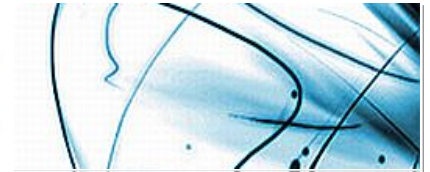




# North Garland CHURCH OF CHRIST



**We strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.**

### Today's Events

- Easter
- LTC in Dallas

### Upcoming Events

- Apr. 17**-FISH @ The Smith's, 7-8:30
- Apr. 19**-Blood Drive, 5-8 p.m.
- Apr. 19**-Wed. Meal-Meatloaf, Corn, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert
- Apr. 24**-FISH @ The Smith's, 7-8:30
- Apr. 26**-Wednesday Meal-Lasagna, Bread, Green Beans, Salad, Sopapilla Cheesecake
- Apr. 28-29**-Family Retreat-**CANCELED**
- Apr. 30**-5th Sunday Fellowship
- May 3**-Wednesday Meal
- May 7**-Sr. Sunday
- May 10**-Wednesday Meal
- May 12**-Game Night, 6-9
- May 14**-Elders/Deacons Meeting, 8:00 A.M.
- May 14**-Mother's Day
- May 17**-Wednesday Meal
- May 21**-New Members Dinner, 11:30
- May 24**-Wednesday Meal
- May 29**-Office Closed for Memorial Day
- May 31**-Wednesday Meal

**Modern Woodmen Retirement Party for Joe Duarte this Tuesday, April 18th from 5:30-7:00. If you would like to eat it is \$6.50-Adults, \$4.00-Kids. If you choose not to eat at the dinner, please join us for cake.**

### Order of Worship

- Song Leader**.....**Glenn Walker**
- #4.....To God Be The Glory
- Welcome/Scripture**....**Matt. 27:35-37, 42-45, 50-51, 57-67**.....**Erik Granberg**
- Opening Prayer**.....**Jeff Owen**
- #221.....Jesus, Name Above All Names
- #383.....Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross
- Communion Talk** .....**Cory Moore**
- Cory Moore**      **George Gordon**      **Robb Mills**      **Chase Coldwater**
- Shawn Tuohy**      **John Wright**      **Pat Meek**      **Mike Armour**
- .....**Dismiss To Children's Church**
- .....My Only Hope
- #344.....Low In The Grave He Lay
- Sermon**.....**Erik Granberg**
- #346.....He Lives
- #959.....Just A Little Talk With Jesus
- Welcome/Announcements**.....**Gordon Jantz**
- Shepherd's Prayer**.....**Roger Owen**
- Nursery**.....**Luann Burford, Sandy Lindsay**
- Lock Up**.....**Michael Manley, Butch McComas**

**Scripture:** John 20

**Thought:** Today's sermon talked about the doubt and pessimism of Thomas. Prominent Christians who have struggled with their faith include: CS Lewis, Mother Theresa, and Martin Luther. If you have wrestled with doubt you are not alone. Most Christ-followers have at one time or another struggled with doubts. It is not necessarily a bad thing. In fact, it can lead to spiritual growth and maturity. It can be a time when you learn to really own your beliefs.

**Questions:**

1. What areas of faith sometimes lead people to doubt?
2. What do you find helps to strengthen your faith?
3. Who are some good examples of great faith?

## Prayer List

**Janice Ciarla**-has a severe sinus infection.

**Michael Vogrich**-has been diagnosed with colon cancer. He is a pantry patron.

**Jack Parker**-had quadruple bypass surgery Wednesday in OKC. He is Tommy Parker's father.

## Record for 04-09-17

Bible Class.....	112
Morning Worship.....	170
Life Groups.....	65
Contributions.....	\$5,111.00
Budget.....	\$6,634.62
2017 YTD Cont.....	\$97,717.77
2017 YTD Bdgt.....	\$99,519.30

## Birthdays

### April:

17th...Morgan Coldwater  
.....Kristen Steffens  
18th...Dudley Darrow  
.....T.J. Parker  
20th...Sally Melvin  
.....Gary Newland  
21st...Cory Moore

## Manuelito Children's Home

We are collecting supplies for Manuelito Children Home until April 23rd. Items needed: **napkins, toilet paper, trash bags (13 & 33 gal), foil, plastic wrap, gallon zip lock bags, paper plates (paper only), Lysol disinfectant spray, floor cleaner (spic & span), windex, detergent, fabric sheet, all purpose cleaner, liquid bath soap, hair conditioner, toothpaste.** If it is more convenient to designate funds to Alan Lindsay and he will do the shopping for you.

## Family Mission Trip - June 1-4

We hope you're making plans to participate in this great new mission trip. Please let Adam Smith or Michael Manley know as soon as possible if you are going. There is a signup sheet in the foyer for this trip.

## You are in Control of You

"You are in control of you." If you spent time with my family on a daily basis at home, you would hear those words quite often. One of the lessons we are trying to get our children to understand is that no one controls their actions except themselves. This is not an easy lesson for them to grasp. Let's be honest. While my kids may be struggling with the concept of being responsible for their actions, we know (and some of us may do this ourselves) many adults who struggle with this very same thing. So what does Paul mean when he writes about self-control being a fruit of the Spirit?

To really grasp this idea I think we need to understand the Jewish notion of shalom. Now many of you may have heard this word and even know the basic meaning for it, "peace." However, this word connotes so much more than just peace. Yes, our lives are to be peaceful. That also is a fruit of the Spirit. But shalom isn't about being a peaceful person. Shalom is about living a well-ordered life. See the Jews understood shalom as deriving from God. The only way a person could truly fulfill or experience shalom was through and because of God. Shalom comes from God. It is not something that we can achieve.

I think Paul is connecting the idea of self-control to shalom. Self-control is a fruit of the Spirit. Meaning, it's given by the Spirit. It's not something I'm able to magically conjure when I want because I'm so great. Self-control is so much deeper than whether you were able to hold your tongue instead of lashing out at the person who cut you off in traffic yesterday. Self-control, true Spirit induced self-control, means that my whole life is oriented toward God. My life, my self, is controlled by the Spirit and what the Spirit desires. May we learn to experience the shalom, the self-control, that the Spirit wants for our lives. -Adam Smith

## Senior Bibles

Senior Bibles are now out in the foyer. Please consider what you want to communicate to our seniors as they carry God's word with them in the future. This years Seniors are: **Jesse Elledge, Austin Patton & Jared Spencer.**

## VBS Meeting

There will be a VBS Meeting for those interested in helping with VBS Sunday, April 23rd immediately following worship in the family room. Sign up sheets will also be available on the welcome center.

## DHS Suitcase Collection

DHS is collecting suitcases for foster kids. They can be new or gently used. If you have some you can donate, please give to Patty Long.

## Blood Drive

The blood drive is this Wednesday. If you plan to donate blood, please sign up in the foyer.

## Thank You

- Thank you for the plant sent at the loss of our mother, Pat Spencer. Most of all thank you for your prayers and condolences. The Pat Spencer Family/Bill, Shanna & Families
- Thank you for all the visits and prayers for my dad, Herb Martens, during his heart bypass surgery & recovery. Gordon, Roger, Joe & Adam-your presence during the surgery was very much appreciated. Gordon & Carol's visits really lifted dad's spirits. Thank You. Terry & George Gordon, Herb Martens & Anna