

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:

Lunch listening session with the elders for those in middle school, high school, and young adults.

Upcoming Events:

Feb 7 – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Green Salad, Brownies Feb 10 – Fundraising Dinner for the Philippine Church Plant Feb 14 - Pizza, Caesar Salad, Fruit Salad, Dessert Feb 20 - Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair Feb 21 - Meal: Chicken Spaghetti, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Dessert Feb 28 – Meal: Mexican Casserole, Chips & Salsa, Cole Slaw, Dessert March 6 - Baked Potatoes, Green Salad. Brownies March 13 – Meal: Sweet & Sour Chicken, Fried Rice, Vegetable Stir Fry, Fruit Salad, Dessert March 19 – Save the Date: Golden Girls Party! More info to come.

Casserole, Pasta Salad, Hot Rolls, Dessert April 3 – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Green Salad, Brownies April 10 – Meal: Pizza, Caesar Salad, Fruit Salad, Dessert April 17 – Meal: Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Baked Beans, Dessert April 24 – Meal: Sour Cream

March 20 - Meal: Meatloaf, Mashed

Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert **March 27** – Meal: Chicken Stuffing

April 30 – Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair

Chicken Tortillas, Cole Slaw, Relish

Order of Worship

Pilgrim's PraiseSong Leader/Welcome	Cole Roberts Dee Plummer
	I Will Enter His Gates
	Sing and be Happy
Prayer	TBD
•	King of My Heart
	Highly Exalted
Prayer	Bruce Swart
	Great Things
	Taste and See
Sermon: Wait Upon the Lord	Erik Granberg
	Steadfast Love of the Lord
Shepherd's Prayer	Dan Kent
Nursery Sound Booth/Slides	

Sermon Scripture:

Psalm 27:14

Sermon Thought:

Waiting is soooo hard. We wait at the DMV, wait for the weekend, wait to hear back. We tend to not be very good at waiting and those who say they are, are probably just procrastinators. But learning to wait on God and his time is something we need to practice. Running ahead of God's timing can be disastrous. Wait to long and we miss seeing God work.

Sermon Questions:

- 1. What do you find difficult waiting on?
- 2. Would it be more helpful if God gave us answers more quickly? Why or why not?
- 3. How can you go about waiting on the Lord?

Tray, Dessert

Prayer Requests:

Siders Family – pray for them as they grieve the loss of Cheryl Vernon Chodrick - friend of Jovita's; out of ICU but still needs prayers to recover Carol Jantz – recovering from shoulder replacement surgery Beverly Summers – recovering from a fall

Next Week's (2/4/24) Servants:

Song Leader

/Welcome: TBD

Pilgrim's Praise: Chris Taylor

Communion

Talk: Brian Wright

Shepherd's

Prayer: Pat Meek

Sound Booth/

Slides: TBD

Nursery: Cheryl Kent

Greeters For

February: Jacqueline

Anderson Wyatt Unruh

The Westview Boys' Home Grocery Truck will be here the week of February 5th.

Shopping List:

Egg Noodles Brownie Mix Cocoa Powder Mustard/Ketchup Assorted Hot Sauces 100% Assorted Juice 100% Ramen Noodles Beef Broth

BBQ Sauce Fruit Snacks Bisquik/Pancake Mix Crunchy Peanut Butter Kidney Beans (Canned) Mild/Green Enchilada Sauce Napkins

Kleenex

Doing What is Right

The story of Shiphrah and Puah, sometimes forgotten heroes of the Bible Shiphrah and Puah were midwives in Egypt. They ministered to the Hebrews and defied their king's orders so that they could do what is good. Their story is found in Exodus 1: 15-21

The Israelites had become numerous, and the Pharoh was concerned about them. He caused them to be oppressed and he ordered the midwives Shiphrah and Puah to kill the newborn males. They feared God and did not do what their king ordered them to do. The king called them before him and asked "why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?" They answered, "Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive." God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own.

Many of the facts have been lost to the ages, but Shiphrah and Puah were probably not the real names of these two women. Shiphrah can be translated as one who improves. Puah can be translated as a cooing sound made to comfort babies. Whatever the real names of these women were, they were not likely to be the only midwives. They were the ones in charge of many midwives who ministered to the Hebrew women. At great peril to themselves, they defied the Pharoah, and prevented a genocide from occurring. For us, doing good does not usually put us in peril of death. Stay vigilant for ways that you can do good and show God's love in this world. Take the time and effort to help those in need. Take courage from the story of the two midwives if it is difficult to do what is right. The things we do will be noticed. Matthew 5:16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Terry Sherrill

Men's and Women's Involvement Forms for 2024

If you haven't received one of the involvement forms for this year yet, please pick one up at the welcome center in the church lobby, fill it out, and **return it by next Sunday, February 4.**

There are many other activities (including mission work and community outreach) in which our congregation is involved. We hope you will also choose to be involved with some of them as they become available.

Christianity in Action – January 31st Service Project

We are going to make household essentials gift sacks for our pantry patrons. These will be full of items that will be useful and give our patrons a little financial relief. We will be making valentines and writing welcoming messages (like what we did for Glenwood) as well. The list of items is shown below. We encourage everyone to shop sales, use coupons, & look at Dollar General and Dollar Tree for these items. And as always - if you would prefer to donate financially, please give your donation to Cory Moore, Chris Taylor, any elder, or the office. We appreciate you all so much.

Dish Soap Multipurpose Cleaner Wet Wipes (Lysol type)

Sponges Toilet Paper (4-pack)
Laundry Soap Paper Towels (1 per sack)

We will need 75 of each item to make our gift sacks. Should you like to purchase additional or different items, we will distribute them into random bags as an extra surprise.

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