



# WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

November 1, 2015

## Order of Worship

*Song Leader*  
**Jon Ewing**

*Opening Prayer*  
**Matt Keener**

*The Lord's Supper*  
**James Simons**

*Contribution*  
**James Simons**

*Lesson*  
**Bill McFarland**

*Announcements*  
**Barney Crawford**

*Closing Prayer*  
**Scott Nichols**

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



## The Imperatives Of Fulfilled Ministry

Second Timothy is the last letter of a man who has fought the good fight, written as he himself is already being offered. It is addressed to a younger coworker who is like a beloved son to him, one who will have to fulfill his own ministry in the continuance of that fight. The tone is warm and calm, but there is a sense of urgency that is expressed in the imperatives Paul presents to Timothy.

Rekindle the use of your own ability. “For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control” (2 Tim. 1:6-7).

Hold to what you have heard and guard it like a treasure. “Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you” (2 Tim. 1:13-14).

Pass the gospel of grace along to others. “You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also” (2 Tim. 2:1-2).

Remember Christ and remind everyone not to be distracted from him. “Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel...Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to quarrel about words, which does no good but only ruins the hearers” (2 Tim. 2:8, 14).

Aim to please God in the use you make of his word. “Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth” (2 Tim. 2:15).

Engage in pursuits that are worthy of God's household. “So flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart” (2 Tim. 2:22).

Continue in what you have firmly believed despite difficulties. “But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty...But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it” (2 Tim. 3:1, 14).

Imperatives are things that have to be attended to with urgency. The things Paul asked of Timothy are crucial to the ongoing health of the church. “But you yourself must keep calm and sane at all times; face hardship, work to spread the Gospel, and do all the duties of your calling” (2 Tim. 4:5, NEB).

—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

October 25

Bible Study:	219
Morning:	337
Evening:	183
Wednesday (10/28):	215
Contribution:	\$ 8,914



Elder of the Month  
Barney Crawford



◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Rachel Lilly, Jackie Buck, Tim Timmons, Marsha Bower, Dale Harp, Jerry Gillespie

◆ Thelma Pendergrass is not doing well

- ◆ Bill Culley remains in Barnes Hospital but has been improving
- ◆ Lisa Stayton is recovering from surgery on her right foot
- ◆ Shawna Stockdale is recovering from back surgery
- ◆ Ruth & Denzil Raines as they deal with family issues
- ◆ Danielle Horton is in Cox South at this writing waiting for the baby

### Friends & Family

- ◆ Don Essex's sister, Sarah Jump, who is recovering from surgery
- ◆ Becky Marsolf's granddaughter, Harper, as they deal with regulating medication and pray they can start getting concrete results
- ◆ Kevin Westerman's dad, Ken, as his health is declining rapidly.
- ◆ Friend of Lucile High, Angela Allen, is having health issues
- ◆ George Horton, Bob's brother, is in Mercy recovering from heart surgery
- ◆ Gail White's great nephew, Hunter Ellard, as he waits on a liver transplant
- ◆ Leah Freeze's mom, Glynda Gardner, and Ruth Reaves' brother, Jimmie Hocker, as they deal with cancer
- ◆ Lance Griter's Aunt DeeAnn has been moved to Mercy Rehab at 65 & Evans Rd, room 131, for rehab; Lance's grandpa, John Berglund, in Manor Care Room 201.
- ◆ Sheryl Low's daughter-in-law's twin sister, Jan Haddick, will have surgery on November 16 at Barnes Hospital for 2 aneurysms.

### SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathy to Aubrey Cobb and his family in the loss of Aubrey's mom, Wilma Cobb, last weekend.



### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We continue to have a lot of requests for food from our food pantry. We again need the following items.

Jelly	Peanut Butter
Pasta Noodles	Pasta Sauce
Soup	Jello/pudding
Canned meals	Canned fruit
Boxed Meals	

Thank you for always helping.

The annual Happy Hollow association board meeting will be held at Water Mill on Sunday, November 8th, at 3PM. You are welcome to attend.

### November Anniversaries

- 1 Fred/Amy Winters 18 yrs.
- 2 John/Teresa Mahon 41 yrs.
- 3 Denzil/Ruth Raines 54 yrs.
- 5 Jack/Rose Lynch 49 yrs.
- 6 Larry/Jo Baggett 39 yrs.
- 16 Aubrey/Anita Cobb 47 yrs.
- 24 Verl/Karen Duncan 54 yrs.
- 26 Lance/Teresa Griter 21 yrs.
- 27 Randy/Orvella Blackburn 11 yrs.

