

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 11-17, 2015

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Today, in worship, God acts, speaks, and gives of Himself through Word and Sacrament. God always acts first. He always comes down, to us, to provide us with what we could never earn, deserve, or even hope for; Himself!

In song, prayer, liturgy, and tithes and offerings we respond to His merciful grace, forgiveness, and guidance. As we gather today for Consecration Sunday, let us never forget that when we consecrate something, we set it apart for holy purposes, for God's use. As we consider the gifts of time, talent and treasure we offer to our Lord this day, let us always strive to understand fully the words of the old stewardship hymn, penned by William How in 1864:

*We give Thee but Thine own,
whate'er the gift might be;
all that we have is Thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

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, Ed Barnoski, Marlys Rembold, Jerry Lundwall, Thelma Breen, Jerre Lender, Myrna Ewoldt, Paul Martin, Al Gruenewald, Dick Hise, Barbara Harlson, Lewis Watts, Helen Weeks, John Brack, Ron Fant, Patrice Eggert

Missions: Pastor J. P. Cima—Viet Nam; Our Redeemer—Berryville; Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church; Stephen Ministry

THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone for the many, many cards and visits while I was recovering from surgery. My thanks especially to Pastor Jones for his prayers and visits and also to Pastor Schaap, to the Pastoral Care group, the Sonshiners and Joy group. I'm so thankful for all your prayers and kindness.

Verna Menard

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING IN 2016 HELP THE YOUTH PREPARE !

Please sign up in the Narthex for a fun time helping out the Youth Group in raising funds at the Arts and Craft Fair on October 15-17. Our members in the past have greatly enjoyed volunteering so that the youth receive help with their wonderful trip. More detailed instruction of the job duties is posted on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions, contact Chuck Merriman.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We will continue with "The Great Miracles of the New Testament" on Thursday, October 22nd. I'm looking forward to this opportunity to get to know more of the men in our congregation as we dig through the last three miracles. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m. Come and bring a friend!!

A fellow disciple of Jesus—Fred Schaap

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

Adult Bible Study

- Fellowship Hall: Today our Bible Study is entitled "Treasures" and is lead by Pastor Hass.
Construction update will be shown before the start of the Bible Study.
- Choir Room: The new study, "Christian Life Today: Health & 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 SHEPHERD'S FOOD PANTRY

Each One – Bring One is grateful for all the wonderful donations to the Thanksgiving food collection. We hope you have been inspired by our new Thanksgiving banner as we continue to collect the items listed on the collection box. You may have to look around for the box or the grocery cart, since the locations changes from day to day due to construction. Any contributions of food or money or your time volunteering are very much appreciated. You make a difference. Ephesians 5:20 **ESV** Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

The interest in having Advent by Candlelight this year is low. If you are interested in hosting a table, the sign up sheet is on the kiosk. If there are not enough hostesses, we will skip this year.

OKTOBERFEST

Oktoberfest planning is well underway and we need your help. We need someone with a truck to **pick up the cooking grill** at Arvest Bank in Bella Vista on Sunday, October 18th in the morning and return it after the festivities. Contact Jack Grober at 268-3868 for further details. Your assistance is truly appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to be a part of our **sound team**. We have lost several members and need your help and consideration to fill those places.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



The signup sheet for the LWML worship service on November 3rd, is on the kiosk. PLEASE sign up for the service.

Deadline for membership renewal is October 30th. Please place your \$20.00 envelope in Elaine Schurman's box.

THE LORD'S WEEK
October 11-17, 2015

Sunday

8:30 a.m. **Divine Worship**
 Fellowship
 9:30 a.m. Christian Education
 9:45 a.m. Christian Education
10:45 a.m. Blended Worship w/communion
 1:30 p.m. TLC Highlands West—Classroom 3
 2:00 p.m. TLC Highlands East—Narthex

Monday

9:00 a.m. JOY I—Sherry Burch
 1:30 p.m. JOY IIA—Highland Rehab.
 JOY IIB—Curly Baehr
 JOY IIC—Joanne Cline
 Stephen Ministry
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. JOY IIIA—Ula Biesterfeld
 9:00 a.m. JOY IIIC—Barbara Harlson
 12:00 Noon United Way Delivery
 1:30 p.m. JOY IV—Carol Sanders
 6:30-7:30 p.m. Congregational Care Meeting

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Quilting
 11:00 a.m. Food Bank Delivery
 12:00 noon JOY VB—Classroom 3 to pack school kits
 Men's Lunch Bunch — Duffers
 1:00 p.m. Writing Group
 1:30 p.m. JOY VA—Church
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Sonshiners
 9:30 a.m. Pray—ers
 11-12:00 noon Harp's Delivery—Shepherd's Food Pantry
 12-1:00 p.m. HOPE Delivery—Shepherd's Food Pantry
 12:30 p.m. Ladies Bridge—Fellowship Hall
 2:30 p.m. Highland Rehab

Friday

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

Saturday

NEXT SUNDAY—October 18, 2015—Celebration 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
1:00 p.m. Oktoberfest

CHOIR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Rehearsal for the adult choir Christmas Program begins on Saturday, October 17 at 10:00 a.m. Please consider joining us to celebrate the birth of our King. Invite your friends and neighbors to sing with us.

MEN'S LUNCH BUNCH

Wednesday, October 14, 2015
 12:00 noon at Duffer's.
 Come & join us!

**THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY
 AFTER PENTECOST**

Stewardship



Hebrews 3:18-19 “And to whom did He swear that they would not enter His rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.” Unbelief leads to disobedience — that is, every sin expresses the opposite of faith. True and living faith guides us into the Lord's way and the Lord's plan. And when we fall into sin, it's because we are not trusting the Lord's goodness and provision.

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN GOLF

Thursday Mixed 9 Holes
 Singles & Couples
 Call Bill Scholten 855-1324

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**It's time to celebrate your special day
 on Wednesday, October 28th at noon at the River Grille.**

This is your invitation to join all of us born in September and October to enjoy a special luncheon prepared just for us at the River Grille. The staff at the restaurant will provide a private room and dessert for all who have a birthday in September and October. Spouses and guests are welcome! Please sign up at the kiosk by Monday, October 26th.

This is a regularly scheduled outing sponsored by the Fellowship team. Questions? Call Betty Bennett at 479-855-2759

SENIOR SAFETY ACADEMY

Bella Vista Lutheran Church

Tuesday, October 20th

9:00-3:30 p.m.

Sign up at the kiosk or call the church office.

The Academy is an all-day effort to bring information to seniors. Refreshments, as well as “breakfast” and “lunch” are provided by the vendors. Invite family & friends and enjoy the day!

NEW PHONE #: Sara & Darrell Janssen: 479-268-4467

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