



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

Area Wide in Blackwell: Leave at 2:30 p.m. and be back at 7: 30 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- May 4** – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Green Salad, Brownies
- May 8** – Elders/Deacons Meeting
- May 11** – Meal: Chicken on a Stick, Garlic Bread, Potatoes, Salad, Chocolate Cake & Root beer Floats
- May 29** – 5th Sunday Fellowship Potluck
- June 4** – Women's Breakfast: 9:00 a.m./Quarterly Meeting: 10:00 a.m.
- June 3-4** – LCCC Beginner Session
- June 12-18** – LCCC Junior Session
- June 19-25** – LCCC Oasis Session
- June 19-25** – Youth Group Mission Trip
- July 10-16** – LCCC Xtreme Week
- July 16-23** – Pettijohn Springs Camp Ocho
- July 17-23** – LCCC Senior Session

Birthdays:

- 4th Alan Lawrence
- 5th Amarah Granberg
- 6th Macy Mills
- 7th Charlotte Owen

Anniversaries:

- 4th Travis & Jesse Key

Order of Worship

Welcome/Announcements/Scripture Reading: John 15:12-17	Gordon Jantz
Pilgrim's Praise	Derek Tinius
Song Leader	Robb Mills
.....	<i>I Will Call Upon the Lord</i>
.....	<i>We Will Glorify</i>
.....	<i>He Has Made Me Glad</i>
Prayer	Dee Plummer
.....	<i>Every Time</i>
.....	<i>Listen to Our Hearts</i>
.....	<i>Lamb of God</i>
Communion Talk	Cory Moore
Dismiss Children	
.....	<i>That's Why We Praise Him</i>
.....	<i>Shine, Jesus, Shine</i>
Sermon: What Am I Worth?	Erik Granberg
.....	<i>Had It Not Been the Lord</i>
Shepherd's Prayer	Pat Meek
Children's Worship	Alyssa Plummer
Nursery	Gina Thornton
Sound Booth/Slides	Dee Plummer

Sermon Scripture: 1 John 3:1

Sermon Thought:

As believers, our self-worth comes from the fact that God loves us and calls us his children. We are his children now, not just sometime in eh distant future. Knowing that we are God's children should encourage us to live as Jesus did.

Sermon Questions:

1. Low self-worth or self-esteem is a struggle that many people have, why do you think that might me?
2. How have you navigated the ins and outs of self-worth, self-esteem and self-confidence in your own life?
3. How does finding our value in God help?

Spiritual Leadership

Next Week's (5/8/22) Servants:

Song Leader:	Dee Plummer
Opening Prayer:	David Burford
Communion Talk:	Jim Long
Shepherd's Prayer:	Terry Sherrill
Sound Booth/ Slides:	Matt Nichols
Nursery:	Kim Tinius
Children's Worship:	Carrie Mills

New Prayer Concerns:

Teachers/Students/Admin. – be praying for everyone involved in teaching our kids as the end of the year approaches

Tom Raloff – continued health problems and strokes

Keith Reynolds – former member; in the hospital with low platelets

Don & Cheryl Siders – Cheryl is having various health issues

Diana Russell – having an ultrasound on her gallbladder next month

Willie Russell – having knee pain

I was blessed in my formative years to be molded by God to be a servant in his Kingdom (Rom. 9:19-21). As I spent time earnestly talking to God in the "Ole Prayer Barn," I could feel his hands molding and shaping my life in a way that gave me courage to embrace the ventures of life that I would face. In a spiritual sense, I have crossed the Red Sea, delivered precious souls into the Promised Land, and rescued God's people from worldly captivity. I believe God put his Spirit in my heart giving me a natural sense of **spiritual leadership** to care for and guide his people. As Solomon writes, "*In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps*" (Prov. 16:9). I stepped out in faith in my 29 years in the United States Air Force giving my heart to everything I did, and God directed my steps to achieve success beyond measure. His divinely instilled **spiritual leadership** was present in each task and assignment I was given. Individual lives were touched, America was benefitted, and nations have been affected by God's spiritual presence in my life. He then fine-tuned my **spiritual leadership** skills during my 22 years in ministry. He kept a church in Illinois from closing their doors through the work he gave me to do and laid a foundation for a Family Life Ministry here at North Garland to provide spiritual care and nourishment for those he has reconciled to himself through Christ Jesus. As Paul writes, "*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation*" (2 Cor. 5:17-19). I have been blessed to be able to continue my **spiritual leadership** as one of the Lord's shepherds, and as I make plans in my heart, the Lord is still determining my steps. May God bless you and keep you in his loving arms as we serve him together.

Gordon

Life Group Announcement

We have had some members ask about being part of a Life Group. There are currently two active Life Groups: one has continued to meet throughout the Covid pandemic, and another one was established recently from two previous Life Groups. They're both large groups, so we would need to form a new Life Group to accommodate other members. We have put a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Center to see who is interested in being in a Life Group, and who would be willing to be a group leader.

Help Us Develop A List of Women's Activities

In an effort to better coordinate what the women of our congregation are doing or could do, a list is currently being developed of possible women's activities. Please pick up a copy of the current list located on the welcome center and add your ideas/comments to it. Please return your ideas/comments to the office or at the next Wednesday night ladies class.

Announcing: The North Garland Encouragement Room

This room is to supply the congregation with a space for writing cards and letters of encouragement! It may be used by groups or individually!

Location: Erik's old office.

Open: Monday thru Friday 8-12 or Sun before or after services.

We are looking to supply this room so if you have extra cards, stamps, or a monetary donation please stop by!

If you have any questions, contact Carol Baxter or Carol Jantz!