

Eleanor Morel, Ruth Chance, Ann Szweistis, Keith and Helen Muirhead, Kenny Krizek, Pat Hall, Violet Foster, Imogene Keenan, Jim Mizer, Bob Tacha, and Louise and home. After going to the doctor in the afternoon, she was admitted to the hospital at Norton. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Martin LaRue has been moved back to the hospital in Oberlin from Kearney, Neb. He is doing all right and receiving therapy.

Tuesday Study Club met Dec. 14, at the United Methodist Church. After a lunch of ham, bacon wrapped meatballs, salad and dessert, the group wrapped gifts for the three children whose names were chosen from the Angel Tree at Oberlin. Joan McKenna, Pat Foster, Lynn Tacha and Sue Long had previously shopped for the gifts. Lynn Tacha had made lap blankets and Sue Long had made Crazy Christmas Stockings to include.

music on the piano while gifts day at the Sheridan County Long were being wrapped. Bob Jones Term. Others visiting him were Pat gave each member a decorative and Lyle Hansen, Bartley, Neb.; plate for Christmas. Hostesses Craig Hansen, Oberlin; and Deb were Shelley McKenna and Sue Bowie, rural Dresden. Long. Enjoying the day were Patty Foster, Pat Foster, Violet Foster, improving daily after having hip Lynn Tacha, Joan McKenna, surgery. Joan Metz, Wilma Mader, Helen

Those enjoying dinner Monday, Muirhead, Helen Rhodes, Lila Dec.13, at the Sunflower Senior Jennings, Kathy Nauer, Rachel Fellowship Hall Center were: Agnes Wahlmeier, Carter, Ruth Chance, Shelley McKenna, Carla Latimer, Pat Hall and Sue Long. Jacque Douglas was a guest.

The Book Club met Thursand Wilma Mader, Rachel Carter, day evening at the beautifully Stan and Ramona Shaw, Alice decorated home of Sue Long. Christmas memories were shared Wayne Cressler. Neoma Tacha by the group and ornaments were helped peel potatoes for the dinner exchanged. Visiting, eating and then was not feeling well and went enjoying the evening were Pat Hall, Violet Foster, Mary Vanover, Patty Foster, Kathy Nauer, Rachel Mapps, Carla Latimer, Lynn Tacha, Helen Rhodes, Joan McKenna and Sue Long.

Weekend visitors at the home of Stan and Ramona Shaw to enjoy pheasant hunting included: Jerry Smith, Monticello, Ark.; Larry Price, Jacksonville, Ark.; Mark Shaw and Ethan, rural Logan. Jeff and Mary Wahlmeier were are welcome Saturday evening visitors.

Kurt Brown, Dashiell and Millie, Quinter, visited his parents Doyle and Kay Brown and attended church with them on Sunday.

Janeil Dilling, Goodland, visited her mother, Imogene Keenan, over the weekend. She attended Jennings church with Imogene.

Wayne and Louise Cressler Pat Foster played Christmas visited his dad, Walt Cressler, Sun-

Meme Carper is at home and



"Christmas Hope"

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:4)

Hope (elpidos) as it is used in the Word of God has a much different meaning than the word hope used in this world. Children hope they will get a certain type of Christmas gift.

Some people hope they will graduate from high school and go on to college or hope they can find that certain job or career that will make them the amount of money they want to earn or that fame they hope to gain. Others hope that they can do whatever will bring satisfaction for themselves and to others. Others hope that they can beat their cancer this year, be with loved ones just one more year, one more Christmas.

The word hope as the world sees it is a tool to keep you going when you lose your health or job and even when you lose someone you love. Hope is a word that can spark life inside your heart and tell you tomorrow, next week, next month or next year you will reach your goals. It is an anchor word that points to the future. The problem with the world's view on hope is it is all based on uncertainty. Hope in all the things I have just mentioned is good, but there is no guarantee you will graduate from high school, go to college, or get that job or career that will bring fame and riches or fulfillment. Hope from this world's perspective gives no guarantee that you are going to enjoy good health tomorrow, no guarantee you will be with family next week, next year or next Christmas. In fact all the hopes I have mentioned so far are, in reality, only wishes.

Lewis Smedes wrote, "Is there a hope when worldly hope is taken away? Is there a hope when the situation is hopeless? These questions lead us to Christian hope, for in the Bible, hope is no longer a passion for the possible. Biblical hope is a passion for the promises."

