

SHARE the FAITH

Worship in the church of your choice this Sunday.

ASCENSION-ON-THE-PRAIRIE EPISCOPAL, Rev. Don Martin, College Drive & Wheatridge Rd., 462-3041, Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Christian Education and Choir Practice for Youth, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, September through May

COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD, Rev. Leonard Burgess, 245 W. College Dr. - 462-8234, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., 1st Worship Service - 8:15 a.m. 2nd service - 10:30 a.m.

BEREAN CHURCH, Rev. Francis Harwerth, 1000 S. Franklin - 460-3076; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m., Sunday Evening Youth 6:00 p.m., Tim Morris, associate pastor; e-mail: morris4him@st-tel.net. Awana Clubs, Wednesday, 7 p.m., Middle School, Wednesday, 7 p.m. @ the Colby Armory

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Rev. Jim Puckett, Grant & Webster Street, 462-2867, Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Evening Worship 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Bible 7:30 p.m.

COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH, (SBC), 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 462-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m.

MINGO BIBLE CHURCH, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Pastor Chris Shubert. Sunday School 9:30AM - all ages. Sunday Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Nights: 1st Sunday of the month: potluck following morning service - no evening service; 2nd Sunday: services at 6:30 PM; 3rd Sunday: informal fellowship - bring a snack to share!; 4th and 5th Sunday: services at 6:30 p.m.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, 462-2179, Father Dana Clark, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confessions will be heard Saturday 4:30-5:05 p.m. and from 7:30-7:45 p.m. and 9:25-9:40 p.m. on Sunday.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Rev. Carol Rahn, 515 W. 4th, 462-6342, Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. September through May; Worship 9:30 a.m. June through Labor Day.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, 320 W. Pine - 462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening Cell groups at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries, Kids Clubhouse 7 p.m.

TEENS FOR CHRIST CONNECTION, Everett Robert, 462-7404, Both middle school and high school program.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, 1145 S. Franklin - 462-6605, President Dave Geldmacher, 846-7740; Elmer Schielke, 1st counsellor, 462-9022 and Calvin Haverfield, 2nd counsellor, 672-4165. Sacrament meeting 10 a.m., Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m., Priesthood, Relief Society, YM/YW, 12:10 a.m.; Family History Center open to public, 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, or by appointment. Call 462-3571.

COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. James Mardock, pastor, 950 S. Franklin, 462-6521, Sunday Worship Services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., 6:30 p.m., Fellowship coffee 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., KXXX broadcasts 11:00 worship. <http://www.gbmg-umc.org/colby-umc/>

REDEEMING LOVE CHURCH, 345 N. Franklin, Bishop W.G. and Rev. Orvella Romine, Sunday service, 5 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 510 E. 4th, Jay Kelley, minister, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Sunday Eve. Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, (Disciples of Christ), 385 W. 3rd - 460-2718, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. followed by Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m. E-mail: fccolby@st-tel.net

LANDMARK UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH, Pastor Doyle Glasscock, 815 West 3rd - 462-3667, Service times: Sunday, 10 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, David S. Hall, Pastor, East 5th & Country club, 462-3497, Worship, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.; Sunday School and Bible Class 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Lutheran Hour on KXXX at 10 a.m.; KGCR at 2 p.m. website <http://www.trinitycolbyks.org>

OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH Brewster, Sunday Worship 9 a.m., Sunday School 10 a.m.

PLEASANT HOME CHURCH, Pastor, Charlie Buch, 694-2242, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Evening service, 6:00 p.m.

LEVANT COMMUNITY CHURCH, Pastor Jerry Vincent, 586-2376, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Morning worship 10:30 a.m.

