

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will have Branch conference on Sunday, Feb. 23. District officers will present the lessons. There will be a potluck dinner following. Everyone is welcome.

Brewster Community Church
Sunday School starts for all ages at 9:30 a.m. followed by Worship Services at 10:30 a.m. Sunday Night Bible Study will begin at 7 p.m.

For information contact pastor Mike Pinkelman at (785) 694-2720.
Ascension-On-The Prairie
The Episcopal Church Women are planning a soup supper and bake sale featuring homemade chili, vegetable beef soup, plus baked goodies. The event will be held at the Colby Community Building in the activity room downstairs on Saturday, Feb. 15, from 5 to 8 p.m. when Colby faces off with Barton County College in basketball. Soup prices are \$3 for the first bowl with refills \$1 and children under five eat free.

United Methodist Church
JR UMY Pasta Dinner
The Jr. UMY will have their annual Pasta Dinner on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A free-will donation will be taken. Ten percent of the proceeds go to the Mission and Ministry fund. We hope you'll be able to join us for great pasta and fellowship!!

"Dad's in his 60's, mom's in her 50's and a baby is on the way." Come join the nurture committee for this old fashioned comedy. We'll be journeying once again to the Country Dinner Playhouse in Denver, Colorado on Saturday, April 12, 2003 for this event. Please contact Jan Barnum at 462-6503 for more information.

Do you enjoy music? Do you like to sing or watch others sing? Come join the **METHODIST MINGLERS** on Saturday, February 22, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. for Karaoke Night. We will have a Karaoke machine and music for those who want

to sing and chairs for those to sit, watch and enjoy the music. Please bring a potluck snack-finger food and plan to have fun with music and singing for the evening.

Methodist Minglers is a group for ALL ages, singles, married couples and families. It is a social, Christian group that gets together for a fun evening out.

Mark your calendars for the following dates to join us for an evening of fun:
March 15—6 p.m. "Potluck Card Party/Game Night"

We will have card and board games for the entire family to enjoy. Please bring a potluck item and we'll have supper together and then play games for the evening. If you have a little one that might utilize the nursery, please call the church office to make arrangements for a sitter—462-2761.

Jill Christensen, from Hays, will be our special guest on Sunday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. for a Community Christian Concert!! Jill is an accomplished vocal artist with 12 years of full-time ministry experience. Her song selections include Contemporary inspirational tunes, hymn sing-a-longs and other standards. Her friendly personality and encouraging nature coupled with her rich sounding voice often leaves those in attendance feeling uplifted, challenged and inspired. Our time with Jill promises to be one of blessing and a solid Bible-based music program. Jill will also be performing at Colby Trinity Lutheran Church Saturday, Feb. 15, at 5:30 p.m. and First Presbyterian Church Sunday, Feb. 16, at 10:30 a.m.

Come and enjoy this wonderful Christian music experience. Don't miss Jill Christensen!!!

Mingo Bible Church
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A Village Missions Served Church
Pastor Jonathan A. Hansen- Feb. 8-Feb. 14
Saturday Feb. 8 Men's Bible Study at Hank Regiers 8 a.m.
Sunday Feb. 9

Sunday School starts at 9:30 a.m.
Prayer Time: 10:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Pastor Jon will continue his sermon series on the book of Romans with a sermon entitled "Life In The Spirit" based on Romans 8:1-17

Tuesday Feb. 11 Hanks Hangout (a men's fellowship at the home of Hank Regier) 8 a.m.-9 a.m.
Wednesday Feb. 12, Ladies Bible Study 1 P.M.

