

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Easter, the highest festival in the Church, changes everything! Without the resurrection of Jesus, we have no hope; we have no peace; we have no forgiveness, and no eternal life. Easter really does change everything!

In this world many deny that facts of, or fail to admit the need for, the resurrected Savior. Yet Jesus still comes to us in what we receive in worship. Absolution means forgiveness: bread that is body and wine that is blood give us His grace. In baptism our adoption into God's forever family is secured!

Jesus tells Thomas, and all of us that doubt, "*Stop doubting, and believe!*" Because Jesus lives, we live! As we hear the vision given John in Revelation 1, we also look to where we see Christ with the keys of death and hell and the door opened for all who believe. As Easter has changed everything, let us live as His changed people. Because Jesus is alive forever, in Him we will live, now and forever! In Him, Pastor Hass

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please call the church office at 855-0272 with information for the Prayer Chain.

Prayers, please include:

Our Members: Marcella and Carroll Casey, Fran Bloomer, Lillian Pingel, Sandy Gaul, Deb Raymond, Craig Peterson, Shirley Peshek, Rick Benson, Libby Dreier, Rich Haddock, Margaret Kuehn, Jim Searls, Neil Vanderbush, Bill Powell, John Peshek, Cyndi Isaacson, Bob Svehla, Mary Jane Siegel, Carol Sanders, Ellen Scholten

Condolences to Jan Poe at the loss of her son, Justin; and Peggy Malatesta at the loss of her husband, Ralph

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Cambodia; St. John's Lutheran-Fayetteville; Bella Vista Assembly of God; Helping Hands

LUTHERAN HOUR

Listen to the Lutheran Hour each Sunday over radio station KURM-FM (100.3) or KURM-AM (790) at 12:30 p.m. Today's program is "World Turned Upside Down" with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Doubt is a normal part of our present human experience. Only the presence of the risen Jesus will overcome it. (John 20:19-31)

THANK YOU

Thank you for the support and your care and compassion at the death of my oldest brother, Jerry. While I knew his death was near, I still needed your prayers to dry every tear. Bella Vista Lutheran is a real blessing to us and others.

Bill and Marilyn Powell

QUILTER'S REQUEST

The quilting ladies are in desperate need of sheets to be used for backing of the quilts they make for Lutheran World Relief. Sheets do not need to be new but need to be in good shape. All sheet sizes are welcome!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Fellowship Hall: Chuck Merriman will have a Ministry Update and start a Ray Vander Laan series on "**Death and Resurrection of the Messiah.**"

Library: Pastor Hass will lead the **Inquirer's Class** (new member's class).

Choir Room: **Confidential Caregiving** will continue and will be held in the Choir room. This is led by Pam Benson and Jack Grober.

Sunday School for children will meet downstairs.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

The pantry is running low on cereal, and as summer break approaches it is important that we have plenty of boxes and/or bags to pass along to families.

--- Tomato SAUCE is also needed ---

Thank you for all you do!

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (*ESV*) Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

To the men of Bella Vista Lutheran Church. We are beginning a new study of Scripture. Each day we will commit to reading portions of the Old and New Testaments and then making notes and questions to be discussed when we meet on Monday. Why? Because we want to grow as disciples of Jesus, our Rabbi. We believe the Holy Spirit uses the Scriptures He inspired to help us experience what He tells us in Romans 12:1-2: "Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."

A group of disciples meet together on Monday at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Ask the Lord if He would like you to do this so that "His Kingdom might come and His will be done in your life."

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



There will be a Fall LWML District Retreat at Mt. Eagle, Clinton, AR on Sept. 6-8. The theme is "Treasured" based on Deut. 14:2. Please consider attending. More details later.

THE LORD'S WEEK
April 28—May 4, 2019

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship Service**
- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship Service w/communion**
- 12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour (KURM-FM (100.3) or KURM-AM (790))
- 1:30 p.m. TLC Highlands West—Ostermeiers
- 2:00 p.m. Sunday Riders
- 3:00 p.m. SAC 1—Bob & Pat Eckart—Clubhouse
TLC-East—Janzens

Monday

- 9:00 a.m. JOY I—Highland Rehab.
- 1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
JOY IIC—Bev Effinger
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Tuesday

- 9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Vicki Dehnert
- 9:30 a.m. JOY IIIC—Library
- 1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Rachel Sanford

Wednesday

- 9:00 a.m. S.W.A.P.
- 9:30 a.m. LWML Quarterly
- 1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library
- 2:00 p.m. JOY IIB—Curley Baehr—Lesson 12

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
- 10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Library
- 12:30 p.m. HOPE SFP Delivery

Friday

- 10-12 Noon Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

- 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 - 10:00 a.m. Musical rehearsal
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NEXT SUNDAY— May 5, 2019

- 8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship Service w/communion**
 - 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
 - 10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship Service**
 - 12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour (KURM-FM (100.3) or KURM-AM (790))
 - 2:00 p.m. Sunday Riders
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LESSONS FOR SUNDAY, May 5, 2019

- Acts 5:12-20 (21-32)
- Revelations 1:4-18
- John 20:19-31

SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTER

Stewardship



John 20:19 — “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” Fear is the opposite of faith; that is the cringing fear we have in the face of something that is hostile to us and more powerful than we are. Jesus spends a lot of His time telling the disciples to not be afraid. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord’s will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus for lives that declare His marvelous deeds.



Confidential Caregiving

CONFIDENTIAL CAREGIVING PRAYER TIME

The *Prayer Time* prayer requests are in the card holders on the backs of the pews. Completed prayer requests can be placed in the marked boxes at the back of the church or at the Welcome Center. The requests are collected after the service, and Confidential Caregivers pray and then shred the requests immediately after the prayer. All requests are kept confidential. You can be as general or as specific as you want. God knows the needs before we even ask.

If you have any questions regarding Congregational Caregiving, please contact a leader – Pam Benson or Jack Grober.

BV LUTHERAN GOLF

Thursday Mixed 9 Holers
Singles & Couples
Great Fellowship!

For more info call Bill Scholten 855-1324

The Property Maintenance Team extends a sincere “thank you” to several people who have gone far above and beyond the “call of duty” to improve the appearance of Bella Vista Lutheran Church and begin a program to reduce our consumption of electricity.

We thank Candy Hebar for her fine job of painting the stall doors and the new vanity in the remodeled ladies restroom and for selecting the stall and vanity lights to give the facility a fresh and contemporary look.

The Team also thanks George Coon for his great efforts in rewiring the ladies restroom and mounting the new stall and vanity lights. The contemporary lighting complements the new paint and gives the room a bright and cheerful appearance.

Finally, Don and Terese Knipfel and George Coon have nearly completed an extensive program of replacing older fluorescent light bulbs with more energy-efficient LED lamps. This program will greatly reduce the amount of electricity consumed in areas where lights must remain on for extensive periods of time. Their efforts have also made the choir room much brighter and more pleasant for rehearsals.

Please be sure to thank these people when you see them in church and let them know that their efforts are truly appreciated by the congregation.

Rick Hebar Facilities Chairman