

# BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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March 31-April 6, 2019  
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is hard to express how much I have missed all of you! These past weeks have been so much more than I ever imagined, and I will plan on sharing that with you soon but let me say how happy I am to be back among you!

The parable of the prodigal son in our Gospel Lesson today may be one of the most familiar Jesus tells. Jesus' story of a son's foolish ways and a father's lavish grace is a moving tale with a profound impact. But that's not even the full story.

The elder son, who wrongly thought that he had it all together and had not sinned against his father, looks with indignation upon the younger brother's homecoming celebration.

The father responds with a message for both of his children, and both of his children desperately need the father's mercy. We do too.

In worship we reflect on our brokenness and confess it. In worship we rejoice in our Father's forgiveness and receive it. Today we celebrate the 30 years that God has been among His people at BVLC, sharing with us the joy that every prodigal knows, the joys of sins forgiven! In Him, Pastor Hass

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## 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 Fern Svehla at the loss of her sister-Rachel

**Missions:** Pastor J. P. Cima—Cambodia; Highlands Meth-odist Church; Hispanic Ministry

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## 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 "Life Worth Living" with speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. (John 12:12-36)

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## THANK YOU

To the members of BVLC: Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported Claudia and Don throughout their years in Bella Vista. They truly loved living there, mostly because of their wonderful friends and church family who showed them so much love and friendship. When Claudia passed away, the outpouring of love from the members of your congregation was truly overwhelming. We appreciate your warm memories. If anyone wants to keep in touch with Don, his new phone # is (715) 243-3790. (He has a land line now since he doesn't use a cell phone.)

With our love, Don, Micky & Greg Jorgensen & family

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Pastor Hass will be giving a presentation on his trip to Cambo-dia during the Bible Study Hour on April 7. All are invited to attend in the Fellowship Hall.

## 30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**Today is our 30th Anniversary Celebration.**

Immediately after the service, we will have entertainment here in the sanctuary. If you are a visitor, we invite you to stay.

After the entertainment, all will be USHERED out. Those with lunch reservations, will proceed to the buffet.

## THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Happy 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Congratulations Bella Vista Lutheran Church from all at The Shepherd's Food Pantry who are privileged to be of service to those in need in our area. We are filled with joy to have the honor of being one of many groups representing our Lutheran congregation through outreach.

Hebrews 13:1-2,7-8 (ESV) Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares... Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the out-come of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

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## LENTEN SUPPERS

The Lenten Supper this week is Tacos and is sponsored by the youth group.

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## COMMUNION SERVICE & LUNCH

Tuesday, April 2 at 11:30 a.m.

Please remind our homebound members/friends

of this service.

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Marlys Rembold will celebrate her 90th birthday on April 4th. She will be honored at a reception between services on Sunday April 7. We invite you to come and wish her a Happy Birthday.

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## LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



LWML meeting is Thursday, April 4th at 6:30 P.M. Hear a presentation on the "Sheep Dog Impact Assistance Organization".

Pastor Gorshe will also be a special guest.

Pie and coffee will be served.

**THE LORD'S WEEK**  
March 31-April 6, 2019

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

**Monday**  
9:00 a.m. JOY I—Barbara Hartwig  
10:30 a.m. Caregiver's Support Group  
1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study  
Silver Needle Quilters—Marilyn Lee  
1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.  
JOY IIC—Sherryl Staiger  
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

**Tuesday**  
9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Doreen Lubeck  
9:30 a.m. JOY IIIC—Roxie Wyer  
11:30 p.m. Communion/Lunch Service  
12:30 p.m. JOY IV—Rachel Sanford

**Wednesday**  
9:00 a.m. S.W.A.P.  
9:30 a.m. LWML Quarterly  
1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library  
5:15 p.m. Lenten Supper—Tacos  
6:00 p.m. Lenten Service

**Thursday**  
10:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery  
10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Ruth Bruch  
12:30 p.m. HOPE SFP Delivery  
6:30 p.m. LWML Meeting

**Friday**  
10-12:00 Noon Shepherd's Food Pantry

**Saturday**  
9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
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**NEXT SUNDAY— April 7, 2019**  
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)  
2:00 p.m. Sunday Riders  
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**LESSONS FOR SUNDAY, April 7, 2019**  
Isaiah 43:16-21  
Philippians 3:(4b-7) 8-14  
Luke 20:9-20  
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**Bella Vista Mens Chorus**  
presents  
"Songs America Loves"  
on Sunday, April 14 at 3:00 p.m.  
at the Bella Vista Community Church.

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**Stewardship** Luke 15:12—"And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them." This prodigal son only sees the father as a source of wealth. Give me my inheritance now! Which is to say, you are better off dead in my eyes. This is the sin at the heart of all greed-valuing things over people. This parable calls us to come to our senses to see God as the loving Giver of all good, the true Father to be valued above and beyond all the things of this world.

**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.  
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**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  
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**"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.  
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**PHONE # CHANGE:**

Sally Peterson: Cell # is 479-295-4048  
Landline has been discontinued.  
Craig's cell phone is also discontinued.

**CORRECT PHONE #:**

Diana Watts—479-426-5024  
Lewis Watts—479-426-5028  
Landline has been discontinued.  
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**NEW MEMBERS:** Tyler & Trista Tetro, Delilah & Izaac  
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Trista: 727-271-4813