College Drive Assembly of God

College Drive Assembly of God Sunday, Feb. 9
9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 3:30 p.m. Friends; girls grades 6-9 4 p.m. Stars; girls grades 3-5

Monday, Feb. 10
9 a.m. Women Wise Bible Study 7 p.m. Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday, Feb. 12

7 p.m. Royal Rangers; open to all boys, grades K - 12 7 p.m. Girls Only; girls grades 9-12 7 p.m. Prayer Cell Group 7 p.m. Cell Group; 1060 Villa Vista 7 p.m. Cell Group; 1807 Harvey Court
Thursday, Feb. 13 6 a.m. Promise Keepers

Trinity Lutheran Church
Trinity Lutheran Church Web site: <http://www.trinitycolbyks.org>
Sermon: "Changed in a Changing World" Part 3 "Chameleon Christianity?" Text: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Readings: Isaiah 35:3-7a (The ears of the deaf will be unstopped) 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 (I have become all things to all men) Mark 7:31-37 (Ephphatha!)

Saturday, February 8
5:30 p.m. Evening Worship with Praise Team. Holy Communion.

Sunday, February 9
9:15 a.m. Sunday school classes. 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Class led by Ralph Fischer. "That the World May Know" 9:15 a.m. LifeLight Bible Study. Topic: Prophecy. Led by Doug Baker 9:15 a.m. Basics of the Christian Faith (BCF) led by Pastor Hall. 10:30 a.m. Worship

Service with Praise Team. Holy Communion. 6-7:30 p.m. 7-12th grade youth meet.

Monday, February 10
7 p.m. Board of Parish Fellowship Meeting led by Carol Raile. 7 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study meets at Baker's home.

Tuesday, February 11
9:30-11 a.m. Mom's Ministry Group led by Melinda Olson. 7 p.m. Weighdown Bible Study led by LaNita Shepard.

Wednesday, February 12
4-5:15 p.m. Midweek School for 3rd-6th grades. 6 p.m. JuBELLation rehearsal led by Stacy Hall. 7 p.m. Confirmation Class led by Pastor Hall.

7 p.m. Choir rehearsal led by Doris Anderson.

Thursday, February 13
10 a.m. Craft Group making baby clothes for the Thomas County Health Department Babies in Need. 11:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study led by Betty Kruse.

Friday, February 14 Pastor's Day Off.

Next Saturday, February 15
5:30 p.m. Evening Worship with music by Jill Christensen.

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Next Sunday, February 16
9:15 a.m. Sunday school classes. 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Class led by Ralph Fischer. 9:15 a.m. LifeLight Bible Study led by Doug Baker. (Northwest room) 9:15 a.m. Basics of the Christian Faith (BCF) led by Pastor Hall. 10:30 a.m. Worship

Service. 6 p.m. Potluck and Young Adults Bible Study. New Topic: "Decisions"

First Christian Church

Sunday, Feb. 9, 2003
Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. Morning worship is at 10:45 a.m. "Seven Brave Souls" is the title of Rev. Hartford's sermon, based on 1 Corinthians 9:16-23. Sunday evening Bible Study begins at 7 p.m.

Monday night the Faithful Planning Committee meets at 6:30 p.m. There is also a scheduled board meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday afternoon the Mary Group will meet at 3:00 p.m.

Our annual Valentine Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 16.

Sacred Heart Church

The daily mass schedule at Sacred Heart Church has changed. There will be no Mass on Tuesdays. Masses on Mondays and Thursdays will be at 7 a.m. and on Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:15 a.m. during the school year.

The ministry training that was scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 16 has been rescheduled for Sunday, Feb. 9. The training times are as follows: Lectors at 1 p.m., Hospitality/Ushers at 1:30 p.m., Eucharistic Ministers at 2 p.m., and Servers at 2:30 p.m.

If anyone is unable to attend the trainings, please call Father Galen to schedule a time. Since there are new diocesan guidelines, those not receiving the training will not be scheduled for ministries they have participated in until they have been trained.

The Parish Valentine's Dinner and Social will be Sunday, Feb. 16 at the Quality Inn. Social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner to follow at 6 p.m. The evening is sponsored by the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus and the Christian Service/Family Life Commission. This is a parish event and all are welcome. Please RSVP by Monday, Feb. 10, to the Rectory or Dick Parnell at 462-6125.

