

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Nobody likes waiting, yet we find ourselves doing it often. From medical office waiting rooms to waiting behind traffic at stoplights, waiting for the phone to ring, waiting for good news to come, waiting for our next transition in life—we often wait.

And in our waiting, we often grow impatient and wonder how to pass the time in our idleness. In our Christian lives, we also find ourselves often waiting—waiting for Christ and His eternal kingdom to come. So what do we do as we wait?

The Spirit-inspired author of Hebrews tells us to be anything but idle. *“Let us draw near with a true heart. . . . Let us hold fast the confession of our hope. . . . Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.”*

The writer tells us exactly what we need to do. Yet in our waiting for Christ as we see “the Day approaching,” we don’t have to wait for what He’s already given to sustain, nourish, and equip us until His return.

Through His holiness and the price He paid with His blood on the cross, we can confidently draw near to Him now, firmly confess our hope, and stir up love and good works for the sake of others, that our waiting in this world may be one of devotion and joyful anticipation until that Last Day comes.

In Him, *Pastor Hass*

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please call Ula Biesterfeld at 855-6840 or the church office at 855-0272 with information for the Prayer Chain.

Prayers, please include:

Our Members: Marcella Casey, Fran Bloomer, Marv Henning, Marie Herr, Marlys Rembold, Jerry Lundwall, Al Grue-newald, Barbara Harlson, John Brack, Ron Fant, Gary Nelson, Doreen Lubeck, Buz Moxon, Melody Plaisance, Stan Crandall, Lillian Pingel

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; First Lutheran-Harrison; Bella Vista Community Church; Hanna House

The Library Is Waiting for YOU!

The building project is completed; the Library has been relocated to the room that was formerly Pastor Hass’s office. It has not only changed location, but has changed in other important ways.

The Library is now a conventional “Lending Library”. Books will no longer be “checked” in and out. You may take out books at any time. There will be a “return” basket where you will leave the books when you bring them back.

JOY books are located in the library as always. They are in separate bookcases along the wall. A specially marked shelf holds sample copies of the Bible Studies. There is a separate basket for returning JOY books.

A new addition to the Library is the LWML card carousel. It is in a great spot for you to browse and buy.

As we do not have enough shelf space to have all our books out at this time, there is no space to hold donated books. As soon as some more shelves are available we will inform you when you can start bringing them in.

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

- Fellowship Hall: Final Construction Update Presentation
- Choir Room: The study, “Christian Life Today: Health and Well Being” is led by Dick Munster.

Sunday School

All children and youth Sunday School classes will meet in the lower level of the new building.

The newly relocated Library will also serve as a meeting room and is furnished accordingly with a meeting table, chairs, and a coffee pot.

Claudia Jorgensen and Lora Rolling’s are the new Librarians.

We wish to thank Ula Biesterfeld for all her work in keeping the Library in such good shape. Please let her know how much you appreciate all her hours put into our library.

THE SHEPHERD’S FOOD PANTRY

Each One – Bring One could barely keep up with distribution of Thanksgiving groceries this past Friday. We broke all records for the number of clients, this being the first of three food pantry Fridays before Thanksgiving. We’ve made sure we will have sufficient turkeys for the coming Friday pantry when we again welcome more of our neighbors. But, we still need the rest of the ‘fixin’s’ too, such as stuffing, cranberries, sweet potatoes, cream soup, pumpkin and evaporated milk. Dear Church family, thank you for all your support and the funds you generously donated toward feeding our neighbors.

Psalm 100: ⁴Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. (ESV)

PARENT’S NIGHT OUT

November 18, 2015

5:30-8:00 p.m.

Friendly meal, games, crafts & music

Children ages 3-12

Call 855-0272 with questions

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Your 2016 offering envelopes are available in the narthex. Please check that the label # matches your envelope #.

LUTHERAN WOMEN’S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



Time to vote to support a Seminary Student. You will find a ballot in your box with names and information about 3 seminary students. Please vote for one and place your ballot in the box provided.

THE LORD'S WEEK
Nov 15-21, 2015

Sunday

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship w/communion**
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
 9:45 a.m. Christian Education
10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship**

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Fae Miskimen
 Backpacker—Chapel
 1:00 p.m. Silver Needle Quilters
 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
 JOY IIB—Marlys Rembold
 JOY IIC—Mary Willie

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. JOY IIIA—Thelma Sauer
 9:00 a.m. JOY IIIC—Betty Long
 11:00 a.m. United Way Food Delivery
 11:30 a.m. JOY IV—Lunch/Shopping
 12:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Makers

Wednesday

1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Classroom 3
 JOY VA—Church Library
 2-4 p.m. Beaded Ladies—Former Workroom
 5:30 p.m. Parent's Night Out
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Friendly Stitchers—Chapel
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 Pray—ers
 9:30 a.m. Harp's Delivery—Shepherd's Food Pantry
 11-12:00 noon HOPE Delivery—Shepherd's Food Pantry
 12-1:00 p.m. Ladies Bridge
 12:30 p.m. Highland Rehab.

Friday

10-1:00 p.m. Shepherd's Food Pantry

Saturday

10:00 a.m. Christmas Program Choir Rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY—November 22, 2015

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship**
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
 9:45 a.m. Christian Education
10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship w/communion**
 First Reading: Isaiah 51:4-6
 Epistle: Jude 20-25
 Gospel: Mark 13:24-37
 7:00 p.m. SAC I—Vern & Diane Howard

Stewardship



Hebrews 10:14: "For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified." Our Lord Jesus has provided the one offering for sin. What we offer to the Lord is not a sacrifice for sin; we can not buy our way into heaven with our money, works, or effort. Rather, what we give to the Lord's work in the Church is a thank offering, a sign of our dependency on God and all He has given us.

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN GOLF

Friday 18 Holes
 Singles & Couples
 Call Ron Burkett 268-3303



CHOIR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Rehearsal for the adult choir Christmas Program continues on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. Come & join us!

POINSETTIA ORDERS DUE by NOV. 16th

To order a Poinsettia for Christmas, please complete the bottom portion of the order form and place in Pat Vandenberg's mailbox. Use a special offering envelope and mark "Poinsettias" on the outside of the envelope and place in the offering plate. Payment is due by Nov. 30th.

ATTENTION: PRAYER SHAWL MAKERS

November 17th from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Beginners welcome!

Call Elaine Schurman at 531-3395

NEW MEMBERS:

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 14 Highland Parkway
 Bella Vista, AR. 72715
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Eric, Regina & Isabel Hilden
 43 Mayfair Drive
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BACKPACKERS

will meet TOMORROW

November 16 at 9:00 a.m.

in the Chapel (former Fellowship Hall.)

Come & join us!