



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

April 19, 2015

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Adam Blaney

Opening Prayer
Van Barnes

The Lord's Supper
Aaron Morrison

Contribution
Aaron Morrison

Lesson
Bill McFarland

Announcements
Barney Crawford

Closing Prayer
Adam Barton

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



About Our Work

If you are a relatively new reader, you may wonder why I often use the above title for this column. By “work,” I mean glad service to the Lord—what is done in the interest of fulfilling the mission he has given his people. By “our,” I mean that which belongs to all of us as a congregation—that of which we all take ownership and in which each one of us has a part. By “about,” I mean that what follows relates to how we are expressing our partnership in the love of Christ—the tasks, activities, and concerns we share now. If you will read it that way, you will know where I am coming from.

This Lord's day morning, and continuing through the next three, we are turning our attention to the organization the Lord has given his church. He has provided what congregations need to function healthily within themselves, to complete their ministry within their community, and to glorify the God who purchased them and made them a people for his own possession within the world. This line of thought will lead to some thinking about the task elders have, and to our looking among ourselves with regard to whether there are others who are prepared to share in the responsibility.

Needless to say, this is an important series. Please go out of your way to participate in these studies. Remember also that we have tried to lay a foundation of prayer. Let us continually apply that discipline to our thinking about this process. Ask the Father every day that we may act wisely, that we may love fervently, and that his will may be done.

I bring you greetings from the Poplar and Warner congregation in Guthrie, OK. I got to see the Noe family, Lucile's daughter Cathy, Stacy and Avery Haddock, and the Cruz family (who were assisted by many of you a few years back after they were in a terrible accident). All sent their love. Thank you for your prayers in behalf of our series with them.

I express my respect for our brother Cecil and my sympathy to his family. He blessed our congregation for many years through his quiet ability, unselfish service, and steadying influence. I know many of us are grateful for his impact on our lives.

—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

April 12

Bible Study:	253
Morning:	391
Evening:	242
Wednesday (4/8):	183
Contribution:	\$ 9,193



Elder of the Month
Barney Crawford



Prayer List

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Mary Head, Dale Harp, Shawna Stockdale, Donna Sanders, Bonnie Cole, Sherry Sherman, Rachel Lilly, Kay Adams, Danielle Horton
 - ◆ Kay AdamesAlice Daniels fell and broke her arm recently
 - ◆ Thelma Pendergrass is at the Manor at Elfindale in room 305
 - ◆ Jackie Buck has been diagnosed with a mild form of Lymphoma and will have a milder form of chemo. They have also sent the tests and paper work to Mayo for a second opinion
- Friends & Family**
- ◆ Cub Robertson, the little boy who has leukemia that we collected money for a couple of weeks ago, has been taken to St. Jude because of seizures caused by the chemo. Remember Cub and his family.
 - ◆ Ruth Reaves' brother, Jimmie Hocker, as his liver cancer has returned
 - ◆ Billie Luna's daughter-in-law, Karen Luna, is dealing with serious liver problems.
 - ◆ Bill and Pat Culley's daughter, Valerie Larson, who is dealing with breast cancer; cards could be sent to 6046 N. FR 171, 65803
 - ◆ Denzil & Ruth Raines' granddaughter, Maranda Henry, who lives in Wisconsin is having some health problems
 - ◆ Norma Lorenz's niece, Debbie, has been moved to a rehab facility in Norman, OK
 - ◆ Jon Ewing's brother, Mike, is at Mercy Villa, Faith Unit, Room 223, with Hospice. Also remember Jon's mom Joan Ewing.
 - ◆ Anita Cobb's sister, Madena Lakey, is in a nursing home in West Plains.
 - ◆ Carolyn Young's sister Nita is in a rehab facility in Joplin
 - ◆ Continue to remember Gaitha's mother-in-law, Joyce Harmon, who is dealing with breast cancer

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
Thelma Pendergrass
Sandra Pegenot
Nancy Snider
Doris Tobler
Judy Todd
Pat Woods



Expectant Moms

Danielle Horton/Nov.
Miriam Mather/Nov.



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of our dear brother Cecil Lines, who passed away last Sunday morning. Funeral services were held Saturday. Continue to keep Paul and his family, Lisa and her family and Mary Charlotte in your prayers.

