

## 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.gbgm-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: fcccolby@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 Studay 7:30 p.m., Wednesday

## The sea is gone

By Jay Kelley **Church of Christ** 



Jay Kelley

Also before the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal. Revelation 4:6

The Revelation of John the Apostle is a problematic book for many and has been so for most of its history. Much of the problem stems from the figurative language used in the book and some of the dark symbols which confuse and frankly frighten most novice Christians and not a few mature brethren.

We are introduced to the throne room in chapter four and there is a sea of glass separating the worshippers from the throne. The sea could have a couple of meanings. John was separated by the sea from his brethren while exiled to Patmos

I think the significance is much deeper than that, however. The sea is representative of our sins. In chapter five we are introduced to the Lamb who was worthy to take the book from the hand of God. Of course, this Lamb is Jesus, who was killed for the sins of the world.

In chapter 21, we see the glorified church and the sea is gone, signifying its removal by the same Lamb who took the book. Our sins were removed by the precious blood of Christ and with them the gulf that separated us from God is also removed.

Jesus reconciled man to God by His atoning sacrifice on the cross. Without Him, we are helpless and hopeless in this present life and in the next. Yes, there will be trials and troubles to come as we progress toward the end of this great book, but we are the victors through Christ Jesus.

Richard Rogers wrote an outline book on Revelation entitled Hallelujah, Anyway.

I think it was an apt title.

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# nformation, Activities

**Colby United Methodist Church** 

The regular morning worship service will feature the Junior UMY leading both our 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. services on Sunday, March 7. Monday, March 8 - 6:30 p.m., Disciple II; 6:30 p.m., TOPS; 7 p.m., Disciple III. Tuesday, March 9 - 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Kindergarten Screenings; 1:30 p.m., UMW Reading Group; 6 p.m., Weight Watchers; 7 p.m., Disciple I; 7:30 p.m., Sweet Adelines. Wednesday, March 10 - 7 a.m. Women's Prayer Breakfast at Fairview Estates; 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Kindergarten Screenings; 9:30 a.m., Disciple II; noon, Soup and Scripture at the Baptist Church. Thursday, March 11 - 1:30 p.m., UMW Mission Team Meeting; 7:30 p.m., Barbershop.

#### Colby Wesleyan Church

The worship theme at CWC this week is "Formed for God's Family-Fellowship." This is part of the "Purpose-Driven Life" Campaign which answers the life question "What on Earth am I here for?" Most people ask that question at some point in their lives.

Continuing this week and for the next 4 weeks, Colby Wesleyan will focus on "40 Days of Purpose" ministry events to answer that question. 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, answering questions like "What is my purpose in life? What will make my life meaningful and fulfilling?"

Pastor Gene Rothfuss will preach from God's Word during the 10:45 worship hour, which will include the drama "Part-timers Disease" with Ethan Walker as "RON" & Steve Ziegelmeier as the "old-timer." Marvia Miller 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 7:00 p.m., respectively, on Wednesday nights. For more information, call the church office at 462-8391.

#### Mingo Bible Church

This Sunday, Pastor Chris continues the Biblical Worldview series with the message, "Who Then Can Be Saved?"-a discussion of the mysterious concept of 'salvation.' What on earth is "salvation" and how does it apply to you? Come find out at Mingo! Also, this is the first Sunday of the month, so we will have NO evening service, but there will be a potluck after morning services.

#### **College Drive Assembly of God**

Sunday, March 7 - 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, March 8 - 9 a.m., WomenWise Bible Study. Tuesday, March 9 - 3:45 p.m., Power Praise Kids practice; 7 p.m., Ladies Bible Study. Wednesday, March 10 - 7 p.m. Youth Group; 7 p.m., Bible Gang - 1060 Villa Vista; 7 p.m., Adult Cell Group - 1807 Harvey Ct. Thursday, March 11 - 6 a.m., Promise Keepers.

College Drive Assembly of God will host a Conference on the Holy pirit with special guests Tim and Rochelle Enloe. Join us Sunday, March 14, at 8:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. and Monday - Wednesday, March 15-17, at 7 p.m. for this powerful conference! For more informaon, call the church office at 462-8234 or log onto the Enloe's Web site: www.enloeministries.org.

