



By REV. ROBERT H. HARPER

It's Always in the Presence of God.

Lesson for December 18: Isaiah 7: 14; Jeremiah 29, 31; Luke 1.

Memory Selection: Jeremiah 29: 11-13.

THE TROUBLED mind of man has been tormented endlessly, throughout every age of his civilization, with the immense question—Is God with us? Is God with me?

But the answer has always been there, God is with us. He is at hand for all men who seek Him. That is often the difficulty—the necessity for seeking. A man who denies the existence of that necessity might never find God, or at the best, approach only part of the way to His grace.

Jeremiah points the way to a full realization that God is ever available.

"Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall hear and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart."

God is eternally with us, and God's promised blessings always have been fulfilled. To his confused and spiritually downtrodden people Isaiah prophesied: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

The prophets of Israel never doubted God nor His sublime presence in the affairs of all peoples. The presence of Christ on earth bore out that supreme belief and continues now to sustain us in our knowledge that God IS with us.

OUR CHURCHES

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
 "The Church of the Lutheran Hour"

Cleo Kautsch, Pastor
 9:30 a. m. Sunday worship.
 10:30 a. m. Sunday school.
 Christmas program practice Saturday at 2:30.
 Children's Christmas program

and service on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, at 7:30 o'clock.
 Christmas has traditionally been the festival of light. Today the electrical capacities of many a city is taxed to the utmost to supply current for this season of brilliant illumination. And that is all to the good.
 But in the midst of the lights of Christmas, let us not miss the light of Christmas. Christ is that light!

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

4 Miles Southwest of Louisville
 Melvin H. Meyer, Pastor
 Services on Sunday at 10:30.
 Sunday school and Bible class at 9:45.
 The choir on Friday at 7:30.
 Saturday school at 9:00.
 Children's Christmas practice Saturday at 1:30.
 Song service by the choir Sunday evening at 7:30.
 The adult group on Tuesday, Dec. 20.

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

Rev. Edward C. Tuckek, pastor
 Sixteenth and First Avenue
 Holy Mass is offered each Sunday at 8 and at 10 o'clock.
 The Boy Scouts meet every Monday evening in Rosary Hall at 7:30 p. m.
 The Altar Society meets on the first Wednesday of each month in Rosary Hall at 7:30 p. m.
 The choir meets every Thursday evening at 7:30.
 Sorrowful Mother Novena at 7:30 every Friday evening.
 Holy Hour of Reparation on the first Saturday of each month at 7:30 p. m.
 Confessions every Saturday evening, Thursday preceding 7:30 until 9 o'clock.

WESLEYAN METHODIST

Rev. A. E. Harris, Pastor
 619 South Tenth Street
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Sermon by pastor 11 a. m.
 Rev. A. G. Nabholz will be with us Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evening of this week at 7:30 each evening.
 Young People's hour Sunday evening at 6:45 p. m.
 Evangelistic service at 7:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Sixth Street & 2nd Ave.
 Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
 Morning service at 11 a. m.
 "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" is the subject of the Lesson-Ser-

mon which will be read in Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 18, 1949.

The Golden Text is: "Ah Lord God! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee." (Jeremiah 32:17). Other Bible citations include, "Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldst go." (Isaiah 48:17).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy. "The true theory of the universe, including man, is not in material history but in spiritual development. Inspired thought relinquishes a material, sensual, and mortal theory of the universe, and adopts the spiritual and immortal." Page 547.

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Third Street & Avenue A
 Canon Geo. St. G. Tyner, rector
 Sunday Services:
 10:30 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon. Subject: "A Joyful Christianity."
 3:30 p. m. Church school Christmas program. A one-act play, "Santa's Cure," will be given by the children of the school.

There will not be a meeting of the church school on Sunday morning.

