



# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

*Weekly Newsletter*

*May 8, 2016*

## ***Order of Worship***

***Song Leader***  
**Jon Ewing**

***Opening Prayer***  
**Tim Bowling**

***The Lord's Supper***  
**John Mahon**

***Contribution***  
**John Mahon**

***Lesson***  
**Bill McFarland**

***Announcements***  
**Barney Crawford**

***Closing Prayer***  
**Eddie Currier**

***Serve Communion***  
**Travis Morrison**  
**Scott Nichols**  
**Colton Orum**  
**Steve Prewitt**  
**Brock Snitker**  
**Adam Stipp**  
**Jerry Stockdale**  
**Patrick Springer**  
**Kevin Westerman**  
**Robert Keith**

## **Motherhood**

The Scriptures speak of motherhood with great respect but without romanticizing the role. The view taken is marked by realism. It is understood that motherhood involves more than having borne offspring, and that relationally it has the capacity for both good and ill, and that the ways persons either regard it or respond to it are determinant factors in their lives.

A mother is a regular human being on a journey of faith in what someone else can become. Her sorrows are lost in her joy at another person's well-being. That one is tender and only beloved in her sight, the beneficiary of her attentive care and her tireless work. There is a law on her tongue, training in her hands, comfort at her knee, gentleness in her way, and treasure in her heart that is made of memories. By the nature of it, there is an unselfishness, a kind of humility, a nobility, in real motherhood.

So what could anyone of half-decent character do but honor it? Wisdom demands that one bless his mother, not forsake her teaching, conduct himself in such a way that she can be glad, and not despise her when the years have taken their toll. How foolish and shameful to be a sorrow to one's mother, to chase her away with curses or violence, to steal property or peace from her! Surely children's rising up to call a noble woman blessed is one of the most sacred human obligations.

But honoring goodness requires facing reality, else the honor is empty. And the reality of the human condition is that the calling of motherhood is too often met faithlessly. Without the guidance of godliness, it can be overtaken by selfishness, manipulation, and heartbreak. It can get to the place where like-mother-like-daughter is not a hopeful thought. There can be such a thing as a mother who asks her daughter for someone's head.



Motherhood should be modeled after God's care. It should be undertaken with his long-term view of things. It should be fulfilled in keeping with his will. And it should be appreciated and honored.

—Bill McFarland

# Prayer List and 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

May 1

Bible Study:	242
Morning:	393
Evening:	180
Wednesday (5/4):	229
Contribution:	\$ 9,328
Weekly Budget:	\$10,025
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$(10,384)

## CAN YOU HELP?

Alice Buckner is looking for volunteers for her Happy Hollow day camp session June 6-10. If you can help with any of the following for the entire week or even just a day or two, please contact Alice in person, by phone (417-844-3062) or by email ([ajbuckner@netzero.net](mailto:ajbuckner@netzero.net)) as soon as possible.

## In Need of Your Prayers

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Marsha Bower, Dale Harp, Tim Timmons, Bill Culley, June Jean, Jim Reaves, Rachel Lilly
  - ◆ Denzil Raines is still weak but feeling better
  - ◆ Verl Duncan's surgery went well; he is now home
  - ◆ Evelyn Haguewood is at James River Nursing Home, room 415, phone number 417-823-8962, until hip replacement surgery is scheduled
  - ◆ Julie Alexander's outpatient procedure went well
  - ◆ Nancy Snider has congestive heart failure
  - ◆ Ola Jean Feeney fell and broke 2 pelvic bones and fractured her tailbone; she is at Maranatha MANOR nursing home, room 125, phone 380-5825. She would enjoy short visits, phone calls or cards.
  - ◆ Sherry Sherman is in Cox South at this writing.
- ### Friends & Family
- ◆ Kelly Snider, Bob and Leona's son, remains in Mercy, room 7122 for aggressive chemo to treat his leukemia
  - ◆ John Stayton's mom, Reba Stayton, is in UAMS in Little Rock; cards can be sent to 4301 W. Markham St., Room 730, Little Rock, 72205; her cancer has returned; John's dad is now in the hospital in Kansas City
  - ◆ Bill McFarland's mom as she deals with health issues
  - ◆ Coyeatte Ewing's dad has been moved back to the nursing home in West Plains
  - ◆ Rob McFarland has no residual cancer after surgery on his back
  - ◆ John Mahon's cousin, Charles Hoy as he deals with various health issues; Nadean Green's friend, Sandy Mayernik
  - ◆ KYB student asked for prayers for her daughter, Jennifer, who is 42 with 5 children, as she has stage 4 cancer

## Contact Information for our new brother in Christ, Pete Schellen

2926 W. Farm Road 112  
Springfield, 65803  
417-350-0115

## New Address

Dale & Phyllis Gregory  
12961 Maness Rd.,  
DeSoto, MO 63020.



A special thank you to the Deacons (and their wives), Ministry Leaders, and all others who spent extra time this past weekend to prepare displays for the Ministry Fair.

## Long Term/Shut-Ins

Kay Adams  
Marsha Bower  
Doris Burch  
Eula Compton  
Fern Davis  
Ella Mae Findlay  
Ann Freeze  
Chloe Gaddis  
Jerry Gillespie  
Dale Harp  
Doris Iorg  
Thelma Pendergrass  
Sandra Pengenot  
Nancy Snider  
Doris Tobler  
Judy Todd



## Expectant Moms

Sara Stipp/July/boy  
Amanda Eilenstein/  
November



We are so thankful for the prayers that so many of our family at Water Mill sent up on my Dad's behalf.  
**Coyeatte Ewing**

**Mary Ann Wood**, Leona's friend, thanks the church so much for prayers for her 22 year old grandson Josh Cron. He doesn't seem to have any permanent damage from the stroke.

