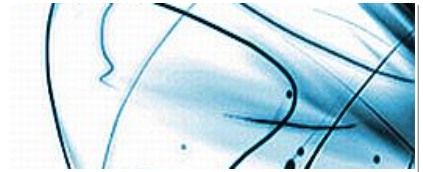




# North Garland CHURCH OF CHRIST



**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

- Elders/Deacons Meeting, 8:00 A.M.
- Life Groups

### Upcoming Events

**July 8-15**-High School Mission Trip

**July 12**-Wednesday Meal- Lasagna, Salad, Bread, Pudding

**July 17-21**-Middle School Service Week

**July 19**-Wednesday Meal- Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Chips, Dessert

**July 23-26**-VBS

**July 26**-No Meal or classes due to VBS.

**July 30**-5th Sunday Fellowship

**Aug. 2**-Wednesday Meal

**Aug. 9**-Blood Drive, 5-8

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**Aug. 12**-Game Night, 6-9

**Aug. 13**-Elders/Deacons Meeting, 8:00 A.M.

**Aug. 16**-Wednesday Meal

**Aug. 18-20**-Overflow Retreat (Middle School)

**Aug. 23**-Wednesday Meal

**Aug. 30**-Wednesday Meal

**Sept. 3**-Fall Quarter Begins, Promotion Sunday for Bible Classes

**Sept. 4**-Office Closed for the Labor Day Holiday

**Sept. 6**-Wednesday Meal

**Sept. 10**-Elders/Deacons Meeting, 8:00 A.M.

**Sept. 13**-Wednesday Meal

**Sept. 17**-Area Wide

### Order of Worship

<b>Song Leader</b> .....	<b>Glenn Walker</b>			
#72.....	Blessed Be The Lord God Almighty			
#53.....	Father, I Adore You			
<b>Welcome/Scripture</b> .....	<b>Psalm 46:1-11</b> .....		<b>Erik Granberg</b>	
<b>Opening Prayer</b> .....	<b>Pat Meek</b>			
#71.....	As The Deer			
#383.....	Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross			
<b>Communion Talk</b> .....	<b>Jerry Rogers</b>			
<b>Jerry Rogers</b>	<b>Bryce Thornton</b>	<b>Shawn Tuohy</b>	<b>David Burford</b>	
<b>John Wright</b>	<b>Brett Thornton</b>	<b>Curtis Diel</b>	<b>Joe Williams</b>	
.....	<b>Dismiss To Children's Church</b>			
#490.....	It Is Well With My Soul			
.....	Days Of Elijah			
#781.....	Thank You, Lord!			
<b>Sermon</b> .....	<b>Erik Granberg</b>			
#957.....	This World Is Not My Home			
<b>Welcome/Announcements</b> .....	<b>Gordon Jantz</b>			
<b>Shepherd's Prayer</b> .....	<b>Brent Dittmeyer</b>			
<b>Nursery</b> .....	<b>Patrece Allen, Susan Oldham</b>			
<b>Lock Up</b> .....	<b>Joe Steffens, Wayne Williams</b>			

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 12

**Thought:** We finished Ecclesiastes this morning. Things that stand out from this book of the Bible are the themes of meaninglessness, there is a time for everything, wisdom, enjoyment of life. In the end though, the author's final conclusion was to "fear God, and keep his commands." This is good advice as we make our way through life and make decisions.

**Questions:**

1. In your own words, what does it mean to fear God?
2. What, other than fear of God, goes into your decision making?
3. What does it look like for Ecclesiastes final conclusion to guide how you go about making decisions?

## Prayer List

**Barbara Pool**-is at Garland Rd.  
Skilled Nursing.

**Dawn Webb**-is home recovering  
from a spleenectomy.

**Sally Melvin**-is home.

## Record for 07-02-17

Bible Class.....	100
Morning Worship.....	172
Life Groups.....	nc
Contributions.....	\$7,383.50
Budget.....	\$6,634.62
2017 YTD Cont.....	\$170,775.07
2017 YTD Bdgt.....	\$179,134.74

## Birthdays

### July:

10th...Sarah Wise

11th...Liam Glessner

12th...Allyson Meek

13th...Dennis Hartman

.....Cheryl Siders

## Co-Ed Softball Games

The church co-ed softball team will have a game this Tuesday, July 11th at 7:30 & this Thursday, July 13th at 8:30.

## VBS Flyers

There are VBS Flyers on the welcome center. Please feel free to take as many as you would like to pass out to neighbors or neighborhoods or even as a life group project. However, **PLEASE DO NOT PUT FLYERS IN MAILBOXES.**

## VBS Tree

We have a VBS Tree in the foyer for items that are needed for VBS. If you could take a piece of paper from the tree and purchase them and bring them back and put them in the Resource Room where designated, we would greatly appreciate it.

## Something More

Week after week good church people live in an R-rated world and ask, "Does God's presence in me really change anything?" A woman who reads the Bible every day asks, "Why don't I get something out of all that reading? Isn't it supposed to help me when my husband is verbally abusive?" An overtired, busy bank officer asks, "Is spiritual dryness a permanent state?" A distressed teacher asks, "What does it mean when I'm too busy to pray?" A married couple asks why God seemed closer to them before they were married. All these people have something in common. In the midst of busy, scattered, exhausted and hurting lives they want to experience a great love with God. Desire and desperation gnaw at their hungry souls, and they want to know if God will show up for them.

In Matthew 11:28-30 Jesus said: "are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me-watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly," (The Message).

Living "freely and lightly" can sound too good to be true. How can hectic and demanding schedules yield to the aching desire for "unforced rhythms of grace"? What good is a desire to "recover your life" if you're plain old "burned out"?

The longing for something more, no matter how weak or crackling with heat, is evidence that God is already at work in your life. In fact, the very desire or desperation you feel can be God's way of readying you to walk and work with Jesus.

This excerpt is from a book by Adele Calhoun in which she claims that our lives have different seasons and each season has different ways that draw close to God other than the typical "read, pray, sing." If interested in seeking more talk with me. -Erik Granberg

## Backpack Campaign

We are doing the "backpack" campaign again this year. We are gathering backpacks for Youth & Family Services to give to needy children. If you are able to donate a new or "gently used" backpack, please bring to the church building by July 30th and put in the foyer where the backpack sign is. Our goal is 50 backpacks.

## VBS

Maker Fun Factory VBS is right around the corner! July 23rd-26th from 5:30-8:30 for 4 year olds-5th graders. If you haven't made your robot, do that as soon as possible and we will display robots until VBS and then use them during the week as part of our decorations! Remember, we are collecting money to give toward the water reservoir project for our missionaries. Be thinking of some creative ways to involve your whole family in the saving and giving process! You can register your children for VBS on our church website, [www.northgarlandchurch.org](http://www.northgarlandchurch.org).

## Friday Men's Bible Study

The Friday Men's Bible Study will not meet this Friday, July 14th, but will meet Friday, July 21st at 7:00 A.M.