

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 21-27, 2018

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Too often in life we try to segregate our lives into separate parts: Family, money, work, vacation, and religion. We mistakenly believe that each part is best used by being separated, and not mixed together. In today's Epistle lesson, St. Paul invites us to bring our marriage relationships into harmony with our relationship with God through faith in Jesus, who is at the heart of all our human relationships. This way, Paul invites us not only to bring our marriages into harmony, but this teaching also includes every area of our lives.

Jesus alone can make our family, money, work, vacation and religion integrated and functional with Him connecting each part. God's gracious invitation is to live lives, not of segregated parts, but lives fully connected to and directed by Jesus, unifying ever part. 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 Herr, Rick Benson, Marion Martin, Mary Brauer, Grace Meyer, Sandy Gaul, Curly Baehr, Deb Raymond, Ed Barnoski, Niles Daniels, Stan Crandall, Craig Peterson, Linda Dwyer, Vicki Dehnert, Patrice Eggert, Sherryl Staiger, Helen Hise

Condolences to Beth Gaudian at the loss of her mother, Joann

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Grace Lutheran—Eureka Springs; Village Baptist 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 "Meeting Millennials Where They're At" with Speaker Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. Robots can't produce disciples. How can we mentor those who don't know Jesus, or don't know Him well enough? (Mark 1:14-20 (Jesus calls His first disciples.))

THANK YOU

The family of Howard Biesterfeld would like to thank the congregation of Bella Vista Lutheran Church for their generous display of concern and love.

Fellowship Razorback Basketball Game and Dinner

We will be going to a Razorback Women's Basketball Game on Sunday, February 18th. They will be playing LSU at 2:00 p.m. Carpool from Allen's at 12:30 pm. Tickets are \$2.00.

We will also be having dinner as a private party at probably Golden Corral in Rogers. More information to follow. Sign up at the kiosk no later than Monday, February 12 for either or both Fellowship events.

Questions? Please call John or June Lear at 479-418-6286.

MAILBOXES

PLEASE REMEMBER: When getting your mail from your mailbox, please remember that your mail is in the slot to the **RIGHT** of your name. Please be careful that you check the correct mailbox.

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

Adult Bible Study

"Walk With God in the Desert" Join Chuck Merriman in the Fellowship Hall with this Ray Vander Laan series. Learn what it means to trust in God. The desert is a place where we learn what we can endure. What does it mean to be separated from the safety of society? The desert is where you learn to put your trust in God. Help others to understand the deserts that they might be going through.

"Mark the Evangelist and the Gospel of Immediacy" continues. Terry Held will be leading this class on a six-week journey through the Gospel of Mark. This class will be held in the Library.

"Believe—Living the Story of the Bible to Become Like Jesus" continues today. This study will be led by Brett Sost and Dale Wandrie and will be held in the old Fellowship Hall.

Inquirer's Class led by Pastor Hass continues for 8 weeks. This is an excellent opportunity to learn what it means to be a Lutheran at Bella Vista Lutheran Church. This is a great class for people looking to become members or for current members who wish to be refreshed on what our church believes and how our church operates.

Sunday School

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

CHURCH LIBRARY NOTICE

The library has been blessed to receive many donated books! Due to the limited space, please donate newer books only.

Thanks and please stop in and visit your church library!

UPDATED FORM

In an attempt to assist our congregating members, we have an updated copy of "Help and Guidance At The Time Of My Death". This completed form will help the pastor, as well as the family, in planning a funeral/memorial service after the passing of a loved one. The completed form will be placed in your personal file. Forms may be picked up on the kiosk.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



Our LWML District President is planning a trip to Austria and Switzerland (including Oberammergau Passion Play) July 11-23, 2020. Several spots have been reserved for this trip and will be held until February 1st. If you have an interest in the details, please see LuAnn or Karen.

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

January 14, 2018

Worship Services	8:30	169
	10:45	92
Projected for January		\$56,764.00
Received to Date		\$37,257.95
Amount needed for January		\$19,506.05

Offering Counters

January 22	Nancy Larson and Lora Rollings
January 29	Ron and Martha Fant

THE LORD'S WEEK
January 21-27, 2018

Sunday

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)
3:00 p.m.	TLC—Diana & Glenn Wickboldt

Monday

9:00 a.m.	JOY I—Library
1:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
1:30 p.m.	JOY IIA—Highland Rehab
	JOY IIC—Sherryl Staiger
	JOY IIB—Carol Ann Honeywell
6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Meeting
7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study

Tuesday

9:00 a.m.	JOY IIIA—Church
	JOY IIIC—Lora Rollings
1:30 p.m.	JOY IV—Lois Sullivan
2:00 p.m.	Different Strokes for Different Folks" Support Group
6:00 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study—Camilla Hass

Wednesday

8:30 a.m.	Quilting
1:00 p.m.	JOY VB—Library

Thursday

10:15 a.m.	JOY VA—Library
11:00 a.m.	Harps SFP Delivery
12:00 noon	HOPE SFP Delivery

Friday

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

10:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
11-2:00 p.m.	Winter Fun Day
5:00 p.m.	Saturday IGNITE service

NEXT SUNDAY—January 28, 2017

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)
7:00 p.m.	SAC I—Vern Gruhn

January 28th scripture readings:

Deuteronomy 3:1-5, 10
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Mark 1:21-28

FINANCE OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Shera Pitt will officially be the Bookkeeper as of February 1st as Sharon Longnecker is retiring. All vouchers, questions and requests should be directed to Shera.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Stewardship



Mark 1:14-15 — Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." To repent means to turn away from sins and our former way of thinking and turn toward belief in God and his gospel of grace and mercy. The whole Christian life is one of repentance and faith—where is

God calling you to repent today? How is He calling you to deeper faith?

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

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Each One – Bring One—Thank you, congregation, for your quick response to our recent request; it is now resolved. But if you are curious what volunteering at the food pantry entails, just come by and let us show you around.

At this time, the pantry is in need of jelly for our visitors. If you can help with this, thank you.

Jeremiah 29:11 (ESV) For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

DIFFERENT STROKES FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS

- Have you had a stroke or other traumatic brain injury?
- Do you care for someone who has?

Come join us to share ideas, learn from others, problem solve and socialize with caregivers and stroke/brain injury survivors.

The "Different Strokes for Different Folks" Support Group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in the Bella Vista Lutheran Church Library/Office Area.

Call Ellen Creakbaum [479-282-5457](tel:479-282-5457) for further information. No registration required. Just join us!

FIRST TUESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE/LUNCH

As you know, there is a Communion Service held the first Tuesday of each month for those who are unable to attend the regular Sunday services. After the service, we provide them an opportunity to share a meal together and to socialize. We have volunteers that provide the main course (normally casseroles or soup), a salad, a dessert, etc. If you would like to volunteer to occasionally provide a dish, please contact:

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