

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:

Going Away Party for Leonie Hel! Come & Go: 12 p.m. – 2 p.m. Light refreshments provided.

Upcoming Events:

May 6 – Women's Bible Study: 10-11 a.m.

May 6 – Serve Lunch at the Alva Bible Chair

May 7 – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Frito Chili Pie, Salad, Brownies

May 9 – Drummond High School Graduation (Wyatt Unruh, Jayson & Nate Skinner)

May 11 – Mother's Day

May 11 – H.O.P.E. Group

May 14 – Meal: Pizza, Caesar

Salad, Fruit Salad, Dessert

May 15 - Enid High School

Graduation (Hudson Plummer & Ava Owen)

May 16 – Kremlin Hillsdale High School Graduation (Tryton Sissom)

May 18 - Senior Sunday

May 20 - Women's Bible Study: 10-11 a.m.

May 25 – Kaitlyn Wilson Baby (Boy) Shower: 2:00 p.m.

May 25 – H.O.P.E. Group: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

*** The Men's Tuesday morning Bible study will be suspended for the summer, starting in May. ***

Order of Worship

| Song Leader/vveicome | Gienn waiker |
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| | Sing Hallelujah to the Lord |
| | You are the Song That I Sing |
| | In Moments Like These |
| Prayer | TBD |
| - | It Is Well with My Soul |
| | Create in Me |
| Communion Talk | Roger Unruh |
| | Boston Burford, Isaac Taylor, Todd Anderson |
| | Dylan Anderson, Bryce Thornton, Jeff Owen |
| | Unto Thee, O Lord |
| | You're the One |
| | Days of Elijah |
| Sermon: Too Much of A Good Thing | Erik Granberg |
| | No Not One |
| | Roger Owen |
| Nursary | Patrece Allen, Jacqueline Anderson |
| Sound Rooth/Slides | Aaron LeCrone |
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Sermon Scripture:

Ephesians 4:26

Sermon Thought:

God created us with a wide range of emotions and desires-not all of which are bad in and of themselves. However, when these traits go unchecked or are driven by selfishness, they become harmful and lead us away from his will. The goal is not to eliminate passion or drive, but to bring them under the control of God's desire.

Sermon Questions:

- 1. Which natural traits or emotions in your life tend to get out of control most easily? How have you seen this affect your spiritual walk?
- 2. What are some healthy ways you've found to process strong emotions without letting them lead yo into sin?

Sunday: 9:00 Class, 10:00 Worship

3. What practical steps can you take this week to bring one area of your life more under the control of the Holy Spirit?

This Week's Birthdays:

| 5 th | Amarah Granberg |
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| | Macy Mills |
| 7 th | Charlotte Owen |
| 9 th | Shannon Perosi |
| 10 th | Megan Darrow |
| | Cheryl Kent |

Next Week's (5/11/25) Servants:

Song Leader

/Welcome: Jim Coker

Communion

Talk: Brian Wright

Servers: Dallas Darrow

Brett Thornton Chris Taylor Butch McComas Cory Moore Houston Moore

Shepherd's

Prayer: Dan Kent

Sound Booth/

Slides: **Dudley Darrow**

Nursery: Cheryl Kent

Jeanita Meek

Children's

Church: Kim Tinius

Makenna Wright

Wednesday Toddler/ Preschool

Teacher: Jacqueline Anderson (7th)

Greeters

for May: Fave Garrison

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Communion

Prep for May: Gina Thornton

Wash **Baptismal**

Garments

in May: Kelli Moore

Revealing God – Messages from the Spirit

Spiritual Relationships

Relationships are an essential element for human life. We are conceived and developed in our mother's womb, and as we take our first breaths, we are bonded in the love of our mother's arms. Then, as we grow, friendships become a sustaining and motivational part of our lives. Relationships are the defining element for who we become.

As God created human life, intimacy and closeness were part of his eternal design. He walked with them and talked with them as they went about carrying out his commands to fulfill his creation (Gen. 1 & 3). After sin caused a separation between God and mankind, he took intentional steps to restore his desired relationship with them. He established the Law of Sacrifice to forgive their sins so he could draw near to them. The Temple was built so God could be present with his people and enjoy his relationship with them. God's relationship with us was so important to him that he sent his only Son, to walk in human form, and give his life as an eternal ransom for our sins. So, what is our task in sustaining this relationship with God? The Hebrews writer tells us, "Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water" (Heb. 10:22). When we do that, God is able to again walk with us in the fulfillment of a holy and divine relationship. He loves us, he cares for us, and he wants us to also enjoy our relationship with him in the eternal glory of heaven. James tells us to "Draw near to God and he will draw near to you" (Jas. 4:8). We are also blessed to have a spiritual bonding with our Christian brethren as we "maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Eph. 4:3). Spiritual relationships are indeed essential elements of our eternal life with God.

Gordon Jantz



2 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON NORTH GARLAND CHURCH OF CHRIST ENID, OKLAHOMA 73703

Kaitlyn is requesting Pampers diapers and Honest unscented wipes for Baby Wilson