

**Brewster Community Church**  
The Brewster Community Church will once again be opening it's doors officially on Aug. 18. Those interested are meeting at the church on Sunday evenings at 7:30 p.m. for Sunday Night Bible Study. It is open to all wishing to attend.  
For information contact pastor Mike Pinkelman at (785)694-2720.

**United Methodist Church**  
Early service will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a fellowship coffee at 9:30. Second service will be at 11 a.m.  
Sunday evening services have resumed at the United Methodist Church. They begin at 6:30 p.m. This is a contemporary service that everyone is welcome to attend.  
The United Methodist Women clusters will not meet again until September. They will have a brunch at 9:30 a.m. June 20, at Verna Wiens.  
In conjunction with their Christmas tour this year the United Methodist Women are inviting local artists to display their Christmas paintings in the Methodist Fellowship Hall on Sunday, Dec. 8. The artists need not be Methodists. Anyone interested in showing a painting should contact Marj Brown at 462-3515 to make arrangements. Marj asks that those interested not wait until the last minute to call her.

**Mingo Bible Church**  
Sunday School starts with opening exercises at 9:30 a.m.; prayer time at 10:30 a.m.; and morning worship at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Jon's sermon will be entitled "Create in me a clean heart" part 2 based upon Nehemiah 9.  
Evening service will be held at 6:30 p.m.  
On Tuesday, July 30, the men will be having Hank's Hangout (a men's fellowship held at the home of Hank Regier.) will be held from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

**College Drive Assembly of God**  
Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship; 7 p.m. Cell group at 1824 Harvey Court; 7 p.m. Kid's Summer Program  
Monday - 9 a.m. Women Wise Bible

study.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m. Youth Group, Junior and Senior High; 7 p.m. Cell groups at 1807 Harvey Court and at the church for prayer; 8 p.m. Cell Group at 1060 Villa Vista.  
Thursday - 6 a.m. Promise Keepers; 7 p.m. Ladies Bible Study.  
College Drive Assembly of God is offering a Kid's Summer Program every Sunday from 7-8 p.m. in the church parking lot through the summer months. All ages are welcome. The hour will be filled with games, songs, crafts and a biblical character who will teach what it was like to meet Jesus Christ. Contact College Drive Assembly of God at 462-8234.

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Saturday - 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship and Holy Communion. The sermon will be based on the text Deuteronomy 7:6-9 with the lessons from Deuteronomy 7:6-9 and Romans 9:1-8  
Sunday - 9:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School for ages 3 years to 6th grade and the adult Bible class which will be studying the book of Esther; 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion; 2 p.m. Worship Service at Prairie Senior Living Complex; 2:45 Worship at Lantern Park Manor.  
Tuesday - 9 a.m. Mom's Ministry Play group meets at Fike Park. Call Melinda Olson for more information; 6 p.m. Weigh Down Bible Study led by Terri Hanke.  
Thursday - Wedding rehearsal for the Thompson/Munk wedding  
Friday - Thompson/Munk wedding  
Saturday - 5:30 p.m. evening worship with pastor Eric Wood from the Kansas State University campus.  
Next Sunday - 9:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School for ages 3 years to 6th grade and adult Bible class; 10:30 a.m. Worship. Pastor Eric Wood, K-Sate campus pastor will be preaching and leading Bible Class.  
Church office summer hours - The church office will be open Monday 8 a.m.-noon and Wednesday and Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Pastor Dave will be in his office on Mondays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. He is avail-

