she still has oxygen and has home health care
- ◆ Bonnie Cole is also home and doing better
- ◆ Danielle Horton needs our prayers as she deals with heart problems and pregnancy.
- ◆ Betty Stockstill is still dealing with some serious health issues.
- ◆ Continue to remember Clay and Sharon in your prayers and send cards as often as you can. Sharon will move to the apartment with Clay on Tuesday.

Friends & Family

- ◆ Brendan Carroll's mother, Connie, had surgery last Thursday for a brain tumor; she is in Research Medical in Kansas City
- ◆ Norma Lorenz's niece, Debbie, is in a medically induced come and on life support after a heart attack
- ◆ Jon Ewing's brother, Mike, is back with his mom. Joan Ewing. Please keep Mike and Joan in your prayers.
- ◆ Anita Cobb's sister, Madena Lakey, is in a nursing home in West Plains. Cards of encouragement can be sent to her at Brookhaven Health Care, 1410 Kentucky Avenue, West Plains, MO 65775.
- ◆ Carolyn Young's sister Nita fell last Thursday and broke her arm
- ◆ Betty Grabber's niece, Linda Holly, who has serious health issues
- ◆ Gaitha's mother-in-law, Joyce Harmon, who is dealing with breast cancer
- ◆ Norman High's half-brother, Lynn High, had colon cancer surgery recently.

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
Sandra Pengeot
Sherry Sherman
Nancy Snider
Doris Tobler
Judy Todd
Pat Woods



Expectant Mom

Danielle Horton



Thank you for your prayers on my behalf, plus cards and every act of kindness during my recent illness. What started out as bronchitis ended up a virus they said. In Christian love, Nadean Green

Rachel continues to make slow, steady progress. We want to thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for your love and concern. All the many cards, wonderful meals but most of all your prayers. Please continue to remember Rachel in your prayers as she is recovering. We are thankful and love you all! In Christian love, The Lillys

Thank you so much for remembering us on our 57th anniversary with the pretty cards and well wishes. May God bless you all. Clint & Betty Holden

Another birthday has come and gone and as always so many sent cards. I want to thank you for them and the nice sentiments. It is a privilege to have a caring family. With sincere love, Mary Jo Rookstool



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Thank you for helping to restock our pantry. We can still use the following items:

Canned Meals	Peanut Butter	Jelly	Jell-O
Pudding	Canned Fruit	Soup	Tuna

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

News & Activities

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [Elders](#) will meet Tuesday at 1
- [Quilters](#) will meet Tuesday at 10
- [March 29 - 5th Sunday Contribution](#)
- [LTC Convention](#) April 3-4
- [April 25 LADIES DAY](#)
- Next [book club meeting](#) May 11th; we will be reading [Still Alice](#) by Lisa Genova. We will also be working on reading [Surprised by Hope](#) by N. T. Wright for discussion in January 2016.



On [Tuesday, April 7 and 21, at 10 a.m.](#) the ladies will be working on cancer caps. **They really need your help.** If you can cut, sew, iron, etc. and can spare a couple of hours, your help would be greatly appreciated.



YOUTH NIGHT AT FORDLAND NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT!!



LOOKING AT THE ORDER OF THINGS

By Dennis R. Smith

Any good biblical scholar should know that the first command is to *“love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind”* as he also should know that the second command is *“to love thy neighbor as thyself”* (Matt. 22:37-39). However, in reading these verses casually, one might overlook what could be called the third command. Notice again, *“Thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself.”* No, this verse is not telling us to be “struck” on ourselves or to *“think more highly of ourselves than we ought to think”* (Rom. 12:3), but it is telling us that we owe it to ourselves to talk to ourselves about the value of ourselves to the extent of wanting to save ourselves as much as we would want others to be saved. Here’s where the order of things comes to play. In the great and powerful message of Peter on Pentecost, he declared to the multitude *“save yourselves from this untoward (sinful) generation”* (Acts 2:40). Paul in his letter to the Philippians said, *“work out your own salvation with fear and trembling”* (2:12). The idea in both cases is not that anyone has the power to save themselves, but they do have power over their own decisions. Again, here is where the idea of the order of things comes in: If we loved ourselves as God loves us, we would then see the “profit” of saving our own souls (Matt. 16:26), thus making this our life’s priority. Surrendering one’s self to the gospel must come first before any attempt to save others can be made.



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 19 - *“Dodging the Snob Mob”* - Jill Morrison
 March 26—*“Sidestepping the People-Pleasing Trap”* - Karen Ashcraft
COME JOIN US FOR THIS EXCITING STUDY!!



The latest version of The Voice of Truth International is available in the foyer. Members and visitors alike are encouraged to take one or more copies for your own use and to share with others.

Area Events

April 11 Ladies' Day at Highway 13 Church of Christ in Bolivar
 April 12-15 Gospel Meeting at the Lincoln Church of Christ
 (See brochure on bulletin board)



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.

Team 2 will be responsible for working. Please let Jill or Travis know if you are unable to work.

Keener, Crawford, Carroll, Wilson, Buck, Blaney, Cobb, Marsolf Families, Megan Glenn



Birthdays

22 Jackie Buck
 25 McKenna Jobs
 Fred Winters
 27 Mason Blaney
 28 Lucile High
 Marlene Matthews

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: Jill Morrison/Meredith Reaves
Greeters: Fred & Norma Lorenz
Van Driver: AM/Luis Tovar / 864-8409
 PM/Chris Wiseman / 597-4457
KYB: James & Emily Simons
Serve Don Gaunt/Dale Gregory
Communion: Byrle Hayter/John Hulett
 Dewayne Jackson/Tucker Jobes
 Brian Carroll/Matt Keener
 Trevor Kraus/Fred Lorenz

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Jon Davis
Opening Prayer: Tim Bowling
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Jackie Buck
Communion: T. Morrison/J. Simons
Nursery: Lee Ann Donoho

NEXT WEEK, March 22

AM

PM

Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Jon Davis
Opening Prayer:	Jerry Milligan	Brendan Carroll
Communion:	Gene Lund	T. Morrison/J. Simons
Closing Prayer:	Barry Hannah	Barney Crawford
Greeters:	Carolyn Smith/Johnnie Elliff	
Van Driver:	Kevin Wuench/833-6134	
AM Nursery:	Linda Currier	
PM Nursery:	Donna Jordan/Meredith Reaves	

MONTH OF MARCH

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

Wednesday, March 18

Devotional: Byron Nichols
Song Leader: Briley Ewing
Prayer: Tim Stockstill
Van Driver: Tim Stockstill/
 849-7678