FIRST METHODIST

Rev. E. C. Williams, pastor
 Seventh & Main Streets
 9:15 a. m. Junior choir rehearsal.
 9:45 a. m. Church school.
 11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Special Christmas music.
 5:00 p. m. Annual candle-lighting service.
 7:00 p. m. Youth fellowship meets at the church to go caroling.
 Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Senior choir rehearsal.
 Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. the church school program will be held at the church.

UNION METHODIST

Rev. E. C. Williams, Pastor
 9:45 a. m. Morning worship.
 Special Christmas music.
 10:30 a. m. Church school.
 Wednesday at 7 p. m. The youth fellowship meets.
 Friday at 7:30 p. m. The church school program at the church.

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC

Rev. Monsignor Geo. Agius, Pastor.
 Rev. Father John W. Kelly, Assistant.
 Winter schedule of masses:—
 Sunday — Masses at 8 a. m. and 10:30 a. m.
 Week-day Masses 7:10 and 8 a. m.
 Confessions on Saturday from 4 to 5 p. m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Seventh Street and Second Ave.
 Dr. H. G. McClusky, Pastor
 Sabbath School at 9:45, Ralph Wehrlein, Supt.
 Morning Worship at 11:00. Dr. Henry Lampe, of Omaha, will have charge of the service. His address will be on Korea where he has been a missionary for 35 years. You will like Dr. Lampe.

There will be a candlelight vesper service in the church sanctuary at 6:30 conducted by the choir and we hope the church will be filled. Very beautiful decorations are being prepared. You are all welcome.

A Christmas party will be held at the church when all four circles will meet and have a combined program on Wednesday the 21st at 7:30 p. m.

Santa Claus will be with us this year as usual on the 24th, Christmas eve, when a program will be given by the children of the Sabbath school. The usual candy will be brought by Santa for the children.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Plattsmouth-Louisville Road
 Rev. A. Lentz, Pastor
 Sunday, December 18th—
 9:30 a. m. Sunday School.
 Close of Sunday School, Sunday, December 18th until it reopens in April, 1950.
 Communion service in connection with the services.
 Wednesday, December 21st—
 The Ladies Aid will meet in the church parlors at 2:30 p. m.
 Mrs. Ed. Meisinger and Mrs. Gien Kraeger will be the hostesses.

Christmas Eve program Dec. 24th at 6:30 p. m.
 Christmas Day services at 10:30 a. m.

EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN

D. V. Herrick, Pastor
 Mynard, Nebraska
 Royal Smith, Sunday School Superintendent
 Sunday school 10:00 a. m.
 Worship service 11:00 a. m.
 Youth Fellowship at 7:30 p. m.
 Janice Arnold, leader.
 Children will practice Saturday at 2:00 p. m. for the Christmas program.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE — HELP FIGHT TB

ANSWER YOUR CHRISTMAS SEAL LETTER

Brotherhood meeting Thursday evening.

FIRST CHRISTIAN

Eighth Street & Avenue G
 Rev. Geo. Swiney, Pastor.
 Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
 Church Service at 11:00 a. m.
 Youth Fellowship 6 p. m.
 Evening Service 7:30.
 Missionary meeting for all ladies, Tuesday evening at 7:30.
 Bring your gift bag.
 Wednesday evening — Bible Study and Prayer meeting.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH

Fifth St. and Avenue A
 Parsonage at 714 First Ave
 Church School at 9:30 a. m.
 Worship service at 10:30 a. m.
 Rev. Earle Conover, of Omaha, will supply the pulpit. His message will be "What Is Man That Thou Visitest Him?" Ps. 8-4.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Murray, Nebraska
 Roy P. Morris, Pastor
 10:00 a. m. Bible School, with classes for all ages, James Comstock, Supt.
 11:00 a. m. Morning worship, with sermon "The Many Sided Christ."

A classified Ad in the Journal costs as little as 35c.

LETTER BOX

The Journal welcomes letters from readers for this column on any subject. Your name must be signed to all articles intended for publication, however, by request, it can be omitted from the letter appearing in print. (Contents do not necessarily express the opinions of this newspaper.)