WINONA METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. Michael Eurit, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. (CDT)

BREWSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, PO Box 250, Brewster. Pastor Dorine Chambers, 785-462-6044, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD, Rev. Mike Meserve, Outreach; Lane Purcell, Men's Ministry, 687-2565

REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH, Rexford - 687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

BREWSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH, Mike Pinkelman, Pastor, Brewster - 694-2720, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Sunday Night Bible Study 7:30 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Church Information, Activities

Colby United Methodist Church

Dr. Jan Kraybill will lead a weekend of music and worship on Saturday, Feb. 21 and Sunday, Feb. 22 in Colby. The weekend is sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association, Colby First Presbyterian Church and Colby United Methodist Church. Saturday's events will include workshops for choral musicians and children, culminating in an interactive hymn festival called Hope, Love and Joy. The hymn festival will take place at the Colby United Methodist Church, 950 S. Franklin, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday evening. An organ recital will be performed with Dr. Kraybill on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. at Colby First Presbyterian Church, 515 W. Fourth. Dr. Kraybill is the daughter of Gerry and the late Dick Anschutz of Colby. She is the principal organist and a worship specialist at Community of Christ Headquarters in Independence, Mo. For information on the workshops or to register, call Gerry Anschutz at (785) 462-2527 or Jan Wolf at (785) 460-3535.

Colby Wesleyan Church

"What on Earth am I here for?" Everyone asks that question at some point in their lives. Starting Saturday, Feb. 21, Colby Wesleyan will launch "40 Days of Purpose" ministry events to answer that question. This 40 Days will be an emphasis on finding God's purposes for our lives and church, answering the questions "What is my purpose in life? What will make my life meaningful and fulfilling?" Based on the best-selling book by Pastor Rick Warren, The Purpose-Driven Life, this series will be of interest to anyone seeking their place in life. The worship theme at CWC this week is "What on Earth am I here for?" Pastor Gene Rothfuss will preach on that topic from God's Word during the 10:45 worship hour, which will include the drama "The Fortune Cookie" performed by Randy, Melissa, and Kale Regier. Ethan Walker & Jeremiah Pence will present the "40 Days with Ron" humorous skit. Dr. Cathy McMullin will sing special music, the praise team led by Karen Merryman will direct worship, and Nanette Kraus will present the worship prelude & offertory. Sunday School for all ages will begin at 9:30 am. Care Cells meet throughout the week in homes; Youth and Kid's Klub meet at 6:30 and 7 p.m., respectively, on Wednesday nights.

Mingo Bible Church

Sunday, Feb. 22, Pastor Chris continues the "Biblical Worldview" message series with a message entitled "Little Red Guy," regarding the existence of Satan. Sunday night evening service will be a continuation of our informal discussion of "spiritual gifts." Come on out to Mingo!

College Drive Assembly of God

Saturday, Feb. 21 - 7 p.m., Worship & Prayer. Sunday, Feb. 22 - 8:15 a.m., First Worship Service; 9:30 a.m., Sunday School; 10:30 a.m., Second Service - Power Praise Kids singing; 6:30 p.m., Royal Rangers & Missionettes (for boys and girls; ages 3 - grades 12). Monday, Feb. 23 - 9 a.m., Women's Bible Study. Tuesday, Feb. 24 - 3:45 p.m., Power Praise Kids practice; 7 p.m., Ladies Bible Study; Wednesday, Feb. 25 - 7 p.m., Youth Group; 7 p.m., Bible Gang, 1060 Villa Vista; 7 p.m., Adult Cell Group - 1807 Harvey Ct. Thursday, Feb. 26 - 6 a.m., Promise Keepers. Saturday, Feb. 28, 7 p.m., Worship & Prayer

Redeeming Love Church

Redeeming Love Church has moved its Saturday worship service to 5 p.m. Sunday. Foundations of Faith will be at 4 p.m., followed by Praise and Worship at 5 p.m. and Message in Ministry at 6 p.m. The training center is one mile west and one mile south of Hoxie. For information, call Bishop W.G. Romine, II at (785) 675-9926 or Cindy Atkins, 462-6294.

