

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

How often, as children, have you heard the words, "Come to the table!" In our daily lives we know that at the table sharing a meal, life really happens. As we grow up, we realize that there really is no invitation that is more readily received and fully appreciated. To be asked to join people at the table is to be assured of nourishment and refreshment.

Today is Consecration Sunday, a day set aside where we, as God's people, follow the biblical model of commitment. We are reminded that each of us are called by God to give, not because God needs our gifts, but because God calls us, in response to His love for us in Jesus, to be cheerful givers. This Sunday is all about your own spiritual development. In this process we address you, not as club members asking you for dues, but as followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as disciples. Today you are encouraged to ask yourself the question, "**Because of God's grace given to me in Jesus, how will I respond? What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?**"

In one of our most favorite of the Psalms, Psalm 23, we are told of a table that is prepared under challenging circumstances. Yet, even in those challenges, the cup of God's blessing overflows. Our gathering for worship and our coming to the Table of the Lord is a weekly experience of overflowing blessing filled with signs of God's gracious presence. We rejoice that we are invited to His amazing table!

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 and Carroll Casey, Craig Peterson, Shirley Peshek, Libby Dreier, Neil Vanderbush, Verna McCaffrey, Tracy See, Chuck and Katie Scherz, Jan Poe, Bev Effinger, Doug Petersan, Jessica Anderson, Bob Svehla, Gene Dreier, Barbara Hartwig, June Hanson, Pat and Nita McKelvey

Missions: Pastor J.P. Cima—Cambodia; Pastor JD Zischke—Restoration Church—Fayetteville; Lives Under Construction; Highlands Methodist Church; St. John's Lutheran—Fayetteville

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 "Unscaled Heights of Empathy" with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler.

ADULTS NEEDED FOR TRUNK OR TREAT

October 31 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Please sign up at the kiosk. Bring your car, dress up if you want, greet families, and give out candy. Or, serve in other ways as listed on the kiosk. Cars will be parked with social distancing in mind.

EDUCATION HOUR SCHEDULE

Fellowship Hall—120 Bible Stories series led by Pastor Gorshe.

Chapel Meeting Room— Parenting Class. The 8-week DVD series is a very professional, fun, and engaging Bible Study enhancing your parenting skills. You will follow along with your own workbook. Please see Chuck Merriman for questions.

All children and teen youth will have Sunday School Classes downstairs in their appropriate classrooms.

SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Thank you, Church Family, for supporting the work of the Shepherd's Food Pantry. So far this year we have helped almost 2,000 people.

THANKS

Rick and I want to extend our sincere gratitude to Pastor Hass, Pastor Gorshe, Linda Dwyer and the entire congregation of BVLC for the kind words and expressions of sympathy concerning the death of my mother, Audrey Neff. The love and support from this church is truly a gift from God and is deeply appreciated.

Candy and Rick Hebar

I would like to thank all of the wonderful people at Bella Vista Lutheran Church for all the calls, cards, caring thoughts and especially the prayers for Craig and me during the past year and a half. It's been a difficult time for us, but your prayers and friendship have been so supportive and appreciated.

Thank you, Craig and Sally Peterson

Thank you so very much to all of you for praying for my brother, Gary Fangman. He is now in the Lord's hands after a strong fight resisting lung cancer. He passed away Sept. 16 very suddenly and peacefully. Our family is so grateful for your thoughts and prayers.

God bless you. Laurie Jackson

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



Be watching your church mailbox for an envelope to collect our annual contributions for the Quarterly, District expenses and our expenses. There will be an attachment to explain everything. Be sure to put your name on the envelope when you return it.

Sign-up sheets are on the kiosk for helpers on LWML Sunday, Nov 1.

THE LORD'S WEEK
Oct. 11-17, 2020

Sunday

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

Monday

9:30 a.m. JOY I—Chapel
6:00 p.m. Board Meeting
Confidential Caregiving

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. JOY IIIC—Library
JOY IIIA—Multi-purpose Room
Ad Hoc Endowment Meeting-FH
12:30 p.m. JOY IV—Lois Sullivan
5:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Property Maintenance Team Meeting

Wednesday

1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—Classroom 3
JOY VB—Chapel
6:00 p.m. Confirmation/Midweek classes
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—Classroom 3

Thursday

9-12 noon Shepherd's Food Pantry Set-up
3:00 p.m. GriefShare—Chapel

Friday

10-12 Noon Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

NEXT SUNDAY—October 18, 2020

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship Service w/communion**
9:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:45 a.m. Open Forum Meeting
Christian Education Hour
10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship**
12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour KURM-FM
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LESSONS FOR SUNDAY—October 18, 2020

Isaiah 45:1-7
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

Stewardship



Matthew 22:5—"But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business." The invitation to join God in His feast and in His work is easily ignored. The rest of life seems so much more pressing, and we always think there will be another time when we can catch backup with God. But what joys are we missing when we set aside God's invitation to join Him in His plans and purposes? What inheritance are we trading for the world's bowl of pottage?

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 about Confidential Caregiving, please contact a leader, Jack Grober or Pastor Gorshe.



BV LUTHERAN GOLF

Thursday Mixed 9 Holes
Singles & Couples
Great Fellowship!

For more information call
Bill Scholten at 855-1324.

There is a quilt on display in the narthex on the half wall going down to the lower level. It is a quilt that was made by Caroline Searls and given by Jim and Caroline's family. If you are interested in this quilt and would like to make a generous donation to a charity of your choice, please contact Clarice Gnuse 876-5040 or Irma Miesbach 619-7511. Thank you.

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