

# NORTON MANOR

## By NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS

After church last Sunday, Bee Nelson, Beth Sebaugh and Dorothy Ward ate dinner together at the Cardinal Bar and Grill.

Dorothy Ward and Bee Nelson attended part of The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission annual history tour on Sunday, April 27 at Clayton. There was a nice crowd to hear Weldon Brooks, Gwynn Ward and John K. Gallentine reminiscing on Clayton's history.

Marylyn Barnett was at her parents Saturday night and Sunday for a working weekend and to visit with her parents Darrel and Alice Barnett.

Weekend guests of Gerald and Judy Jackson were daughter, Beverly and Andy Huerta; grandson, Daniel and his friend Bree, all of Aurora, Colo.; son Brian and grandson Thad, Brighton, Colo. and his friend Kerry of Torrington; daughter, Charlotte and Jay Kurtz, Norcat; and Gerald's brothers, Dallas and Delbert Jackson, Colby. On Saturday evening, they all went to the Cardinal Bar and Grill to hear the Jackson Brothers band, "Country Plus" perform.

Birthdays were celebrated for Gerald Jackson and his grandson, Thad Jackson, both born on April 26. Attending the evening's festivities were a host of friends and relatives.

Happy birthday to Veda Wood, May 2; Linda Hunt, May 3; Lora Linn Leichliter, May 5; Dave Stapp, May 6.

Happy Anniversary to Rodney and Janice O'Hare, April 30; Dwight and Mary Wentz, May 6.

Destiny and Christopher Chastain, children of local Tad and Rebecca Hartsough, would like to help with your yard work. For more information call (785) 202-0298 or (785) 202-0295.

Lisa Leichliter of Seibert, Colo. was a visitor of R.D. Thornton on Monday

Jim and Carolyn Plotts recently returned from a week-long trip through Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Wisconsin. They visited friends and family along the way. The trip was to help Carolyn's cousin, Barbara and Art Basinger move to Norton. The Basingers were Wednesday night taco supper guests at the Plotts home.

Results of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, April 23 were: Dave Stapp, first; John Mast, second; Stan Miller, third; and Carl Lyon, fourth.

Results of the dart tournament were: first game: Scott Hartzog, first; Renee Harman, second; Kristi Gallentine, third. Second

game: Scott Hartzog, first; Renee Harman, second; Alyssa Montgomery, third.

Cricket winners were: Sam Stapp, first; Renee Harman, second; Patty Stapp, third.

Guests at the Stan Miller farm from April 22-24, were Carol's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Mast, Emporia. Mr. and Mrs. John Rule, Clayton, joined them for dinner on April 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Miller went to Topeka on April 25 to visit Mr. and Mrs. Curt DeDonder and help their granddaughter, Sophia celebrate her first birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Casey Tuttle, El Dorado; Aimee Applebury, Colby; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Miller, Oberlin and Mr. and Mrs. Rocky DeLano, Wichita, all joined them. They returned home on April 28.

Trudi McCollum, Elissa and Nora, Platte City, Mo., came April 20, to visit Bob and Kay Strevey. They also visited David and Retta Hare, Darrel and Alice Barnett and Glen and Carolyn and Gregg Strevey. They left for home on April 25.

Rea and Dee Magers enjoyed company from Amarillo, Texas, last weekend. They were Bonnie Yule and her two daughters, Karen Mason and Sharon Webb. On Saturday, Jeff Magers and Joy Luboto from near Cedar Bluffs, joined them for a barbecue.

Lora Linn Leichliter has been transferred to Porter Hospital in Denver, from Hays Medical Center. She is there for intensive therapy after being a victim of influenza and pneumonia. Her birthday was May 5, and a card shower would be nice. Her address is Select Care, 2525 S. Downing, 3rd Floor South, Denver, Colo., 80210.

Glen and Carolyn Strevey joined the festivities on April 26 at the Cardinal Bar and Grill, along with two of their sons, Greg, Boulder, Colo. and Dan and Jana, Longmont, Colo., to hear the music. Grandmother, Crystal Moore of Wheat Ridge Terrace, Oberlin, also joined the party along with Von Johnson.

