

Attend Church Regularly

...and read your Bible daily



WEEKLY SERMONETTE

By Pastor Terry Laughlin, CrossRoads Church, Norton
Heaven, A Permanent Place

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in Me. In My Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going. I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:1-6)

In this text we read that Jesus twice referred to Heaven as being a place. The Holy Spirit later moved the apostle Peter to give us additional revelation about the place where the born again Christian will spend eternity. "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade kept in heaven for you." (1 Peter 1:3-4) Peter gives us truth in this portion of Scripture that will take an eternity to fully grasp. One powerful truth is that we will be living face to face with the Lord Jesus Christ and God the Father forever. There is no greater privilege given to man.

Peter reveals something else worth meditating on as we consider our inheritance of eternal life. It will "never perish, spoil or fade." It will last forever. All that God gives us as we minister with Him throughout eternity will stay with us. There is no threat of

losing anything or of losing the blessing of His presence. Once the child of God is received into heaven, their inheritance is sure and imperishable. It will not age, deteriorate or die; there will not be even a seed of corruption within it. This inheritance will never spoil or

be defiled. Our resurrected bodies will never be polluted or corrupted with sin again. Residents of heaven will not need to pray for those who are sick or dying. Pharmacies and hospitals will be nonexistent. Accidents will not happen. No tears will ever be shed

again over a lost loved one or over lost possessions.

Note that Peter tells Christians that this is a "living hope." The word "hope" here is used differently than the way we normally think of hope. For example, many students have graduated from high school and gone on to college "hoping" to graduate in four years or so. This is only an expression of a strong desire to attain a certain goal. These people have no absolute certainty that they will be able to do so, for they may be forced to sit out a semester or year because of financial hindrances, health needs, or family setbacks. The hope Peter speaks of (Greek *elpis*) is a sure thing, a confident expectation in the God of hope, the Author and Source of hope. This hope comes only to Christians who have an obedient walk with the Lord Jesus Christ. Lip service without true faith will not open the door of your heart to the Holy Spirit's enabling to enjoy this type of hope. Only a heart yielded to the Lordship of Christ can enjoy all the blessings of this assured outcome. This is a revelation that comes only from the Lord as you choose to believe the Word of God and as you surrender to the illuminating power of the Holy Ghost.

Choose this day to repent of sin and turn fully to Christ. You will then have that sure hope that many have in Him. You can know that heaven is not only a real place but also a permanent place prepared for you.

Invite Christ into your heart and life today!

The GREATEST SYMBOL

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Since the first Easter, the Cross has remained the one great and enduring symbol of Christianity because it best expresses the meaning of faith. Like a precious jewel, the Cross shines with many facets of truth.

The Cross signifies the hope of faith. It reveals God's love for us in the sacrifice of His Son. It is our assurance of His promise of salvation.

The Cross signifies the challenge of faith. It reveals God's love for all men, which we must share. It is the motivation for Christian action.

The Cross signifies the victory of faith. It is the pledge of God's loving purpose in saving the world. It is the source of peace.

What does the Cross mean to you? On Easter, the greatest celebration of our Faith, will you come to church and discover its message?

Sunday Luke	Monday Luke	Tuesday Luke	Wednesday Luke	Thursday Luke	Friday Luke	Saturday Luke
19.28-48	20.1-19	20.20-47	22.1-38	22.39-71	23.1-49	23.50-57

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WILSONVILLE

By JOY STALDER

This past Thursday, Kendall and Virginia Rice drove to Grand Island where they ate lunch with his brother, Lonnie. They then drove on to Omaha where they met Geoffrey Hamilton and his wife for dinner. Geoffrey is the grandson of the Rev. C.E. Hamilton who was the Baptist minister in Wilsonville in the late 40s and early 50s. Geoffrey and his wife were recently in Wilsonville and stopped by the library where they visited with Connie Holliday. They learned that the library had originally been the parsonage for the Christian Church and then she gave them a tour of the Baptist Church as he was interested in seeing the church where his grandfather had served.

On Friday, Kendall and Virginia had an appointment at the Veteran's Hospital and on their return home they stopped by Shari and Bart Andersons where they enjoyed supper with their family.

Sunday dinner guests of Jim and Becky Holtze were Sandi Kasson, Margene Holtze, and Janene Holtze of Kearney and Brian Strunk, Marysville.

