



THE EASTER EGG HUNT is Saturday at 10:30 AM. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to bring their children and enjoy this special event. The Egg Hunt begins with a welcome and opening in the “Big Room.”

THOUSANDS OF EGGS need help finding a good hiding place. If you can help hide eggs, be at Open Arms at 8:30 this Saturday. The Easter Egg Hunt is great opportunity for Open Arms to welcome our Day Care Families and the Community.

HOLY WEEK AT OPEN ARMS

- Palm Sunday, March 24th, Humbly Follow Jesus, Philippians 2:5-11
- Maundy Thursday, March 28th, 6:30 PM
The Lord’s Supper, Hebrews 9:15, 22, Mark 14:12-26.
First Communion for 6th Grade Youth
- Good Friday, March 29th, 6:30 PM
Listen, Believe and Follow Jesus, March 29th, John 19:17-37
- Easter Sunday, March 31st. Easter Breakfast, 9:00 – 9:45 AM
Easter Celebration, Follow the Risen Lord, John 20:1-18. 10:00 AM
Easter Egg Hunt, after the service

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY at 6:30 pm, on Tuesday, March 26th. The men will begin discussing “How to Talk About Your Faith.” All the men of open and their friends are invited to join us for the March classes.

YOUTH BIBLE CLASSES are after the worship services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Family Life Field Work Student Jackson will lead the group on Palm Sunday, March 24th.

THE STORY is the Bible told as one continuous series of events. It is the account of God’s great love for people. Everyone in the Open Arms family is encouraged to read one chapter of “The Story” each week. You are invited to stay after the worship service on Sunday to review the previous week’s reading.

THRIVENT ACTION GRANTS can be used to support ministries and special events at Open Arms. If you are Thrivent member, please consider using one of your two yearly action grants for one of these upcoming events.

- Belleville Schools Hygiene Kits

- Homeless Lunches, April 14th
- After Church Tailgate Party, April 28th
- National Day of Prayer, May 2nd
- Veterans “Take Out Tuesday” Gift Cards, before Memorial Day

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND SERVICES

- Easter Egg Hunt, March 23
- Maundy Thursday Service, March 28, 6:30 PM
- Good Friday Service, March 29, 6:30 PM
- Easter Breakfast, Service, & Egg Hunt, March 31
- Homeless Lunch Packing, April 14th
- LWML Zone Rally, April 20th
- Meal Time & Hygiene Kit assembly, April 24th
- Sunday Tailgate Party, April 28th
- Mother’s Day and Confirmation Sunday, May 12
- May 19th, Veterans

LADIES OF OPEN ARMS. You are invited to the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML) Ann Arbor zone rally on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at Open Arms. Doors opening at 8:45 am for breakfast being served at 9:00 am. Open Arms Women’s Ministry is hosting the breakfast. If you are interested in helping with the breakfast and setting up on Friday evening at 6:30 pm please let Bev Conry know. The speaker for the meeting is from Elly's House in Detroit. There will be a \$5 cost for each person for the breakfast.

OPEN ARMS has the opportunity to participate in the Belleville Rotary Club Hygiene Kit Drive for high school students and their family members who are experiencing housing insecurity. Please drop off your donation of travel size shampoo and conditioners, face and body wash, moisturizers, chap sticks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, floss, 1-use laundry detergent, and deodorant by April 24th. We plan to assemble the kits after the Meal Time that day.

THE NEXT LUNCES FOR THE HOMELESS is Sunday, April 14e right after worship. In order to make these lunches, we are asking for your help. Please consider donating any of the following: 16 loaves of bread 300 to 400 slices of lunch meat
100 servings of salty snacks 100 services of sweet snacks 100 juice boxes
Please let Dana Underwood at dana.underwood1468@icloud.com if you can make a donation. All donations should be dropped off at the church by Sunday, April 14. Large boxes to put the lunches into to carry to the bus are also needed. Dana is looking for help transporting the lunches and loading them on the bus. If you're not able to make a donation, but still want to help, please consider offering a hand to help make lunches. Thank you so much for your generosity. If you have any questions, please reach out to either Dana or Brandon.

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Pastor Larry Courson pastorlarry@openarmscenter.com (734) 395-0974
Daycare Director Greta Bower gbower@openarmscenter.com

Seeking Donations

What: We are collecting gently used kids items.

Why: Donated items will be sold in the lobby of Open Arms during the first weeks of April. Funds collected in the sale will be used to support Vacation Bible School.



Accepted Items

- Spring/ Summer Toddler, Infant, Kids like-new clothes & shoes
- Baby Gear
- Toys
- Like-New Books
- Large Baby/Kids gear*

Large baby/kids items will be accepted as we have space. Please contact Noel Gee (586.899.9095) to make drop off arrangements

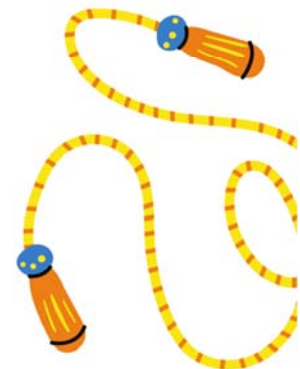


Not Accepted Items

- Car Seats
- Winter gear
- Stained, well loved shoes/clothes or items
- Movies/DVDs
- Room Decor
- Junior clothes
- Socks/Underwear

Please Drop Off Items to Open Arms starting March 18th

Text Noel Gee with Questions
586.899.9095



HYGIENE KIT DONATION DRIVE

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The Need

Hygiene kits are needed for high school-aged students and family members experiencing housing insecurity. These free kits are provided as needed by school counselors.

Please Donate New Travel-Sized Items:

- ✓ Shampoo & Conditioner
- ✓ Face & Body Wash
- ✓ Moisturizer & Chapstick
- ✓ Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Mouthwash, Floss
- ✓ 1-use laundry detergent
- ✓ Deodorant



Drop off donations by April 30th to
Belleville Area District Library
167 4th St. Belleville, MI 48111

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visit www.bellevillerotary.org/page/give