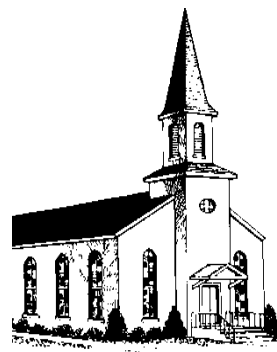


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## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

### His Wounds, Our Health

By Rick Rostek, Pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church

Rare is the person who is never ill and never has to see a doctor. Sicknes is simply a part of life, and many of us have been under the weather during this particular winter. Moreover, many people suffer from chronic diseases such as arthritis and diabetes. Some may wonder if sickness is punishment from God. In reality, sickness is just the way things are in a sinful, fallen world.

The good news is that Jesus Christ has borne our sickness, particularly the sickness of sin. The prophet Isaiah says "Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows." Jesus did so when he went to the cross to save the world from sin. It was a great act of love on the part of Jesus. Isaiah continues, "He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities." Yes, our sickness of sin sent Jesus to the cross, but by His death we have peace, "By his wounds we are healed."

Some might think that faith in Jesus means immediate release from life's sicknesses, diseases,

problems, etc. But in fact, while we still live in this world, we are

subject to the problems of the world. It would be a mistake to gauge our faith by how healthy we

are. Even the most faithful Christian can suffer from sickness, and we all face the prospect of death.

Isaiah's message is one of Gospel, of good news. Jesus has suffered the wrath of God in our place. His punishment brings us peace, if not immediate healing from illness or disease. But the day is coming when we will be released from all of life's troubles. Jesus' death on the cross brings forgiveness. Jesus' resurrection from the grave guarantees our resurrection. By faith in what Jesus has done for us, we can look forward to the time when He will return and separate us from all of the troubles that sin has brought upon the world.

That's the invitation Jesus gives today. Believe that He has taken up your infirmities and sorrows. Believe that the punishment He bore on the cross grants forgiveness and peace. And finally, believe that Jesus will one day rescue us from all sickness, sorrow, and even death. Through faith in Jesus and His wounds, you will have eternal health!

## God's Good News



The sanctuary of a church is a big place to a small child. Imagine what it must feel like to be surrounded by silence in such a serious place - the place where the grown-ups go. When a little one is old enough to be "good" and leave the nursery she can sit with her parents through a service of worship.

How different from a regular day in a classroom or at the playground. Children can learn to worship God in their own special way and learn about Him as they hear the prayers and songs. It may not seem as if they are listening, and they may not be able to sit quietly the whole time, but they will hear and learn about God.

Do you remember what it was like to worship as a child? A child hears with innocent enthusiasm. God is big and wonderful! Take a new look at your house of worship this week; see it through eyes of a child and rejoice in God's good news! "Tell it to your children, and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation." (Joel 1:3)

<b>Sunday Numbers</b> 14.11-25	<b>Monday</b> 1 Samuel 2.1-10	<b>Tuesday</b> 2 Samuel 22.1-25	<b>Wednesday</b> 2 Samuel 22.26-51	<b>Thursday</b> 1 Kings 3.1-15	<b>Friday</b> 1 Kings 18.1-29	<b>Saturday</b> 1 Kings 18.30-46
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## JENNINGS NEWS

Keith and Helen Muirhead met their daughter, Mignon Barry, Wellfleet, Maine, at the Denver International Airport for their annual ski trip in the Colorado mountains.

Agnes Wahlmeier, Mary Wahlmeier, Carol Carter, Ramona Shaw; Carol Shaw, Selden; Janet Shaw, Hoxie; Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs and Marilyn Wahlmeier, Cambridge, Neb., were family members attending the bridal shower for Katie Wahlmeier at the Farmers and Merchants Bank in Colby on Saturday.

Several residents of Jennings have been in the hospital and are

now home. Among them were Daryl Hartzog, Violet Foster and Ray Yahne.

Dorothy Bainter, WaKeeney, formerly of Jennings, is now residing at the Long Term Care Unit in WaKeeney.

A reminder of the Sunflower Senior potluck supper, March 13 at 6 p.m. Charlotte Hinger, Hoxie, will give a book review on *Come Spring*, the book which she wrote.

