

# BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 24-30, 2016

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We know that our response to the proclamation of the Gospel is central to our lives. In our Gospel lesson today from Luke, Chapter 4, we see that the people of Nazareth rejected Jesus. We, like them, run the risk of taking Him for granted. Jesus persisted with them, and with you, so that, in His gracious words, you have the assurance He brings His favor to you.

The hometown relatives and neighbors of Jesus heard Him proclaim in person that He was the fulfillment of the plan of God announced by the prophets. He had come among them as God in person. He personally comes among us today in Word and Sacrament. Day by day and week by week the Scripture is fulfilled in our hearing, inviting our response of faith and faithfulness.

In Him, *Pastor Hass*

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## 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, Marlys Rembold, John Brack, Gary Nelson, Deb Roesener, Gary Hartwig, Gary Aaron, Bev Hess, John Moldenhauer, Kay Gaudian, Dick Hise, Lewis Watts, Rich Haddock, Dorothy Jones, Sol Garrett, Paul Behnke

**Condolences:** Nancy Gruenewald at the loss of her husband, Al

**Missions:** Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Unidos En Cristo—Springdale; Bella Vista Christian; Quilting Outreach

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## THANKS

I would like to thank everyone who sent me cards and for all of the prayers when I had my eye surgery and safe travel for us. We are blessed with many friends here at BVLC.

Dave Wilkins

To my "Family of Friends" at Bella Vista Lutheran Church: Thank you so much for all the cards and notes of encouragement, and acts of kindness...but most of all for all the prayers before, during, and after my recent surgery. You have "prayed me thru these last 4 weeks" and I am on a good road to recovery. Thank You!

Kay Gaudian

Thank you for the beautiful get well cards, phone calls, visits, and Christian love shown to me during my hospital stay this past week. Praise and thanks be to God for no damage to the heart and the Doctor gave me a clean bill of health on Tuesday of this week. Thanks again.

Dorothy Jones

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## COMMUNION SERVICE & LUNCH

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

Please remind our homebound members/friends of this service.

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## HELPING HANDS WORK DAY

is next Saturday, January 30th

from 12:00—4:00 p.m.

Please sign up at the kiosk.

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

### Adult Bible Study

- Fellowship Hall: Today we will start a Dr. Paul Maier Bible Study on "Christianity, the First Three Centuries." This will continue for several weeks and will be led by Chuck Merriman.
- Choir Room: We begin the Concordia Publishing House study, "The Truth About Islam" which 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 SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

**Each One – Bring One**— Thank you all for helping us restock the shelves in the food pantry. We continue to need more healthy cereal and can really use plain Cheerios or similar type product. Steel-cut oatmeal is always needed for our "special needs" clients, too. If you can lend a hand in the pantry, please check out our volunteer sheet on the kiosk.

Deuteronomy 15:11 "For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.'"

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## FELLOWSHIP RAZORBACK BASKETBALL GAME AND FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Today is the last day to sign up for the Razorback Women's Basketball Game on Sunday, January 31. They will be playing Mississippi State @ 2:00 P.M. Car pool from either Highlands Arvest or Allen's at 12:15 P.M. Tickets are \$2. We will also be having dinner as a private party at Papa Mike's at 4:45 P.M. Cost is \$12/adults & \$6/children. Sign up at the Kiosk no later than today, Sunday, January 24 for either or both Fellowship Events. For Basketball Tickets, place money in Lear's box. Pay for dinner at Papa Mikes. Questions, please call John or June Lear at 876-6923.

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**LUTHERAN WITNESS** subscription forms need to be turned in to the office today. Extra forms are on the kiosk.

## LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



Our seminarian, Anthony DiLiberto's monthly news letter, as well as his thank you are posted on LWML bulletin board.

Also, quilters are in need of ladies to sew and tie quilts to help us the 2nd & 4th Wed. of each month to make LWR & baby quilts for our mission work. Thank you.

**THE LORD'S WEEK**  
January 24-30, 2016

**Sunday**

8:30 a.m.	<b>Divine Worship</b>
9:30 a.m.	Fellowship
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Blended Worship w/communion</b>
3:30 p.m.	Singles—Home of Sally Pfluger
7:00 p.m.	SAC I—Diane & Vern Howard

**Monday**

9:00 a.m.	JOY I—Sally Peterson
1:30 p.m.	JOY IIB—
	JOY IIA—Highlands
	JOY IIC—Vera Fenner
6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm. Stephen Ministry—Multi Purpose Room

**Tuesday**

8:30 a.m.	JOY IIIA—Margaret Kuehn
9:30 a.m.	JOY IIIC—Ilene Severns
11:00 a.m.	United Way SFP Delivery
1:30 a.m.	JOY IV—Diana Wickboldt

**Wednesday**

8:30 a.m.	Quilting
1:00 p.m.	JOY VB— Church-Classroom 3 JOY VA—Library
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday**

9:00 a.m.	Friendly Stitchers
11:00 a.m.	Harps SFP Delivery
12:00 noon	HOPE SFP Delivery
6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm.

**Friday**

10—1:00 p.m.	Shepherd's Food Pantry
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**Saturday**

12-4 p.m.	Helping Hands Work Day
1:00 p.m.	Marie Herr's Birthday Party

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**NEXT SUNDAY—January 31, 2016**

<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>UNITY SERVICE w/communion</b>
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship
2:00 p.m.	Razorback Women's Basketball Game

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**MISSING**

We are missing the small, black luggage bag with wheels that stores our orange, "Heritage Hymns" song books. These books are used at Highland Rehab, Village House and Concordia for the worship services. If you know where this case and the books are, please call the church office. They have disappeared!!!

**Stewardship**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE  
EPIPHANY**



1 Cor. 12:16 "And if the ear should say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body." The Lord has called each of us individually and given each of us unique gifts. He has made our whole lives holy in our Baptism and has called us to a life together in the Church, His body. You are a part of that body, and that body needs you and the gifts the Lord has given you. This is your holy calling from the Lord.

Check out the new shipment of **all occasion cards!** This is an LWML project and all cards are only **\$ 3.00 a box.** **The display is located in the church Library.** Just place the money in the envelope provided and put it in Elaine Schurman's church mailbox. Make checks payable to **LWML.**

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The **2016 FLOWER CHART** is on the bulletin board in the narthex. The price will remain at \$45.00 for 2016. Please sign up at your convenience.

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**SINGLES—TODAY**

3:30 p.m.  
Home of Sally Pfluger  
16 Fryer Lane  
Light supper will be served.

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**DR. PAUL MAIER**

will visit BVLC on  
**Saturday, April 9**  
**and Sunday, April 10**  
**Mark your calendars!!**

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**90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**



You are invited to a 90th Birthday celebration for **Marie Herr** on **Saturday, January 30th** starting at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch and a cake reception will be held.

Please consider this your invitation to wish Marie a **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**