

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Martin Luther's great hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" is based on Psalm 46. When the psalm was first written, it gave courage to God's Old Testament people.

Centuries later, when Luther wrote the hymn, the world was filled with plagues and death, and the devil was recognized as active in the lives of everyday people. Today we face cyber warfare, pandemics, terrorists, political polarization, and ecclesiastical division.

Because of our Baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ, we need not fear. Our gracious God is a very present help in this time of trouble.

He Himself is our refuge against the powers of the created world around us and the forces of evil from every source. From His throne flow streams of mercy to give us confident joy.

We are confident that, in the end, "the kingdom ours remaineth."

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, Chuck and Katie Scherz, Jan Poe, Bev Effinger, Doug Petersan, Jessica Anderson, Bob Svehla, Gene Dreier, Barbara Hartwig, Pat and Nita McKelvey, Jim Breen, Geary Nelson, Wayne Koepp

Missions: Pastor J.P. Cima—Cambodia; Pastor JD Zischke—Restoration Church—Fayetteville; Korean School Ministry; Bella Vista Church of Christ; Grace Lutheran—Holiday Island

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 "No Boasting, Just Belonging" with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. "The kingdom of God is not a game. The law teaches us how to love others as God first loved us. Our performance matters, but in God's kingdom belonging comes before performance." (Romans 3:19-31)

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.

EDUCATION HOUR SCHEDULE

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

Chapel Meeting Room—Parenting Class. This DVD series is a very professional, fun, and engaging Bible Study enhancing your parenting skills. You will follow along with your own workbook.

Library—Christianity 101—Pastor Hass leads this class which will discuss what we believe, teach and confess as Lutherans, and especially how this congregation seeks to be a missionary enterprise in northwest Arkansas.

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

SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Thank you all for supporting us in our mission to serve the needy in our area. Distribution of the special Thanksgiving meals begins Nov. 6 for 3 weeks. Due to recent health concerns, holiday gatherings will be unique this year. We ask for prayers for our neighbors and their families that come to the Shepherd's Food Pantry. We are here to welcome them and be a blessing to them.

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.

A sign-up sheet is on the kiosk for table decorators in the Fellowship Hall for 2021. The sheet has a brief explanation with months. Please help.

There are decorations in the left front closet in the Fellowship Hall to use or add to, or you can do your own thing! There is a small budget available.

Questions? Call Irma Miesbach at 479-619-7511

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

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



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.

The Mite Box and General Fund Box will be on the kiosk next week.

THE LORD'S WEEK

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Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship Service**
- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
- 9:45 a.m. **Congregational Meeting**
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)
- 1:30 p.m. Highlands West TLC—Fellowship Hall
Video "The Intersection of Church & State." All are welcome.

Monday

9:30 a.m. JOY I—Chapel

Tuesday

- 9:00 a.m. JOY IIIC—Library
JOY IIIA—Multi-Purpose Room
- 11:30-12:30 Drive-Through Communion
- 1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Kay Gaudian

Wednesday

- 9-12:00 noon SALT Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—Classroom 3
JOY VB—Multi-Purpose Room
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—Classroom 3

Thursday

3:00 p.m. GriefShare—Chapel

Friday

Saturday

3-5:00 p.m. TRUNK OR TREAT

NEXT SUNDAY November 1, 2020

- 2:00 a.m. **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS**
- 8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship Service w/communion**
- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
- 9:45 a.m. Christian Education Hour
- 10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship**
- 12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour KURM-FM
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LESSONS FOR SUNDAY—November 1, 2020

- Revelation 7:9-17
- 1 John 3:1-3
- Matthew 5:1-12

REFORMATION DAY

Stewardship **John 8:36—**"So if the Son sets you free you will be free indeed." Today we celebrate Reformation Day! Luther is rightly remembered as a champion of the gospel, but he also called himself "the apostle of good works." For only in being set free by the gospel can we do good works. Jesus has set us free, and His Blood covers over our sins. We stand before God as His beloved children, and we are invited to live our lives to His glory for the good of His kingdom.



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.

George & Susan Coon no longer have a landline.
Cell: George: 479-381-5450/Susan: 479-381-1723
