



North Garland

CHURCH OF CHRIST

October 4, 2026

**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:

New Family Lunch:

Immediately after worship in the fellowship building

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 5 – Westview Boys' Home truck picks up groceries

Oct. 6 – Ladies' Bible Study: 10-11 a.m.

Oct. 7 – Meal: Pizza, Caesar Salad, Fruit Salad, Desserts

Oct. 8 – Pantry: 9-11 a.m.

Oct. 10 – Ladies' Day: 9:00 a.m. in the fellowship building

Oct. 11 – Elders/Deacons Meeting

Oct. 14 – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Frito Chili Pie, Green Salad, Brownies

Oct. 15 – Pantry: 9-11 a.m.

Oct. 20 – Ladies' Bible Study: 10-11 a.m.

Oct. 20 – Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair

Oct. 21 – Meal: Lasagna, Green Beans, Salad, French Bread, Dessert

Oct. 25 – H.O.P.E. Group: Pumpkin Carving

Oct. 28 – Meal: Meatballs, Mac & Cheese, Potatoes, Dessert

Order of Worship

Welcome/Song Leader/Call to Worship **Jim Coker**

Guests are invited to register their attendance using the cards located in the chair backs.

Guests and members may also use the cards to share a prayer request or an encouraging word. Please place completed cards in the offering plate or in the black collection boxes on the poles at the back of the auditorium. Thank you!.....

Opening Prayer **TBD**

Communion Talk..... **Danny Powers**

Servers **Bruce Swart, Isaac Taylor, Chris Taylor**

..... **Terry Sherrill, Cory Moore, Jeff Owen**

Sermon: Worship **Erik Granberg**

Shepherd's Prayer **Roger Owen**

Door Attendants..... **Wendy Taylor, Derek Tinius**

Nursery **Joy Williams**

Sound Booth/Slides..... **Terry Sherrill**

Children's Church Teacher/Helper..... **Mandy Coker, Macy Mills**

Sermon Scripture: John 4:23-24

Sermon Thought:

Jesus emphasizes in this scripture that worship is not determined by the place of worship, but by the characteristics of "in spirit" and "in truth." This lets us know that there are different kinds of worship, that is, some that is pleasing and some that is not. In Matthew 15:9 Jesus talks about vain worship. Paul writes in Romans 12 that our entire lives ought to be lived as worship to God. All these verses and teachings show us that our worship (which isn't just singing) ought to be considered carefully as we draw near to the Father.

Sermon Questions:

1. When you hear the word "worship" what typically comes to mind?
2. There are lots of different scriptures that talk about worship, which can you think of?
3. What are the benefits to the church body of a cappella worship?

New Family Lunch

If you have started attending North Garland over the past year, we invite you to a catered New Family Lunch today immediately following worship. You will have the opportunity to meet and get to know our elders, ministers, and their families.

No need to bring anything, this is simply a time to put faces with names and get to know one another better. We hope you will join us!

This Week's Birthdays:

Oct.
4th Carissa Hurt
7th Wesley Boyd
10th Jamie Gaither
 Jubilee Roberts

Next Week's (10/11/26) Servants:

Song Leader
/Welcome: Robb Mills

Communion
Talk: Justin Snider

Servers: Shannon Elledge
 Brett Thornton
 David Burford
 Gordon Jantz
 Carl Dowell
 Cole Roberts

Shepherd's
Prayer: Terry Sherrill

Sound Booth/
Slides: Dudley Darrow

Nursery: Jeanita Meek

Children's
Church: Mandy Coker
 Meredith
 Plummer

Door Attendants: Brian Wright
 Roger Unruh

Greeters: Joy Williams
 Jamie Gaither

Welcome Center: Carol Baxter

Wash Baptismal
Garments: Linda Swart

Bake Bread
for Visitors: Reeta Williams

Fill Communion
Trays: Jamie Barr

The Essence of Life – Surrendering to Christ

Fishers of Men

I was fortunate to have an older brother set an example for me to follow. Observing the things he did taught me the basic facts of life. I learned that there are things that are really important for being successful. On the other hand, there are always things you want to avoid – especially those that get you into trouble with your parents. My brother taught me how to milk cows, and when I got a good hang of it, he left me to myself. I faithfully carried on the task and gained some valuable lessons that have carried me through life.

As we are raised to a new spiritual life, Jesus becomes that brother that sets an example for us to follow. He teaches us all we need to know for our spiritual journey and even makes sure we know those things we must avoid. Our spiritual success comes from making his teachings a part of our lives. We must also be pleasing to our heavenly Father so we can enjoy our heavenly home with him. As Jesus began his earthly ministry, he did the same thing my brother did for me in learning to milk cows. He called his disciples *“And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men’* (Matt. 4:18-22). Jesus taught them how to have love and compassion for lost souls so they could be successful **Fishers of Men**. Then, just as my brother did, he sent his twelve disciples out to experience firsthand what he had taught them. They were to care for the *“lost sheep of the house of Israel...and preach as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand’* (Matt 9:1-15). This is how they became **Fishers of Men** and made a difference in the world around them. As they faithfully carried out their task, they became powerful servants in the Lord's kingdom opening the way for us to also become **Fishers of Men**, saving the lost sheep of the world. We have been blessed by our brother, Jesus!

Gordon Jantz

Westview Groceries:

The Westview Boys' Home Grocery Truck will arrive TOMORROW! Here are the items needed to fill the truck.

Instant Pudding/Jell-O Mix	Candy
Vanilla Wafers	Chef Boyardee Pizza Kits
Taco Shells	Mustard
Muffin Mix	Dill Relish
Hamburger Helper	Fritos

Please put groceries in the wooden box in the corner of the lobby.

Ladies' Day is almost here—October 10th!

Please stop by the welcome center to see how you can help. We still need a variety of breakfast items, along with food and drinks for lunch. Even if you're unable to attend, your donation will be warmly appreciated. Every contribution will help make this year's event welcoming, memorable, and a wonderful success!

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helps support the Alva Bible Chair at Northwestern Oklahoma State University. On September 29, North Garland provided food and served about 100 grateful students. Special thanks to all who helped serve. We have committed to going twice each semester and will return on October 20. Thank you, North Garland, for supporting this ministry.