

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

February 26-March 4, 2017
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

“Changed from glory into glory.” In his classic hymn “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” hymn writer Charles Wesley describes the final change of the redeemed believer in Jesus Christ. The believer, by God’s grace, is “perfectly restored” in Christ, who set aside His glory to suffer and die for the sins of all people.

The sight that Peter, James and John encountered on the Mount of Transfiguration is glorious! But that glory was revealed by God to these disciples, and recorded in the Bible for us, and for our salvation. While these three disciples were amazed at the supernatural event that took place on the Mount of Transfiguration, Jesus was focused beyond the glory of His transfiguration on the mountain to the glory of the cross, where He would complete God’s saving work on our behalf.

As we gather today to sing our hymns of praise, we find our reason for glory in God’s grace-filled action for us.

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, Deb Roesener, Gary Hartwig, John Moldenhauer, Mike Dwyer, Rick Benson, Richard Meyer, Lillian Pingel, Joanne Cline, Shirley Peshek, Marlys Rembold, Helen Hise, Sol Garrett

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Redeemer Lutheran—Mountain Home; Heritage Baptist Church of BV; Village House

THANKS

Thank you for the prayers, cards and well wishes during my recovery. Thank you, Pastor Jones, for your prayers and visits during my hospital stay. It is a blessing to be part of the church's family.

Rich Haddock

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 “Guilt’s Gone” with Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. A guilty conscience accuses; a forgiving Savior brings peace to troubled hearts. (1 Corinthians 6:9-11)

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.*

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.

NEEDED: Someone to be responsible for the changing of the parament on the altar. Carol Sanders has been in charge of this for many, many years but due to her moving, I am looking for someone to take her place. This is not a difficult or time consuming duty but an important one. Call Pat VandenBerge if you are interested.

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

Adult Bible Study

- **Fellowship Hall:** Today we start a Ray Vander Laan DVD series focusing on “The Path to the Cross.” This class is facilitated by Chuck Merriman.
- **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.
- **Conference Room:** Inquirer’s Class begins today. This class introduces people to Christianity, Lutheranism and Bella Vista Lutheran Church. This class is led by Pastor Hass and will meet in the Conference Room.

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, body wash and toothbrushes. Reminder, any \$5 coupons from Dollar General can be used for adult hygiene products. Thank you for your help!

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

1 Thessalonian 3:12 (ESV):...and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you,

LWML REMINDER

Be sure to bring your mites
NEXT SUNDAY, March 5, 2017.

The Mite Box will be on the kiosk.

The Outreach Team is pleased to announce a new Motorcycling Opportunity. **SONDAY RIDERS** is open to all makes and models of 2 or 3 wheeled motorcycles. We will ride (weather permitting) each 2nd and 4th Sundays from March – November. We leave from the Church at 2:00 pm. For more info. signup on the Kiosk or contact Garry Raymond. Like us (Sunday Riders) on FaceBook.

LUTHERAN WOMEN’S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



The LWML 37th Biennial Convention goal: Empowered by the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament, I will proclaim Jesus Christ above all.

We pray that you will consider attending the convention in Albuquerque, N. M.

THE LORD'S WEEK
February 26-March 4, 2017

Sunday

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) or
KURM-AM (790) "Guilt's Gone"
7:00 p.m. SAC I—Vern & Diane Howard

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Irma Miesbach
1:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—NO MEETING
1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highlands
JOY IIB—
JOY IIC—Bev Effinger
6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—NO MEETING

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. JOY IIIA—Shoebox Ministry
JOY IIIC—Coleen Gast
12:00 noon SFP Food Bank Delivery
1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm.
1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Lois Sullivan

Wednesday

9-3:00 p.m. S.W.A.P.
9:30 a.m. LWML Quarterly
1:00 p.m. JOY VB—Library
6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service w/communion

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Pray—ers
10:15 a.m. JOY VA—Library
11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery
12:00 noon HOPE SFP Delivery
1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training—Conference Rm.

Friday

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

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Concert Rehearsal
5:37 p.m. **537 Worship Service**

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COMMUNION SERVICE & LUNCH

Tuesday, March 7th at 11:30 a.m.
Please remind our homebound members/friends
of this service.

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 secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

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.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Discipleship Bible class resumes on March 6, 2017. **We WILL NOT meet on February 27th.** Please park behind the Fellowship Hall and enter through the basement door.

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.

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.

Genesis Movie Review

Ron and I attended the movie, "Genesis," at the Sugar Creek Cinema Thursday evening, Feb. 23rd. The theater seats about 150 patrons and it was almost full. There were plenty of teenagers along with adults. I'm not a scientist but I volunteered to write this short review for those of you who wanted to attend but learned too late that the showing was sold out.

The narrator, Del Tackett, creator of Focus on the Family's The Truth Project, talks with scientists and Bible scholars about the history of the earth and the origins of man. The goal was to find evidence supporting the historicity of Genesis and to answer commonly asked questions about two competing views and how you interpret the data.

My scientist husband wrote the following synopsis of the 90 minute show: "It is an exhaustive comparison of the theory of evolution (which takes a LONG time) to the Bible account of creation in a matter of just six days. The historical evidence is the same for both sides. The major difference is that of time. For example, when looking at the rock layers in the Grand Canyon, a geologist says, "It's not a little water and a lot of time; it's a lot of water in a little time" that formed the canyon. The flood was a massive event and a re-set for the world. God wins!"

To that I say, "Amen!" Sonja Burkett