Happy Anniversary



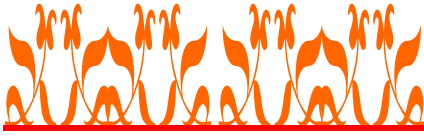
### Birthdays

- 8 Matthew Dixon
- 10 Cindy Hannah
- Kasey Sekulic
- 11 Linda Currier
- Betty Holden
- Debbie Kern
- Debbi Ratterree
- 12 Judy Johnson
- 13 Tyson Pasco
- 14 Reid Hollingsworth



Please turn in your LTC registration form!!!

# News & Activities



## LADIES FALL RETREAT

God Made YOU

(Psalm 139:14)

November 13-14

If you previously signed up, you will need to sign up again as the original signup sheet is missing.

Where: Water Mill Church

Fri 6:30pm—??

Sat 8:30am—1pm

Cost: \$15

(Make check to Water Mill and give to Leah Prewitt)

Fun Event:

Talent Show

(Be sure to sign up for the Talent Show. This can be anything! God gave each of us a special talent & we want to see it!)

### BEFORE THE RETREAT:

We are going to be doing a strengths test for a fun thing Friday night, so if you would please try to do this test BEFORE the retreat. Here's the link:

<http://freestrengthstest.workuno.com/free-strengths-test.html>



We are in need of a male teacher for the 6th grade Sunday morning class. If you are interested in helping with this work, please see Tom Davis.

\* **GRIEF SHARE** meeting Monday at 6:30 p.m. Feel free to attend one of the meetings at any time.

\* **QUILTERS WILL NOT MEET THIS TUESDAY!**

\* **Book club** 11/9

\* **Elders meet Tuesday, Nov. 10, at 5 p.m.**

\* **Elders/Deacons/ Preachers Meeting** 11/22 3pm

### LADIES BIBLE STUDY

**KEEPING YOUR BALANCE**

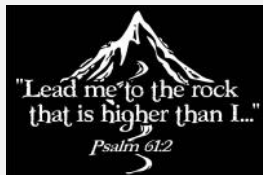
Each Thursday at 10:30

Nov. 5 - "Giving Your Gifts Back" - Brittany Morrison



◆ 11/7 - Harding Football Tailgate fellowship with AWY.

◆ Be sure to get your t-shirt and/or hoodie ordered.



◆ 11/17 Youth Night at Sunset

**Family Bible Time**  
**Tonight at 5 p.m.**

## ENCOURAGEMENT STANDS AT THE TOP OF THE LIST WHERE FELLOWSHIP IS CONCERNED

By Dennis R. Smith

The story of the Apostle Paul, especially his three missionary journeys, his voyage to Rome, plus all the hardships and heartaches which befell him made his life a great metaphor for our own lives. He had many reasons for giving up his mission of being the apostle to the Gentiles but never did he entertain turning back. One of the things that made him keep on going was because he was encouraged in his work. Especially was this true when he was nearing the end of that long and difficult journey to Rome. Others in Rome knew of his coming and went out to meet him. What a great lesson for us who need encouraging as well as to those who need to be encouragers. When Paul saw this group of fellow Christians, "he thanked God, and took courage" (Acts 28:15). No doubt this was just what he needed to give him the reassurance of his mission. From then on, what a great work he did for the Lord. Many of his epistles were written while Paul was imprisoned in that large city of Rome. How often we all are made to share in his successes especially when we are nearing the end of our journey. The beloved epistle to the Philippians was written while Paul was a prisoner and away from those whom he loved. Consider the following: "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now" (Phil. 1:3-5). Much is said today about fellowship in the church. Surely the idea of encouragement, based on the teachings of scripture, goes a long way and stands at the top of the list where genuine fellowship is concerned.

### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 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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Tuesday - Friday



## Service Rosters

### THIS MORNING

**Greeters:** Johnnie Elliff  
**Van Driver:** Adam Stipp/844-6564

**Serve** Tom Davis/John Dutton  
**Communion:** Tom Easterly/William Downing  
Trenten Essex/Don Gaunt  
Oran Green/Barry Hannah  
John Hulett/Adam Stipp

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Byron Nichols  
**Opening Prayer:** Gene Lund  
**Lesson:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Van Barnes  
**Communion:** A. Schwartz/B. Snitker

### NEXT WEEK, November 8

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Byron Nichols
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Matt Keener	Jack Lynch
<b>Communion:</b>	James Simons	A. Schwartz/B. Snitker
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Scott Nichols	Randy Blackburn

**Greeters:** Fred & Norma Lorenz  
**Van Driver:** Team Hulett/889-5344

### MONTH OF November

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

### Wednesday, November 4

**Song Leader** Jon Davis  
**Devotional** James Simons  
**Prayer** Tim Stockstill  
**Van Driver:** Travis Morrison/  
343-7451