

# BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 27-September 2, 2017  
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

There are many different opinions in our world about who the Lord is and many of those opinions are based on who people want the Lord to be.

We, as Christians, are blessed that as we gather we don't need to try to seek and find the Lord and His attributes on our own. Instead, He reveals Himself as who He was, is, and ever shall be, in and throughout Scripture.

We hear this today in our Old Testament Reading from Isaiah. God calls His people to look and listen to Him as He seeks and makes us His redeemed children. In Romans, St. Paul reminds us that, as God's children, we are part of His Body and blessed to complement one another in faith and fellowship, and in the confession of who our Savior Jesus Christ truly is, from the Gospel of Matthew.

As He continues to seek and to find, and by the calling, gathering, and enlightening by His Holy Spirit through His Word, we worship in that promised grace, giving certain hope now and in the future. 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, Grace Meyer, Sandy Gaul, Katy Krause, Betty Bennett, Diana Wickboldt

**Condolences** to Connie Billing at the loss of her mother, Lorraine

**Missions:** Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Redeemer Lutheran—Mountain Home; United Lutheran; NWA Children's Shelter

## 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 "Absolutely Nothing." Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. Pastor Ken Klaus explains how something that is "absolutely nothing" can be a very good thing. (1 Corinthians 15:14-19)

## THANKS

A huge 'thank you' to Vern Howard from the 35+ folks that came to church to experience the eclipse on Monday. Vern had his telescope set up to safely view the eclipse while many others brought their own viewing glasses. It was a great time of fellowship! Thank you, Vern, for helping us safely share in this experience.

Dear Bella Vista Lutheran Church: Thank you so much for breakfast on our opening day of staff development. What a nice way to start our school year! The food was great and your kindness is appreciated. Thanks for all you do.

Cooper 1st grade

Cooper Elementary would like to "thank you" for your donation of school supplies. We have numerous students in need and your donation is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Melissa Wood & Buddy Herndon—Counselors

## MENTORING OPPORTUNITY

Please see Chuck Merriman or Marland Thurston about being a mentor for one of the schools in Gravette, Bella Vista, or Bentonville. This is an opportunity to have a lasting impact on a child in need.

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

### Adult Bible Study

- **Fellowship Hall:** Ray Vander Laan DVD Bible Study Series continues today. Today's session is "He Led Them Like a Shepherd."
- **Inquirer's Class:** This class continues and introduces people to Christianity, Lutheranism and Bella Vista Lutheran Church. This class meets in the Conference Room and is led by Pastor Hass.
- **Chapel Meeting Room:** "What Does This Mean?" continues today. Dale Wandrie will be using CPH's "Luther's Catechism" as the study guide to walk through Lutheran Confessions.  
**Library:** The Bible Study "Lutheran Spirituality" is led by Terry Held and will continue through September 3.

### Sunday School

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

## THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

**Each One—Bring One:** At this time, the pantry is in need of sugar free jello. And the call is out for mashed potatoes and pure pumpkin for the up-coming holidays.

Thank you all...**but for now** the pantry has plenty of empty plastic bags. However, we continue to use clean juice bottles.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

It's time to celebrate your special day  
on Wednesday, August 30th  
at the River Grille!

Spouses and guests welcome!

Sign up at the kiosk TODAY.

Call Betty Bennett with questions.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

Our church directory is available through **Instant Church Directory** on your smartphone. This is a way to have the directory available—anytime, anywhere! Instructions on how to install Instant Church Directory are on the kiosk. (You must have a valid e-mail address in the directory in order to download this onto your phone.)

## LWML REMINDER

Be sure to bring your mites  
**NEXT SUNDAY, Sept. 3, 2017.**  
The Mite Box will be on the kiosk.

## LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

### HELP WANTED



We are in need of 1 or 2 ladies to stock and oversee the LWML Greeting Card rack that is located in the library. Please let us know if you are interested in participating in this service project by calling 876-2664.

Training will be provided.

**THE LORD'S WEEK**  
**August 27-September 2, 2017**

**Sunday**

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship**  
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship  
 10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship w/communion**  
 12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour KURM-FM (100.3) or  
 KURM-AM (790) "Absolutely Nothing"

**Monday**

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

**Tuesday**

6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery  
 12:00 noon HOPE SFP Delivery  
 3:00 p.m. GriefShare—Library  
 7:00 p.m. SAC III—Bob & Bev Hess

**Friday**

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

**Saturday**

1-3:00 p.m. Pastor Stan Jones & Dorothy's 60th  
 Wedding Anniversary Open House

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**NEXT SUNDAY—September 3, 2017**

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)  
 2:00 p.m. Sunday Riders

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 There is a possibility to show the new Luther Film "*Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World*," at Bella Vista Lutheran Church on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon. We would have to purchase a license to show this new video. Please contact Chuck Merriman if you would be interested in volunteering to help organize and serve at this event.  
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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

The new film, "*Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World*," is set to air nationally on PBS September 12 at 7:00 p.m. central time. The film dramatizes the events that shaped Luther and examines the questions he wrestled with, such as "Who am I?," "What is my purpose?" and "How do I get right with God?"  
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**CHOIR REHEARSAL**

resumes on September 9th at 10:00 am

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**THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Stewardship**



Matthew 16:27 "For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of His Father, and then He will repay each person according to what he has done." St. Paul talks about rewards on the Last Day in 1 Corinthians 3, and Jesus says more about this "repaying" in Matthew 19:27-30. Bottom line: your good works can't buy you heaven, but in Christ your good works do matter, they're pleasing your Heavenly Father, and they will be rewarded. In other words: your sacrifices for the Lord's Kingdom are not in vain; they are not unnoticed by your Father. This should encourage you in your faithfulness.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY PRAYER TIME**



The *Prayer Time* prayer requests are now 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, Alan Silva, Jack Grober

Your Stephen Ministry Team

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**BV LUTHERAN GOLF**

Mixed 9 Holes - Singles & Couples  
 Great Fellowship!  
 For further information  
 call Bill Scholten: 855-1324

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**THE MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP CLASS**

will meet tomorrow, August 28th  
 at 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.

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**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](mailto:hanniann@hotmail.com). Please have names in by Sept. 1. We appreciate your help in this process. Thanks, Hanni Griffin  
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**E-MAIL ADDRESS CHANGE:**

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**Stan & Dorothy Jones**

**60 Year Anniversary Open House**

Come and celebrate with us

Saturday, September 2nd

1-3 PM

Light Refreshments