

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 19-25, 2018
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Our Epistle Lesson today, from the book of Ephesians, tells us, "At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord." This text gets to the heart of the Gospel: Jesus Christ has rescued you from the darkness of sin and made you a child of the light!

And when does that take place? "Now," says Paul! **Now** that Christ has died, **now** that Christ is risen, **now** that His Word has claimed you, you are God's own. **Now** be who you are!

The light of Christ will shine on you today in this time of hearing His Word and receiving His Sacrament. As darkness scatters, let us come into the light, worshiping our Savior with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

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, Lillian Pingel, Mary Brauer, Sandy Gaul, Deb Raymond, Craig Peterson, Curly Baehr, Shirley Peshek, Bonnie Quednow, Joanne Cline, Glenn Wickboldt, Rick Benson

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Cambodia; Holy Trinity—Rogers; Bella Vista Community Church; Sonshiners

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 "In Your Light We See Light" with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. Meditation is time to think and Christian meditation thinks about God in the light of Jesus Christ. It is "a lamp to our feet and a light to our path." (Psalm 36)

PORTALS OF PRAYER

The renewal date for Portals of Prayer will soon be here. To verify that our current number ordered is correct, please sign up at the kiosk or e-mail office@bvlutheran.com if you would like to receive Portals of Prayer for 2019.

Join us for a
BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON
August 29, 2018 at noon

This is your invitation to join all of us born in July & August to enjoy a special luncheon at The River Grille. Spouses and guests always welcome. Please sign up at the kiosk by Monday, August 27th.

Call Betty Bennett at 479-899-1806 with any questions.

ALTAR GUILD

We are proud to welcome Melanie Daniels as our new Altar Guild chairperson. We want to thank Pat VandenBerge for her 10 years of service and wish her well in her 'retirement'.

If you would like to help Melanie in her new endeavor, please feel free to contact her at 479-319-6373.

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

Adult Bible Study

- Chuck Merriman and the Generation to Generation Team will lead everyone who would like assistance in taking the online "Faith and Life" assessment survey during the opening of the 9:45 AM Fellowship Hall Bible Study time period. If time permits, Pastor Hass will continue with his study on the Book of Acts.
- No "Believe" Bible study in the library today.
- Sunday school for children will meet as normal downstairs.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

The Shepherd's Food Pantry hours have been changed to **10 a.m. - 12 noon**. This will be our fixed schedule. Even so, we continue to require the same amount of food for distribution because experience has shown us that the bulk of visitors come the first two hours of operation. Therefore, our food requirements will not change. We are still in need of jelly, sugar-free Jell-O, healthy cereals, and 12-count egg cartons.

We want to remind you that we continue to collect **Best Choice** bar codes. Thank you, you have been doing a **great** job supporting our collection!

Colossians 3:17 (**ESV**) And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

PRAYER SHAWL MAKERS

Please join us on August 21 at 12:30 p.m. when we will welcome Casey Bolte with Thrivent as we discuss writing a grant for yarn. Please come and get some yarn and join in the meeting. We will meet in the Chapel area.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



Ladies, you are invited to our meeting on 9/6/18 at 4:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Food to be provided by the LWML Board: Mexican Stacks, Homemade Cookies & beverages.

You will enjoy a Holy Land presentation & pictures by Ruth Bruch & Bonnie Whiting. Their guide was Paul Maier, well-known former Professor of Ancient History.

There will be a brief business meeting to follow with YOUR input needed about a couple of possible pending changes. PLEASE JOIN US!

Did you know that every woman who is a member of BVLC is also a member of the LWML?

THE LORD'S WEEK

August 19-25, 2018

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship Service w/communion**
- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship—Congregational Survey
- 10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship Service**
- 12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour (KURM-FM (100.3) or KURM-AM (790))
- 7:00 p.m. SAC I—Ken Meyer

Monday

- 1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- Silver Needle Quilters
- 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highlands Rehab.
- 6:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Tuesday

- 12:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Makers

Wednesday

- 8:30 a.m. Quilting
- 4:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
- 12:30 p.m. Hope SFP Delivery
- 3:00 p.m. Grief Share

Friday

- 10-12:00 noon Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

NEXT SUNDAY— August 26, 2018

- 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))

LESSONS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2018

Isaiah 29:11-19
Ephesians 5:22-33
Mark 7:1-13

SAVE THE DATE

SENIOR SAFETY ACADEMY

Tuesday, Oct. 9th
8:00-4:00 p.m.

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Stewardship



Ephesians 5:6-7—"Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them." The wrath of God is a real thing and we do well to reflect on this. As the Small Catechism states: God threatens to punish all who break these commandments.

Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

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.

SAVE THE DATE!!

March 31, 2019

BVLC 30th Anniversary Celebration

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

15315 N. Highway 94 in Pea Ridge
10 year anniversary on August 26.

Worship service starts at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served following a special worship service led by founding Pastor Neil Vanderbush

LADIES NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

This Bible study begins on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. at Camilla's house.

Please join us for Lysa TerKeurst (President of Proverbs 31 Ministries) study titled *Uninvited, Living Loved When You Feel Less Than, Left Out, and Lonely.*

We meet every other Tuesday for tea and God's Word.

For more information call Camilla at 685-2580.