The Sr CYO will be babysitting

in the Sacred Heart School Gym on Sunday, Feb. 16, from 5 to 9:30 p.m. for the Parish Valentine's Party. A free will donation will be accepted and snacks will be provided. Please contact Clarissa Unger at 462-7659, Regina Heier at 462-7459 or Marcia Kaus at 462-6355.

The annual Sacred Heart School Carnival will be Sunday, Feb. 23 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the school gym. A lunch of bierocks, hot dogs and sloppy joes will be served in the church basement from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The theme this year is Safari. All students of Sacred Heart School are selling raffle tickets. Anyone interested in buying raffle tickets should contact any Sacred Heart School student or the school office at 462-2813.

Church of Christ

There will be no services at the Church of Christ in Colby this Sunday due to the gospel meeting in Oakley. The Colby and Oakley congregations will be meeting together in Oakley at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 6 p.m.

Berean Church


Pastor Fran Harwerth will be speaking the "Perils of the Privileged" this Sunday morning, Feb. 9, at the 10:45 a.m. morning worship service at the Colby Berean Church, 1000 S. Franklin. His text is taken from Romans 2:1-11. Sunday School at the Berean Church for all the ages begins at 9:30 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend these services.

College View Baptist Church

College View Baptist Church is starting a non-denominational, Christian-based recreation program for kids ages 3 - 5th grade called TeamKID. TeamKID is a fun way for children to learn about the Bible through games, activities, snacks and workpages. The motto of TeamKID is "Learning about God, Using the Bible, Living for Jesus."

Church officials are also reminding everyone that youth meet the first and third Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.



Worship in the church of your choice this Sunday.

TAKE TIME TO PRAY... BOTH YOUR FAITH AND YOUR CHURCH GROW THROUGH REGULAR CHURCH ATTENDANCE.

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., 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), Pastor Michael Minton, 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, 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.

Love and Marriage

By Pastor Dave Hall
Trinity Lutheran Church, Colby



Hall

"It is God's will that you should avoid sexual immorality, that each of you should learn to control his or her own body in a way that is holy and honorable." 1 Thessalonians 4:3-4

Valentine's Day is next Friday! This may bring up warm feelings of love and romance for many. Unfortunately, there are also feelings of loneliness and emptiness for others. In our culture we have a disease that causes this and that disease is Divorce. It is epidemic, nearly 50 percent of first marriages fail and that percentage climbs for each marriage after that. Countless numbers of men, women, and children have their lives turned upside down because of divorce. The vast majority of divorces (74 percent) took place to adults who had been happily married when first studied five years earlier. In this group, divorce was connected with drastic declines in happiness and psychological well-being compared to those who stuck it out and stayed married. Unhappy marriages are less common than unhappy spouses; three out of four unhappily married adults are married to someone who is happy with the marriage. Parental divorce approximately doubles the odds that adult children will end up divorced.

One of the lies fueling the fires of divorce is "living together prepares us for marriage." Living together before marriage actually prepares people for divorce. The divorce rate for people who live together before getting married is 80 percent. For 25 years, researchers have been looking for positives to support couples living together and they haven't found any. All they have found is a way for couples to short change their changes for a happy marriage.

Celebrate love and marriage and its benefits! Children who live with their own two married parents enjoy better physical health, on average, than children in other family forms. The health advantages of married homes remain even after taking into account different social and economic status. Married men earn between 10 and 40 percent more than single men with similar education and job histories. Marriage appears to reduce the risk that children and adults will be either perpetrators or victims of crime.

Celebrate love and marriage the way God intended it to be and "until death do us part."

"Haven't you read," Jesus replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh?' So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate." Matthew 19:4-6



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REDEEMING LOVE CHURCH, 345 N. Franklin, Bishop W.G. and Rev. Orvella Romine, Saturday evening service, 6 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), Rev. Reed Hartford, 385 W. 3rd - 462-2718, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship at 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 i think i was talking about mea.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. 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.

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.

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