



Today's Scripture Reading

Matthew 3¹⁻¹²

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord;
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region around the Jordan were going out to him, and they were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Therefore, bear fruit worthy of repentance, and do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is more powerful than I, and I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."



Colby United Methodist Church

DECEMBER 7, 2025

THE PEOPLE OF COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ARE
CALLED TO REFLECT CHRIST IN COLBY AND BEYOND.

Week 2

Advent



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Order of Worship

Prelude		Pianist
Welcome & Announcements		Liturgist
Opening Songs	"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"	CCC Choir
	"Silent Night"	CCC Choir
✝ Call to Worship & Opening Hymn		UMH #211
Advent Song	"Light the Advent Candle" (vs. 2)	TFWS #2090
Lighting the Advent Wreath (on screens)		Boller family
✝ Opening Prayer		Liturgist
✝ Lifting Joys & Concerns in Prayer		Pastor Rodgers
Prayer Song	"It's Me, It's Me, O Lord"	UMH #352
Lifting Prayers		Pastor Rodgers
✝ Scripture Reading	Matthew 3 ¹⁻¹²	Liturgist
Children's Message		Pastor Rodgers
✝ Special Music	"Breath of Heaven"	Randy Berls & Allison Zimmerman
Message		Pastor Rodgers
Communion		All
Doxology & Offertory Prayer		#94/Liturgist
Closing Hymn	"Open My Eyes, That I May See"	UMH #454
✝ Closing Prayer & Benediction		Pastor Rodgers
Postlude		Organist

Liturgist: Bruce Frahm
Organist/Pianist: Pat Ziegelmeier
Special Music: Colby Community College Choir

Call to Worship

Last week, we began Advent watching for the signs of God's time among us. Today, we remember the stories that teach us to hope.

Church, we gather to remember the story of a God who never forgets—Who calls us to live in peace and righteousness in a world of noise and haste.

We tell the story together of the day that all the earth awaits.

Sing "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1,2) #211

The prophets and the psalmists still speak, telling of hope in barren places.

We find our place in that great narrative of love.

Come, let us worship the One whose Word gives life to all.

Come, let us worship God together.

WEEKLY COLBY UMC ACTIVITIES

SUN @ 9:00 AM	SUNDAY SCHOOL
SUN @ 9:00 AM	FELLOWSHIP COFFEE HOUR
WED @ 10:15 AM	HELPING PAWS
WED @ 12:00 PM	MEN'S LUNCH (MOKAS)
THURS @ 12:30 PM	BIBLE STUDY
THURS @ 9:00 AM	QUILTING GROUP

LAST WEEK

ATTENDANCE: 96
GENERAL OFFERING: \$2,253

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

DAY OFF: MONDAY
OFFICE HOURS: TUES-FRI: 9-12PM
AFTERNOONS: PASTORAL VISITATION
SATURDAY: REQUESTED VISITATION

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