

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Someone's always watching. At least it seems that way, doesn't it? In a world full of security cameras and alarm systems, there seem to be millions of ways to keep your property secure and guard your valuables from intruders who would seek to cause trouble. But what are your thoughts about having someone—an actual living, breathing person—to watch over you and your family at all times and in all places? Lest we think that a security detail like that is available only to the rich and the powerful, listen to what the Lord God said to Ezekiel: "Son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel" (Ezekiel 33:7). The entire house of God, which has been watched over by the prophets of old, is now under the authority and care of the Son of God and Son of Man, Jesus Christ. He is your ultimate watchman who guards and protects you from the threats of the evil thief who "comes only to steal and kill and destroy" (John 10:10). Place yourself under the watchful eye and merciful care of this watchman today! Watch Him, hear Him, and receive Him as He serves you in His Father's house and fills you with the life that He alone can provide.

In Him, Pastor Gorshe

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please call the church office at 855-0272 with information for the Prayer Chain.

Prayers, please include:

Our Members: Marcella and Carroll Casey, Fran Bloomer, Lillian Pingel, Sandy Gaul, Deb Raymond, Craig Peterson, Shirley Peshek, Rick Benson, Libby Dreier, Bob McNew, Marlys Rustman, Marlys Rembold, Barbara Harlson, Rich Had-dock, Mary Jane Siegel, Margaret Kuehn, Jim Searls

Condolences to Carol Moldenhauer at the loss of her brother-in-law, Jim

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Cambodia; Faith-Bentonville; Village Bible Evangelical Free; Korean School 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 "Death Doesn't End the Story" with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Some accept death as the end; others, as a new beginning. Jesus turned death into a sign that points us to the Author of Life. (John 11)

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who contacted Phyllis and I when we had the flu. Also, thanks to Pastor Jones and Pastor Gorshe who made visits to us at the hospital and at our home. The prayers you all made on our behalf had to make a difference for us. Thank you all for your prayers for our well being. It is good feeling normal again.
Dick & Phyllis Munster

I want to thank my church family for your concern with cards, phone calls and meals during the passing of my dear mother-in-law and then my fall, breaking my left hand. I am healing. My kids were so overwhelmed by the love and care I received from my church family. God bless each of you. Claryce Thomas

My sincere thanks to everyone, especially Pastor Hass, Pastor Jones and Pastor Gorshe and for all the memorials, food, cards and calls.

I am truly blessed with a loving congregation & friends.
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Choir Room: Confidential Caregiving lesson today is on 'Feelings'.

Fellowship Hall: Pastor will lead the Bible Study on the Book of Acts.

Sunday School for children will meet downstairs.

SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Just a reminder...Easter Meal grocery sacks with attached shopping list are available on a stand in the narthex. You may take the list with you the next time you shop and purchase items to donate to the Shepherd's Food Pantry. We will be distributing an extra Easter bag the first two Fridays in April. Please place your items in the collection box provided.

We still need regular and sugar free Jello and **clean** plastic bags.

A big thank you to all who supported our Lenten supper. And thanks so much for continuing to help us fill our Easter bags.

LENTEN SUPPERS

The Lenten Supper this week is loaded potato bar. We have a sign up sheet on the kiosk. **Please sign up TODAY so we can get the correct amount of potatoes and supplies.**

YOU ARE INVITED!

If you are the coordinator of a small group at BVLC, you are invited to a light lunch on Tuesday, March 26th, at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel Meeting Room. Please sign up on the clip board at the kiosk by Sunday, March 24th. This is for ANY and ALL small group leaders in addition to our TLC's, JOY's, SAC's, YAC's. If you lead, coordinate, facilitate any group at BVLC this is for you! If you can't attend, please send a representative from your group. This will be a working lunch where we will introduce Pastor Gorshe to our groups as well as hear his thoughts about small group ministry.

Sonja Burkett-Liaison to Small Groups from the
Congregational Care Ministry Team

30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Next Sunday, March 31st, is a Unity service AND our 30th Anniversary Celebration. Immediately after that service, we will have some entertainment in the sanctuary.

After that, we will be ushered out to our lunch catered by the Marketplace.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



LWML will be meeting Thursday, April 4th, at 6:30 P.M. Pastor Gorshe will be our special guest. We will start by having pie and coffee. Please plan to be there.

Deadline to sign up for the Spring Rally at Pea Ridge is Wednesday, March 27th.

THE LORD'S WEEK
March 24-30, 2019

Sunday

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)
2:00 p.m. Sunday Riders
3:00 p.m. TLC-East—Diana & Glenn Wickboldt

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Highland Rehab.
10:00 a.m. 30th Anniversary Team Meeting—Library
1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
JOY IIC—Vera Fenner
6:15 p.m. Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Doreen Lubeck
9:30 a.m. JOY IIIC—Lenette Melot
11:30 a.m. Small Group Leaders Meeting/Lunch
1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Rachel Sanford
2:00 p.m. Different Strokes for Different Folks

Wednesday

8:00 a.m. Quilting
1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library
5:15 p.m. Lenten Supper—Loaded Potato Bar
6:00 p.m. Lenten Service

Thursday

10:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Library
12:30 p.m. HOPE SFP Delivery

Friday

10-12:00 Noon Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY— March 31, 2019

9:30 a.m. **Unity Worship Service**
30th Anniversary Celebration after
Worship Service
12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour (KURM-FM (100.3) or KURM-AM (790)

LESSONS FOR SUNDAY, March 31, 2019

Isaiah 12:1-6
2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS
WILL NOT MEET TOMORROW, MARCH 25

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Stewardship Luke 13:3 “No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” The season of Lent is all about repentance—turning back to the Lord, away from our sins, in faith. We know that it is only in the Lord that we can find salvation. So we do well in this season of repentance to examine ourselves, asking questions like, “What is trying to keep me away from Jesus?” “What is a temptation I face?” “What is a sin I need to repent of and leave behind?” Then we turn to the Lord for the strength to leave these sins behind, and we pray for the courage to follow Him in faith and faithful living.



CONFIDENTIAL CAREGIVING 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 Confidential Caregivers 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 Congregational Caregiving, please contact a leader – Pam Benson or Jack Grober.

SECURITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

UPDATE

Due to the ever-increasing number of random incidents of violence in businesses, schools, and churches, the BVL Security Committee has recommended that the doors in two areas be closed and locked after the first service begins. The doors in question are: (1) the door next to the elevator; and (2) the entrance doors to the old Sanctuary Narthex. Both areas cannot be seen by the Trustee stationed at the kiosk or by the surveillance cameras and would be excellent places from which an assailant could stage an attack. We regret any inconvenience this may cause. However, we believe that the safety of our congregation members and our guests is of the utmost importance.

BV LUTHERAN GOLF

Thursday Mixed 9 Holers
Singles & Couples
Season begins April 4
Berksdale @ 9:20
Great Fellowship!

For more info call Bill Scholten 855-1324

“WOMEN DRIVERS”

Tuesday 18-Hole Ladies Golf Group
Come and join us!
Call Diana Watts at 479-426-5024 or
Cyndi Isaacson at 806-290-3801
for more information.