

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 6-12, 2017

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We are in the middle of the teaching time of the Church Year. The lectionary moves from one major topic to the next each Sunday so that the Church will be routinely reminded of the prime teachings needed for a healthy faith and life. The emphasis for this Sunday and what ties the readings for today together is the gifting nature of God. It is from him that man can and does receive the very best of gifts—the best of foods that cost a person nothing (*Old Testament Reading*, Is 55:1), the gift of the Messiah, who came through the covenant given by God to the Hebrews (*Epistle*, Rom 9:5), and the miracles God the Messiah performs (*Gospel*, Mt 14:19–21). These gifts are not only earthly blessings but eternal blessings, which, again, cost nothing on the part of man, but everything on the part of the Son. Paul notes how the Hebrews had everything given to them (*Rom 9:4–5*). So sadly, they spurned it all, while the Gentiles gladly welcomed them, even as we have.

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, John Moldenhauer, Mike Dwyer, Richard Meyer, Lillian Pingel, Jerry Herr, Shirley Emling, Rick Benson, Marion Martin, Mary Brauer, Walt Heyne, Grace Meyer

Condolences to Nancy Wandrie at the loss of her father, Weldon; Deb Raymond at the loss of her sister, Dianne

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; St. John's Lutheran—Fayetteville; Bella Vista Presbyterian; Quilting Outreach

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 "On Thee the High and Lowly." It's "Archives August" and we present a classic message from former Speaker, Dr. Dale Meyer. (Exodus 20:10)

THANKS

Many thanks to my Bella Vista Lutheran Church friends and my family who helped me through this difficult time. I truly appreciate all the cards, memorials, food and especially the prayers. Your kindness has been very much appreciated.

Herb Schmid

LWML LUNCH AT MIMI'S

is August 10th.

Please call LuAnn Roy at 876-2664

if you want to go but have not signed up.

LWML REMINDER

The Mite Box is on the kiosk.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

In October, members of Bella Vista Lutheran Church will vote to fill 3 positions on the Board of Directors. This is a 2 year term. If you have a potential candidate you would like to nominate, please either call Hanni Griffin at [479-633-2297](tel:479-633-2297) and leave a message with the candidate's name or email Hanni at hanniann@hotmail.com. Please have names in by Sept. 1.

We appreciate your help in this process.

Thanks, Hanni Griffin

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

Adult Bible Study

- **Fellowship Hall:** Ray Vander Laan DVD Bible Study series starts today. Our first session will be God says, "Build Me a Sanctuary."
- **Old Fellowship Hall:** This class concludes today with the study of the entire Bible by using the book, *The Story*.
- **Library:** The Bible Study "Lutheran Spirituality" is led by Terry Held and will continue through September 3. The subject today is "God's Word; He Speaks to Us", written by John Pless, long time instructor at Concordia Seminary in Fort Wayne.

Sunday School

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

"WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?"

This new Bible Study will meet in the Chapel Meeting Room (old Fellowship Hall) starting on

August 20th.

Dale Wandrie will be using CPH's "Luther's Catechism" as the study guide to walk through Lutheran Confessions.

INQUIRER'S CLASS

Next Sunday, August 13th, Pastor Hass will start an Inquirer's Class. This class introduces people to Christianity, Lutheranism and Bella Vista Lutheran Church. This class will meet in the Conference Room.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Each One—Bring One: For the month of August we are requesting toothpaste; and, as a food item and in anticipation of the holidays, our neighbors would appreciate mashed potatoes or any staple holiday item.

John 17:26 (*ESV*) I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Have you noticed the new LWML Logo and wondered about it's meaning?



The heart is to represent the love and giving nature of members, the drop is to symbolize the blood of Christ, and the cross is above all else to proudly show the purpose behind the efforts of the LWML.

Through this identity, the hope is to empower members through deeper connections, traditions, and the desire to serve God. The new LWML Logo for 2017 and beyond has been created with this in mind.

THE LORD'S WEEK
August 6-12, 2017

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Divine Worship with 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) "On Thee the High and
 Lowly"

Monday

1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—Classroom 3
 Silver Needle Quilters
 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—Classroom 3

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Perfect Harmony SFP delivery
 3:00 p.m. Congregational Care Meeting

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Quilting
 1:00 p.m. Writing Group

Thursday

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

Friday

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

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Pastoral Care/Communion Assistants Mtg.

NEXT SUNDAY—August 13, 2017

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

*Today is a sales tax free day in Arkansas and Missouri if
 you would like to make purchases for Gravette, Cooper, or
 Thomas Jefferson Schools.*

MEALS ON WHEELS

Bella Vista Lutheran is responsible for delivering **Meals
 On Wheels** during the month of **September!**

We will need **66 teams of two**. Please take this oppor-
 tunity to serve our community as well as making life a little
 easier for those who need help with meals. Watch for the
 sign-up board in the narthex. Thanks!

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Stewardship



Matthew 14:17-18 "They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said "Bring them here to me." When the disciples held on to the five loaves and two fish—that's exactly what they had. But when they handed them over to the Lord, the multitudes were fed. Apart from Jesus all we do and all we have is nothing—but in Jesus all we do and have is blessed to be used

STEPHEN MINISTRY PRAYER TIME



The prayer request cards in your bulletin 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, Alan Silva, Jack Grober

Your Stephen Ministry Team

BV LUTHERAN GOLF

Mixed 9 Holers - Singles & Couples
 Great Fellowship!

For further information
 call Bill Scholten: 855-1324

THE MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

will meet on Monday, August 7, 2017
 at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

MEN'S BUNCH LUNCH

This week, Wednesday, August 9 at noon
 Lunch at [The Cave Bar & Grill] in Lanagan, Mo.
 Road EE Left of Hiway 49 North

Car pool from Harps - Bella Vista parking lot at 11:30 a.m.

Fun place! - Come join us for lunch together!

For information or a ride call Loren at 855-3400 or
 Bill at 621-3737.

GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare classes will begin on Thursday, August 24, at 3:00 p.m. in the church library. The classes will end on Thursday, November 16.

Please consider attending this class and invite others who might benefit. Call Dorothy Jones at 366-1700 with any questions. *Please sign up at the kiosk.*