First Christian Church

Sunday, Feb. 22, Sunday School will begin at 9:30 a.m. with Worship following at 10:45 a.m. Interim Minister, Melvin Walton, will be bringing the message which is entitled "The Gossip in Town" based on Mark 1:23-28. Monday, Feb. 23, Friendship Group will meet at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Wednesday, Feb. 25, The Stamp Club will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 1:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service will be at First Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, Prayer Meeting in Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 29, Sunday School will begin at 9:30 a.m. with Worship following at 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study begins at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Monday, March 1, Friendship Group will meet at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Wednesday, March 3, Soup and Scripture will begin at noon at First Presbyterian Church. Mary Group will meet at 2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Kid's Club will meet from 5:15-6:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church. March Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Trinity Lutheran Church Sermon: "God Un-Masked" from Luke 9:28-36. Scripture Lessons: Dt. 34:1-12, Ps. 99, Heb. 3:1-6, Lk. 9:28-36. Saturday, Feb. 21 - 5:30 p.m., Evening Worship. Holy Communion. Sunday, Feb. 22 - Lutheran Hour Sunday; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes; 10:30 a.m. Worship. Holy Communion. Cherub Chimes & Joyful Ringers; 2 p.m. Baby Shower for Krista Hahn in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone invited. Hosted by the Mom's Ministry group. 6 p.m. Young Adult Ministry Bible Study. LLL-LWML Spring Rally in Phillipsburg (Feb. 29) supper registration due to Carol Raile or Betty Kruse, \$7.00 today. Monday, Feb. 23 - 7 p.m., LifeLight Bible Study at Baker residence; 7 p.m., Board of Stewardship meeting led by Relda Galli. Wednesday, Feb. 25 - Ash Wednesday; 2 p.m., Mom's Ministry will go bowling. 3:45 p.m., Midweek School led by Karin Rasmussen. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Lenten Meal hosted by "Raising the Roof" committee. 6 p.m., JuBELLation rehearsal led by Stacy Hall. NO Confirmation Class led by Pastor Hall. 7 p.m., Lenten Worship Service. JuBELLation. 8 p.m., Choir rehearsal led by Doris Anderson. Thursday, Feb. 26 - Pastor's Day off. 9-11:30 a.m., "Whatever" craft group. Newcomers always welcome. 11:30 a.m., Women's Bible Study led by Betty Kruse. Next Saturday, Feb. 28 - 5:30 p.m., Evening Worship Service.

Sacred Heart Church

Regular Daily Mass schedule for the week of Feb. 23 - 27 will be: Monday, 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. (Fairview Estates; Ash Wednesday, 8:15 a.m., noon, and 7 p.m., Thursday, 7 a.m. and Friday, 8:15 a.m. Sacred Heart Parish is saddened that Sister Rosalie Cersovsky, church organist and school music teacher, is in the Concordia Hospital and has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. Sacred Heart School would like to thank everyone who helped to make its Annual Carnival the great success that it was. There are sixteen faith-sharing groups, two teen groups, one college group and forty-five families meeting to study scripture during Lent. Sacred Heart Parish will sponsor a two-night mission on Tuesday, March 30 and Wednesday, March 31 from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. both nights in the Colby High School Auditorium. This Family Parish Mission is entitled, "Lighten Up!" and will feature nationally known Catholic entertainer and inspirational speaker, Doug Brummel, "the man of many faces!" he and his cast of characters, will present our multi-generational parish mission. This humorous event is for all ages of people. It is an enlightening look at faith and family. Each night is different so be sure to attend both nights. There is no charge for Admission.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

The Colby Branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will have a Stake youth dance on the Feb. 21 at Garden City in conjunction with Super Saturday. Seminary will be at 4:30-6 p.m., dinner 6-7, dance 7-10, 50's clothes can be worn to dance. Church clothes for

Does God mind our messes?

By Bev Schmutz



J. Vincent

Editor's note: The following article was written by Bev Schmutz, who is a friend of Jerry Vincent at the Levant Community Church. Pastor Vincent received permission from her to reprint the article because he believes it conveys a timely message to all of us who have "messed up."