Don't forget the time change at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 11. Be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour.

We are receiving some nice days now, so feels like spring is around the corner.

## NORCATUR NEWS

### By NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS

Weekend guests of Dorothy Ward on Feb. 17 and 18 were her son, Mark and Debby Ward of Hugo, Colo. They came Friday after Brandon's basketball game at Flagler, Colo., and returned Sunday afternoon, Feb. 18. The grandsons had other commitments, so didn't come this time.

Sunday evening Dorothy had a phone call from her nephew, Rodney Dick, saying that her brother, Donald Dick, fell in his home. Luckily his daughter was there. There are no broken bones, but it was a painful fall and someone is there with him full-time. Diane Watts is one of his helpers. She used to be the city clerk here in Norcatour. Don's 89th birthday was Feb. 20. He may be reached at 4780 Fig Court, Golden, Colo., 80403.

Birthdays: Tom Jakowski - Feb. 14; Judy Jackson, Leona Schoenrad - Feb. 16; Russell James - Feb. 17; Arlene Hix, Darren Wentz - Feb. 20.

Notice: The Norcatour rural route mail count has been cancelled.

Be sure to mark your calendar for the Norcatour United Methodist Church Pancake Supper, which will be Saturday, March 10, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Educational Building in Norcatour.

Veda Wood was blessed with several visitors earlier this month. On Feb. 1, Dwight and Teresa Wood and their good neighbor, Dale Porter, came for another "you bring the duck" dinner. They said Dale supplied the Kentucky Fried chicken. It was very good, and Veda furnished frozen pie. On Feb. 2, Israel, Hannah and Landon Jirak and Hester Bundrock of Fort Collins, Colo., stopped by on their way to Stockton. Then on Saturday, Feb. 3, Telia and A.J. High and Aubrey of Indianola, Neb., brought great-grandkids Grant Slater, Wade, Emily, Mariah and Garrett Bader of Catherine; and on Feb. 5, Carol Moye of Oberlin came and had coffee, and showed off her new project, some beautiful glass bowls she had made in her kiln.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### Application for water well permit for Northern Valley

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Northern Valley Schools has filed with the Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture one (1) application for permit to appropriate water for beneficial use, identified as File No. 46,526. The application proposes to appropriate such unappropriated ground water as may be available from the Alluvial Aquifer in Prairie Dog Creek drainage basin, from one (1) well as follows:

one (1) well located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4 NE 1/4) of Section 8, for a total of 5 acre-feet per calendar year for irrigation use, to be diverted at

a maximum rate of 50 gallons per minute in Township 2 South, Range 21 East, Norton County, Kansas. The water will be used for irrigation use within a 3.33 acre football practice field.

Any interested party is invited to submit to this office on or before April 16, 2007 written comments as to whether Application File No. 46,526 should be approved or not approved. Persons submitting comments should specifically indicate their interest in the application(s) in a clear and concise manner.

Application File Nos. 46,526 are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, 109 Southwest 9th Street, Second Floor, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1283.

## Estate of Ruth Verda Somers

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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

Case No. 2007-PR-08  
In the Matter of the Estate of Ruth Verda Somers, Deceased.

#### NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that on February 22, 2007, a petition was filed in this Court by Beverly Ann Kohfeld, an heir, devisee and legatee, and Executrix named in the Last Will and Testament of Ruth Verda Somers, deceased, dated October 13, 1977, praying that the Last Will and Testament filed with the petition be admitted to probate and record, that she be

appointed as Executrix without bond and that she be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before March 16, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. of such day, in this Court, in the City of Norton, Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of first publication of this Notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Beverly Ann Kohfeld, Petitioner

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## Estate of Dale O. Retke, Sr.

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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

Case No. 2007-PR-7  
In the Matter of the Estate of DALE O. RETKE, also known as DALE O. RETKE, Sr., deceased

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition was filed February 21, 2007, in this Court by Lucile M. Retke praying that the Last Will and Testament of Dale O. Retke, also known as Dale O. Retke,

Sr., be admitted to probate and record and Lucile M. Retke be appointed executor without bond.

All creditors of the above-named decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Lucile M. Retke, Petitioner

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