Wava Reames, Marguerite Clark, Dorothy Ward, Mary Lesle and Bee Nelson also joined the festivities at the Cardinal Bar and Grill and Bill and Dorothy Woods, Oberlin, joined them at their table.

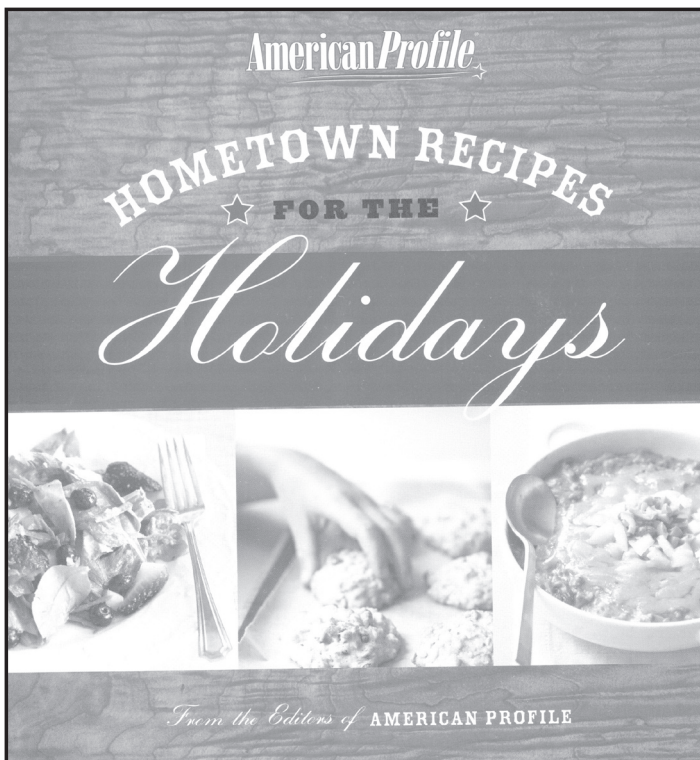
The pick up date for Prairie Paks will be Saturday, May 31 at the Education Building at 8 a.m.

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# Make Church a Part of Your Life

## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

"I Am With You"

By Rick Rostek, Pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Norton

At the very end of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples, "Behold, I am with you always until the end of the age." Even though Jesus would soon ascend to His Father in heaven, the disciples knew that He would not leave them as orphans. He would continue to be with them as they went throughout the region proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The evidence of Christ's presence would be the gift of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

Likewise, Jesus is with His people even today. In baptism, Jesus gives us His Holy Spirit that we might have faith that through the death and resurrection of Jesus, we have forgiveness of sins and everlasting life. Jesus gives us His Holy Spirit in the Word of God. Through the Scriptures, the Spirit is alive and active, working faith in those who hear it. Jesus comes to us through the Lord's Supper, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for the forgiveness of sins.

Jesus also promises to be wherever "two or three are gathered in my name" (Matthew 18:20). Whether in the gathering of the Christian congregation or just the coming together of believers for Bible Study and prayer, Jesus is there, offering forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.

The fact that Jesus is always with His people is a source of great comfort because His people are not always with Him. The world entices us with its pleasures, that we might put our faith and trust in material wealth rather than God. The devil prowls around seeking someone to devour, tempting us to

