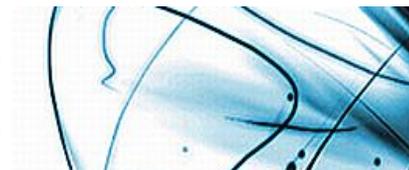




North Garland CHURCH OF CHRIST



**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

- Life Groups

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 23**-Office Closed
- Dec. 25**-Christmas
- Dec. 26**-Office Closed
- Dec. 29-30**-Youth Six Flags Trip
- Dec. 30**-Office Closed
- Dec. 31**-New Year's Eve Party, 6-9 in the education building
- Jan. 1**-New Year's Day
- Jan. 2**-Office Closed
- Jan. 4**-Wednesday Meal-Taco Soup, Potato Soup, Crackers, Bread, Dessert
- Jan. 8**-Elders/Deacons Meeting, 8:00 A.M.
- Jan. 8**-Youth Devo
- Jan. 11**-Wednesday Meal
- Jan. 14**-Forgotten Ministries, 4-7
- Jan. 18**-Wednesday Meal,
- Jan. 25**-Wednesday Meal
- Jan. 29**-5th Sunday Fellowship
- Feb. 1**-Wednesday Meal
- Feb. 5**-Youth Devo-5:30-7:30
- Feb. 6**-FISH-7:00-8:30
- Feb. 8**-Wednesday Meal
- Feb. 11**-Forgotten Ministries, 4-7
- Feb. 13**-FISH-7:00-8:30
- Feb. 15**-Wednesday Meal
- Feb. 20**-FISH-7:00-8:30
- Feb. 22**-Wednesday Meal
- Feb. 27**-FISH-7:00-8:30

Check Mailbox

Be sure to check the mailbox in the foyer for cards. It is getting very full.

Order of Worship

- Song Leader**.....**Dee Plummer**
- #993.....What A Mighty God We Serve
- #435.....Come Into His Presence
- #1001.....Hark! The Harold Angels Sing
- Welcome/Scripture**.....**Romans 11:33-12:2**.....**Adam Smith**
- Opening Prayer**.....**Chris Berry**
- #1012.....Go Tell It On The Mountain
- #997.....Come All Ye Faithful
- #337.....Hallelujah, What A Savior
- Communion Talk****Alan Lindsay**
- Alan Lindsay George Gordon Leonard Ball Gene Schroeder**
- John Wright Shannon Elledge Cody Ott Cooper Thornton**
-**Dismiss To Children's Church**
-Firm Foundation
- #300.....Praise Him! Praise Him!
- Sermon**.....**Erik Granberg**
- #1018.....Joy To The World
- Welcome/Announcements**.....**Gordon Jantz**
- Shepherd's Prayer**.....**Jerry Rogers**
- Nursery**.....**Susan Oldham, Charlotte Owen**
- Lock Up**.....**Bill Oldham, Terry Sherrill**

Life Group Questions

- Scripture:** Proverbs 10:15; 13:7; 17:5
- Thought:** More money, more problems is a saying we have. Yet, we still seek to have more money. Money, wealth, financial freedom are not bad things in and of themselves however, kind of like fire, there is great potential for disaster. That in mind we look at what the godly wisdom Proverbs has to give about finances.
- Questions:**

 1. What is your definition of rich/poor and why?
 2. Talk about the problems and benefits of being rich or poor?
 3. How do you try and glorify God with your finances?
 4. What from the sermon stood out to you?



Prayer List

Woody Jobe-is home.
Lana Ballard-is in Golden Oaks Skilled Nursing Rm. 152.
Kathy Dittmeyer-had knee surgery and is home recovering.
Janice Ciarla-will have her left hand carpel tunnel surgery Dec. 22nd.
Sally Melvin-had a stent placed in her corotid artery Wednesday. She is home recovering.
Margaret Jenkinson-moved to Garland Rd. Skilled Nursing Rm. 618A.
Cheryl Siders-will have 2 more heart stents put in Dec. 28th at Oklahoma Heart Hospital.
Gene Long Family-he passed away. Funeral services were Tuesday.
Ken & Jo Edwards-loss of their daughter and her mother.
Ally Seng-had surgery to remove her colon at the Mayo Clinic and is in ICU. She is a friend of Loretta Ball.
Debbie Martin-will have a scope done Dec. 21st.

Record for 12-11-16

Bible Class.....171
Morning Worship.....231
Life Groups.....63
Contributions.....\$6,632.00
Budget.....\$7,211.52
2016 YTD Cont.....\$323,468.20
2016 YTD Bdgt.....\$353,364.48

Birthdays

December:
18th...Jo Edwards
.....Keith Lynn
19th...Kim Burford
22nd...Eva Hocker
24th...Carolyn Reith

Wednesday Meals

There will be no Wednesday Meals until January 4th, 2017.

Experimenting with Kindness

I enjoyed almost all of my science classes growing up. I was a decent science student but what I loved most about science classes were all of the experiments. Even with the enjoyment of those experiments, I knew from a fairly young age that I would not pursue a career in any scientific field. I just had other interests on my mind.

But I have not lost my enjoyment or love of a good experiment. So this next week I would like for you to agree to complete an experiment with me. I would like to experiment with kindness. "So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus" (Eph. 2:7). God's kindness toward us is what should cause us to be kind toward others. "Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tender hearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience" (Col. 3:12).

With a world around us itching to get ahead in life, be the first in line, etc. I think we as Christians could do a lot of good if we focused on being kind. We have enough talking heads on T.V. trying to convince us that the world's going to end if so-and-so gets elected or if "that person" makes a certain choice. I think this week we should focus on kindness.

So here is what I want you to do. When you go to the store this week, instead of being impatient and snapping at the cashier who is taking just a little bit longer than you want, share a warm smile and a kind greeting. Instead of arguing with your cousin, or that weird uncle we all have, at the family get-together, be gracious and allow them to speak without feeling the need to retort. May God's kindness toward us spur us on toward kindness for others. -Adam Smith

Winter Quarter Adult Classes

The Healing Power of The Psalter-Auditorium Class-Gordon Jantz
Ephesians-Fellowship Hall-Erik Granberg

All-church New Year's Eve Party

This year we're going to try something new. We want to have an all-church New Year's Eve party from 6-9pm. As part of this we want to have a chili cook-off! And if you don't like cooking chili then feel free to participate in our pie contest. If you don't want to make chili or a pie then please bring some food of your choice to share with everyone. Also, bring games and your fun positive attitudes as we laugh and enjoy being together. On the welcome center in the foyer are sign-up sheets for cooking chili and baking pies. We hope you'll come enjoy a great night fellowshiping!

Directory Correction

Avanell Long's address is wrong in the directory. The number is 1009 Bluestem. Please make the correction in your directory.

Office Closed

The office will be closed this Friday, December 23rd, 2016 and the following Monday, December 26th, 2016 for the Christmas Holiday.