



**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:**

Elders/Deacons Meeting:  
After Worship

**Upcoming Events:**

- Aug. 14** – Meal: Pizza, Caesar Salad, Fruit Salad, Dessert
- Aug. 18** – Young Adult Class Starts
- Aug. 18** – RRE Video: Keith Harris “I Believe in His Church”
- Aug. 21** – Meal: Dorito Taco Salad, Chips/Queso, Sopapilla Cheesecake
- Aug. 28** – Meal: Sliders, Pasta Salad, Relish Tray, Dessert
- Sept. 6-8** – Randy Willingham Weekend
- Sept. 18** – Meal: Sloppy Joe’s, Chips, Potato Salad, Veggie Tray, Banana Pudding
- Oct. 1** – Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair
- Oct. 16** – Meal: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Strawberry Pretzel Salad
- Oct. 29** – Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair
- Oct. 30** – Meal: Frito Chili Pie
- Nov. 20** – Meal: Soups & Sandwiches, Cheesecake

**For Our Guests:**

- Our guest WIFI password is Mark1615.
- If you would like individual communion cups, they are located on the small table behind the pillar 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.

**Order of Worship**

<b>Song Leader/Welcome</b> .....	<b>Robb Mills</b>
.....	<i>Thank You, Lord</i>
.....	<i>Let Us Worship the Father</i>
.....	<i>Blessed Be the Lord, God Almighty</i>
<b>Prayer</b> .....	<b>TBD</b>
.....	<i>Father</i>
.....	<i>How Deep the Father’s Love</i>
.....	<i>Living Hope</i>
<b>Communion Talk</b> .....	<b>George Gordon</b>
<b>Servers</b> .....	<b>Chester Peyton, Brandon Jones, Michael Granberg</b>
.....	<b>Hudson Plummer, Todd Anderson, Dylan Anderson</b>
.....	<i>Raise a Hallelujah</i>
.....	<i>Father God, Just For Today</i>
<b>Sermon: The Lord’s Prayer – “Our Father in Heaven”</b> .....	<b>Erik Granberg</b>
.....	<i>Father, Hear the Prayer We Offer</i>
<b>Shepherd’s Prayer</b> .....	<b>Dan Kent</b>
<b>Nursery</b> .....	<b>Lisa, Kira, Jasmine Granberg</b>
<b>Sound Booth/Slides</b> .....	<b>Trey Johnson</b>

**Sermon Scripture:** Matthew 6:9

**Sermon Thought:**

Today's sermon looked at who we are praying to, the Father. This father is in heaven and has a holy name. Jesus almost always referred to God as "Father." This is a huge emphasis of Jesus' teaching and is significant. When someone is a believer, that person is now part of God's family and should take on that identity.

**Sermon Questions:**

1. What would you say are the ideal characteristics of a "father"?
2. We should not understand that our father being heaven as meaning he is distant. Rather, it should be taken as the one who is holding all things together. What is the significance of this?
3. God's name being holy recalls the 10 commandments, "Do not misuse the name of the Lord." How do we go about respecting God's name?

**Next Week's (8/18/24) Servants:**

- Song Leader /Welcome:** Glenn Walker
- Communion Talk:** Brian Wright
- Servers:** Dan Kent  
Cooper Thornton  
Chris Taylor  
Isaac Taylor  
Brooks Wilson  
Bruce Swart
- Shepherd's Prayer:** Pat Meek
- Sound Booth/ Slides:** Dudley Darrow
- Nursery:** Patrece Allen  
Meredith  
Plummer
- Greeters for August:** Gina Thornton  
Diane Snider

**This Week's Birthdays:**

- 11<sup>th</sup> .....Beau Brownell
- 12<sup>th</sup> .....Mike Felton
- 16<sup>th</sup> .....Willie Russell

**This Week's Anniversaries:**

- 12<sup>th</sup> .....Brent & Kathy Dittmeyer
- 13<sup>th</sup> .....Trenn & Judy Watson
- 15<sup>th</sup> .....Jim & Geneva Osburn

**Recent Prayer Requests:**

**John Wright** – multiple health issues (<https://mealtrain.com/no86g6>)  
Please sign up to bring a meal.  
**Willie Russell** – recovering from having 2 heart stents put in

**Children's Ministry**

We are continually looking at what would benefit the children in our congregation. We are blessed to have a large number of younger ones coming up. As such, we will be phasing out Pilgrim's Praise at the beginning of worship and reincorporating Children's Church over the next several weeks. Children's Church will be for 3-year-olds through 1st grade and will be a time of singing, worship, and a Bible lesson during the sermon time. Gina Thornton will be heading up this ministry and will be looking for helpers and volunteers to serve in this ministry. If you are interested, please talk with Gina.

**Stepping Stones Book**

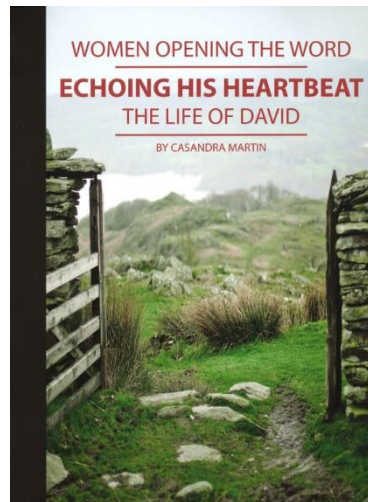
Gordon Jantz' new book "Stepping Stones" is available on the welcome center for the North Garland family. It is about walking with God on the spiritual stepping stones he provides to guide us toward our eternal home in heaven. At the center of the message is trusting in God who has given us Jesus, the rock of our salvation. Feel free to share copies of the book with other family members and friends.

**Attention All Cooks!**

A cookbook with recipes using ingredients from our pantry is being planned for a November giveaway to our patrons. We need your help. If you have a good, tried and true, recipe to help our patrons utilize any of the following, please share them with us.

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| Lentils            | Oatmeal   | Canned Salmon | Rice |
| Split peas         | Almonds   | Pasta Noodles |      |
| Dried Kidney Beans | Hazelnuts | Pinto Beans   |      |

Return your recipes to the church office no later than August 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for helping with this!



**Women's Bible Study**

Starting in September (at 10 a.m. on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month) join us for a women's Bible study in the fellowship building. During the first 3+ months the study will be about the life of David in I Samuel as well as the Psalms he wrote during many of those life experiences.

We will be using Cassandra Martin's book "Echoing His Heartbeat" as our guide. It will be available at a discounted price on our first class day but can also be purchased through Amazon. Bring your favorite beverage.

**Men's Bible Study**

You are invited to join us for a men's Bible study in the children's church room, beginning in September on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. At the first session we will discuss what pattern we want to follow and what to study. The first lesson will be on the book of Jude. Coffee provided.