Holy Spirit illuminated Christians are able to beat the depression that so commonly plagues so many during the holiday season, because they meditate upon the Scriptural truths of the Christmas story. Let the Holy Spirit of Christ reveal the Christ of Christmas in your spiritual heart this Christmas!

Grasp Christmas Hope!

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SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 6 p.m. Bible Study at VanPattens' WEDNESDAY — 6:00 p.m. TFC 8:30 p.m. Men at the Cross Bible Study THURSDAY — 7:15 a.m. Teen Women's Discipleship

> ALMENA UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH**

Pastor Ed Woods 669-2554 SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Worship WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study in

TUESDAY and THURSDAY — 9 a.m. Vita Band Exercise Class, Everyone Welcome 7 p.m. Bible Study at Grace Reeves

CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor Ed Woods 669-2554

Wilmer Severns SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Church School 11 a.m. Worship Service, Choir

> LENORA CHURCH OF GOD Pastor: Ron Scheimo 785-567-4459

SUNDAY — 10:30 Worship Service

UNITED PARISH OF LENORA The Rev. Gary Dudder 140 E. Iowa, 567-4420

SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Social Hour 10:30 a.m. Worship Service United Parish is a Community Church, all

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LOGAN

Pastor Troy Buss SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Church Services WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, LOGAN

Father Ben Saw SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Mass MONDAY — 5:30 p.m. Mass

LOGAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH The Rev. Dean Gilbert 303 W. Church, 689-4350

SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Fifth Sunday Song Service FIRST & THIRD WEDNESDAYS — 6:30 p.m. UMYF

SECOND WEDNESDAY — 1:30 p.m. High and High School Worship United Methodist Women

THIRD WEDNESDAY -7:30 p.m. Ad- tice ministrative Council Meeting

LONG ISLAND UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH** The Rev. Dean Gilbert **554 Washington**, **854-7626**

SUNDAY — 11 a.m. Morning Worship FIRST SUNDAY — 12 noon Fellowship

1 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting FIRST WEDNESDAY -2 p.m. United Methodist Women's Meeting in Fall, Winter and Spring

LYLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH **Guest Speakers Each Sunday**

SUNDAY — 8 a.m. Worship Service TUESDAY — Sewing at the Community Building

NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor Ed Woods 693-4519

SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Worship Service MONDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study at Fellowship Hall

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC **CHURCH, NEW ALMELO** stjosephcc@ruraltel.net **Father Vincent Thu Laing**

SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Mass FRIDAY and MONDAY — 8 a.m. Scripture Communion Service

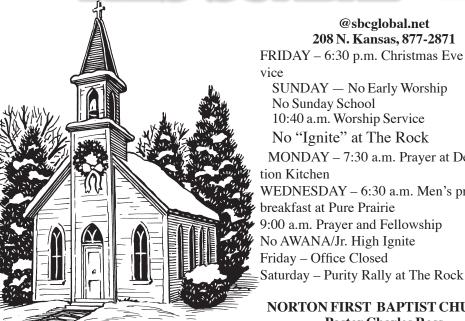
Weekday Mass Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS **Phillipsburg Ward** Vern Kendell, Bishop

SUNDAY - 10:00 a.m. Sacrament meet-

11:15 a.m. Sunday School 12:10 - Priesthood and Relief Society MONDAY — Family Home Evening WEDNESDAY — 7:00 a.m. Young Men/ Young Women, Ages 12-18; 5-9 p.m. Family History Center Open

> **PRAIRIE VIEW** REFORMED CHURCH The Rev. Jeffrey Van Der Weele 410 Holland, Prairie View 973-2794



SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Morning Worship

LUCTOR CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH 2 miles east and 3 miles north of Prairie View The Rev. Jeffrey Van Der Weele

973-2794 SUNDAY — 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

CROSSROADS CHURCH 313 West Lincoln Street Rev. John Rowe Phone: 877-2416

SATURDAY — 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer SUNDAY — 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall Coffee 10:00 a.m. Prayer Time/Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. Worship Service WEDNESDAY — 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

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FIRST CHURCH OF GOD **Pastor Terrill Worthington** 1010 Churchill Dr. 877-2181

SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Time of Prayer (Adults)

9:30 a.m. Time of Prayer (Children in kitchen) 9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6 p.m. Choir Practice 7 p.m. Evening Service

WEDNESDAY — 6 p.m. 3D at Parsonage 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study, King's Kids, Jr.

