



North Garland CHURCH OF CHRIST

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:

Mandy will be taking pictures today for our 2024 Communication Directory. Stop by to update your info and picture!

The Francis Baby Shower has been postponed.

Upcoming Events:

April 17 – Meal: Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Baked Beans, Dessert

April 24 – Meal: Sour Cream Chicken Tortillas, Cole Slaw, Relish Tray, Dessert

April 26-27 – Church Garage Sale

April 28 – Garland Girls: Lunch & Mother's Day gifts (After worship)

April 30 – Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair

May 19 – Senior Sunday

Order of Worship

Pilgrim's Praise	Trey Johnson
Song Leader/Welcome	Robb Mills
.....	<i>In Moments Like These</i>
.....	<i>We Bow Down</i>
Prayer	TBD
.....	<i>Covenant of Love</i>
.....	<i>Cornerstone /Eye of the Storm</i>
.....	<i>My Only Hope is You</i>
Communion Talk	Cole Roberts
Servers	Roger Unruh, James Barnett, Cory Moore, Houston Moore
.....	<i>Holy Spirit</i>
.....	<i>Lord Reign in Me</i>
Sermon	Erik Granberg
.....	<i>Wonderful Merciful Savior</i>
Shepherd's Prayer	Brent Dittmeyer
Nursery	Carrie Mills, Katana Jones
Sound Booth/Slides	Jim Coker

Sermon Title: God's Story

Sermon Scripture: Mark 1

Sermon Thought: Mark introduces the son of God in his first chapter. He invites his readers to join what God is doing in this world.

Sermon Questions:

1. Why is it so easy to lose focus on the bigger picture of the world and our lives?
2. Share your call to following God.
3. What stuff do you notice in reading chapter 1 or from the sermon?

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 (4/21/24) Servants:

Song Leader

/Welcome: Dee Plummer

Pilgrim's Praise: Cole Roberts

Communion

Talk: Cory Moore

Servers: Wayne Williams
Boston Burford
Dudley Darrow
Michael Granberg

Shepherd's Prayer: Dan Kent

Sound Booth/ Slides: Terry Sherrill

Nursery: Sue Diel
Audrey Darrow

Greeters For April: Jacqueline Anderson
Judy Watson
Jovita Lang

This Week's Birthdays:

15thJanice McGary
18thDudley Darrow

**Revealing God
God's Call**

I grew up on a farm in Oklahoma and it was my desire to own a farm someday. But Uncle Sam had different ideas for me, and I served in the Air Force for 29 years. After I retired, I went back to my farming roots and worked for a large farm in Illinois. Even though that was very fulfilling, I had an internal feeling that God had something else in store for me. Then one day I received a call from the church in Granite City, IL. They were looking for a new preacher and were having men fill in for them each Sunday. I agreed to do that, and after the service I told them I would preach for them until they found a new preacher. After three months and no success finding a preacher, they asked me if I would consider being their pulpit minister. I told them I would think about it, and on the way home I realized it was God's call for me to go into ministry which I was very blessed to do for 23 years.

Our father Abraham had the same kind of experience when he received God's call to do some special work for him. "Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you'" (Gen. 12:1). Excuse me! You want me to leave my country, family, and relatives and go to an unknown place? To do what? That would have surely been my first response. I guess that is what Uncle Sam did by sending me to Vietnam, Germany and 18 different states during my Air Force Career. As servants of the Lord, we are very thankful that Abraham did what God asked him to do. We can't see what the future holds and how things work together as we journey through life, but Abraham gives us assurance that God will be with us. We have salvation today because Abraham answered God's call to leave everything behind and move out to worlds unknown. Praise God for his faith.

Gordon Jantz

Garage Sale

Our church wide garage sale is scheduled for April 26 & 27 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is one of the final events to help fund the church planting in the Philippines in 2025. Bring your stuff to the church starting Monday April 22. If you have furniture or extra-large items, please wait until Thursday to bring them. The building will be open in the mornings, and your things can be put in the middle school classroom. We will need lots of help, so sign up at the welcome center.

Alva Bible Chair Lunch Donations

We will be providing lunch at the Alva Bible Chair on April 30th for around 100 students. **Instead of asking for food donations, we are asking for monetary donations.** We will serve pulled pork sandwiches, chips, veggies, and dessert. Give your donation to Cory, Mandy in the office, or Jovita.