

# BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

February 19-25, 2017  
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

“We are God’s house of living stones, built for His own habitation.” These words from stanza 3 of the well-known hymn “Built on the Rock the Church Shall Stand,” are a reminder to each of us of who we are, and what gives us a sense of belonging in Christ’s Church.

As we gather for worship, we are those stones being piled up together, one more time. Whether the pile is small or huge, includes many pebbles or none at all, it is the use of the stones that is important.

The stones are fashioned by the working of God for His own habitation. These stones are His people, gathered in His Name in worship. We can serve no greater purpose than to live our redeemed lives in joy filled worship of Him!

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, Deb Roesener, Gary Hartwig, John Moldenhauer, Mike Dwyer, Rick Benson, Richard Meyer, Lillian Pingel, Rich Had-dock, Joanne Cline, Curtis Howell, Shirley Peshek, Marlys Rembold, Helen Hise

**Condolences:** Bettye Deppeler at the loss of her brother-in-law, J. N. Austill

**Missions:** Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Grace Lutheran-Holiday Island; Fellowship Missionary Baptist; Lutheran Braille Workers

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## THANKS

Dear BVLC family: Sooo many thank yous to sooo many for such wonderful prayers the past months!! God is sooo good and Buz and I are sooo grateful, to Him and to all of you. We are blessed!

Judy Moxon

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## LUTHERAN HOUR

Listen to the Lutheran Hour each Sunday over radio station KURM-FM (100.3) at 12:30 p.m. Today’s program is “Love Your Enemies—Jesus Does!” with Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz. God calls us to love and forgive our enemies the way He loves and forgives us. (Matthew 5:38-48)

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THE **SHOEBOX MINISTRY** would appreciate any shoeboxes and/or sample size shampoo, deodorant, soap, etc. We will be packing shoeboxes on Feb. 28 at 9:00 a.m. Please place items under the appropriate window seat in the narthex.

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The **FELLOWSHIP TEAM** is requesting that you label food left in the refrigerators so we can contact you if we are cooking for an event. The labels are in the Fellowship drawer by the small window. We thank you for your cooperation.

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## SPRING CHOIR CONCERT

“The Risen Christ” is the title of our choir concert scheduled for April 23rd at 4:00 p.m. Rehearsals start March 4 at 10:00 and will be held every Saturday until the program. *Anyone that would like to sing with us is welcome to join us.*

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## LENTEN SUPPERS

The sign-up sheet for Lenten Suppers for 2017 is waiting for your group to pick a date. Also add what charity you are donating to. Call Claudia Jorgensen at 876-2696 with any questions.

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

### Adult Bible Study

- **Fellowship Hall:** Pastor Hass will be leading a Bible Study on the Book of Acts. This will be a Biblical perspective on the growth of the beginning of the Christian Church.
- **Library:** “Who am I? What am I doing here?” Bible study in the Library led by Terry Held. This is a great Lutheran Hour Ministries DVD class hosted by the St. Louis Seminary to help you connect your life to the Bible.
- **Old Fellowship Hall:** This is a Bible Study class studying the entire Bible by using the book, The Story. This is a narrative presentation of the Bible in chronological order and is led by Dale Wandrie.

### Sunday School

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

## THE SHEPHERD’S FOOD PANTRY

**Each One – Bring One:** The Shepherd’s Food Pantry is requesting shampoo and body wash at this time. In addition, we continue to need regular size peanut butter as well. Reminder, any \$5 coupons from Dollar General can be used for hygiene products. Thank you for any help you can give.

We continue to reuse clean juice bottles (e.g., 59 oz. size of Simply Juice) for distributing the detergent we make at the pantry.

Matthew 5:7 (*ESV*) <sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.”

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## FELLOWSHIP HALL BIBLE STUDY

Starting **Sunday, February 26** the Fellowship Hall Bible study will be using a Ray Vander Laan DVD series focusing on “The Path to the Cross,” facilitated by Chuck Merriman.