able the rest of the week by appointment (or if you can catch him).  
Special thanks and praise to Pastor David Hall and his wife Stacy, children Alison and Albert, who have been at Trinity Lutheran Church for one year on July 22.  
**Church of Christ**  
Jay Kelley will be preaching at the Colby Church of Christ Sunday morning. The Sunday Adult Class is in the book of Ephesians. Wednesday night adult class is looking at text from Matthew. For information contact Kelley at 462-0652 or the church office at 462-6322.  
**First Christian Church**  
Sunday, July 28 will be Genesis Sunday. Worship will begin at 9:00 a.m. followed by Summer Fellowship Time. Sunday School will begin at 10:30 a.m.  
On Monday, Friendship Group will begin at 9 a.m.  
Tuesday prayer meeting will begin at 6 p.m.  
Sunday, July 28, Worship will begin at 9:00 a.m. followed by Summer Fellowship Time. Sunday School will begin at 10:30 a.m.  
Our secretary, Debbie, will be out of the office Monday, July 29 to Friday, August 2. She will return to the office Monday, August 5.  
**Sacred Heart Catholic**  
Mass is celebrated at Sacred Heart Church at 7 a.m. on Monday through Friday. Week-end masses are at 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays and 8 and 10 on Sunday mornings. All are welcome to attend any of these Masses. The church is open daily and anybody wishing to have a place for quiet reflection or prayer are welcome.  
**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. Food and assistance for transients is available at the Law Enforcement Center.  
**News Deadline**  
Deadline for this page is 10 a.m.  
**Alaskan missionary to visit local church**  
On assignment with Home Missions Intercultural Ministries to Native Alaskans, Bryan Pettet and his wife, Traci, will be guest speakers at College Drive Assembly of God on Sunday, August 4, 2002 at 10:30 a.m., said Reverend Leonard Burgess, pastor.  
"Alaska is a land of physical and spiritual darkness" says Pettet, "I can't do anything about the physical, but I believe that God wants to pierce Alaska's darkness with His light. God is not willing that any Native Alaskan should perish in the dark but that all would turn to the light of His Son."  
The Pettets' assignment will be to assist the Alaska District with training indigenous pastors as well as helping villages that need pastors.  
There are 82 churches in Alaska and only seven Native Alaskan pastors. With over 100 villages that have no

evangelical witness, Alaskans lead the nation in child abuse, fetal alcohol syndrome, substance abuse and DWI (driving while intoxicated) arrests. They are second in the nation in rape statistics.  
Petet graduated from Southwestern Assemblies of God University, Waxahachie, Texas, with a B.S. in pastoral ministries and Christian education. His wife graduated Cum Laude with a B. S. in elementary education from Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth.  
While in college, the Pettets serves as volunteer children's pastors in a De-

Thursday. Religious news received after that will go in *Happenings* or in next week. Please check the times of events on these pages. To place information on this page, contact Michelle Hawkins at 462-3963 or mhawkins@nwkansas.com.  
cade of Harvest church and later as youth pastors in another church.  
Following graduation they moved to Scott City where they served as pastors for three years.  
They recently completed a six-month associate program with a district council church and have participated in missions trips to Mexico and stateside as well.  
"As I grew up in a pastor's home, I was exposed to many missionaries and their experiences," says Pettet. "Over time I came to have a place in my heart for people who seem to be 'overlooked'. The Alaskan Natives certainly fall into that category."  
The public is invited to hear the Pettets share their vision for training Native Alaskans for ministry on August 4, 2002. For information, contact the church at 462-8234.



B. Pettet

Berean Church has successful vacation bible school

The Colby Berean Church's 40th annual summer Vacation Bible School was held at the on July 15-19. The theme for this year's school was "Veggie Tales: Sharing God's Message Through the Story of Jonah."  
A total of 119 children attended, and participated in singing, crafts, games, and daily Bible lessons. Approximately \$280 was raised through children's daily free will offerings in support of the missionary ministry of Hanna Bethell of Colby.  
Teachers for this year's VBS were Sheryl Nelson, Charlene Nelson, Anne Bethell, Brenda Claassen, Tammy Higerd, Jessica Stockton, and Virginia Trundle.  
Small group helpers were Teri Adams, Wade Bethell, Valerie Higerd, Lori Jumper, Justin Kennedy, Sharla

and Shandee Nelson, John Schmidt, Brian Seemann, Clarrissa and Janelle Sowers, Marcus Tibbles, David Victor, Jessica Worthington, and Lori, Kayla, and Brenda Wilson.  
Lucy Wood lead music each day, and Tanya West served refreshments. Joan Harwerth was registrar assisted by Teri Adams, Lori Jumper, Judy Kistler, Janelle Sowers, and Lori and Mary Ann Wilson. Pastor Fran Harwerth was soundman and overall helper. Pastor Tim Morris helped plan and organize the VBS and was involved as a small group helper. David Victor assisted in opening ceremonies, and Dan O'Brien was director of the Vacation Bible School.  
Many people provided a total of over 200 dozen cookies and refreshments for the children throughout the week.

