

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

Order of Worship

Today's Events

- LTC Practice: 1-4 p.m.
- Jones' Baby Shower: 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship building (Guys & Gals welcome)
- H.O.P.E. Group: 6-7:30 at the Darrow's house (2602 Old Mallard)

Upcoming Events:

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 – Golden Girls Party! 12:00 p.m. at the Kent's (3621 Compound) Sign-up on welcome center March 20 – Meal: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert March 22-24 – Randy Willingham Visit March 27 - Meal: Chicken Stuffing Casserole, Pasta Salad, Hot Rolls, Dessert March 29-30 - LTC April 3 – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Green Salad, Brownies April 7 – 2024 Directory Pictures **April 7** – Young Professional Class Starts April 10 – Meal: Pizza, Caesar Salad, Fruit Salad, Dessert April 14 – 2024 Directory Pictures April 17 – Meal: Grilled Cheese. Tomato Soup, Baked Beans, Dessert April 24 – Meal: Sour Cream Chicken Tortillas, Cole Slaw, Relish Tray, Dessert April 30 - Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair

Pilgrim's Praise	Cole Roberts
Song Leader/Welcome	Dee Plummer
Prayer	
Communion Talk	Roger Unruh
Sermon: Success is Better God's Way	Erik Granberg
Shepherd's Prayer	Dan Kent
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Nursery	Susan Oldnam
Nursery Sound Booth/Slides	Robb Mills

Sermon Scripture:

Ephesians 6:1-3

Sermon Thought:

"I just want to be happy," has been said by so many people. But then it must be determined what leads to happiness. Also, what is meant by happiness, and whose definition of happiness? People have chased it from the beginning of time. There are some standards or goals, both from scripture and from within us as humans.

Sermon Questions:

1. What are your thoughts on the standard of success from the sermon, "Happiness within reason,"? Would you add to it?

2. What do you think about the overlap between earthly success and spiritual success?

3. What thoughts came to mind during today's sermon?

Thank You

Thank you to all that helped make the Bible Chair meal a big success. We fed approximately 85. The Bible chair is directly across from the Northwestern State University campus. Steve Hamm is the director. He has a devotional and leads the group in songs.

This gives the students a chance to have a free meal that they are very thankful for. We served students for almost 2 hours. Thanks to Jeanita and Pat Meek, Connie Johnson, Judy Watson, Christy Cochran, and myself for going. Thanks to all who donated food that made this a success.

Sincerely, Jovita Lang

North Garland, Thank you so very much for the crossing guard bag and keychain. Pam Howard (Crossing Guard at Glenwood Elementary School)

For Our Guests:

- Our guest WIFI password is Mark1615
- Communion cups are located on the small tables behind the pillars in the back of the auditorium
- Our nursery, located in the hallway behind the foyer, is staffed with ladies that would love to help you. There is also a nursing mothers room that is accessed by walking through the nursery

Next Week's (3/3/24) Servants:

Song Leader /Welcome:	TBD
Pilgrim's Praise:	Chris Taylor
Communion Talk:	TBD
Shepherd's Prayer:	Pat Meek
Sound Booth/ Slides:	TBD
Nursery:	Kira Granberg
Greeters For February:	TBD

This Week's Birthdays

26 th	Chris Taylor
	Jovita Lang
28 th	Beverly Summers
	Carol Baxter

Record for 2-18-24

Morning Worship	171
Contribution	
Budget	\$6,642.00
Pantry Patrons in Feb	

Getting Through Difficult Times

We each go through difficult times. How do we come out after those times have passed? Have we become "bitter" or "better"? Are we "crushed" or "transformed"?

James 1:2 – "Consider it **pure joy** my brothers whenever you face trials of many kinds."

Revelation 2:10-13. "..... He who overcomes will not be hurt at all by the second death......"

So how do we do that? How do our difficult times make us "better" and "transformed"? During our morning devo, we ran across an old hymn from the 1800's called -"O Jesus, I Have Promised" that can remind us how to get through difficult times.

O Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end. Be near me forever, my Master and my Friend. I shall not fear the battle if You are by my side Nor wander from the pathway if you will be my Guide.

O let me feel You near me, the world is ever near. I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within But, Jesus, draw nearer and shield my soul from sin.

O Jesus, You have promised to all who follow You That where You are in glory, there shall your servant be. And Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end. O give me grace to follow my Master and my Friend.

Shared by Pam Denney

