



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

**Elders/Deacons Meeting:
After Worship**

Upcoming Events

March 15 – Meal: Cold-cut sandwiches, Mac N' Cheese, Veggie Tray, Chocolate & White Sheet Cake

March 22 – Meal: Casserole, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Coleslaw, Relish Tray, and Dessert

March 26 – Youth Sunday

March 29 – 5th Wednesday Outreach

April 9 – Easter Breakfast Before Service/No Class

June 2-3 – LCCC Beginner Session

June 11-17 – LCCC Junior Session

July 9-15 – LCCC Xtreme Week

July 16-22 – Senior Session

Birthdays:

12th Emily Moore

14th Mary Raloff

17th John Granberg

..... Michael Granberg

..... Nate Tinius

18th Wendy Taylor

Anniversaries:

14th Tom and Mary Raloff

18th Wayne & Reeta Williams

Order of Worship

Welcome/Announcements/Song Leader	Dee Plummer
Pilgrim's Praise	Brett Thornton
.....	<i>Blue Skies and Rainbows</i>
.....	<i>Waymaker</i>
.....	<i>There's a Stirring</i>
Prayer	Bryce Thornton
.....	<i>As the Deer</i>
.....	<i>Above All</i>
Communion Talk	Dan Kent
.....	<i>He Has Done Great Things</i>
.....	<i>Sweet is the Song</i>
Sermon: Q&A-Do I Have to Go to Church?	Erik Granberg
.....	<i>Father</i>
Shepherd's Prayer	John Wright
Nursery	Susan Oldham
Sound Booth/Slides	Ally Coker

Sermon Scripture: Hebrews 10:25

Sermon Thought:

Living a faithful life following God is a never-ending process. It is also full of ups and downs. Part of living a faithful life means knowing what a faithful life is.

Sermon Questions:

1. How would you define a "faithful life" unto God?
2. What part does "obeying rules" play in faithful living?
3. How can followers remain God followers and not rule followers?

New Prayer Concerns:

Doris Haltom Family – Jeanita Meek's sister-in-law; passed away last week

Jimmy Collins – friend of Jovita's; passed away

Kathy Dittmeyer – getting chemo treatments

Kyle Whitehead Family – former member & Luann Burford's nephew; passed away

The Day and Hour Unknown

I recently saw one of those inspirational posters with a quote written by a man named Gary Hardy. I don't know Mr. Hardy but I thought it was a very good quote and one that we need to live our lives by.

"One day, you are going to hug your last hug, kiss your last kiss and hear someone's voice for the last time, but you never know when the last time will be, so live every day as if it were the last you will be with the person you love."

While this quote is referring to our family members, it reminds me that we should live every day and in every situation as if it were our last. Matthew 24:36-44 says:

36 But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 37 As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; 39 and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. 40 Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. 41 Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

42 "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. 43 But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. 44 So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."

Next Week's (3/19/23) Servants:

Song Leader

/Welcome: Jim Coker

Pilgrim's Praise: Trey Johnson

Prayer: Kaiser Webb

Communion

Talk: Shannon Elledge

Shepherd's

Prayer: Dan Kent

Sound Booth/

Slides: Terry Sherrill

Nursery: Kayla Thornton

Fill Communion

For March: Jovita Lang

Wash Baptismal

Garments for March: Kelli Moore

Dan Kent

Young Adult Class

Our new young adult class starting March 19th is titled "Radical." It is easy for American Christians to forget how Jesus said his followers would actually live, what their new lifestyle would actually look like. They would, he said, leave behind security, money, convenience, even family for him. They would abandon everything for the gospel. They would take up their crosses daily. It is easy to manipulate the gospel to fit our cultural preferences. We can't let that happen. **We must take back a God-centered vision in our lives, our families, and our churches.**

Youth Calendars

Parents: please send your children's sports, music, and other extracurricular activity calendars to the office so our church family can attend their functions and give them support in doing what they love! The last semester was a huge success in this ministry and many kids were encouraged.

Bulletin Articles

We are looking for people to write bulletin articles again! They were all so good the last time this was opened to church members, we decided to do it again! If you have something on your heart or mind that you would like to share with the congregation, please email it to northgarland@gmail.com Your article should be about 350 words, have at least one scripture, and have a positive message.