#### Redeeming Love Church

Redeeming Love Church has moved its Saturday worship service to 5 p.m. Sunday. Foundations of Faith will be at 10 a.m. followed by Praise and Worship at 11 a.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, March 7, Sunday School will begin at 9:30 a.m. with Worship following at 10:45 a.m. Interim Minister, Melvin Walton, will be bring-

ing the message which is entitled "The Danger of Cleaning House" based on Matthew 12:38-45. Adult Bible Study will begin at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Monday, March 8, Friendship Group will meet at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Elders will meet at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with board meeting following at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, Soup and Scripture will be at the Baptist Church at noon with Carol Rahn speaking. Thursday, March 11, Prayer Meeting in Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 14, 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 15, Friendship Group will meet at ture will be at the First Christian Church at 12 noon with Jim Puckett

**Trinity Lutheran Church** 

Trinity Lutheran Church Sermon: "The Three-Day Plan" from Luke 13:31-35. Scripture Lessons: Jer. 26-8-15, Psalm 74, Phil. 3:17-4:1, Luke 13:31-35. Saturday, March 6 - 5:30 p.m., Evening Worship Service. Sunday, March 7 - Girl Scout Sunday; 9:15 a.m., Sunday school/ Adult Bible Classes; 10:30 a.m., Worship Service. 11:30 a.m., Fellowship Coffee in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate March birthdays and Anniversaries. Everyone welcome. Monday, March 8 - 7 p.m., LifeLight Bible Study at Baker residence. Tuesday, March 9 - Thrivent Financial Representatives in Colby, Jim Jordan and Jared Evans. Call 1-800-756-2139 for an appointment. Noon, The Purpose Driven Life-40 Day Devotion. Bring your lunch. Wednesday, March 10 - Thrivent Financial Representatives in Colby, Jim Jordan and Jared Evans. Call 1-800-756-2139 for an appointment. 9:30 a.m., Mom's Ministry meets in the church basement. 3:45 p.m., Midweek School led by Karin Rasmussen. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Lenten Meal hosted by the Board of Christian Education and the Young Adults Ministry. 6 p.m., JuBELLation rehearsal led by Stacy Hall. 7 p.m., Lenten Worship Service. "The Purpose Driven Life Series: Purpose #2-You Were Formed for God's Family." 8 p.m., Confirmation Class led by Pastor Hall. 8 p.m., Choir rehearsal led by Doris Anderson. Thursday, March 11 - 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. Friday, March 12 - Food Preparation for the Gun and Coin Show.

#### Sacred Heart Church

Regular Daily Mass schedule for the week of March 8-12 will be: Monday, 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. at Lantern Park Manor; Wednesday 8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Thursday, 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Friday, 8:15 a.m. During Lent Stations of the Cross prayer and meditations will be held on Fridays at 7 p.m., and Third-Age Stations of the Cross for Older Adults will be Mondays at 2 p.m. The Knights of Columbus will lead a rosary each Monday night in the church during Lent at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend. Sacred Heart CYO would like to invite all parish members to take the H2O Challenge! For two weeks, drink only water. Put the money you saved from not buying pop, coffee, or other beverages into a collection cup or envelope. (H2O cups are available on a table in the back of the church.) Before Easter, drop your envelope labeled "CYO H2O Project" into the collection basket during Mass. All the money collected by the parish will be sent to Living Water to drill fresh water for people in foreign countries who need a water well More information is included in the cups. The Knights of Columbus will be having a breakfast in the church basement on Sunday, March 7 after the 8 a.m. Mass only. Queen Mary Circle will have its annual St. Patrick's Day Buffet Breakfast after both Masses on March 13 in the church basement. Free will offering. Proceeds go to help the needy in our parish, our community and the area.

Sacred Heart Parish will sponsor a two-night mission on Tuesday, March 30th and Wednesday, March 31 from 7-9 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 Seminary, There will be an Stake All Day Temple Trip to the Denver Temple on Friday, April 30 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Women's Relief Society Feb. Home, Family, and Personal Enrichment will be Saturday, Feb. 28, 2 p.m. It will be a service project - Bring your sewing machines. For more information, call Sister Rose Juenemann at 462-3445. There will be a pot luck dinner Sunday Feb. 22 following block meetings, about 1:15 p.m. All are welcome. Fast Sunday will be March 7. Stake Conference in Garden City will be March 20-21. Henry B. Eyring of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and Robert K. Bills, an Area Authority. Seventy will be attending.

#### **Berean Church**

Pastor Fran Harwerth will begin a series on "The Passion of the Christ" this Sunday, March 7, at the 10:45 a.m. morning worship service at the Colby Berean Church, 1000 S. Franklin, His subject for this Sunday's message is "Jesus' Agony in the Garden" from Mark 14:32-42. The Berean Church has Sunday School for all ages beginning at 9:30 a.m. Higher Ground for High School will be held Sunday evening at 6 p.m. at the National Guard Armory. Pastor Tim Morris is leading a Bible study entitled "Velocity," a video/discussion study of God's answers to life's questions.

On Wednesday evenings beginning at 7 p.m. the Berean Church has Awana clubs for children age 3 through fifth grade at the church. "Solid Rock" for middle school young people is held each Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the National Guard Armory.

#### First Presbyterian Church

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 "A Gathering God." The scripture readings are Psalm 27, Genesis 5:1-12, 17-18, Philippians 3:17-4:1, and Luke 13:31-35. 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 mourner. This Saturday a group will meet to view and discuss Anime videos from 4-6 p.m.. Sunday Connection for high school and college age students meets this Sunday from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal is Wednesday evening at 730

#### **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.

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