



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

3020 North Barnes Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803; 417-866-0915

July 16, 2017

Order of Worship

Greeting

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#238 (1,2,4)
#932
#933

Opening Prayer
Patrick Springer

#599 (1,2,3)
#328 (1,2,3)

The Lord's Supper
Gene Lund

Our Contribution
Gene Lund

#819

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#760 (1,2)

Announcements
Bob Snider

#453

Closing Prayer
Larry Baggett

Serve Communion

Kaven Mahon
James Simons
Aaron Morrison
Brock Snitker
Scott Nichols
John Stayton
Colton Orum
Jerry Stockdale
Aaron Schwartz
Luis Tovar

Welcome to our Guests

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.

What is Better than Smelling the Roses?

By Dennis R. Smith

Surely we have all heard the old expression, "better stop and smell the roses." This, of course, has reference to the thought of slowing down and quit pushing life for things that really are not all that important. That is good advice, but there is something that precedes our doing so which is more important by far in the long run.

To answer this question I will refer you to the Psalm 46:10: "*Be still, and know that I am God.*" In the most part the rose is a symbol of love and beauty. Many songs have been written about the rose and then there's the famous quote by Shakespeare, "*A Rose by any other name would smell as sweet.*" As far as I can tell there are only two times in the Bible where the rose is mentioned. They are as follows: "*..... and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose (Isa. 35:1).I am the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys*" (Song of Sol. 2:1). Both of these are metaphors relating either directly or indirectly to Jesus himself or the peace and serenity of his kingdom.

Now, what is better than smelling the roses? The answer is to stop and acknowledge that the God of heaven, who is the creator of all things, has brought the rose into being and many other beautiful things which we enjoy. While it might help us to stop and view all these things, it is better that we understand "*all things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made*" (John 1:3). The first order of business then is to "*be still and know God.*"



OUR WEDNESDAY EVENING SUMMER SERIES

Thanks to Beau Bennett for bringing us a great lesson in our Wednesday night summer series on "Peace" as we continue our theme "A Fruitful People: The Spirit in the Life of a Congregation." Our guest speaker this Wednesday night will be **Josh Romo** as he speaks on "**Patience.**" ***If***

you have not been attending on Wednesday evenings, you are truly missing out on some great lessons that "you" could use to help strengthen this congregation. Wednesday night would be a great time to get started and invite a friend to come be with us. If you have missed any of the lessons or if you want to hear the lesson again, they are posted on the website, www.watermillchurchofchrist.org.

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ Ladies Bible Class meets Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Tabby Blaney's lesson will be "You Didn't Mean Not To": Preventive Maintenance.
 - ◆ July 30: 5th Sunday: NO POTLUCK
 - ◆ Blood Drive August 2
 - ◆ August 4-8/Christ Quest
 - ◆ 8/13 Ice Cream Social after PM service
 - ◆ 9/10 Wedding Shower for Kyle Buckner/ Brielle McKenna
- Bible Camps
- ◆ 7/16-22—Green Valley (leaving today)
 - ◆ 7/30-8/5-Happy Hollow/ T. Morrison/Luna



Continue to remember Eula Compton, Gracie Taylor, Wanda Wilkinson, Gail White, Clyde Iorg, Ron Bower

- ◆ Donna Sanders is now home from the hospital; no visitors for now while they determine their routine of care
- ◆ Shirlane Horton as she continues therapy and continues to have pain
- ◆ Tim Timmons will have more radiation for the spot that had gotten bigger; not sure when he will begin the treatments

Friends & Family

- Nancy Snider's sister, Paula, as she deals with health issues.
- Marsha Stipp's nephew-in-law, Darin Moore, as he continues his battle with pancreas cancer.
- Lucile's daughter Cathy as she recovers from foot surgery.
- Virginia Hayter's cousin, Jack Lowry, recovering from brain surgery
- Bill's mom, Pauline Redmon, in rehab at Care Manor, Room 305B, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653.
- KYB student Sharon Peyton requested prayers for her health.



Birthdays

- 16 Orvella Blackburn
- Jagger Trogdon
- 17 Lance Griter
- 18 Jan Bowling
- Jacob Cosbey
- 19 A.J. McCall
- 20 Tony Compton
- 22 Cheryl Friend
- Audrey Wuench
- 24 Connie Fortner

Madelyn

- Hollingsworth
- 25 Tim Bowling
- 26 Mike Ussery
- 27 Kelley Kenyon
- 29 Virginia Buck



Everyone is invited to a Baby Shower on Sunday, July 30, honoring Brittany and Patrick Springer who are expecting a girl in September.



We extend our deepest sympathy to family and friends of Ed Murray who passed away last Tuesday evening. Funeral service will be Saturday, July 22, in Riverton, WY. Bill and Kay will leave tomorrow

for WY. Sherry has requested that any memorial donations be made in Ed's memory to the Paragould Christian Academy Scholarship Fund to help kids who could not otherwise attend a Christian school. At this time you can make your check payable to Water Mill with a note in the memo section and give to Johnnie. We will send a combined check once the fund has been established with the bank, and then notify Sherry of your donation. If you would like to send Sherry a card, her address is 203 Rendezvous Road, Riverton, WY 82501. Keep all of this family in your prayers as they travel and as they deal with their loss.



Aaron Alexander will be leaving soon for Europe as he will be studying abroad this coming school year. Next Sunday (July 23) after the PM service, Julie would like to invite you to stop by the fellowship room, enjoy some cake, and wish Aaron well on this new adventure. We have all watched Aaron grow and mature in the Lord and wish him well as he travels to Europe.



Words cannot adequately express our appreciation for the many dear expressions of love shown to our family upon the death of my father. The acts of love shown to us from the youngest to the oldest has been overwhelming. As Paul said, "I thank God in all my remembrance of you." Yours in Him, Tim & Jan Bowling and Family

**BIBLE CLASS
PROMOTION DAY
AUGUST 6**

SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

- Greeters: *Tim & Jan Bowling*
 Van Driver: *Tom Easterly/848-9158*
 Nursery: *Coyeate Ewing/Christina Snitker*

THIS EVENING

- Song Leader: *Jeremy Thurlkill*
 Opening Prayer: *Verl Duncan*
 Lesson: *Singing & Devotional*
 Closing Prayer: *John Dutton*
 Communion: *A. Alexander/Josh Luna*
 Nursery: *Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon*

NEXT WEEK, July 23

- | | AM | PM |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Song Leader: | <i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i> | <i>Jeremy Thurlkill</i> |
| Opening Prayer: | <i>Adam Barton</i> | <i>Barry Hannah</i> |
| Communion: | <i>John Mahon</i> | <i>A. Alexander/Josh Luna</i> |
| Closing Prayer: | <i>Randy Blackburn</i> | <i>Bryan Hannah</i> |
| Greeters: | <i>Brendan & Jenny Carroll</i> | |
| Van Driver: | <i>Team Hulett/889-5344</i> | |
| Nursery: | <i>AM: Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum</i> | |
| | <i>PM: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton</i> | |

Wednesday, July 19

- Van Driver: *Charlie Crum/840-2632*