



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

**Upcoming Events:**

- May 27** – Meal: Chicken on a Stick, Potatoes, Mac & Cheese, Dessert
- May 29-30** – LCCC Beginner Session
- June 3** – Meal: Poppy Seed Chicken, Carrots, Salad, Rolls, Chocolate Delight
- June 10** – Meal: Taco Bar, Strawberry Dessert
- June 11** – Pantry: 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- June 14** – Elders/Deacons/Minister Meeting
- June 14-20** – LCCC Junior Session
- June 17** – Meal: Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Veggie Tray, Chips, Strawberry Sheet Cake
- June 18** – Pantry: 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- June 21-27** – LCCC Xtreme Week
- June 24** – Meal: King Ranch Chicken, Corn, Salad, Chips & Salsa, Chocolate Sheet Cake
- July 1** – Meal: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Fruit Salad, Chips, Cookies
- July 9** – Pantry: 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- July 12** – Elders/Deacons/Minister Meeting
- July 12-18** – Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp Session “The Ocho”
- July 12-18** – LCCC Senior Session
- July 16** – Pantry: 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

**For Our Guests:**

- Our guest WIFI password is Mark1615.
- If you would like individual communion cups, they are located on the small table in the back of the auditorium.
- Our nursery, located in the hallway behind the foyer, is staffed with ladies who would love to help you. There is also a nursing mothers’ room accessible by walking through the nursery.

**Order of Worship**

<b>Song Leader/Call to Worship</b> .....	<b>Dee Plummer</b>
<b>Opening Prayer</b> .....	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Communion Talk</b> .....	<b>Brian Wright</b>
<b>Servers</b> .....	<b>Todd Anderson, Michael Granberg, Roger Unruh</b>
.....	<b>Dylan Anderson, John Granberg, Michael Armour</b>
<b>Sermon: All Things to All People</b> .....	<b>Erik Granberg</b>
<b>Shepherd’s Prayer</b> .....	<b>Terry Sherrill</b>
<b>Door Attendants</b> .....	<b>Bruce Swart, Brian Wright</b>
<b>Nursery</b> .....	<b>Gina Thornton</b>
<b>Sound Booth/Slides</b> .....	<b>Aaron LeCrone</b>
<b>Children’s Church Teacher/Helper</b> .....	<b>Lisa Granberg, Meredith Plummer</b>

**Sermon Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 9:19-29

**Sermon Thought:** Paul writes about his efforts to reach people for God. He says he has become like them to reach them. Church, faith, and God are really for ALL people.

- Sermon Questions:**
1. What characteristics do you have that others can connect with or relate to?
  2. Who are you around that needs Jesus?
  3. What can you do to reach them?

**Thank You**

Last Wednesday night, we enjoyed our first annual North Garland Chili Cook-Off, and what a wonderful evening it was! Nine participants brought delicious homemade chili creations to share and have judged.

Congratulations to Lisa Granberg for winning first place, with Deana LeCrone close behind in second. Thank you to everyone who came, tasted, voted, and helped make the evening so much fun— especially our talented chefs. We are already looking forward to next year!



### This Week's Birthdays:

24<sup>th</sup>..... Jim Long  
 28<sup>th</sup>..... Hudson Plummer

### Next Week's (5/31/26) Servants:

**Song Leader /Welcome:** Bruce Swart

**Communion Talk:** Chris Taylor

**Servers:** Kaiser Webb  
Dee Plummer  
Steve Long  
Cole Roberts  
Houston Moore

**Shepherd's Prayer:** Dan Kent

**Sound Booth/ Slides:** Terry Sherrill

**Nursery:** Patrece Allen  
Amarah Granberg

**Children's Church:** Kim Tinius  
Audrey Darrow

**Door Attendants:** Butch McComas  
Julie McComas

**Greeters for the month:** Patrece Allen  
Jovita Lang

**Wash Baptismal Garments:** Julie McComas

**Bake Bread for Visitors:** Luann Burford

**Fill Communion Trays:** Gina Thornton

**Welcome Center:** Linda Swart

**Wed. Nursery Attendant (27):** TBD

## The Essence of Life – The Blessing of Oneness Abiding Love

At the very heart of "The Essence of Life" is **abiding love**. John tells us that "God is love" (1 Jn. 4:16), and he is the one who made us in his "image, after our likeness" (Gen. 1:26). That means we are created in God's love and walk in "oneness" with him (Jn. 17:20-25). Our human life is manifested in love, and God calls upon us to love others as he has loved us. John again tells us, "...if we love one another, God abides in us, and his love is perfected in us" (1 Jn. 4:12). As we love others, God is at work in us to carry out his divine plan for mankind through his Spirit that he has given us. Our **abiding love** moves us to do what God wants us to do and to fulfill his love for us. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life" (Jn. 3:16). Having eternal life in God's holy presence is the true blessing of oneness.

We can all identify with this **abiding love** and the blessing of oneness in the sacred wedding ceremony. Carol and I were blessed this past weekend to be part of our grandson uniting his life with his beautiful wife. It was a "God moment" for me as I listened to their family and friends tell how their two lives came together and were consumed by God's **abiding love**. Two individuals with different characteristics and personalities are drawn in their hearts and souls to unite their lives and become one in flesh and spirit. It is a wonderful testimony to what God designed us to be, so that we can radiate his presence to the world.

As God's people, we too have different characteristics and personalities that are being drawn into a divine oneness through his **abiding love**. So, as we go forth, let us feel God's presence in us through the love that we have for one another. That is how we perfect his divine love for us.

*Gordon Jantz*

### Summer Wednesday Night Class for Girls and Women

Girls and Women:

Join us on Wednesday evenings in our family room from 6:15-7:00 **beginning in June**. We will be watching a video series about dealing with stress as a Christian. The speaker is Mike Mazzalongo from the Choctaw Church of Christ. Mike is the founder of the Bible Teaching platform "BibleTalk.tv," which features thousands of videos, eBooks, and audio lessons. Currently, the BibleTalk.tv YouTube channel has over 5,000,000 subscribers.



**Introduction to the Problem of Stress**  
**Stress from Worry**  
**Stress from Work**  
**Stress from Failure**  
**Stress from Conflict**  
**Stress from Loss**  
**Stress from Burnout**  
**God's Prescription for Burnout**