



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:

LTC Practice:
Puppets & Drama

Upcoming Events:

April 2 – Meal: Baked Potatoes,
Frito Chili Pie, Green Salad,
Brownies
April 3 – Life Line Screening: All
Day in the Fellowship Building
April 9 – Meal: Golden Chick
Chicken Tenders, Mashed Potatoes
& Gravy, Green Beans, Fruit Salad,
Dessert
April 13 – Elders/Deacons/Minister
Meeting: After Worship
April 15 – Serve Lunch at the Alva
Bible Chair
April 16 – LTC Presentations
April 20 – Easter
May 4 – Going Away Party for
Leonie Hel: 12 p.m. – 2 p.m. in the
Fellowship Building
May 6 – Serve Lunch at the Alva
Bible Chair
May 11 – Elders/Deacons/Minister
Meeting: After Worship
May 18 – Senior Sunday

Order of Worship

Song Leader/Welcome..... **Glenn Walker**
#779..... *I Love You, Lord*
#100..... *Holy Ground*
#101..... *Holy Ground*
#47..... *Holy, Holy, Holy*
Prayer..... **TBD**
#234..... *Break My Heart*
#383..... *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*
Communion Talk..... **Danny Powers**
Servers..... **Bruce Swart, Bryce Thornton, Derek Tinius**
#615..... **Jim Coker, Brett Thornton, Dallas Darrow**
..... *He Keeps Me Singing*
..... *Your Loving Kindness*
#959..... *Just A Little Talk with Jesus*
Sermon: Different Goals..... **Erik Granberg**
#674..... *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*
Shepherd's Prayer **Pat Meek**

Nursery **Wendy Taylor; Meredith Plummer**
Sound Booth/Slides **Dudley Darrow**
Children's Church Teacher/Helper **Gina Thornton; Peyton Wright**

Sermon Scripture:

Matthew 6:28-34

Sermon Thought:

Everyone is pursuing something. In this parable, Jesus mentions three objectives people run after: food, drink, clothing. While it is okay to plan and prepare so that we are taken care of, we must remember that the things of this world are not our goal.

Sermon Questions:

1. We all feel the tug of fleshly desires of this world. Whether they run your life or not, what do you feel the tug of?
2. When is a moment that you felt really different because of your faith?
3. What motivates you to live differently from the world?

This Week's Birthdays:

1st Brody Mills
5th Jim Coker

Next Week's (4/6/25) Servants:

Song Leader

/Welcome: TBD

Communion

Talk: Roger Unruh

Servers:

Boston Burford
Isaac Taylor
Todd Anderson
Dylan Anderson
Bryce Thornton
Jeff Owen

Shepherd's

Prayer: Roger Owen

Sound Booth/

Slides: TBD

Nursery:

Kim Tinius
Michelle Pettus

Children's Church:

Katana Jones
Emily Moore

Wednesday

Toddler/ Preschool

Teacher: Jacqueline
(2nd) Anderson

Greeters

For March: Pam Denney
Krystal Wright

Communion

Prep for March: Susan Oldham

Wash

Baptismal
Garments: Jovita Lang

Revealing God – Messages from the Spirit

Spiritual Direction

I grew up on a farm four miles from a small town. As a young lad, I was confident I could find my way to town because the road that went by our farm went right through it. But I lived in fear of finding my way to the larger city where our family did a lot of shopping. It required a lot of turns and different roads that had to be taken to get there. I simply could not remember all the directions.

As we begin our spiritual journey in life, we are faced with the same uncertainty about finding our way. There seems to be so many options, and we know that the path God wants us to be on is very important. God well understood our concern. That is why he put his Holy Spirit in us to provide us our much-needed **spiritual direction**. As Peter told the crowd on the day of Pentecost, *"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit"* (Acts 2:38). We don't have to worry about which way we go because the Holy Spirit is keeping us on the pathway of righteousness (Ps. 23:3). There are many options for our journey through life, but as Jesus tells us, *"Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is easy, that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard, that leads to life, and those who find it are few"* (Matt. 7:13-14). God provides us **spiritual direction** as we read and meditate on his holy and divine Word and apply it to our spiritual journey. Solomon gives us added confidence in finding our way when he tells us *"A man's mind plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps"* (Prov. 16:7). We can go forth with great confidence in finding our way to our eternal home because as children of God, we are led by the Spirit (Rom. 8:14). Praise God for the **spiritual direction** he provides for us!

Gordon Jantz

Help at Glenwood

Glenwood Elementary School is in need of people to help monitor the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades as they take their state tests in April. If you are available to help, please see Judy Watson.

Thinking of You Bags

Since July 1, 2024, we have filled and presented bags of goodies to seven women of our congregation. You helped provide the goodies for those bags. Our stash is depleted. If you feel you could purchase 2 or 3 things for additional bags, please do so and put them in the office by the refrigerator. We need things whenever you can bring them. Thank you for helping by either buying something or keeping these special ladies in your prayers.

New Teaching Quarter for Children: April 6th through June 29th

Two central values of our congregation is to serve and be obedient to the Lord. We deeply value the Word of God and seek to pass the eternal truths to our children. Teaching a class is an opportunity to both serve and help the faith of our children to grow. Preparing for a lesson helps your faith to grow also! If you are interested in teaching this next quarter, please let Robb or Chris know.

Don't worry if you will miss a few Sundays or Wednesdays during the quarter. We will help with arranging for substitute teachers.