8 p.m. Committee Meetings, Team Prac-

2nd THURSDAY of each month -7 p.m. Women of the Church of God 3rd SATURDAY of each month -8 a.m. Men's Breakfast

FIRST UNITED METHODIST **CHURCH, NORTON** Rev. Lyn Linde 805 W. Wilberforce, Norton

FRIDAY – 7:00 p.m Christmas Worship/ Communion

11:00 p.m. Christmas Worship/Commu-

SATURDAY - Noon Chamber of Commerce Dinner

SUNDAY — 8:00 a.m. Informal Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

MONDAY – 6:00 p.m. TOPS WEDNESDAY - 8:00 a.m. Prayer War-

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

10 p.m. Watch Night

FRIDAY – 6:30 p.m. Kandis at The Rock

Pastor Rick Rostek 14715 W. Washington Road 877-2430

SUNDAY - 9:00 a.m. Bible Class and Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship WEDNESDAY -2:00 p.m. Andbe Home FRIDAY – Christmas Eve 6:00 p.m. Choir

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight 11:00 p.m. Christmas "Midnight" with Holy Communion

LIVING HOPE FELLOWSHIP One mile south of Norton at corner of PDRA road **Pastor Jerry Cummings** 877-2426

SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Worship and Praise Service

WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Youth and Children's Programs

NORTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH

7 p.m. Adult Home Bible Study

Larry Lyles, Minister Mike Sander, Youth Minister Blake Helmers, Intern

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@sbcglobal.net 208 N. Kansas, 877-2871

FRIDAY – 6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Ser-

SUNDAY — No Early Worship No Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Worship Service

No "Ignite" at The Rock MONDAY - 7:30 a.m. Prayer at Destina-

tion Kitchen WEDNESDAY – 6:30 a.m. Men's prayer breakfast at Pure Prairie

9:00 a.m. Prayer and Fellowship No AWANA/Jr. High Ignite Friday - Office Closed

NORTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH **Pastor Charles Ross**

112 S. Archer, 877-5214 SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Worship Service WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Mid-Week Prayer

NORTON MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

Meeting and Bible Study

Andbe Home Services, 2 p.m. and Norton Manor Services 3 p.m.

There is no meeting of the alliance during the summer months

NORTON SEVENTH DAY **ADVENTIST CHURCH**

105 S. Case Street Pastor Jerry Nowack SATURDAY SERVICES -9:45 a.m. Church Services

10:45 a.m. Sabbath School

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI **CATHOLIC CHURCH Father Vincent Thu Laing** 877-2234

stfranci@ruraltel.net 108 S. Wabash, Norton

Mass Schedule Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday -7:15 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. Thursday 7:30 a.m. Friday 7:30 a.m. Saturday 7 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

4 p.m. Saturday, 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment TUESDAY — 7 p.m. Bingo WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. SYF (K-8)

First Friday of the Month — Adoration following Morning Mass First Saturday of the Month — 8 a.m. Mar-

ian Devotions K of C Third Monday of Month at 7:30

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH Senior Warden, Alberta Slaby Junior Warden, Robert Hoover 102 E. Waverly, Norton

FRIDAY – 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr. Jerry Jones SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Christian Education

10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour Host, L. Krauss 3:00-4:00p.m. God's Pantry, Alberta Slaby

REDEEMER EVANGELICAL **LUTHERAN(WELS)** 805 West Holme Street West Hwy. 36, Norton 877-3138/3824

timmomeyer@ruraltel.net Pastor Timm O. Mever

SATURDAY – 1:00 p.m. NCF Worship SUNDAY - 7:00 a.m. Time of Grace on

9:05 a.m. Goodness from the Good Shepherd Radio Broadcast, KQNK, 106.7FM/1530AM www.kgnk.com 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:55 a.m. Adult Bible Study, Psalms Noon – NCF Worship 7:00 p.m. Worship Service, Hays

TUESDAY — 6:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., NCF Bible Studies WEDNESDAY – 6:15 p.m. Confirmation

Class FRIDAY – 6:30 p.m. Childrens' Christmas

Eve Worship Service SATURDAY — 10:00 a.m. Song Service

1:00 p.m. NCF Worship

MAPLE GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN **Rev. Darrel Boston**

9 miles west 4 1/2 miles north of Norton SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 4th Tuesday, Women's Fellowship

THE ROCK

3rd Sunday, Noon, carry-in dinner

FRIDAY - 7:00-10:00 p.m. Seventh,Eighth, and Ninth Graders First Sunday Night of the Month — Quarry,

1/4/11 9:55:42 AM

6:30 p.m. Junior and Senior High Worship