

Sermon Notes

Vision 2025



Today's Scripture December 29, 2024

PASSAGE: "Vision 2025," 1 Peter 2:1-12 and Psalm 102

TEACHER: Kirk Crager, Lead Pastor

Bulletin Updates

JANUARY PRAYER CALENDAR

Pick up your January prayer calendar and pray alongside our global outreach workers all month. Copies are available in the back of the auditorium.

LEGACY JANUARY GATHERING

Save the date for our Legacy gathering on Monday, January 13 at 11 A.M. in Fireside Room for worship, study, prayer, and a meal. Our lesson will be on the Life of Elijah and, "Conquering Faith."

SAVE THE DATE FOR A CHURCH FAMILY MEETING

Our next Church Family Meeting is planned for Sunday, February 5 after service. More information on potlucking details is to come, but please mark the date on your calendar!

CHURCH OFFICE AND LIBRARY CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The church office will be closed and there will be no staff available December 24 at 2 P.M. - January 1 so that our staff can sabbath rest well and serve well throughout the year ahead. If you have emergency needs, you can email info@colecommunity.org. The library will be open today (12/29) before and after church service. The office will reopen to normal hours on January 2.

YEAR-END GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

As we wrap up the year, we wanted to draw attention to two special giving opportunities. First, we're saving up for several significant facility maintenance costs coming in the new year: our roof and our heating/cooling units.

Additionally, some of you may have received an ask from Cole To The World on behalf of our global outreach workers. As we wrap up this year, a donation to our "Global Outreach General Fund" would greatly bless a number of ministry efforts for both Cole Community and New City Church. We will split funds raised this Christmas weekend with New City Church to bless their outreach efforts.

If you feel led, please donate online, on our Church Center app, or by marking a fund on a check donation.



Financial Update

as of December 23, 2024

This Week's Giving	\$10,235
YTD Spending	\$519,135
YTD Giving	\$589,414

Give online at colecommunity.churchcenter.com/giving

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS

A few volunteer openings are available if you would like to serve in the Children's Ministry for teachers, helpers, and the check-in team.



Most classes could use extra volunteers to rotate into schedules. Please contact Ashlee at ashleec@colecommunity.org if you have questions. Training will be held in January.

Q+A: SUBMIT YOUR QUESTIONS

Submit your questions each week using Slido, a question submission tool designed for audience participation and engagement. Check out questions along with their answers on our website at colecommunity.org/q-and-a.

Core Value Highlight

RECEIVE AND GIVE GRACE

It is by grace alone that we are saved from sin and death. Jesus paid our debt on the cross, and we can do nothing to earn this free gift. When we accept this gift, God helps us extend the same grace to others thru the work of the Holy Spirit.

- We enter into relationships to show and to share God's grace.
- We serve God from the heart, not to "follow the rules," but because of what God has done for us.
- We live lives increasingly free of the burden of guilt and shame.

SHARE THE GOSPEL WITH A BROKEN WORLD

We are called to be a part of God's great mission. God gives every believer gifts, and we are called to use those to bring light to darkness, healing to brokenness, and to share the good news with everyone.

- We are motivated by the Holy Spirit to invest ourselves and our resources inside and outside of the church.
- We support local and global outreach workers.
- We train people to show Jesus' love in our homes, our workplaces, our communities, and our world.

REGISTER FOR THE 2025 MEN'S RETREAT

Come join us for our annual Men's Retreat at the Quaker Hill Conference Center in McCall happening January 24-26, 2025. Registration is \$150 for the weekend.

