

Make Church a Part of Your Life

WEEKLY SERMONETTE

"Christ is the Cornerstone"

By Pastor Rick Rostek, Immanuel Lutheran Church

Before the advent of modern building techniques, cornerstones served a crucial purpose in the construction of any building. The cornerstone had to be precisely shaped so as to form a true right angle. The shape of the cornerstone would dictate the shape and layout of the building. A poorly shaped cornerstone might lead to a building with skewed walls and poor stability. But a quality cornerstone would ensure a proper layout of the building.

These days, cornerstones aren't required thanks to modern construction methods, but cornerstones are still used to identify the date of the building, and sometimes to preserve a time capsule for future generations. Immanuel recently opened a time capsule that was set in the cornerstone at our former location on 2nd Street. It contained copies of our Church Body's magazine, in both English and German! There were also some coins and a couple of issues of the Norton Daily Telegram. However, the

most important items in the time capsule were a Bible and a copy of Luther's Small Catechism. These two items point to the Cornerstone of our faith: Jesus Christ.

Left to our own devices, we have no hope of being in communion with God.


God is perfectly holy. He is set apart and totally without sin. Even the slightest sin disqualifies us from having a relationship with God. We are helpless. And though we might try to do the things which please God, we are like that building with the

misshapen cornerstone: skewed, weak, and ready to come crashing down. Still, there is hope.

Jesus lived the perfectly obedient life on our behalf. In Jesus was no sin, no imperfection. Like a building with a true cornerstone, Jesus was rock-solid. He then became the perfect sacrifice for our sin. It doesn't sound fair that He should die in our place, but that was God's plan and Jesus carried it out perfectly. Then, wonder of wonders, He rose victorious from the dead and reigns in heaven even now.

When we put our faith in what Jesus has done, then we have the perfect Cornerstone. Our sins are forgiven. In Christ, nothing separates us from God because "the stone that the builders have rejected has become the Cornerstone" (Psalm 118:22). By God's mercy and grace, we have the honor to continue to proclaim the message our forebears handed down to us: Jesus Christ is the Cornerstone, the Savior of the World!

Lady Liberty



For more than a hundred years, the Statue of Liberty has been a symbol of freedom for this great country of ours. She stands steady and true through storms, freezing winters, and summer heat, welcoming all who come to our shores. As we prepare to celebrate another Independence Day, let us examine our own spirits. Do we reflect the light of our Creator to those who approach us daily? Do we welcome others with open hearts, even when the storms of daily life take their toll? Enter the sanctuary of God's house this week and give thanks for the U.S.A.

Weekly Scripture Reading						
Hosea 1:1-16	Hosea 14:1-9	Jonah 1:1-17	Jonah 2:1-10	Jonah 3:1-10	Jonah 4:1-11	Philemon 1-25

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PUBLIC NOTICE

• PUBLIC NOTICE • RESOLUTION NO. 2013-6

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RESOLUTION NO. 2013-6
A RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING ON PUBLIC OFFICER'S REPORT FINDING THE PREMISES OF ELDON D. SPRAGUE, 205 MAIN STREET ALMENA, NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS, UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION, DANGEROUS AND UNSAFE
WHEREAS, the Public Officer of the City of Almena, Kansas, has made her report and request to the Governing Body of the City of Almena, Kansas, that finds the premises located within Almena, Kansas, belonging to ELDON D. SPRAGUE, also known as ELDEN SPRAGUE, more particularly described as follows:

Lot Ten (10) Block Two (2), Harrison Addition to the City of Almena, Norton County, Kansas, commonly known as 205 Main Street, Almena, Kansas;

appears to be unfit for human habitation, dangerous and unsafe, and is hereby in need of repairs, improvements, removal and demolition pursuant to Section 4-601, et seq., of the Code of the City of Almena, Norton County, Kansas.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Almena, Kansas, has authority pursuant to Section 4-601, et seq., of Code of the City of Almena, Kansas, to require or cause the repair, closing or demolition or removal of such structures found to be unfit for human habitation, dangerous or unsafe within Almena, Kansas.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS:

SECTION ONE: a hearing will be held before the Governing Body of the City of Almena, Kansas, to determine whether the structure or structures on the premises described above is fit for human use or habitation, dangerous or unsafe, at the following place on the following date:

City Building, Almena, Kansas, on the 5th day of August 2013, at 7:00 p.m.

SECTION TWO: That this resolution shall be published once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in the official City newspaper and that notice by certified mail be sent to each owner, agent, lienholder and occupant of the premises.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of June, 2013.
Camille Mussman, Mayor

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