The United Baptist Church is planning to have Good Friday Services held at 7:30 p.m. and Sunrise Services at 7 a.m. on Easter morning.

Sunday School and Church services will be held at the regular time.

Jake, Tyler and Erin Witte spent the weekend with their grandparents, Marvin and Marlene Witte.

Marvin and Marlene Witte took their grandchildren, Jake, Tyler

and Erin bowling at the Cambridge Bowling Alley Saturday evening after church.

The members of the Women's Club met Monday preparing candy treats for prizes for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday.

The Bible Study group met at the Baptist-Christian Church Wednesday evening and is continuing their study on "How to Hear From God."

The Silver Spurs 4-H Saddle Club has two members who recently qualified for district on talks they gave: Lenae Lytle on PSA and Vance Johnson on a speech he had written himself about a real farm. Avery Johnson got a blue on a poem he recited and M'Kayla Lytle (a Clover Kid) received a "rainbow" ribbon. The judge was very complimentary of their efforts. Ella Rea ten Bensel is their leader.

Mike and Roxy Lang spent Saturday in Kearney.

Some of the members of the Bible Study group met at the church on Saturday at 11 a.m. to attend a fundraiser barbeque in Indianola for Roxanne Carpenter. They stayed for the lunch at the barbeque. Those who went from their church were Don and Janet Trospen, Kendall and Ginger Rice, Bill and Kathy Lewis and Karen Brown.

Robert Burke of Wilsonville was a guest of Bruce and Linda Ollinger Saturday and they helped Robert celebrate his birthday.

Lee Wilmot was a Sunday dinner guest of Merlin and Mary Wilmot.

BEAVER CITY

By JOY STALDER

Alfred Cass and Helen Martin, Milt and Terry Slama, Chuck and Jaylene Lambert, Alicia and Molly were dinner guests of Bob and Phyllis Cass Sunday.

The 88th birthday of the American Legion was celebrated Thursday evening, March 29 at the Community Building. Those present were Richard and Judy Campbell, Bill and Barb Grilli, Jerry and Arvida Warner, Ernie and Joy Stalder, Richard and Roberta Martin, Don Woodruff, Dale Morse, Steve Tomlinson, Vera Martin, Virginia Hunt, Irene Coe, Oral Kniep and Cindy Hernandez.

After the meal, Joy Stalder read an article from the "Legionaire" which explained that the American Legion was organized

in Paris, France, March 17- 18, 1919, and described the different areas in which the American Legion has been involved. The veterans shared some of their war experiences with the group.

Doug Stalder was a Sunday evening supper guest of Ernie and Joy Stalder.

Callers of Dotty Thompson this week were Irene Coe, Pastor Otten of Arapahoe and Jeannie Daley. She also received a phone call from her aunt, Pearl Denton, Mammoth Springs, Ark.

Lawrence and Ruth Kentfield attended the Easter Cantata at the Church of God in Norton Sunday.

Lawrence and Ruth Kentfield called on Arlene Clawson at the Holdrege Memorial Home on Wednesday.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Estate of Wilma Nadine Dick

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

Case No. 2000-PR-14

In the Matter of the Estate of WILMA NADINE DICK, Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING

The State of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a Petition was filed in this Court by Martha E. Scheiwe, duly appointed, qualified and acting Executrix of the Estate of Wilma Nadine Dick, deceased, praying Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the court finds the allowances requested for attorneys and administrator's fees and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed; the

costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Executrix of the Estate of Wilma Nadine Dick, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before May 3, 2007, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in the district court, Norton, Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Martha E. Scheiwe
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Estate of Agnes P. Marx

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

Case No. 2007-PR-14

In the Matter of the Estate of AGNES P. MARX, Deceased

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that on March 30, 2007, a petition was filed in this Court, by Robert J. Marx, as heir, devisee and legatee, and as executor named in the Second Codicil to Last Will and Testament, dated March 2, 2004, of the decedent, praying that said Will and First and Second Codicils filed with the Petition be admitted to probate and record; that petitioner, Robert J. Marx, be appointed as Executor, without bond; and that petitioner, Robert J. Marx, be granted Letters Testamentary.

defenses thereto on or before April 30, 2007 at 11 o'clock a.m., in the District Court, Norton, Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of this Notice under K.S.A. 59-2236, and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

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You are required to file your written