I want to take this opportunity to thank you and your newspaper, The Plattsmouth Journal, for the cooperation and assistance you have given the Cass County Tuberculosis and Health Association in carrying out the plans and publicity for the 1949 Christmas Seal Sale Campaign. Your advice and help is greatly appreciated.

At the same time, there are other workers in Cass county who should be singled out for praise. Superintendent Tom J. Friest of the Plattsmouth schools and Miss Ruth Dickinson, Plattsmouth high school commercial instructor, have been most helpful. Miss Dickinson's typing classes addressed the 5373 seal letters which went out to Cass county residents.

The Rev. and Mrs. John Pryor of Weeping Water accepted the responsibility of finding volunteers to fold the 11,000 sheets of seals and with the assistance of Mr. Schmadeke, delivered the seals to Louisville.

Mrs. R. O. Sands of Nehawka took full charge of the publicity and also assisted Mrs. W. A. Ost of Nehawka in seeing that all the letters were folded. Their efficient helpers were the Girl Scouts of Nehawka.

Mrs. H. Davis of Louisville accepted the difficult task of getting enough volunteers to stuff all the envelopes, sort them to post offices, place the seal on

the back and tie them in packages of fifty. I also want to thank the American Legion at Louisville for the use of their lovely hall during the stuffing parties.

There are many other community-spirited individuals, too numerous to mention, who have given freely of their time. Still others have promised to help out as the campaign progresses.

It added greatly to the routine tasks of the many postmasters in the county to see that nearly 5500 letters were delivered in one day. They have been very helpful, patient and considerate at all times. Since volunteers keep the files, there are occasional duplications, miss-spelling and wrong addresses used on the envelopes. But in spite of all the complications, the postal authorities have assisted us in correcting the errors wherever possible.

This will be the only time the residents of this county will be asked to support the Cass County Tuberculosis & Health Association, financially, and its work depends entirely upon the proceeds from the annual sale of the Christmas Seals to carry on its work. The money is used for providing X-rays where needed, finding unknown cases by means of tuberculin testing clinics, preventing the spread of tuberculosis by means of health education and scholarships to teachers and also by furnishing funds for the rehabilitation of tuberculosis patients and families. This work benefits every resident of Cass county by preventing the spread of this disease.

This communication is the best means I know to thank all the people for their help and support in this fund raising campaign.

Alice Weyrich, Chairman Seal

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Weeping Water

Opal E. Wallick
 Journal Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Suellwood are the parents of a son, born Monday, at the Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln, weighing eight pounds and three ounces. He has been named Tod Albert.

Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lane entertained Mr. and Mrs. Hammond of Omaha as dinner guests.

Wayne Jacobson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jacobson, returned from the St. Elizabeth's hospital in Lincoln, following an appendectomy earlier last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Tudor (Eileen Fitzpatrick) of Lincoln, were in Weeping Water Sunday

visiting with friends during the dinner hour at the J & M cafe.

Thursday evening of near week the Rebekah lodge will hold their annual Christmas party and children's program with a gift exchange following. Committee chairmen are Mrs. Ramus Lauritzen, Sr., refreshments; Mrs. Lester Peterson, tree and treats; Mrs. Enos Plunkett, program; Mrs. Ralph Lane, gift exchange.

Mrs. Henry Knup was elected president of the Dorcas Circle of the Christian church, Tuesday afternoon. Elected to assist her the following officers were named: Mrs. Cyrus Livingston, vice-president; Mrs. Chas. Freeman, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Freeman carries over her duties from last year. Mrs. LeRoy Zessin is the retiring president. During the business session the Christmas party was planned for next Thursday.

The Ruth Circle of the Methodist church will meet Thursday, December 16th at which time they will complete plans for their bazaar to be held at the church, Saturday, December 17.

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FIRST in passenger car sales for total 19-year period; 1931 to date	FIRST in truck sales for total 19-year period, 1931 to date

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