I can't thank everyone enough for all the beautiful cards and remembrances sent for my birthday. It made the day very special. Both Clyde and I enjoyed reading all of them. You all are so special and you make such a difference in our lives. Just knowing you are there for everyone is such a comfort. Love you all, **Doris Iorg**

# News and Activities



## Graduates Reception May 15 after PM services.

We have the following graduates:

**High School:** Erica Dutton, Trenton Essex, Jordan Fancher, Starr Fortner, McKenzi Maples, James Rollins, Katelynn Wilson

**College:** Alissa Buckner, Kylie Dutton, Erica Ewing, Charli Lines



Fair Haven needs your help with a "Change for Children" fund drive. There are cans available in the foyer. **PICK UP YOUR CAN**

**AND CHANGE THE LIFE OF A CHILD!**



### Birthdays

- 15 Barbara Barnes
- 16 Bryan Hannah  
Samantha York
- 17 Coyeatte Ewing  
Chelsea Franklin  
Mackynzi Sekulic
- 18 Brendon Looney
- 19 Danielle Horton
- 20 Ron Taylor

### AREA EVENTS

- ◆ Ladies Day at Aurora Church of Christ/May 14th, 9am—1 pm
  - ◆ Brookline Church of Christ "Coming Home" June 11 & 12
- See Brochures on the Bulletin Board.*

**THANK YOU** to Leah Prewitt and her committee from the ladies who attended for creating a very special day of prayer and fellowship at the annual "Spring Ladies Day." We are truly blessed!

## Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Class will meet **Thursday at 10:30 a.m.**

This will be the 1st lesson from the new book "Conquering your GIANTS, Overcoming Your Fear with FAITH." The topic will be "It's Me and I'm Scared!" taught by Leah Prewitt. **Thursday would be a great time to get involved as they begin this new series of lessons. All ladies are encouraged to attend.**



The Book Club meets tomorrow night at 6:30pm at 629 S Marlan. Join us for taco salad & to discuss the books we read. Linda Currier

- ◆ Elders meet Tuesday at 5 p.m.
- ◆ Quilters meet May 17 at 10 a.m.
- ◆ May 21 Bible Camp Reunion at Happy Hollow
- ◆ May 29/ 5th Sunday Contribution
- ◆ May 30 Memorial Day
- ◆ June 1 **BLOOD DRIVE**
- ◆ June 5 Barton/Pendergraft Wedding Shower. They are registered at Kohl's, Walmart, Bed Bath & Beyond
- ◆ July 9 Barton/Pendergraft Wedding
- ◆ 9/30-10/2 **Camp TO-KNOW-HIM**



◆ 5/28 Ultimate AWY day

- ◆ 6/7-16 WV Mission Trip
- ◆ 8/5-7 Christ Quest

### BIBLE CAMPS

- June 6-10/Alice Buckner Happy Hollow Session
- June 19-25 Larry/Tim HH Session
- July 17-23 Bill Green Valley Session
- July 24-30 Travis/Jason HH Session



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

## SERVICE ROSTERS

### THIS MORNING

**Greeters:** *Tim & Jan Bowling*  
**Van Driver:** *Adam Stipp/844-6564*

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** *Adam Blaney*  
**Opening Prayer:** *Todd Kraus*  
**Lesson:** *Bill McFarland*  
**Closing Prayer:** *Trenton Essex*  
**Communion:** *J. Simons/J. Stayton*

### NEXT WEEK (May 15)

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
<b>Song Leader:</b>	<i>J. Ewing/K. Cole</i>	<i>Adam Blaney</i>
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	<i>Brendan Carroll</i>	<i>David Kern</i>
<b>Communion:</b>	<i>Andy McFarland</i>	<i>J. Simons/J. Stayton</i>
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	<i>Jon Davis</i>	<i>Paul Lines</i>
<b>Greeters:</b>	<i>Jackie &amp; Virginia Buck</i>	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	<i>Team Hulett/889-5344</i>	
<b>Wednesday, May 11:</b>		
<b>Devotional:</b>	<i>Matt Keener</i>	
<b>Song Leader:</b>	<i>JJ Blevins</i>	
<b>Prayer:</b>	<i>Jason Luna</i>	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	<i>Jason Luna/838-7152</i>	

### Bible Classes (7th Grade thru Adult)

#### Sunday AM

Adult	A Family's Life	Fellowship Rm	Bill McFarland
Adult	Discovering Jesus	Room 126	David Kern
Adult	Seven Things Hated by a Loving God	Auditorium	Byron Nichols
Adult	The Portrait of God	Room 129	Jon Ewing
Adult	Chronological Study of the Bible	Room 130	Paul Lines
Grades 7-12	The Story	Room 122	Adam Blaney

#### Wednesday PM

Adult	Peak of the Week	Auditorium	Bill McFarland
Adult	Effectiveness	Rm. 126	David Grimm
Women	C.E. Feeney Chart lessons restudied	Rm. 129	Linda Barnett
Grades 10-12	The Heart of a Servant	Rm. 122	Adam Blaney
Grades 7-9	The Heart of a Servant	Rm. 118	JJ Blevins



*We  
need  
**YOU** in  
**BIBLE**  
**CLASS**  
each  
week!*

### 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**

#### 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**



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