

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 5-11, 2017

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Whom do you serve and whom do you follow? Bob Dylan famously sang in 1979 that, "You're gonna have to serve somebody, it may be the devil, or it may be the Lord, but you're gonna have to serve somebody." Could it be that you have not put the brakes on the busyness in your life long enough to ask that question recently? Maybe you have been so focused on what you are doing that you may not have considered who it is that you serve? Not only should we be concerned about whom we serve, but we also need to be careful who it is that we follow.

Throughout history, there have been godly teachers and false teachers, and the results of their teachings are proof as to who they really are. Today we celebrate the faithful Bella Vista Lutheran Church leaders, members and friends that have gone before us and now rest from their labors. We join with all the faithful in celebrating All Saints' Day.

Ultimately, as God's holy people, we use God's Word as that measure for whom we ought to follow. 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, Richard Meyer, Lillian Pingel, Jerry Herr, Rick Benson, Marion Martin, Mary Brauer, Grace Meyer, Sandy Gaul, Bob Svehla, Craig Peterson, Sonja Burkett, Norma Codling, Verna Menard

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Grace; St. John's Lutheran-Fayetteville; Bella Vista Church of the Nazarene; Lives Under Construction

THANK YOU

Dear Friends in Christ: On behalf of the Texas District, I give thanks for the generosity and concern that your gift represents following the devastation of Hurricane Harvey. Your financial assistance allows us to support people whose property has been damaged as well as providing supplies to clean-up or even rebuild homes, schools and churches. Your timely gift gives great witness to God's love and provision. God's continued blessings on you. Rev. Ken Hennings-President

Thank you for hosting the recent Senior Safety Academy. All of your volunteers, members and staff were so welcoming and gracious. I so genuinely appreciate all your church has done to support Village House and I was uplifted by the pure kindness shown to us by so many at your church. Sara-Village House

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 "Blessed Are the Pure in Heart" by guest speaker Dr. Dale A. Meyer. This weekend many churches observe All Saints' Day, remembering those who have died in the Christian faith. That prompts us to ask, what does it take to get to heaven? Jesus tells us in Matthew 5:8, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." What that means is this week's Lutheran Hour message. (Matthew 5:8)

DECORATING COMMITTEE MEETING

will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday,
November 8th at 2:00 p.m.
Call Donna Henning with any questions.

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

Adult Bible Study

- **Fellowship Hall:** "A Man Named Martin" is a Lutheran Hour Ministries video based series teaching the history of Martin Luther.
- **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.

Sunday School

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

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY



Each One—Bring One: The Christmas menu is now at the food donation display...**BUT** we continue to need small pure pumpkin and sweet potatoes for Thanksgiving distribution. (FYI—We are really low on plastic bags lately!) You are so kind to participate in the holiday food drive. Thank you for all you do. Hebrews 13:16 (ESV) Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

COMMUNION SERVICE & LUNCH

Tuesday, November 7th at 11:30 a.m.

Please remind our homebound members/friends of this service.

FELLOWSHIP TEAM

The Fellowship Team is in need of individuals to assist with coffee/treat preparation on Sunday mornings. You would need to be at church at 7:00 a.m. ONE Sunday per month. For further information, please contact Claudia Jorgensen at 479-899-3960.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

I will be hosting the **annual meeting of the Altar Guild on November 6th, at 10:30 a.m. in the church library.** This meeting is for all current Altar Guild members and as an invitation for ladies of the church that would be interested in joining the Guild. Please call if you have any questions. Pat VandenBerge

LWML REMINDER

The Mite Box is on the kiosk today.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



In our 75th year, LWML Sunday is about "celebrating Christ above all". A policy was adopted of raising funds only through voluntary offerings by use of mite boxes, (based on Luke 21:1-4, "the widow's mite"). Over the years Lutheran women have set goals and trusted God to move the hearts of His people to give to LWML to proclaim the gospel. The results have been amazing!

THE LORD'S WEEK
November 5-11, 2017

Sunday

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship w/communion**
9:45 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship**
12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour KURM-FM (100.3) or
KURM-AM (790)

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Library
10:30 a.m. Altar Guild Meeting—Library
1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
Silver Needle Quilters
1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
JOY IIB—Peggy Stuckenbroker
JOY IIC—Joanna Cline
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Library
JOY IIIC—Diana Watts
11:30 a.m. Communion & Lunch Service
1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Clarice Gnuse
6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Property Maintenance Team Meeting

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Quilting
1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library
Writing Group
2:00 p.m. Pastoral Care Team to Circle of Life

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Friendly Stitchers
10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Library
11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
12:00 noon HOPE SFP Delivery
3:00 p.m. GriefShare—Library

Friday

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

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Christmas Concert Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Saturday Ignite

LWML SUNDAY—November 12, 2017

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship**
9:45 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)
2:00 p.m. Sunday Riders

FYI: The church has several obsolete long tables available for free. Please see Lyle Brierly if you are interested.

Stewardship



ALL SAINTS' DAY

Matthew 5:7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy." This is one of many Bible passages that remind us that we reap what we sow. Likewise, what God puts into us (His own love, mercy, kindness, and generosity) - flows back out of us. For it all starts with His self-giving!

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

MEN'S LUNCH BUNCH

November 8, -- Wednesday -- at noon
Meet at "JJ Restaurant" Cunningham Corner

Across from Dairy Queen

Ya'll come to join us --visit -- get acquainted -- have lunch out!

Need a ride or questions answered call Loren at 855-3400
or Bill at 621-3737

GOOD SAMARITANS

My name is Tim Verble and I am now, with our Lord's assistance, heading up Bella Vista Lutheran Church's Good Samaritan outreach. I am new to the congregation and I understand Dale Wandrie was previously the point man on this and he did an outstanding job. I would like to encourage anyone in the congregation who would be willing to serve our Lord Jesus through the Good Samaritans. We need folks who can do different household, mechanical and other tasks to assist anyone within our congregation who would need assistance. Of course, there will be limits at what we can do and this will be weighed out case by case. If you are that person, please e-mail me at tim.verble@gmail.com or call me with your skill set and availability to assist.

Once a list of participants is established we will announce our availability to begin serving you. If you require any help while we are gathering our group, please feel free to call me at 479-321-1675. Please understand I am actively working and do some travel so your patience on responses is greatly appreciated.

Serving you through our Lord Jesus Christ, Tim Verble

"VETERAN'S DAY MUSICAL SALUTE!"

Fundraiser for National Cemetery in Fayetteville and the Veterans Wall of Honor in Bella Vista

November 11 at 3:00 p.m. at Bella Vista Community Church
Bella Vista Women's Chorus joined by Bella Vista Men's Chorus, Pefect Harmony and Bentonville High School Chamber Choir.

Come and honor our veterans.