Just received a letter from Jerry Vincent, a former associate pastor at Emmanuel Church, and he was sharing with me about his grandson, Cole, who turned two Aug. 29. Jerry said he and Linda have some calves and he decided to take Cole with him to check on them. Jerry had a bottle of water he had been drinking from and Cole wanted some of it, so Jerry gave him the bottle and told him not to spill it. Jerry said he walked around to his door to get him out just in time to watch the rest of the water run out on the seat.

Even though it is a mess, for a grandparent it is okay and really kind of cute. I wonder that if sometimes when we really make a mess and go to God and ask Him to fix it for us that He might think it is kind of cute and really enjoy fixing things and making them right for us. I think too often we look at God as a gruff disciplinarian that doesn't enjoy us when in fact He loves us more than we can even imagine, more than even a grandparent's love!

God, today I have made a mess of things
I spilled some stuff and now there are stains
Will you please come, clean it up and forgive
Help me Lord as I struggle in this life I live

I honestly try Father, I really do try
But as You can see I fall and then I cry
I don't want to hurt you Lord, I don't
And every morning I say today I won't

Thank You, Father, for the times I do right
When I turn my cheek and do not fight
Thank You, Father, for leading me
I want to walk for You so others can see
So with my hand in Your hand
I once again am taking a stand
Seeking Your face with each step of the way
Walking with You throughout this day

Berean Church

Ken Allison will speak at the Berean Church Saturday evening, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. and at the Feb. 22 Sunday morning service. Ken Allison will be speaking on the subject of "Origins, The Age of the Earth." Ken has developed messages using multi-media to give evidence that the Earth and mankind did not evolve but was created by God as clearly taught in the Bible. For more information, call (785) 460-3076 or (785) 460-7460. Everyone is welcome.

First Presbyterian Church

An ecumenical Ash Wednesday Worship sponsored by Colby United Methodist, First Presbyterian, First Baptist, and First Christian Churches will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. Rev. Carol Rahn will deliver an Ash Wednesday message and there will be imposition of ashes. All from the community are welcome to attend. The Presbyterian Church welcomes all people to worship with us, no matter where they are on their spiritual journey. Our Sunday worship service is at 10:30 a.m.. This week Rev. Rahn's sermon is entitled "The Shining." The scripture readings are Exodus 34:29-25, 2 Corinthians 3:12 4:2, and Luke 9: 28-36. Sunday School for children and adults begins at 9:15 a.m.. The Adult Sunday School class will be viewing the video series From the Madhouse. Each week we will view a one person drama as an individual involved in the crucifixion of Jesus tells his or her story.

Each episode will provoke strong feelings and lively discussion. This week we will hear from the rich man. Choir rehearsal is Wednesday evening at 730 p.m.. Dr. Janet Kraybill will be giving an organ recital this Sunday, Feb. 22 at 3:00 p.m.. An informal reception will follow. Sunday Connection for high school and college age students meets this Sunday from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m..

Church of Christ

Faith During an Age of Doubt with Dr. James Baird, Professor of Bible at Oklahoma Christian University, will be sponsored by Colby Church of Christ. Friday, Feb. 20, from 7-9 p.m. at the Colby High School Auditorium, "Faith and Doubt." Saturday, Feb. 21, from 9-12 a.m. at the Colby High School Auditorium, "Faith and God." "Faith Even When I Hurt," and "Faith in an Age of Science." Sunday, Feb. 22, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. at the Colby Church of Christ, "Faith in Jesus" and "Faith in the Resurrection." Fellowship dinner following Sunday services. All visitors are encouraged to stay. For more information call (785) 460-6322, 462-0653 or 462-7674

Genesis Food Bank

The First Sunday of the month has been designated as "Genesis Sunday," at several of the local churches, but any time is Genesis time! Any item is welcome as long as it has not been opened or partially used. Federal law prohibits dispensing such items. The Genesis-Thomas County Food Bank is in the Thomas County Office Complex, 350 S. Range, Suite 8. Food Bank hours are Wednesdays 10 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. The food bank provides food for Thomas County residents. Anyone wishing to make a cash donation may send it to PO Box 214, Colby.

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