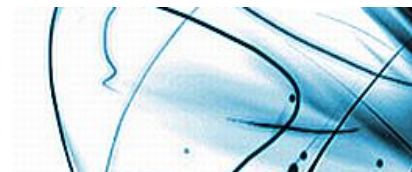




North Garland CHURCH OF CHRIST



**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

- LTC Practices Begin- 1:30-2:15-Drama, 2:15-3:00-Puppets, 3:00-3:45-Chorus, 3:45-4:30-Bible Quiz
- Life Groups

Upcoming Events

- Jan. 18**-Wednesday Meal- Pizza, Salad, Dessert
- Jan. 22**-LTC Practices
- Jan. 25**-Wednesday Meal
- Jan. 29**-5th Sunday Fellowship
- Jan. 29**-LTC Practices
- Feb. 1**-Wednesday Meal- Chicken & Noodles
- Feb. 5**-LTC Practices
- Feb. 5**-Youth Devo-5:30-7:30
- Feb. 6**-Westview Boys Home pick up
- Feb. 6**-FISH-7:00-8:30
- Feb. 8**-Wednesday Meal
- Feb. 8**-Blood Drive, 5-8
- Feb. 10**-Family Game Night, 6-9
- Feb. 11**-Forgotten Ministries, 4-7
- Feb. 12**-LTC Practices
- Feb. 13**-FISH-7:00-8:30
- Feb. 15**-Wednesday Meal
- Feb. 19**-LTC Practices
- Feb. 20**-FISH-7:00-8:30
- Feb. 22**-Wednesday Meal
- Feb. 26**-LTC Practices
- 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**.....**Glenn Walker**
 #31.....Be Still And Know
 #242.....Sing Hallelujah To The Lord
Welcome/Scripture.....**1 John 2:28-3:3****Adam Smith**
Opening Prayer.....**Terry Sherrill**
Break My Heart
 #313.....The Old Rugged Cross
Communion Talk**Jerry Rogers**
Jerry Rogers Shawn Tuohy Leonard Ball Zach Guymon
Roger Owen Cody Ott Shane Holderly Ahmed Groce
**Dismiss To Children's Church**
 #490.....It Is Well With My Soul
 #533.....I Am A Sheep
 #716.....Sing To Me Of Heaven
Sermon.....**Erik Granberg**
 #683.....I Am Mine No More
Welcome/Announcements.....**Gordon Jantz**
Shepherd's Prayer.....**Pat Meek**

Nursery.....**Leah Hocker, Sandy Lindsay**
Lock Up.....**Joe Steffens, Shawn Tuohy**

Scripture: Philippians 2

Thought: One of the important processes in growing up is identity formation. As young children our identity came primarily from our parents, but as we grew older we began to search out our own identity based on personal likes, dislikes, and personality. For those who choose to follow God, he becomes part of our identity. We end up taking on his characteristics.

Questions:

1. Thinking back to your childhood, name someone you tried to be like and how?
2. What benefits come from emulating a person? How about problems?
3. What stood out to you from today's sermon?

Prayer List

Lana Ballard-is at her daughter's house. She would love to have visits. Her daughter's phone number is 484-0225.

Margaret Jenkinson-is in Garland Rd. Skilled Nursing Rm. 618A and would love to have visits.

Nellie Jo Dittmeyer-is in The Commons Skilled Nursing Rm. 501.

Joe Duarte-is in St. Mary's Hospital with the flu.

Record for 01-08-17

Bible Class.....	120
Morning Worship.....	200
Life Groups.....	45
Contributions.....	\$4,732.00
Budget.....	\$6,634.62
2017 YTD Cont.....	\$12,458.40
2017 YTD Bdgt.....	\$13,269.24

Birthdays

January:

16th...Scott Hocker

.....David Petrik

17th...George Gordon

.....Mark Pettus

21st...Daylan Berry

WestView Boys' Home

We are collecting items for the Westview Boys' Home. If you are able to pick up a few items at the store, it would be greatly appreciated. The items can be put in the wooden box in the foyer by the kitchen. They will be here February 6th. Listed below are the items needed:

Tang, Coffee, Pepper, Mustard, Corn Tortillas, Baking Powder, Steak Marinade, Spaghetti Sauce, Pre-Mixed Kool-Aid, Powdered Gatorade, Baked/Refried Beans, Juice/Capri Sun, Mixed Nuts/Peanuts/Cashews, Kleenex, Clorox Wipes

The Good, the bad, the ugly

I remember as a kid always wanting my parents to praise me. It's a very natural thing. Kids seek the approval of those they deem to be the most directly influential people in their lives. For me, as I'm sure for many of you, that was my parents. I remember wanting to hear the words: "I'm proud of you," "You did a good job," and, "Well done."

Now, not everything I did was good. Nor did I do everything well. But I remember the words "Good job" often in my life. And why not? My parents were proud of me. They wanted me to feel accomplished and proud of what I had done. But I did a lot of stupid things in my childhood as well. I did a lot of things that would classify as bad or ugly.

One of the fruit of the Spirit is goodness. I've pondered over the meaning of that word many times. But am I good? Are we good? Jesus himself says, "Why do you call me good?" Jesus asked. 'Only God is truly good'" (Mark 10:18). What?!?! Could my parents have been wrong this whole time?

I think what Jesus means by this is not that we cannot accomplish good or positively meaningful projects and enterprises. I don't think Jesus means that we can't have personalities or habits that lift up others rather than tear them down. I don't think Jesus means that our actions are useless since they can't be good and that we should just give up now. In fact, I think the very opposite. I think Jesus means to say that our actions are infinitely worthwhile because all goodness comes from God. When Paul lists goodness as one of the fruit of the Spirit, Paul is trying to get the Galatians, and us, to understand that the goodness the Spirit provides is the same goodness which resided in Jesus and is only manifest because the Father himself is infinitely and graciously good. May we seek the goodness the Spirit offers and make goodness a daily habit.

-Adam Smith

Co-ed Volleyball

There will be co-ed volleyball at Central Assembly of God, 1202 W. Oxford, this Thursday, January 19th at 8:30. We invite anyone to come watch our North Garland team play.

Faith Night Thunder Game

We have 20 tickets available for faith night on March 11th for the Thunder game. Please let Adam know if you'd like tickets and how many. The tickets are \$37 and include a t-shirt. If you want the tickets guaranteed then please give your money ASAP to Adam.