Thank you to the children, parents, teachers, and helpers who made this year's Berean Vacation Bible school successful.

Attention

Any information or news for the Church page can now be sent to Michelle Hawkins.

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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., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Royal Rangers and Missionettes, 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Family Night, 7:00 p.m. Jeff Owen, associate pastor

BEREAN CHURCH, Rev. Francis Harwerth, 1000 S. Franklin - 462-3076; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m., Sunday Evening Youth 6:00 p.m., www.colbyweb.com/~rstockton; Tim Morris, associate pastor; e-mail: morris4@colbyweb.com

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Rev. Bruce Burfield, Grant & Webster Street, 462-2867, Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Evening Worship 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Prayer & Bible 7:30 p.m. Transportation is available. Call 462-2867 or 462-2336.

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.

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

MINGO BIBLE CHURCH, (A Village Missions Served Church) 420 Main, Mingo; Church Ph. 785-462-2992 Parsonage Ph. 785-462-2930 Web Page: www.forministry.com/67701mbc Pastor Jonathan Hansen, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Ministries 6:30 p.m.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, 462-2179, Father Galen Long, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confession 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

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, Pastor Wade Hatfield, 320 W. Pine - 462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 8:15 and 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening worship opportunities 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries and Kids Clubhouse 7:00 p.m.

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

The Seven Wonders  
By Reed Hartford  
First Christian Church

R. Hartford

A group of students was asked to list what they thought were the present Seven Wonders of the World. Though there were many suggestions, the following received the most votes:  
1. Egypt's Great Pyramids 2. Taj Mahal 3. Grand Canyon 4. Panama Canal 5. Empire State Building 6. St. Peter's Basilica 7. China's Great Wall  
While tabulating the votes, the teacher noticed one quiet student was still working on her list. She inquired whether the student was having trouble. The girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many."  
The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have and maybe we can help." The girl hesitated, then began, "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are: to see, to taste, to touch, to hear." She paused and then continued, "to feel, to laugh, and to be love."  
Sometimes I get so caught up in the busyness of life, that I forget to appreciate and give thanks for many blessing and miracles that are a part of my everyday life. Life itself is a miracle. The Psalmist exalts God saying, "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." "Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high I can not attain it." (Psalms 139)  
I would invite you to pause and consider those things that are seemingly routine, automatic and so repetitive that we tend to take them for granted. Give thanks to your God, even for the everyday miracles that fill you life.  
Then think about all the people who you encounter in your daily lives. Words of appreciation and encouragement will produce fruit far beyond the investment in time and energy you exert.  
Over the last year we have been reminded what a blessing it is to be a citizen of this country. There is a renewed sense of national pride. Yet, maybe we need to be reminded that we are also citizens of God's glorious kingdom. In 2 Chronicles 7, the Lord speaking to Solomon says, "if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins and heal their land."  
Stop today, recognize both the simple everyday blessings as well as the wondrous miracles in our midst. Then give God thanks!

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.gbpm-umc.org/colby-umc/

REDEEMING LOVE CHURCH, 345 N. Franklin, Pastor Yockey Jones and Pastor Gwen Jones, 462-3737, Sunday Worship service, 10:00 a.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), Rev. Reed Hartford, 385 W. 3rd - 462-2718, Worship 9 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time; Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF THE PLAINS, Rev. Phil Hyslop, 1145 White's Factory Outlet. Worship, 9:30 a.m. Bible Study, 10:45 a.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, Jim Cress, 899-5784, 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.; Programs for all ages 7:15 p.m. Wednesday.

WINONA METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. Barbara S. Patterson, 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, Gary Taylor, Pastor, Rexford - 687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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