Birthdays

26 Doris Iorg
Gail White
28 Ashley Stockdale
29 Larry Baggett
30 Kirk Tracy
5/1 Raymond Forrester



Congratulations to Jo and Larry Baggett on the arrival of a new grandbaby, Colbie Dawn, born April 3, 6 lbs. 10 oz., to Michael and Ryan Baggett in Oklahoma City. All are doing well.



Daily Bible Reading Schedules for the 2nd Quarter are available on the Information Desk. And don't forget, you can listen to a familiar voice reading each day's selection by going to www.watermillchurchofchrist.org and clicking on "Today's Bible Reading." Thank you so much to the guys who have been reading: Travis Morrison, Aaron Schwartz, John Hulett, Adam Blaney, Bill McFarland, Scott Barton, Byron Nichols



News & Activities



SPRING LADIES DAY
April 25 / 10 a.m.—1 p.m.
"God's Love Is International"

On Tuesday at 10 a.m. the ladies will again be working on cancer caps. They really need your help. **Bring your favorite pair of fabric scissors.**



Fair Haven needs your help with a "Change for Children" fund drive. There are cans available in the foyer. We need 50 families to volunteer to take a can and add \$1/day for 100 days. At the end of 100 days your can will be worth \$100. **PICK UP YOUR CAN AND CHANGE THE LIFE OF A CHILD!**



Our Graduates' Reception is scheduled for Sunday, May 3 after the evening service. **If you are graduating this spring or graduated last semester, please contact Adam or the office as soon as possible so they can get pictures and graduation information.**



Next **book club meeting** May 11th

SEE THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE WEST HALLWAY FOR AREA EVENTS.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

"Beyond The Masquerade"

Each Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

April 23 — "An Unpopular Profession" - Sara Stipp

COME JOIN US!



CLYDE & ROBBIE HEAVEN are celebrating 50 years of marriage on April 25 from 3 - 5 p.m. at the Kansas Expressway Church of Christ. You are invited to join in that celebration. (Jill Morrison's parents)



Thank you so much for the great turnout for Sharon's memorial service. I appreciated it more than you know and it meant a lot to me. It was so good to see everyone. I miss you all so much. Love, Clay

A Tribute to Sharon Joseph

By Dennis R. Smith



For the last fifty-seven years, which has been the duration of my ministry, my favorite hymn has been "*JESUS, ROSE OF SHARON.*" The words and the melody of this song depicts the beauty of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Of course it has its foundation from the prophecy of Jesus which can be found in the Song of Solomon Chapter two, verse one, as follows: "*I AM the rose of Sharon, and the Lily of the valleys.*"

While there are many other descriptive words identifying Jesus this one (along with the Hymn) seems to match up well with Sister Sharon Joseph. In fact, to me, perhaps Sharon's parents gave her this beautiful name knowing that she was destined to become the image of Him for whom the prophet of old had described. The scriptures inform us of the necessity of Christian men and women letting their light shine that we might glorify our Father in Heaven. Truly, truly, Sharon Joseph lived a life of beauty, gentleness, compassion and love for everyone. In review, those of us who knew her would agree that Sharon's life was one beautiful and wonderful SONG with each stanza being correctly composed by the day-by-day life which she lived.

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: Randy & Orvella Blackburn
Van Driver: Kevin Wuench/833-6134
KYB: Jerry & Pat Milligan

Serve Jason Luna/Gene Lund
Communion: Scott Nichols/Tom Norrell
Steve Prewitt/Fred Lorenz
James Simons/John Stayton
Jerry Stockdale/Ron Stokes

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: John Mahon
Opening Prayer: Don Essex
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Tom Easterly
Communion: Jerry Young/J. Davis
Nursery: Lee Ann Donoho

NEXT WEEK, April 26

AM

PM

Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	John Mahon
Opening Prayer:	Randy Blackburn	Aaron Alexander
Communion:	Travis Morrison	Jerry Young/J. Davis
Closing Prayer:	Briley Ewing	John Dutton
Greeters:	Tim & Jan Bowling	
Van Driver:	Adam Stipp/844-6564	
AM Nursery	Linda Currier	
PM Nursery	Donna Jordan	

MONTH OF APRIL

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

Wednesday, April 22

Devotional:	Ron Stokes
Song Leader:	JJ Blevins
Prayer:	Matt Keener
Van Driver:	Tim Stockstill/ 849-7678