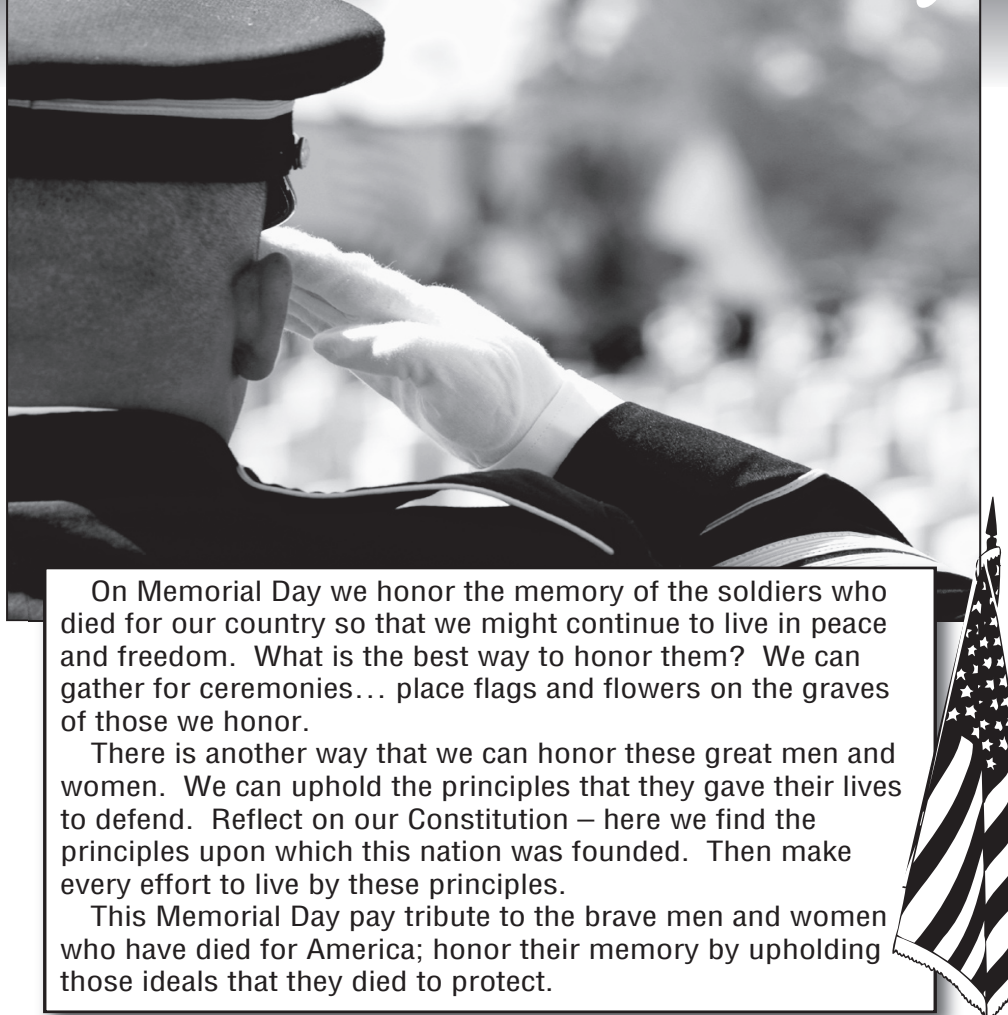
leave the safety of Jesus Christ for worldly things that cannot save. Yet, Jesus is there, gently calling us back that we might repent of our sins and receive forgiveness.

We are reminded of the time Paul was tormented by the "thorn in the flesh". Though

he prayed that it might be removed, Jesus countered by saying, "My grace is sufficient for you." Even in the midst of Paul's pain, Jesus was there, assuring him of the blessings of grace, the free gift of salvation in Jesus. The presence of Christ remains

today, even through difficult and burdensome trials. When we might be tempted to despair of all things, thinking that God has abandoned us, God's word assures us that Jesus is there, saying, "Behold, I am with you."

## Honor Their Memory



On Memorial Day we honor the memory of the soldiers who died for our country so that we might continue to live in peace and freedom. What is the best way to honor them? We can gather for ceremonies... place flags and flowers on the graves of those we honor.

There is another way that we can honor these great men and women. We can uphold the principles that they gave their lives to defend. Reflect on our Constitution - here we find the principles upon which this nation was founded. Then make every effort to live by these principles.

This Memorial Day pay tribute to the brave men and women who have died for America; honor their memory by upholding those ideals that they died to protect.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Acts	Acts	Acts	Ezekiel	Ezekiel	Ezekiel	Ezekiel
13.13-43	13.44-14.7	14.8-28	36.1-15	36.16-38	37.1-14	37.15-28

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