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WEEKLY SERMONETTE

"Jesus Name of Our Savior"

By Rick Rostek, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church

Someone once compiled a list of over 200 "names" of Jesus found in Scripture. Admittedly, some of these are rather obscure, and others are a bit of a stretch. Nevertheless, such a list points to the many facets of Jesus. Examples include Majesty, Lamb, Sharp Sword, Prince of Peace, Word, Most High. All of these names are attempts to describe the indescribable, to get our hands around the Maker of all that is and the King of the universe. But perhaps three names of Jesus will help us understand better who He is and what He does.

Jesus is Messiah, a Hebrew word that means "anointed one". To be anointed means to be chosen, in this case, chosen by God. Many of the Israelite kings were anointed by God to serve, for example, King David. But David and the other kings were quite fallible, committing their own sins and leading the people into sin. Jesus, THE Messiah, is God's Chosen One for the purpose of salvation. He had no sin and was perfectly obedient to His Father, becoming the

once-for-all sacrifice for the sin of the world.

Jesus is Immanuel, another Hebrew word that means "God

with us". Jesus, the Creator of the world, comes to us in human flesh. He is with us, not to punish but to lead us to salvation. Immanuel

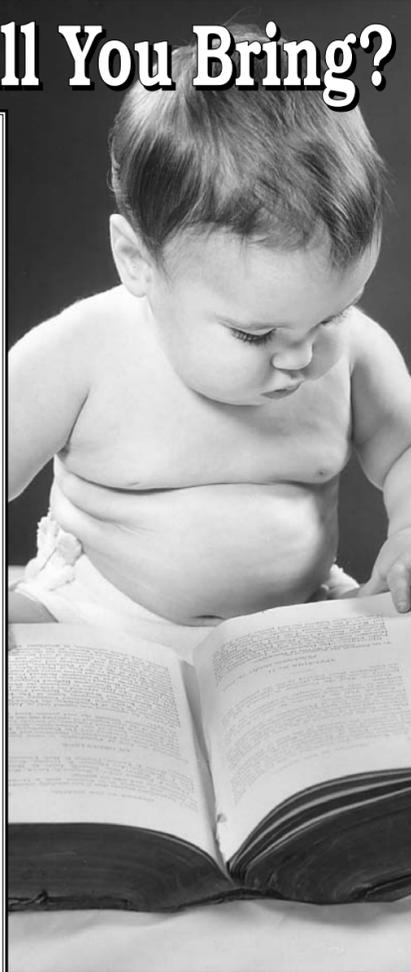
comes for us. Immanuel takes our sin to the cross so that we can have forgiveness and everlasting life. Jesus is still our Immanuel in baptism and the Lord's Supper, offering forgiveness and life through these precious gifts.

Jesus is, well, Jesus! His name comes from yet another Hebrew word that means "he saves". The angel told Joseph that he was to name his son Jesus because "He will save His people from their sins." We would be foolish to think we can save ourselves. Look at the evils in the world: war, poverty, theft, abortion, etc. These are all caused by our human sinfulness. But what is impossible for us humans is possible for God. And God saves us from sin through His Son and our Savior, Jesus.

The condition of the world shows us our need for a Savior. The celebration of Christmas once again calls us to faith in the anointed God with us, Jesus Christ. Believe in Him, and you will have forgiveness and life everlasting. It's a promise from Jesus, the God who saves.

What Will You Bring?

"I wonder what the New Year will bring?" How often we hear that question voiced as we teeter on the edge of a new year. Like toddlers, we know not what is ahead, what difficulties might await us. Yet, no matter what happens, we can have guidance and protection...in the form of God and His Holy Word. In Jeremiah 29:11 we are assured, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." It is true that we cannot know what the coming year will bring, but we can determine what we will bring to the New Year. We can bring the commitment of regular worship each Sabbath, the strength of knowledge of the Scripture, and the calm that comes from a childlike trust in our Heavenly Father.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Revelation	Ephesians	Ephesians	Ephesians	Ephesians	Ephesians	Psalm
19:1-10	1:1-23	2:1-22	3:1-21	4:1-24	4:25 - 5:20	72

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WILSONVILLE

By JOY STALDER

Special music on Sunday morning at the United Baptist-Christian Church was provided by Nicole, Melissa, Patrick, and Matthew Schram children of Julie and Rick Schram of Newcastle. They were here for Christmas with Julie's parents, Paul and Joann tenBensel.

Gary and Lori Leibbrandt were Christmas Eve guests of Geoff and Sharla Long of Holbrook. Other guests of the Longs were Doug and Sandi Long.

Gary and Lori Leibbrandt were Christmas dinner guests of Gary's mother, Geraldine Leibbrandt, Holdrege. Lelia Lang hosted a Christmas Eve party for her family.

On Christmas Day Rod Stalder and Kelly Stalder picked up Logan Lang at the home of Lelia Lang to take him to his home in Hastings.

Gary and Karen Brown hosted a pre-Christmas soup supper on Saturday evening. Their guests were Bill and Kathy Lewis and son Andy, Ben and Mandy Brown, Nick Brown, Alicia Brown, Chris Ahlemeyer and Darrel Parlier, Kearney, and Denzel Sears, Cozad.

