



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

Today's Events

Teacher Appreciation Banquet

Upcoming Events

Aug. 22- Wed. Meal; Pizza, Salad, Fruit, Dessert

Aug.29- Wed. Meal; Sloppy Joes, Chips, Veggies, Dessert

Sept. 2- Fall Quarter Begins

Sept. 3- Labor Day; Office Closed

Sept. 5- Wed. Meal: Tator-Tot Casserole, Salad, Bread, Dessert

Sept. 12- Wed. Meal; Baked Potatoes; Salad, Dessert

Sept. 19- Wed. Meal: Sour Cream Chicken Enchiladas, Coleslaw, Hot Rolls, Dessert

Sept. 26- Wed. Meal: Pizza, Salad, Fruit, Dessert

Sept. 30- 5th Sunday Singing in Hennessy

Oct. 29- Alva Bible Chair Lunch

Dear Church Family at North Garland,

This thank you comes late. It has been almost a whole year since my mom, Barbara Pool, went to be with her savior. Please know that I have thought of you often & given thanks to God for the love & kindness you poured out on my mom & my family. Those of you who were there by her side when I & my brother could not be, hold a special & precious place in my heart. There aren't really enough words to express our gratitude for your love & service in such a difficult time.

Thank you a thousand times from our family,

Melissa Pool

Order of Worship

Song Leader	Glenn Walker
#100	Holy Ground
#101	Holy Ground
#47	Holy, Holy, Holy
Welcome/Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-4	Erik Granberg
Opening Prayer	Pat Meek
#768	Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You
#683	I Am Mine No More
Communion Talk	Jerry Rogers
Jerry Rogers	Wayne Williams
Shane Holderly	Jerod Burford
	John Wright
	David Granberg
	Cooper Thornton
	Michael Manley
	My Only Hope Is You
	Dismiss Children
	Your Loving Kindness
#779.....	I Love You, Lord
Sermon	Erik Granberg
#613.....	Hold to God's Unchanging Hand
Welcome/Announcements	Gordon Jantz
Shepherd's Prayer	Brent Dittmeyer
Children's Worship	Megan Darrow
Nursery	Patrece Allen; Barbara Holland
Sound Booth	Dudley Darrow
Slides	Terry Sherrill
Lock Up	Cory Moore; Bill Oldham

Sermon Scripture: Romans 12:1-2

Sermon Thought: While Jesus walked this earth, he didn't talk much at all about worship. However, the rest of scripture is full of teaching about music and singing, lifting hands, bowing before the Lord, and times of prayer and silence. Worship is not something that comes easy. It takes time, effort, and surrender of one's self in the presence of God.

Sermon Questions:

1. How would you define worship?
2. What makes it easy for you to worship? What makes it difficult for you?
3. What differences are there between corporate worship and individual worship?
4. What are the benefits of each?

New Prayer Concerns

Youth and Family Minister Search

Hartsell & Lois Johnson-declining health

Beverly Carroll-recovering from knee surgery; in Garland Road Skilled Nursing #424

Cissy Duarte-in St. Mary's Long Term Acute Care (LTAC) #4211 No visitors at this time

Record for 8-12-18

Bible Class.....	102
Morning Worship	179
Life Groups	NA
Contribution	\$4,095.92
Budget	\$6,634.62
2018 YTD Cont.....	\$192,500.10
2018 YTD Bdgt.....	\$212,307.84

Birthdays

August:

20th Jared Spencer

24th Duane Owen

Anniversaries

August:

9th Gene & Pam Denney

13th Trenn & Judy Watson

19th David & Luann Burford

23rd Joe & Cissy Duarte

25th Roger & Charlotte Owen

Empowered by the Spirit

"Walking in the Kingdom"

As we journey through life, we pass through many different venues. These include adolescence, school years, marriage, having children, the various jobs we have, moving to new locations, and the multitude of people we meet and work with. With each venue in life, we change and adapt to all the situations we encounter. Some of these are easy and come naturally, while others are stressful and very challenging. Each venue we pass through molds us into who we become. My life in the military changed me from a quiet and shy young man, to an outgoing and confident servant for the Lord.

We must understand that in this physical life we do not operate by ourselves. If we take time to reflect on what is happening, we will discover the presence of the Lord is with us in each venue we pass through. You see, God wants us to succeed and **empowers us by his Spirit** to accomplish the work he's given us to do. As God told Joshua as he was preparing to enter the Promised Land, "*Be strong and of good courage, be not frightened, neither be dismayed; for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go*" (Josh. 1:9). Now, as we give our lives to Christ and are made heirs of the promised spiritual Kingdom, he gives us the gift of the Holy Spirit to guide us on our journey (Acts 2:38). We have now added another venue to our life's portfolio because we are **walking in the kingdom**. Look around you and see what God sees, feel what he feels, and enjoy the beauty and wonder of life – it is awesome! **Walking in the kingdom** gives us assurance we will arrive safely in the best venue of all – our eternal home and the glorious presence of God. I encourage you to enjoy life to the fullest. That is what God created us to do by **walking in the kingdom**. May God bless your heavenly journey through the venues of life.

Gordon

Anniversaries

We would like to start celebrating anniversaries along with birthdays! If you would like your anniversary added to the monthly calendar, please write the date you were married on your attendance card. We have several listed to the left that will be celebrating or have already celebrated this month.

Door Locks

In the next few weeks, we are going to begin locking the outside doors 15 minutes after services begin for safety. Ushers will be available to let people in and out as needed.

Two Ladies Classes Beginning in September

Wednesday night Ladies Class will begin on September 5 at 6:15 p.m. We will explore the Beatitudes and how each one shows Jesus' attitude, the attitudes of different women of the Bible, and what our attitudes will be as we strive to look more like Jesus. Lesson booklets will be provided.

Tuesday morning Ladies Class will begin on September 11 at 10 a.m. We will be using another set of videos from Linda Smith called "Tell Me the Story, History through History." Through the videos and our class discussion we will learn about ancient cultures and catch glimpses of Jesus revealed in the pages of the Old Testament. When completed, we should have a better understanding of how the Old Testament relates to the New Testament as well as to our lives today. Lesson books may be purchased if desired.