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Bishop Hills Newsletter

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April Events

For more information see the calendar on our website at www.bishophills.org

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Bishop Hills Elder Care for updated pictures



4th Rockford Library Book Delivery at 1:30 room to room

5th Resident Easter Egg Hunt at 11:15

7th Good Friday & Resurrection Service at 2:15

9th Easter- family members please let us know in advance if taking a resident out. No Church service will be held at Bishop Hills Today.

12th Chaplain Val Visiting

15th Hymn Sing at 2:30 with Three Angels Church

17th Acrylic Painting Class with Peg at 1:00

18th Resident Council Meeting at 1:15

26th Mass at 9:00

26th Chaplain Val Visiting

26th Music Man Program at 5:30

Construction Continuing!

Thank you for everyone's patience during this time of construction. So far work has been done on west & east hall and the kitchen. The dining room and eventually the front portion of the building will be starting to create more office space! Check our Facebook page for pictures! You do not need to be a part of Facebook to view our site. Resident's rooms will not be done during this time. Weekly classes might need to be moved or rescheduled during this time. Some days meals might be temporarily served in rooms as needed. We will do our best to communicate these changes to the residents daily. Please see daily schedules posted in halls for changes as well.

John 3:16: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

We are beginning the time of Holy Week for most Christians starting April 2; the time from Palm Sunday through Easter. It is the time we re-live the events of Jesus going into Jerusalem with people celebrating his arrival, and then his arrest and trial, his death, and ultimately his resurrection. It is a week in which Jesus, through his words and actions, reminds us of God's great love for us and all creation. That God wants to be connected with us, in relationship with us now and always. That God saves not only our souls but our daily life as well.

Recently I spent some time with followers of Jesus who begin every worship with: "O God, come to my assistance; O Lord make haste to save me!" And yesterday a friend and I read Psalm 18 that is all about times of struggle and fighting, war and violence. Then in verses 16 through 19, that all changes as God brings his beloved out of all that chaos. My friend's version was the Message.

So, this week, as we head into Easter, I invite you to do the following. Simply read, several times each day, these words from Psalm 18. Listen to how God is speaking to you about you, your relationship with God, and how God desires to be present in your life. Cont..

Psalm 18: 16-19; The Message
But me he (God) caught---reached all the way from sky to sea; he pulled me out Of that ocean of hate, that enemy chaos, the void in which I was drowning. They hit me when I was down, but God stuck by me. He stood me up on a wide-open field I stood there saved—surprised to be loved!

May you experience God's love for you this month in new and restoring ways.

Chaplain Karen

Flower of the Month – Daisy

April's flower is the daisy, which has long been a favorite of gardeners everywhere. Daisies are beautiful, but they are also very easy to care for and will grow just about anywhere. Daisies are found everywhere in the world except Antarctica. Just add water and sun, and these little sunbursts add some brightness to any garden.

The daisy's Latin name, *Bellis perennis*, translates to "everlasting beauty," revealing just how cherished this blossom has been throughout the years. Because of their pure white color, they are a symbol of innocence and are considered the flower of children.

