

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 29-May 5, 2018
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

There are and have been many great people, places, things, and events in this world. Some are great and some are greater, some may even be considered the greatest.

Yet, greater than all is Jesus, our Lord who lived, died, and was raised to live and reign forever throughout the ages.

In our lesson today, from 1 John, we are encouraged to trust in our great Savior as we confess, **“He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.”** 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 Casey, Fran Bloomer, Richard Meyer, Lillian Pingel, Jerry & Marie Herr, Marion Martin, Mary Brauer, Grace Meyer, Sandy Gaul, Deb Raymond, Craig Peterson, Helen Hise, Esther Meier, Bob Miskimen, Bonnie Quednow, Lewis Watts, Curly Baehr, Shirley Peshek, Peggy Stuckenbroker, Gary Aaron

Condolences to Jan Barnoski at the loss of husband, Ed; Judy Walker at the loss of husband, Jack

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Cambodia; First Lutheran—Harrison; Highland Christian Church; Lutheran Campus Ministry

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 "The Answer to Unhappiness" with guest speaker Rev. Michael Newman. What do you really want? What does your heart yearn for most? A blogger recently asked her readers the question: "If you could say in one word what you want more of in life, what would that be?" Can you guess the number one answer? It was happiness. (Acts 8:26-40)

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the Lutheran Women in Mission for the beautiful Prayer Shawl. My prayers (and yours) are being answered. I appreciate your continuing prayer support; they lift me up!
Deb Raymond

Dear BVLC family, Becky and I would like to thank you all so much for the cards, thoughts, prayers and condolences on our loss of sister Shirley. Loss is always hard, but we are comforted knowing Shirley is safe in the arms of our Lord. We are so grateful for the outpouring of support from our amazing BVLC family. You truly have lifted us up.

God Bless, Tracy and Becky See

COMMUNION SERVICE & LUNCH

Tuesday, May 1 at 11:30 a.m.

Please remind our homebound members/friends of this service.

LWML REMINDER

Be sure to bring your mites **NEXT SUNDAY, May 6, 2018**
The Mite Box will be on the kiosk.

It is time to put aside your 5 coins for the Christmas Stocking Project.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

WILL CONSIST OF JOINING

YOUR BVLC FRIENDS FOR COFFEE

IN THE NARTHEX OR FELLOWSHIP HALL

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE

UNITY SERVICE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

WILL NOT BE HELD TODAY.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Dear Friends of the Pantry: If you can help us, we are in need of peanut butter and healthy cereal.

We also want to remind you that we have begun collecting **Best Choice** bar codes.



You'll will find a collection basket on the mailbox shelf.
Thank you!

Hebrews 13:16 (ESV) Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Starting May 6, Fellowship Hall Bible Study with a Ray Vander Laan series on what St. Paul faced introducing the Kingdom of God to the kingdom of the world that we live in. Learn how this can help us to understand today's world.

Starting May 6 Pastor Hass will conduct the Inquirer's class in the conference room, where members get a chance to ask him questions and to learn who and what Bella Vista Lutheran Church is. This is a great opportunity for people who are looking at becoming members to get to know Pastor Hass.

Starting May 6 Terry Held will be facilitating a new class on "Is the Devil Real?" This will be Lutheran Hour presentation with a chance for great discussion about the devil and Jesus. This class will be in the Chapel Meeting room (Old Fellowship Hall).

"Believe" the class led by Dale Wandrie and Brett Sost will continue, but will move to the Library.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



The LWML Spring Rally at First Lutheran in Harrison will be on Saturday, May 5. All the earlier information is the same; only the church location is changed. Please call Karen Leak at 268-6339 by April 30 if you plan to attend.

Please put aside 5 quarters, (coins of choice), for the Christmas stocking project.

THE LORD'S WEEK
April 29-May 5, 2018

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Unity Worship Service w/communion
 11:00 a.m. Fellowship
 12:00 noon New Member Lunch
 12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour (KURM-FM (100.3) or
 KURM-AM (790)
 2-4 p.m. Baby Shower for Nikole Good— Chapel

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Highland Rehab.
 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
 JOY IIB—Eloise Haddock
 JOY IIC—Mary Willie

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Doreen Lubeck
 JOY IIIC—Gail Wortz
 10:00 a.m. Financial Peace University
 11:30 a.m. Communion/Lunch Service
 6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. S.W.A.P.
 9:30 a.m. LWML Quarterly
 1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Pray—ers
 10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Library
 11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery

Friday

10-1:00 p.m. Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 10:00 a.m. Concert Choir Rehearsal
 5:00 p.m. Saturday IGNITE service

NEXT SUNDAY— May 6, 2018

8:30 a.m. Divine Worship w/communion
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Blended Worship
 12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour (KURM-FM (100.3) or
 KURM-AM (790)

PRAYER SHAWL MAKERS

Please have your prayer shawls at the church by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 1st to be blessed at the Communion and-Lunch Service that day.

"LIFT UP YOUR EYES"

Our next choir concert, "Lift Up Your Eyes" is scheduled for June 10 at 6:00 p.m. Rehearsals will be at 10:00 a.m. every Saturday morning until the concert. Please, bring your friends, relatives and neighbors to sing with us!!!

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 5th at 9:00 a.m.
 Bella Vista Community Church
 75 E. Lancashire Blvd.
 Everyone is welcome!
 RSVP Required. Call 479-855-1126

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Stewardship



John 15:2 — "Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit He takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit." God is interested in the fruit that we bear in good works, and He even prunes us so that we may bring forth more fruit. Trusting in our Lord's work for us, being grafted by grace into His vine, we desire to be more like Him, to grow into His image. That's growth in fruit bearing...and it always comes with some pruning.

STEPHEN MINISTRY 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 Stephen Ministers 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 Stephen Ministry, please contact a leader – Pam Benson or Jack Grober

Your Stephen Ministry Team

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN GOLF

The "WOMEN DRIVERS"

Ladies Golf Group.

Call Cyndi Isaacson at 479-268-4119
 or Diana Watts at 479-855-9397.



THURSDAY MIXED 9 HOLLERS

SINGLES & COUPLES

Great Fellowship!!

For more information

Call Bill Scholten at 855-1324

NEW ADDRESS effective May 6:

Dorothy & Robin Bowman
 The Chelsea Apt. 11
 295 South Avenue
 Fanwood, NJ 07023

LUTHERAN CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

Help our church receive the highest rebate possible from our building loan with the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). With about 10 additional new investor members, we can do that.

Consider a gift to your children or grandchildren or any other family member. For a minimum of \$25.00 you can open an account for any youth under 19 years old. The good news is that the investment earns 3.5% up to \$1000.00 and they don't need to be members of BVLC. The only requirement is that they must be new investors to LCEF.

But don't forget the adults! For \$100.00 you can include them. For more information or applications contact Rich Haddock @ 479-876-5707 or 817-996-0302 (cell).