

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 10-16, 2016

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Jesus indeed can walk on water, but He was treading on thin ice by telling seasoned fishermen where to fish. The miracle of their catch of 153 large fish was designed to help His disciples trust in Him when our Lord would redirect their lives. Peter was transformed from a fisherman into a shepherd, whom the Lord called to feed, guard, and keep the flock for whom Jesus died. Saul is transformed from persecutor of the Church to apostle to the Gentiles.

God regularly turns His foes into friends by His grace alone. And when the rescue of Christ interrupts our lives, this always leads to a new understanding of ourselves and how we might live to serve others.

As our Mission Summary states it so very clearly, the mission of Bella Vista Lutheran Church is: **Connect, Grow, Serve**. We seek to **Connect** people to Jesus, to **Grow** in faith to full maturity in Christ, and to **Serve** in Christ's Name.

May God richly bless each of us as we seek, in response to His great love, to serve others in His Name!

In Him, *Pastor Hass*

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please call Ula Biesterfeld at 855-6840 or the church office at 855-0272 with information for the Prayer Chain.

Prayers, please include:

Our Members: Marcella Casey, Fran Bloomer, Marv Henning, Marlys Rembold, Deb Roesener, Gary Hartwig, John Moldenhauer, Kay Gaudian, Paul Behnke, Chuck Scherz, Loretta Ostenso, Richard Meyer, Georgia Kinney, Jan Poe, Nancy Larsen, Dick Lubeck

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Our Redeemer—Berryville; United Lutheran; Stamped With A Prayer Ministry

THANK YOU

I just wanted to thank you, Pastor Hass, and your members for praying for me and my family. My sister-in-law Lorraine Larson and Les were so proud of you all. I have been to your church and have felt the love. Joey, my grandson, I know is with my Lord. It is hard to let him go but I know God has him in his care.
Fern Mettling & family

We want to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards, phone calls and food that we received during our bout with acute bronchitis. Your loving and caring actions were very much appreciated.
Carroll & Marcella Casey

CYCLE & SERVE

Today is the last day to sign up for the Cycle and Serve servant event project in Bentonville next Sunday, April 17th. Please check the flyer in your mailbox for more details. If you have any questions contact Chuck Merri-man. This will be a great opportunity to support the Mid-South District in celebrating 50 years of serving and supporting our churches.

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

Adult Bible Study

- Fellowship Hall: Today, Dr. Paul Maier will lead our Bible Study. He will be happy to answer any questions that you might have.
- Library: We continue with "Blessings in Disguise" which is led by Dick Munster. The lesson this week is titled "Blessed the Poor/Woe to the Rich".

Sunday School

All children and youth Sunday School classes will meet in the lower level.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Each One – Bring One continues to request healthy cereal at this time. Thank you for supporting us in our mission to help our neighbors. And as a reminder – if we can be of assistance to you or anyone you know, please give Linda a call in the office.

1 John 4:9-10 (ESV) ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. (ESV)

MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels in Bella Vista has twelve churches involved in distributing meals that are provided by the Benton County Senior Activity Center to shut-ins here in Bella Vista. We are on a rotating basis monthly and our month in 2016 is JUNE! Watch for the sign-up sheet which will be in the narthex from April 24 until May 22nd.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Valerie Good will be traveling to St. Louis today where she will be attending a week of Stephen Ministry Leadership Training. Please keep Valerie in your prayers for safe travel to and from St. Louis and during her week of training.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

LWML MEMBERS



You will find a sign-up sheet and registration forms for the District Convention on the kiosk.

The Convention date is June 10-12, 2016

THE LORD'S WEEK
April 10-16, 2016

Sunday

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship**
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. **Blended worship w/communion**
 2-4 p.m. TLC-HE—Church
 7:00 p.m. SAC I—Vern & Diane Howard

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Fae Miskimen
 1:00 p.m. Men's Discipleship Class—Classroom 3
 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
 JOY IIB—Donna Henning
 JOY IIC—Vera Fenner
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry
 7:00 p.m. Men's Discipleship Class—Classroom 3

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. JOY IIIA—Vicki Dehnert
 9:00 a.m. JOY IIIC—Cyndi Isaacson
 11:00 a.m. United Way SFP Delivery
 1:30 a.m. JOY IV—Diana Wickboldt
 2:00 p.m. Grief Share—Library
 7:00 p.m. Property Maintenance Team Meeting

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Quilting
 1:00 p.m. JOY VB— Church—Classroom 3
 JOY VA—Church—Church Library
 Writing Group —Classroom 5
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Friendly Stitchers
 11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
 12:00 noon HOPE SFP Delivery

Friday

10—1:00 p.m. Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

NEXT SUNDAY—April 17, 2016

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship w/communion**
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. **Blended worship**
 3:00 p.m. Cycle & Serve

PRAYER SHAWLS

We are in great need of prayer shawls so I am asking anyone that has time, to knit or crochet some prayer shawls. *Please wash your prayer shawl to remove the sizing.* If you need yarn, please contact Elaine Schurman at des1965@att.net or 531-3395.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Stewardship



John 21:6 “He said to them, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish.” Won't the disciples ever learn? Jesus had done something similar before: when the odds seemed completely against it, the Lord gave them a command to let down the nets, a command that seemed crazy. But they complied and He blessed their obedience. When will we learn this lesson, too?

GRIEF SHARE class continues on Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the church library. This is a 13 week series and is led by Dorothy Jones. Please call her at 366-1700 if you have questions.

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN GOLF

Thursday Mixed 9 Holers
 Singles & Couples

Season continues April 14
 at Brittany @ 9:30
 Great Fellowship!

Sign up at Narthex Center Kiosk
 Or call Bill Scholten: 855-1324



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Discipleship Class continues tomorrow, April 11th. Both the afternoon class at 1 p.m. and the evening class at 7 p.m. will meet in Classroom 3 downstairs. Please park behind the Fellowship Hall and enter through the basement door.

We will continue our study of The Sermon on the Mount: Jesus Call to Righteousness (Mark 5:1-7:29).

If you were not able to join us before—NOW would be a good time to join us as we begin to listen and learn from Jesus Our Lord and Savior.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April Birthdays will meet at the River Grille in Bentonville on Wednesday, April 27th at noon. Spouses and guests are always welcome. Please sign up at the kiosk.

MEN'S LUNCH BUNCH

Wednesday, April 13
 Razorback Pizza--Macadoodles Location
 "Eat and chat"
 Y'all come!
 Questions? Call Loren at 855-3400