

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 31-February 6, 2016
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

God has plans for us. Through the words of the prophet Isaiah, the Lord reassures us that He is in control. He has set the course for and shaped the destiny of the world. Knowing that God is in control gives us ongoing opportunity to seek His will and to shape our lives to be in harmony with His Word. God does not just care about people in general; He cares for us individually. Each human life is precious in His sight. As children of the heavenly Father, we live joyfully and securely in all situations.

In Him, *Pastor Hass*

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please call Ula Biesterfeld at 855-6840 or the church office at 855-0272 with information for the Prayer Chain.

Prayers, please include:

Our Members: Marcella Casey, Fran Bloomer, Marv Henning, Marlys Rembold, Gary Nelson, Deb Roesener, Gary Hartwig, Gary Aaron, Bev Hess, John Moldenhauer, Kay Gaudian, Dick Hise, Lewis Watts, Rich Haddock, Paul Behnke, Diana Watts, Jerre Lender, Ellen Schulz, Chuck Scherz

Condolences: Esther Meier at the loss of her brother-in-law, Calvin; Jerry Kolb at the loss of his son, Brian

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Grace Lutheran—Eureka Springs; Bella Vista Church of the Nazarene; Korean School Ministry

THANKS

I would like to express my sincere thanks to everyone for their cards and prayers during my surgery. Your concerns, cards, and prayers were just overwhelming. I want to express my sincere thanks to Pastor Hass and Pastor Jones for your many visits and prayers. Your visits and words of encouragement were very comforting. God truly answers prayers.

John Brack

COMMUNION SERVICE & LUNCH

Tuesday, February 2 at 11:30 a.m.

Please remind our homebound members/friends of this service.

INQUIRER'S CLASS will start next Sunday, February 7th in the Chapel. This informational class will be led by Pastor Hass for those interested in learning more about the beliefs of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod or just as a refresher class. Do you know someone that might be interested? Please, **INVITE THEM!!**

BACKPACKERS

will meet TOMORROW

February 1st at 9:00 a.m.

in the Chapel (former Fellowship Hall.)

Come & join us!

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

**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

Each One – Bring One is in the process of acquiring stock for our Easter grocery bag distribution. We are asking for sugar-free gelatin and low-sugar canned fruit as part of the holiday meal. Anything you can contribute will be appreciated.

John 13:15 (*ESV*) ¹⁵For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.

LWML REMINDER

Be sure to bring your mites **NEXT SUNDAY, Feb. 7th.**

The Mite Box will be on the kiosk.

COMING SOON—LENT!

ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 10th

As in the past we would like to have a fellowship dinner before the worship service. We need groups to commit to planning and serving a light supper at 5:00 p.m. We will ask for a free will offering. The group serving may use this money for a service project of their choice. Please sign up at the kiosk for the date and food you will serve.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Thank you for your gifts and faithful mite offerings!



Because of you, checks have been sent to LCMS Global Seminary Initiative, Rosa Young Academies, Opportunities in Uganda, Training Teachers and Leaders, Helping Hands Initiative, and Deaconess Training. You made these checks possible!

This is just the beginning of our biennial trip!

THE LORD'S WEEK
January 31-February 6, 2016

Sunday

9:30 a.m. **Unity Service w/communion**
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
2:00 p.m. Razorback Women's Basketball Game

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I— LuAnn Roy
Backpackers—Chapel
1-3 p.m. Silver Needle Quilters
1:30 p.m. JOY IIB—
JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
JOY IIC—Cathy Johnson
6:00 p.m. Family Life Ministry Team Meeting
6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm.

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. JOY IIIA—Ula Biesterfeld
9:30 a.m. JOY IIIC—Lora Rollings
11:30 a.m. Communion & Lunch Service
1:30 a.m. JOY IV—Lois Sullivan

Wednesday

9:30-3:00 p.m. S.W.A.P.
9:30 a.m. LWML Quarterly—Marlys Rembold
1:00 p.m. JOY VB— Church-Classroom 3
JOY VA—Library
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Pray—ers
11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
12:00 noon HOPE SFP Delivery
6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm.

Friday

10—1:00 p.m. Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

NEXT SUNDAY—February 7, 2016

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship w/communion**
9:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship**

ATTENTION: PRAYER SHAWL MAKERS

February 16th from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.
Beginners welcome!
Call Elaine Schurman at 531-3395

Stewardship

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



1 Corinthians 13:4-5 “Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful.” Love is the greatest of the three “theological virtues” because God is Love. That is why love is the fulfillment of the Law, because the Law is the reflection of God’s being and God is love. St. Paul urges the Corinthians to grow in love, to grow up into the image of Christ who demonstrates what love looks like with His sacrifice on the cross. For love always seeks the good of the other, always seeks to serve, to give, to bless.

Check out the new shipment of **all occasion cards!** This is an LWML project and all cards are only **\$ 3.00 a box.** **The display is located in the church Library.** Just place the money in the envelope provided and put it in Elaine Schurman’s church mailbox. Make checks payable to **LWML.**

The **2016 FLOWER CHART** is on the bulletin board in the narthex. The price will remain at \$45.00 for 2016. Please sign up at your convenience.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RELIEF

training session on
February 27 from 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM
at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Joplin, MO.
Additional information is on the kiosk.

Mark your calendar!!

PHOTO BLOG OF BVLC

Are you good at taking pictures????
Please join our new team called
Photo Blog of BVLC.
Call Peggy Nelson 855-7913 or
e-mail peggyGnelson@msn.com
All are welcome to join...

GOLF PENCILS WITH ERASERS: We are sure that by now you have given out all your outreach golf pencils. There are more for you to pick up on the kiosk. They provide an opening for you to inquire where people attend church. This can lead to an opportunity for you to share your faith with others. You don't have to be only on the golf course to do this. Think about ways this might work for you. May the Lord be with you and with each person with whom you share.