

# BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 27-April 2, 2016

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Without Easter, there is no hope. Without Easter, there is no *real* life. Simply put, without Easter, there's no Christianity.

The Resurrection of Our Lord is the day on which the Church, throughout the world, celebrates the new reality we are given because Christ Jesus is indeed risen from the dead, *never to die again!*

For many people, Easter Day is no different from any other day, except perhaps for a few special traditions involving a bunny, a ham, and an egg hunt for the kids. We know better, don't we? And we have a blessed opportunity today, don't we?

As we gather for worship this morning, we confess our risen Lord and His saving Gospel before the world! May the world know what we know! Without Easter, we have nothing.

Yet with Easter and because of Easter, we have everything! Forgiveness and new life are ours in Christ, both to receive and to share! ***Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

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, Deb Roesener, Gary Hartwig, John Moldenhauer, Kay Gaudian, Paul Behnke, Jerre Lender, Chuck Scherz, Loretta Ostenso, Richard Meyer, Georgia Kinney

**Missions:** Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Christ Lutheran—Siloam Springs; St. Bernard's Catholic Church; Friendly Stitchers

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## IT IS TAX TIME AGAIN

---Do you need help completing and filing your Income Tax return? A tax site located in the Computer Club at the Crossings, 1801 Forest Hills Blvd., will prepare your return without charge from 10am to 4pm Tuesdays and Thursdays. Our congregation also has a qualified individual who can assist you. Contact our Family Life Minister, Chuck Merriman at [familylifeminister@bvlutheran.com](mailto:familylifeminister@bvlutheran.com).

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## DR. PAUL MAIER

will hold a one-day seminar  
on Saturday, April 9 from 9-3:15 p.m.  
Learn How Christianity Spread in the  
First Century Through St. Paul.

To register, sign up at the kiosk  
or register online at [bvlutheran.com](http://bvlutheran.com)

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## DISTRICT LWML CONVENTION

Eldorado, AR.  
June 10-12, 2016  
\$100.00 registration.

Registration forms are on the kiosk.

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**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR TODAY  
WILL CONSIST OF JOINING  
YOUR BVLC FRIENDS FOR COFFEE  
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE  
UNITY SERVICE.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES  
WILL NOT BE HELD TODAY.**

## **AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY**

The **Shepherd's Food Pantry** wants each of you to know that we are here for our entire community—and that includes our own Church Family!

Please, if you have a need at some point in time, it would please us to be able to assist you, whether it be food for the body or prayer and information.

Call Linda at the church office so a private appointment can be made as soon as possible with a pantry member to see how we can be of help.

It may seem that "Each One-Bring One" is posted in the Weekly News each Sunday to ask for your help. Just know that our purpose is to be of service to all in the congregation as well. Know that we are very grateful for all the support we receive from our Bella Vista Lutheran Church family. Blessed Easter to you and your families.

Celebrate Christ for He is Risen — He is Risen Indeed!

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## LWML SPRING RALLY

Harrison, Arkansas

April 2, 2016

\$10.00 registration

Sign up at the kiosk TODAY.

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## LWML REMINDER

Be sure to bring your mites

**NEXT SUNDAY, April 3.**

The Mite Box will be on the kiosk.

## LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



LWML MEETING is April 7 at 10 a.m.

Speaker is Robin Jeep

Learn what the Bible says about food!  
You'll get the top most critical facts, and discover how to feast your way to super health.

Yes, you can prevent or even in some cases reverse heart disease, type 2 diabetes, obesity, memory loss, constipation, fatigue, and many forms of cancer by eating healthy, delicious food!

**THE LORD'S WEEK**  
**March 27-April 2, 2016**

**Sunday**

9:30 a.m. Easter Unity Service with communion  
 10:45 a.m. Fellowship

**Monday**

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Helen Hise  
 11:30 a.m. JOY IIB—Papa Mike's  
 1:00 p.m. Men's Discipleship Class—Classroom 3  
 1:30 p.m. JOY IIC—Joanne Cline  
 JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.  
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry  
 7:00 p.m. Men's Discipleship Class—Classroom 3

**Tuesday**

8:30 a.m. JOY IIIA—Margaret Kuehn  
 9:30 a.m. JOY IIIC—Bettye Deppeler  
 1:30 a.m. JOY IV—Kay Gaudian

**Wednesday**

1:00 p.m. JOY VB— Church—Classroom 3  
 JOY VA—Church—Church Library  
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday**

11:00 a.m. Harps SFP Delivery  
 12:00 noon HOPE SFP Delivery

**Friday**

10—1:00 p.m. Shepherd's Food Pantry

**Saturday**

9:00 a.m. Pastoral Care Assistants Meeting  
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**NEXT SUNDAY—April 5, 2016**

8:30 a.m. Divine Worship w/communion  
 Stephen Ministry Commissioning  
 Fellowship  
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship  
 10:45 a.m. Blended worship  
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**EASTER SUNDAY**

**Stewardship**



Luke 24:6-7 "He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." So Jesus is risen...but is that Good News? What if He is mad at us for betraying Him, for running away at Gethsemane, for not believing He would rise? The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen, but that He is risen to bless us: there is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers and means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen, He is risen indeed!

**GRIEF SHARE** classes are scheduled to start on April 5 at 2:00 p.m. here in the church library. This is a 13 week series and is led by Dorothy Jones. Please call her at 366-1700 if you have questions.

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**BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN GOLF**

Thursday Mixed 9 Holers  
 Singles & Couples

Season begins April 7  
 at Scotsdale @ 9:24  
 Great Fellowship!

Sign up at Narthex Center Kiosk  
 Or call Bill Scholten: 855-1324



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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

It's time to celebrate your Special Day!  
 Wednesday, March 30th  
 12:00 Noon  
 The River Grille

Spouses and guests are welcome! Please sign up at the kiosk by Monday, March 28th.

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**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The Men's Discipleship Class continues tomorrow, March 28th. Both the afternoon class at 1 p.m. and the evening class at 7 p.m. will meet in Classroom 3 downstairs. Please park behind the Fellowship Hall and enter through the basement door.

Please read chapter 4 in the Gospel of Matthew. We will have an introduction to The Sermon on the Mount in chapter 5. Be prepared to share your information and/or ask questions based on what you read.

All men are invited to meet with us and continue to grow as disciples of Jesus.

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**DIRECTORY ADDITIONS:**

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