Bill and Kathy Lewis and Andy Lewis were Christmas Day guests of Phil and Dixie Menke of Cozad.

Sonny and Ella Wilson are pleased to announce the birth of a great-granddaughter, Kendel Diane, born on Dec. 26 to Jason and Lyndsey Cobb of Lincoln. She weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces and has two little sisters waiting for her to come home. Her other grandparents are David and Debra Cobb of Cambridge.

Ella Wilson celebrated her 75th birthday on Dec. 28.

Sonny and Ella Wilson were Christmas Day dinner guests of Bert and Lori Jurey of Wilsonville.

Christmas dinner guests of Dean and Margaret Brown on Dec. 24 were Bob and Deanna Propes, Anita Propes, Scott Propes, Kristina Felker, McCook, Daryl, Melody and Brittany, Ryon and Samantha Jones, Addison, Braden and Macy, all of Cambridge, Luke Brown, Kearney, Gary and Karen Brown, Alicia and Nick, Wilsonville.

Ben, Mandy and Riley Brown of Lincoln visited his grandparents, Dean and Margaret Brown on Saturday.

Dean and Margaret Brown attended Avis Wolfe's 90th birthday open house on Saturday.

Luke Brown and Stephanie Volker, Kearney, visited his grandparents, Dean and Margaret Brown, Monday afternoon.

The Palmer Christmas gather-

ing was held at the Baptist-Christian basement on Christmas Day. Those present were Darrel and June Palmer, Tim Palmer, Jeff Villegas, McCook, Doug and Mary Palmer, Brett and Dallas, Ashley and Ryan Whellbarger, McCook, Dennis Palmer of California, Joel and Kay Colburn, Casey and Tyler of Atkinson.

Lisa and Mark Bauer and family of Holly, Minn., arrived at the home of her parents, Joe and Alice Kasson, on Sunday evening to spend the Christmas holiday with them.

Christmas Day guests of Joe and Alice Kasson were Mark and Lisa Bauer and family and Kirk and Kim Kasson and family of Almena. The Bauer and Kirk Kasson families plan to leave for their homes on Thursday.

Christmas Day supper guests of Kendall and Virginia Rice were Steve and Peg Rice and sons, Scott and Jan Rice and their daughter Elizabeth of Denver, Bart and Shari Anderson and family, Loomis, and Bob and Jean Gardner, Beaver City.

The Andersons were overnight guests of Kendall and Virginia Rice.

Christmas dinner guests on Friday of Brad and Joanne Schwartz of Kearney were Mrs. Adeline Ballou, Brent and Gretchen Ballou, Jeremy and Amy Locke, Atlanta, Ga., Casey of Omaha, and Brad and JoLynn Ballou and girls.

Saturday Christmas guests of Marlene and Marvin Witte were Mrs. Viola Koerperich, McCook, Scott Witte, Dalton, Hunter and Mackenna, Lincoln, Doug and Kristi Witte, Jake, Tyler and Erin. Calls were received from Sheryl Cornett and from Bruce Witte of California.

Dinner guests Christmas night of Carl and Ella Rae Ten Bensel were Ernest Ten Bensel, Jan and Jodi Ten Bensel, Ginger Ten Bensel, Kirk Ten Ben Bensel, and Alec Yeager.

Later in the evening Julie and Rick Schram and children came over to help celebrate Carl's birthday.

Allen and Connie Wilson, Kirk Wilson of McCook went to Kearney and spent Christmas Day with Kim, Josh and Evan Townsend.

Christmas Eve Service

Over 50 people were in attendance at the Christmas Eve Service at the United Baptist Christian Church on Sunday evening. Kathy Lewis was in charge of the service "The Festival of the Lights" which involved several members reading various scriptures and hymns closing with Pastor Keith's meditation as the Advent Candle was lit.

PRAIRIE VIEW

By CHRISTINE HENRY

Newcomer to Prairie View
J & S Trucking of Prairie View has recently hired Wes Dietzel who will be driving a truck for the company. Mr. Dietzel comes from Jamestown, Mo., and plans on moving to the area in a few weeks. He is also the proprietor of Big D's Bar-B-Que, a portable barbeque stand offering barbeque meals for special events. He is sure to be a welcome asset to the community.

Weather in Prairie View
The weather in Prairie View has been averaging warmer than usual. Although, the past

ice storm and light snow posed minor problems of falling branches, the area received much-needed moisture. The area is in for some more by New Years Day.

Note on the passing of Walter Brown

Walter Brown, beloved husband of Darline Brown, passed away in the month of December. Mr. Brown was a retired veteran of the U.S. Navy who sustained injuries during World War II and who continued to suffer with them during his lifetime. He will be missed by his family, friends, and community.

Have a story idea? Call 877-3361 and let us know ... we'd love to hear about it!

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Helen M. Henderson

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS Pursuant to Chapter 59, K.S.A.

Case No. 2006-PR-16

In the Matter of the Estate of Helen M. Henderson, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on July 10, 2006, Richard E. Henderson was

appointed Administrator of the Estate of Helen M. Henderson, deceased.

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

Richard E. Henderson Administrator

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