“The Path to the Cross” series will help us to get ready for Easter by understanding the events that led up to Easter. We will visit many Biblical sites in the Holy Land to help us understand what was going on prior to the Cross.

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## INQUIRER’S CLASS

A new Sunday morning class – the **Inquirer’s Class** – will begin on February 26<sup>th</sup>. This class introduces people to Christianity, Lutheranism and Bella Vista Lutheran Church. Please bring your friends that may be interested, or come for a refresher course in what we as Christians believe, teach and confess. This class is led by Pastor Hass and will meet in the Conference Room.

## LUTHERAN WOMEN’S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



The theme for the LWML 37th Biennial Convention is **“Jesus Christ Above All”** and is based on the Scripture verse: **“Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name.”** (Philippians 2:9).

**THE LORD'S WEEK**  
February 19-25, 2017

**Sunday**

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship w/communion**  
9:30 a.m. Fellowship  
10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship**  
12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour KURM-FM (100.3)  
"Love Your Enemies—Jesus Does!"  
3:00 p.m. Concordia Service

**Monday**

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Duffers/Village House  
10:00 a.m. Village House Service  
1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study  
Silver Needle Quilters  
Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm.  
1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highlands  
JOY IIB—Donna Henning  
JOY IIC—Mary Willie  
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

**Tuesday**

9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Ula Biesterfeld  
JOY IIIC—Diana Watts  
12:00 noon SFP Food Bank Delivery  
12:30 P.M. Prayer Shawl Makers  
1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm.  
1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Diana Wickboldt

**Wednesday**

8:30 a.m. Quilting  
1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library  
6:00 p.m. Grief Support Group—Library  
Women's Bible Study—Camilla Hass  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday**

10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Library  
11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery  
12:00 noon HOPE SFP Delivery

**Friday**

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

**Saturday**

1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training—Library  
5:37 p.m. **537 Worship Service**

**NEXT SUNDAY—February 26, 2017**

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship**  
9:30 a.m. Fellowship  
10:45 a.m. **Blended Worship w/communion**  
12:30 p.m. Lutheran Hour KURM-FM (100.3)  
7:00 p.m. SAC I—Vern & Diane Howard

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Due to the cost of maintaining the landscaping along the front parking lot, the Property Maintenance Team has decided to replace it with rocks. Anyone interested in having any of the shrubs should remove them in the next month.

**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**Stewardship**



Leviticus 19:2 "You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy." By God's grace we are His children—and we are called to be spitting images of our Father who is in heaven. Growing in holiness is not some abstract concept—it is growing into the image of God: in love, in generosity, in kindness, in humility. Where Jesus goes, we follow. How Jesus is, thus we are called to be.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

One Prayer Shawl uses 6 oz. of "Home Spun" or 6 oz. of "I Cannot Believe This Yarn". **The yarn must be washable & dryable.** If you can help, please leave the yarn in the church office. If you need yarn, please contact Elaine Schurman at 531-3395 or des1965@att.net.

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**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Inviting all ladies who would like to be part of a Bible study but can't meet during the day... a new study (The Story) will meet at the home of Camilla Hass on **WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22nd at 6:00 p.m.** If you are interested, contact Camilla at 479-685-2580.

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**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The Men's Discipleship Bible class continues on Mondays at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please park behind the Fellowship Hall and enter through the basement door.

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**QUILTERS REQUEST**

Someone has borrowed our large bin of 12" white quilt blocks. We are in need of them NOW as we have many colored blocks but no white ones. Please call Irma Miesbach 855-7923 or Esther Meier 876-5602. Thank you.

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**It's birthday time...**

It's time to celebrate your special day on Wednesday, February 22 at noon at the River Grille!

Spouses and guests welcome!  
Please sign up at the kiosk.

Questions: Call Betty Bennett at 479-855-2759

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