

Today's Scripture Reading

Matthew 13¹⁸⁻²³

"Hear, then, the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."



Welcome to Worship!

July 16, 2023

The people of Colby United Methodist Church are called to reflect Christ in Colby and beyond.



#Reflection Points

Sign up to receive weekly events, happenings, and prayer lists each Thursday.

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Order of Worship

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude		Organist/Pianist
Welcome & Announcements		Liturgist
Opening Song	“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”	Dwight Williams
† Call to Worship		Liturgist
Opening Hymn	“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”	UMH #694
† Opening Prayer		Liturgist
† Lifting Joys & Concerns in Prayer		Pastor Rodgers
Prayer Song	“Open My Eyes”	UMH #454
Lord’s Prayer		UMH# 895
Scripture Reading		Liturgist
Children’s Message		Pastor Rodgers
† Special Music	“Whispering Hope”	Dwight Williams
Message		Pastor Rodgers
Doxology & Offertory Prayer		#94/Liturgist
† Closing Hymn	“Wonderful Words of Life”	UMH #600
† Closing Prayer & Benediction		Pastor Rodgers
Postlude		Organist/Pianist

Liturgist:	Jo Kraus
Organist/Pianist:	Pat Ziegelmeier
Vocalist:	Dwight Williams

Call to Worship:

Let’s come in from busy, summertime days to this place of worship.

We come to connect with God’s word.

God is the greater Sower, scattering seeds of life and abundance across the earth.

We are the soil the Sower plants, created to nurture and sustain the seeds of God’s life-giving love.

God is the great Gardener, tilling and cultivating our soil graciously.

We notice the rocks and thorns in our soil and call on the Gardener’s grace to transform us into good soil.

God is the great Life-giver, sowing seeds and tending the soil to produce the fruit of abundant life.

May we nurture and grow God’s new reality, bearing the fruit of flourishing and abundance for all God’s creation. AMEN.

Weekly Colby UMC Activities

Sun @ 9:00 am	Sunday School
Wed @ 7:30 am	Men’s Breakfast
Wed @ 11:30 & 4	Helping Paws
Thurs @ 12:00 pm	SOAP study (zoom)
Thurs @ 1:00 pm	SOAP Bible Study
Thurs @ 9:00 am	Quilting Group

Pastor’s Schedule

Day Off: Monday
Office Hrs.: Tues–Fri: 9–12pm
 Afternoons – Pastoral Visitation
Saturday: Requested Visitation

Last Sunday

Attendance last week: 68
 General Offering: \$4,335
 Weekly need: \$6,501

Capital Campaign Funds

Raised to date: \$150,566
 Funds available: \$69,706
 Goal: \$300,000

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