

# BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

## WEEKLY NEWS

April 25-May 1, 2010

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### FROM THE PASTOR

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

This month we begin anew our new *Inquirer's Class* in the Fellowship Hall. Today, during our Education hour between Sunday Services, we will begin this new class as an opportunity to bring friends and neighbors interested in what we, as Lutheran Christians, believe and give them an opportunity to have their questions answered. It will also offer all of our current members an opportunity to review the depth of our Lutheran understandings of Scripture. Please find a friend and invite them to join you in this new opportunity.

The Education team would like me to remind you that today three other Bibles Classes are beginning, one of which is resuming. In Classroom B, Bob Miskimen will be resuming his class on the overview of the Bible with the study of Exodus. In the Choir Room, Ron Pfluger will be leading a course on Bible 101, or "How to use all those things in your Bible that you don't know what they are!" In Pastor's Office, the class will resume their study on "The Lutheran Difference," led by Gerry Rath and other class members. So, here's your chance to grow in the faith. Come join us!

We are also on the brink of a new venture. In our Fiscal 2010 we have made provision for a new professional worker. The goal of this new person will be to assist in intentionally growing our congregation by facilitating outreach and ministry to unchurched families. Children's ministry will be a primary area of emphasis as well as assisting me in crafting a ministry for those unchurched adults who are just starting to learn about our God. The three character traits we will use to determine who will serve here in this new position will be Character, Chemistry, Competence. It is my heartfelt request that you keep this process in your prayers and that you ask the Lord of the Church to bless us with His choice of the right person.

I thank all of you who are seeking those who do not yet know our Lord. You are my inspiration! People are responding to your outpouring of God's love in their lives and becoming one with us in our Mission to Connect, Grow and Serve.

In Him, *Pastor Hass*

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**In Your Prayers, please include:**

**Our Members:** Bill Brauer, Georgia Roy, Walt Ney, Dick Hise, Wayne Bloomer, Caroline Davis, Art Quednow, Diane Womack, Leon Thomas, Ellie Wood, Ron Hachinsky, Mona Johnson, Jennifer Niederklein, Paul Austin

**Missions:** Rev. Ted & Jacqueline Englebrecht and Yung Ting; Pastor J. P. Cima in Viet Nam; Grace Lutheran—Eureka Springs; Village Bible Evangelical Free Church; Sonshiners

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**SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR at 9:45 a.m.**

**Children's Sunday School**—ages 2 up to middle school will meet in Classroom A; middle to high school meet in the Library.

**Adult Sunday School**—*Inquirer's Class* will meet in the Fellowship Hall and will be led by Pastor Hass; *Making the Bible Yours* will meet in the Choir Room and will be led by Pastor Pfluger; *the Old Testament 'survey' class* will meet in Classroom B and

will be led by Pastor Miskimen; *Luther's Catechism* discussion class will be held in Pastor's office and will be led by Gerry Rath.

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### PRAYER CONCERNS

Please call Aletha Dammann at 855-6739 or the church office at 855-0272 with information for the Prayer Chain.

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### THANK YOU

A very big THANKS to all of you for your support and outpouring of sympathy for the loss of my sister, Janet. It's never easy to say goodbye to a sibling, spouse or other close relative, but knowing she is now with God in heaven gives us tremendous reassurance. I may have lost my sister but you have made me realize that everyone at Bella Vista Lutheran is my brother or sister in Christ!

Norm & Deb Roesener

I want to thank all those who prayed for my recent back surgery and recovery. A special thank you to Pastor Hass and Sue Odell and others who came to Washington Regional Hospital to visit. Also, thank you for the many cards and calls - they are very much appreciated. My recovery is coming along slowly but all is going well. This certainly makes me a firm believer in prayer and I believe the Lord was by my side all along the way. Thank you again and I will always remember GOD IS SO GOOD.

Ellie Wood

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ My many, many thanks to those who called, visited, sent cards and most of all prayed for me during my recent misfortune and hospitalization. Healing is continuing and I'm hoping to be "good as new" sometime in the not too distant future. A special thanks to Pastor Hass for his visits, prayers and support.

In Him, Ron Hachinsky

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**Summer Volunteers needed for The Shepherd's Food Pantry!**

If you want a fun and easy job....this is the place for you! We need Food Sack Packers, Greeters, and Interviewers each Friday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please consider Volunteering for a Friday and give Diana Wickboldt a call now! (855-9202) It is a wonderful way to serve!

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An **Informational Meeting** for the **Mission Central trip** will be held next Sunday, May 2, 2010 after the first service in the sanctuary.

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The next work day for **S.W.A.P.** will be Wednesday, May 5. We will be making cards and preparing them for sale and will be assembling the kits for the Boys & Girls Club as usual. We will also need help making cards to place inside 50 duffle bags that we will purchase and present to the NWA Children's Shelter. Those cards will be pre-designed but we will need help to assemble and finish them. We encourage anyone interested in our mission to come. We especially invite our new members to join us! Our work day starts at 9:30 in the morning. Work on the cards for the Children's Shelter will start at 1:00 p.m.

**THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE**

April 18, 2010

Worship:	8:30 a.m.	245
	10:45 a.m.	71
Projected for April Budget		\$43,069.00
Received to date		\$36,567.50
Balance needed for April		\$ 6,501.50

- April 26 Faye Miskimen & Bonnie Quednow
  - May 3 Bob and Shirley Mierendorf
  - May 10 Stan and Cyndi Isaacson
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**THE LORD'S WEEK**  
April 25-May 1, 2010

**Sunday**

- 8:30 a.m. Divine Worship**
- 9:45 a.m. Christian Education Hour
- 10:45 a.m. Blended Worship w/communion**
- 3:00 p.m. Musical Gathering
- 7:00 p.m. YAC I—Ivan and Millie Hirsch

**Monday**

- 8:15 a.m. JOY IIIB—Peggy Olmstead
- 9:00 a.m. JOY I—No Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. Les Gatchel Memorial Service
- 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Nancy Manos
- JOY IIC—Bonnie Whiting
- JOY IIB—Peggy Stuckenbroker
- Men's Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry—Faith in Action

**Tuesday**

- 8:30 a.m. JOY IIIA—Shirley Swenson
- 9-9 p.m. Braille
- 1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Rachel Sanford

**Wednesday**

- 8:30 a.m. Quilting
- 9:00 a.m. JOY IIIC—Deb Roesener
- 1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Church
- 1:30 p.m. JOY VA—Marilyn Powell

**Thursday**

- 9:00 a.m. Friendly Stitchers
- 7:00 p.m. YAC III—Dick & Doreen Lubeck

**Friday**

- 10-1 p.m. Shepherd's Food Pantry

**Saturday**

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**OFFICE HOURS**  
MONDAY—THUR. 7:30 A.M.—5:00 P.M.  
FRIDAY 8:00 A.M.—12 NOON

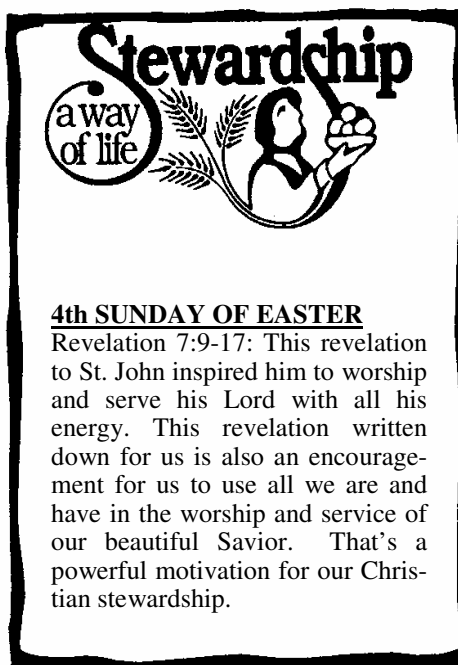
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**MEDIA NEWS**

**The Lutheran Hour**—Sundays at 12:30 p.m. on KURM (790 AM).

**Woman to Woman**—Sundays at 3:30 p.m. on KURM (790 AM).

**JCPPLAYZONE.com & JCPARENTZONE.com** are websites sponsored by Lutheran Hour Ministries. Playtime with a purpose!



**4th SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Revelation 7:9-17: This revelation to St. John inspired him to worship and serve his Lord with all his energy. This revelation written down for us is also an encouragement for us to use all we are and have in the worship and service of our beautiful Savior. That's a powerful motivation for our Christian stewardship.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

is only 2 months away. The program, "Hero Headquarters", has been selected. Children will meet 5 unlikely Bible Heroes who are overlooked. They are not famous leaders or called by God to perform amazing miracles--yet their small acts were used by God to do wonderful things.

VBS is scheduled for June 14-18 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. As in the past, we will provide a kid friendly meal. Help is needed in all areas: crafts, music, drama, story telling, meal preparation and clean up. Last year 38

adults volunteered their time and talents to the benefit of the 50 plus kids who attended. We guarantee your job will be fun and extremely rewarding. Please sign up at the Kiosk or call Kathy Hughes at 855-4807.

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**FAITH IN ACTION**

Please join us for a special, informative presentation by Faith in Action. Nancy Galbraith, the Director of the Bella Vista satellite office of faith in Action, will present the challenges and rewards of caring for home bound seniors. Faith in Action is a volunteer organization providing non-medical services to senior adults.

Ms. Galbraith will outline the opportunities to volunteer in a very rewarding way to our community. The program will be a presentation of our Stephen Ministry Caring Program.

The Faith In Action presentation will be at Bella Vista Lutheran Church on Monday, April 26, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Please join us and become aware of Faith in Action programs and the opportunity to care.

Stephen Ministry Leadership

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**BV LUTHERAN GOLF**—Mixed 9 Holes

Thursday—Singles & Couples

Sign up at the kiosk or call Bill Scholten. at 855-1324.

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**FREE PICKLEBALL EVENT**

Families, youth and players of all levels are welcome to participate in this fun game. Instructions, paddles and balls are provided for play at no cost. Games will be played at the dedicated Pickleball Courts at Metfield. For more information contact Dennis Gast at 876-5915, denco61@gmail.com; or Helmut Sperl at 855-6586, helmuts@cox.net.

Sunday, May 2—2-4 p.m. Learn and play Pickleball.

Sunday, May 9, 16 & 30—2-4 p.m.—Play Pickelball

Sunday, May 23 — 2:00 p.m. Pickleball Tournament

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**FOUND**—A red ladies billfold (with no I.D.) was found after the Paul Maier Seminar on Saturday. Contact the church office.