

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Feb. 23-Feb. 29, 2020
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We consider the Father's Words on the Mount of Transfiguration: "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him." The Father bears witness to the authority of the Son. Remember God's words to listen to the voice of Jesus.

We also recall the brightness of Jesus shining upon the disciples. Jesus' transfiguration reminds us of the blessing we hear every week at the end of worship in the Benediction for the Lord's face to shine upon us. In the person of Jesus, God's face certainly shines upon us, and we look forward to the day when Christ returns in glory to permanently shine His face upon us.

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, Craig Peterson, Shirley Peshek, Libby Dreier, Neil Vanderbush, Verna McCaffrey, Mike Dwyer, Marlys Rembold, Clarice Gnuse, Tracy See, LuAnn Roy, Helen Weeks, Chuck and Katie Scherz, Jan Poe, Ron Fant, Byrdine Pickart, Toni Shane, Carol Ann Honeywell, Denny Gast, Bob McNew

Condolences to Esther Meier at the loss of her brother, Marvin
Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Cambodia; Pastor JD Zischke—Restoration Church-Fayetteville; Confidential Caregivers; Bella Vista Church of the Nazarene; Redeemer Lutheran Church—Mountain Home.

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 "Know-How" with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus knows our failures and our fears; He knows how to lift us up and bring us through. (Exodus 1-2)

THANK YOU

Skip and I would like to thank you for your prayers, cards, calls, visits and meals during my recent knee replacement surgery. We have truly been blessed by our Bella Vista Church family. Thank you Pastor Gorshe for time and prayers before and after surgery.
Toni Shane

Gene and I want to thank our wonderful church family for all the prayers, calls, visits and offers of help these past two months. Joy I, our TLC and friends have kept us well fed, and family and healthcare agencies continue to assist. God has used the beautiful members of BVLC to show how much He cares and we are thankful and blessed.
LuAnn Roy

LENTEN SUPPERS

We are in need of small groups to serve the Lenten suppers. Only the 1st, 2nd and 4th Wed. nights are covered.

Please talk to your group, join together with another group, pick a day and sign up as soon as possible. Thanks

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Fellowship Hall: Pastor Gorshe will lead the "120 Bible Story Study" series discussing God calls Abram.

Next week will be "Abraham's Visitors."
Genesis 18-21

Library: "Inquirer's Class" is an opportunity for new members (or current members who want a refresher course) to learn about what it means to be a Lutheran and about Bella Vista Lutheran Church. Pastor Hass will lead this class.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Dear Church Family,

Thank you to everyone who used their Thrivent account to benefit the Shepherd's Food Pantry. Because of you, we have the ability to purchase many needed items for our visitors.

1 Corinthians 10:31b (ESV) "whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

LENTEN SERVICES

Friends in Christ:

Evening Lenten services are coming soon. Our Ash Wednesday service is this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. We have some members who would like to attend these services but are not able to because they no longer feel comfortable driving at night. If you are planning on attending Lenten services and would be willing to invite someone to ride along with you, please let Linda know as soon as possible. And if you or someone is in need of a ride, please call Linda so we can make arrangements. Thank you!

AS WE GATHER IN THIS SEASON OF LENT

Unless we are especially environmentally minded, we may care only about the trees we see on a daily basis. Although we may not see them every day, the Bible's trees are nonetheless relevant to us. In fact, considering them helps us realize why we need a Savior, how God provided a Savior for us in the person of Jesus Christ, and how the saved lives of repentant believers look. During this repentant season of Lent, we consider "Living Among the Bible's Trees." We begin by considering the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. There we realize that although the fruit of that tree renders us by nature blind, dead, and enemies of God, the fruit of Christ's tree brings us light, life, and salvation.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



The LWML Mite Box and General Fund expense box will be on the kiosk next Sunday. Our National Mission Goal is \$2,100,000 and as of January 31, 2020 we have received \$912,229.57 so we still have a long way to go to meet our goal. Please give generously.

THE LORD'S WEEK

February 23-29, 2020

Sunday

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship Service**
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)
3:00 p.m. TLC East—Diana & Glenn Wickboldt

Monday

10:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
9:00 a.m. JOY I—Highland Rehab.
1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
JOY IIC—Bonnie Whiting
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Shoebox Ministry
9:30 a.m. JOY IIIC—Nancy Larson—Chapter 2
1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Lois Sullivan
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Quilting
1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library
5:15 p.m. Lenten Supper sponsored by the Youth
6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday

10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Library, pages 161-168
11:30 p.m. HOPE SFP Delivery
7:00 p.m. SAC III—Arlo & Irma Miesbach

Friday

10-12 Noon Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY— March 1, 2020

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

LESSONS FOR SUNDAY—March 1, 2020

Genesis 3:1-21
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Stewardship



Matthew 17:8—“And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.”

Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him—and Him alone—the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary; all else is secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

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

SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

on Fridays to pack groceries for clients. Can you help?

For further information, contact Diana Wickboldt at 202-2417.

WELCOME CENTER

A new “sign-up” sheet is on the kiosk. If you would like to be a part of the welcoming team at BVLC, please sign up for the Sunday you would like to work at the Welcome Center.

This is FOR SECOND SERVICE ONLY. If there are two of you who would like to work together, please sign up as a team. Instruction sheets are on the Welcome Center desk. If you have questions, please contact Ruth Bruch at 479-899-2991. This is a great opportunity to make our visitors feel welcome.

GREETERS AND USHERS

There are sign-up sheets on the kiosk for Greeters and Ushers for both the 8:30 service and the 10:45 service. With Sunday services and Wednesday Lenten Services, we will need many greeters and ushers for this Easter season. We need 4 greeters and 4 ushers for each service. Please help by signing up to serve at a service convenient for you. Call the church office if you have any questions.