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# HOME BASE

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## WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Colossians 3:15

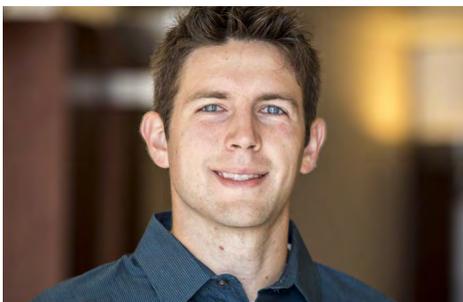


### SERMON RECAP [Listen to Sermon Online](#)

Pastor Greg discussed Paul's letter to Philemon and showed the importance of continued fellowship. This is particularly important as we celebrate All Saints Day, and as the election approaches on Tuesday.

### THIS WEEK'S READING: Colossians 1-4, 1 Thessalonians 1-2

Watch these videos for an overview of [Colossians](#) and [1 Thessalonians](#).



### REFLECTIONS: Jon Markt Colossians 1-4, 1 Thessalonians 1-2

Paul's letter to the Colossians begins with praise that I hope we as a church can embody: *We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love you have for all God's people...* What other measures could be more important in the value system of one who knows and loves God?

Paul also unpacks the difference between a life transformed by Christ and the earthly nature. In this season, I for one have need for Paul's advice to, *Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.* Spending way too much time on diversions like streaming services, college football, and news coverage are my earthly ways. When I stop to read and ponder God's word, I get a powerful reminder of the love and fullness it provides, surpassing any of these earthly things.



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# SUNDAY'S SERMON

**Pastor Coby Fisher: SERMON TEXT - Colossians 3:1-17**

*Sit with Colossians 1:9-14. Take a few moments to pray this prayer over yourself and those you love.*

*In Colossians 1:15-23 the author presents a High Christology of Jesus. What stands out to you in this text? What gives you hope?*

*In 1 Thessalonians 2:8, Paul shares his delight in sharing not only the good news of God with the Thessalonians, but also their lives. How might we as a community of faith grow in sharing life together?*

## BUILDING UPDATE



The stairway was removed last week and work will begin on re-routing gas lines. It won't be long and we will have our steel on site.

You can check the church website for updated photos. Continue to pray for the safety of the construction crew and for good weather.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

*Please let us know of your prayer concerns below.*

## THE DUGOUT: A Place For Kids & Their Families

Turn to chapter 10 in All of Us. Have someone read the God's Story prompt on page 63 for a fact important to the story. Together, come up with one pose to show joy and one to show fear. As you read, invite everyone to show fear when they hear something frightening, and joy when they hear something joyful.

Wonder and talk together about the Bible story and how it connects to your experiences as a family.

- Imagine following a cloud during the day and fire at night.
- I wonder how Moses felt when the people were scared and angry and blamed him.
- I wonder what people were thinking and feeling as they walked through the water on dry ground.
- I wonder if you have ever felt like God rescued you.
- Invite one person to read the My Story prompt on page 65 in All of Us. Allow time for everyone to respond.