



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

Upcoming Events

- Jan. 3 – Broken & Mended: 6:00 p.m.
- Jan. 8 – Youth Group Service Project: Care Packages for Military
- Jan. 9 – Elders/Deacons Meeting after service
- Jan. 9 – Area Wide in Waynoka
- Jan. 9 – Art of Parenting: Class 1
- Jan. 15-16 – Winterfest
- Jan. 16 – Art of Parenting: Class 2
- Jan. 17 – Broken & Mended: 6:00 p.m.
- Jan. 23 – Digital Parenting Workshop
- Jan. 30 – Art of Parenting: Class 3

Birthdays:

- 2nd Jim Osburn
- Kelly Ward

Record for 12-26-21

Morning Worship..... 143
 Contribution \$2,595.00
 Budget \$6,642.00

Families served at pantry in Dec: 175

Order of Worship

- Pilgrim's Praise** **Derek Tinius**
- Welcome/Announcements/Scripture Reading** **Erik Granberg**
- Song Leader** **Dee Plummer**
- *Unto Thee, O Lord*
- *You're Worthy of My Praise*
- *Touched By a Fire*
- Prayer** **Danny Powers**
- *How Great is Our God*
- *Ten Thousand Angels*
- Communion Talk** **Z. Zedor**
- *Redeemed*
- Dismiss Children**.....
- *Our God, He Is Alive*
- Sermon: Jesus the Messiah: The Sermon on the Mount** **Erik Granberg**
- *This World is Not My Home*
- Shepherd's Prayer** **Pat Meek**

- Children's Worship** **Chris & Wendy Taylor**
- Nursery** **Reeta Williams**
- Sound Booth/Slides** **Dudley Darrow**

Sermon Scripture: Matthew 5-7

Sermon Thought:

Matthew 5-7 is called, "The Sermon on the Mount" because Jesus gave it on a hillside near Capernaum. In it, Jesus taught people what God's kingdom is meant to be. Position, authority, and money are not important in his kingdom-what matters is faithful obedience to God from the heart, which leads to genuine love for God and others and transforms lives, communities, and nations.

Sermon Questions:

1. Why is it so easy to get focused on the wrong issues in faith?
2. Why did Jesus turn our value system upside down?
3. Matt. 6:19-20 is about where to "store up treasures." How can I tell if I have too much "stuff"?

New Prayer Concerns:

Kegan Entwistle Family – Carol Baxter's niece's husband 29 years old & passed away from cancer

Chuck Craig Family – friend of Jovita Lang; passed away from covid

Tom Raloff – recovering from another stroke

Kyle Whitehead – former member; has stage 4 esophageal cancer & is getting treatment at MD Anderson

Clayton Woodrum Family – friend of Jovita; passed away suddenly last week

Jacqueline Anderson – recovering from a hysterectomy with complications

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Next Week's (1/9/22) Servants:

Song Leader: Robb Mills

Opening Prayer: Dee Plummer

Communion Talk: Dudley Darrow

Shepherd's Prayer: Terry Sherrill

Sound Booth/ Slides: Jim Coker

Nursery: Kim Burford

Children's Worship: Mary Raloff

It is Finished! Our Eternal Glory

The **work of ministry** has been an amazing journey with Jesus. He has been right by my side to guide me, to lift me up, to encourage me, to discipline me, and to keep me on the pathway of righteousness. As Paul writes, "*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). In that regard, he has become **our eternal glory!** Praise God for that wonderful gift.

As disciples of Jesus, we are all engaged in the **work of ministry** as we go about our daily activities doing the things God has given us to do. We are touching peoples lives, we are making a difference in the world, and we cast a radiant glow because of **our eternal glory**. As the angels announced when Jesus was born, "*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!*" (Lk. 2:14). We are being touched by the hand of God with each step we take with Jesus. He is our master, our teacher, our Savior, and our friend. Our hearts are filled with joy as we share our faith in the good news of Jesus, our redeemer. In so doing, we are saving precious souls so they can also share in **our eternal glory**.

I have been blessed beyond measure during my 22 years doing the **work of ministry**. I have felt God's presence, I have seen his hand guiding his people, and have witnessed the presence of angels he sends forth to care for those who are to obtain salvation (Heb. 1:14). As John writes, "*God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him*" (1 Jn. 4:16). **Our eternal glory** is the crown of life God gives us when we are "*faithful unto death*" (Rev. 2:10). "*Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates*" (Rev. 22:14). **It is Finished!**

Gordon Jantz

Art of Parenting

This series is ideal for parents, stepparents, single parents, and expectant parents who are raising children of all ages. Anyone willing to invest time and effort in their parenting approach will benefit. This is an eight-session, video-driven small-group series designed to help parents raise their children on a biblical foundation. It will be informative, challenging and fun. Please sign up in the church lobby. The cost is \$10 for an individual or \$20 for a couple (to cover the cost of books). The series runs from January 9th through March 13 at 6:00. Childcare will be provided.

Digital Parenting Workshop

On January 23rd Chad Landman will be presenting a worship designed to give parents a jump start to being proactive in parenting their children in a digital age. This workshop will focus on empowering and encouraging parents to take charge of their families' exposure to social media, gaming, and the internet in general. Topics covered include: internet safety, social networks, parental controls, securing devices and much more.