

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

H.O.P.E Group 6-8 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 12 – Young Adult Dinner **March 17** – Blood Drive 5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

April 10 – Spring Cleaning Day

Birthdays:

February:

1st	Samuel Hurt
6 th	Ignace Zidor

Record for 1-24-21

Morning Worship	131
Contribution	\$2,866.00
Budget	\$6,634.62

Order of Worship

Children's Worship	Derek Tinius
Welcome/Announcements	Stephen Lincoln
Opening Prayer	George Gordon
Song Leader	
#167	
#278	Victory Chant
#810	
Prayer	Erik Granberg
#242	
	Let Us Adore
Communion Talk	
#53	
	Dismiss Children
#72	
Sermon: "Building Strength"	Stephen Lincoln
#704	
Shepherd's Prayer	
Children's Worship	Megan Darrow
Nursery	
Sound Booth	
Slides	



Sunday: 9:00 Class, 10:00 Worship

New Prayer Concerns:

All those affected with COVID-19

<u>Demsey Chesser</u> – Kent Chesser's dad; in congestive heart failure

<u>Willie Russell</u> – having pain in both ankles & lower back, will have shots soon in his back & hip

<u>Cheryl Siders</u> – getting weekly iron infusions for low iron, also pray for good colonoscopy results

<u>Caleb Morris</u> – prayers of thanks for his baptism last Sunday

Katy Lang Sheets – Jovita's granddaughter; recovering from having a baby this week. Praise for a healthy baby boy! John Samuel Sheets: 7 lb. 3 oz.

Family of Ken Skaggs – Doug & Kaelynn Skaggs' father, passed away Wednesday

<u>Diana Ritter-Coco</u> – recovering from having open heart surgery to repair a torn aorta in her upper heart; Gordon & Carol Jantz's son's mother-in-law.

Next Week's (2/7/21) Servants:

Song Leader: Beau Brownell

Opening Prayer: Bryce Thornton

Communion

Talk: Roger Owen

Shepherd's

Prayer: Pat Meek

Sound Booth: Jim Coker

Slides: Dee Plummer

Nursery: Brigitte Elledge

Children's

Worship: Chris Taylor

Wendy Taylor

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Righteousness

I was fortunate to grow up behind an older brother because I got to see what happened when he didn't do things right. That early experience molded my character in a way that made me determined to do what was right, so I could avoid the punishment that came with doing things wrong. My desire was to do what my parents wanted me to do so I could gain their favor. This characteristic carried over into my adult life as I continued to strive to be pleasing to those I worked for. Even though I tried my best to always do what was right, the reality of life didn't always turn out that way. It is my firm belief that this virtue of being righteous was a key factor in the success I achieved in everything I did.

This same philosophy also carries over into our spiritual lives. God set before Adam and Eve his commandments and expectations for what was right. He also gave them the consequence of not doing right, just as I observed with my brother. "But of the tree of knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die" (Gen. 2:16-17). As we read the history of God's people in the Bible, we see how he blessed them when they were righteous, and the discipline they received when they were wrong. Our heavenly Father has been merciful and has now provided a way for us to be clothed in **righteousness**. Jesus says his baptism by John was designed to "fulfill all righteousness" (Matt. 3:15). The apostle Paul gives this testimony about what Jesus means to us. "For our sake he made him [Jesus] to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" (2 Cor. 5:21). Praise God we now have the righteous life he created for us in the beginning. In Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior, we stand before him arrayed in **righteousness** and his Spirit guides us in our journey through life.

Gordon Jantz

Article Writing

This year we are wanting to mix things up and open up article writing for the bulletin. Anyone is welcome to write an approximate 350-word article of whatever is on your heart. Articles are needed a week in advance and will be proofed and edited for grammar/spelling, so don't worry if that is not your forte. Please let Mandy or Erik know if this is something you are interested in. This will start in February.

Thank You

Thank each one who prepared the Christmas sharing packages. My neighbor was excited to receive some of my package. Ale is 94 years old and house bound, did the search book in one day, Kim is still enjoying the treats one day at a time. My blessing became for three. What a blessing you are. Thank you and miss you all,

Naomi Goodridge

Inviting All Young Adults!

On Friday, February 12th all young adults are invited to Terry and Mary Sherrill's house at 6:15 p.m. We will spend time having dinner and fun getting to know each other. Also, because this will serve as the beginning point for young adult ministry at North Garland, bring any ideas and thoughts you think would be beneficial for this group. Can't wait to see you then!

Youth Group T-Shirts

We still have youth group t-shirts for sale! We have sizes S, M, L, XL, and 3XL. They are \$10 each. Please see Stephen for your shirt.

580-237-4658 www.northgarlandchurch.org Sunday: 9:00 Class, 10:00 Worship Wednesday: 6:15 Class