

Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School

News & Notes for October 11, 12 & 15

ALTAR FLOWERS – Matt & Katie Wheelan, in celebration of their 13th anniversary.
COFFEE HOUR – Hosted by the Payne family, in celebration of Piper's 9th birthday.

REQUESTED PRAYERS – Brendan Cullen, Charlotte Jump, Sandra Eckert, Dottie Conard, Chuck Kiehl, Tiffany Prescher, Tammy Barthels, Michelle Markevitch, Alan Schmidkofer, Jeff Lampe, Ken Gundlach, Barbara Prigge, Susan Schultz, Ashley Holt, Eric Johnson, Janice Richardson, Linda Herber, and Dean Usadel.

THE BETHLEHEM BASH IS ALMOST HERE! – Mark your calendar for Friday, October 24 from 5:30-7:00pm. The committee is looking for people to either volunteer or participate in this fun event.

- Would you like to run a game or craft station? Please email Katrina at katrina.niles@ourbethlehem.com if interested.
- Are you able to donate bags of candy? The committee will have a designated bin in the Century Room for donations.
- Would you be interested in decorating your vehicle's trunk? Please email Heidi at heidi.wallner@ourbethlehem.com if interested.

CHANGE FOR THE FUTURE – The next collection deadline is October 26.

“DOUBLY BLESSED”....TWICE! – As many of you know, our very own 2nd grade teacher, Jessica Usadel, welcomed daughters #4 & #5 on September 11. Averie and Sophie are healthy and adorable. If any congregation member is interested in donating a pack of diapers or a pack of wipes, please place them in the collection bin located in the Century Room. Diapers ranging from **size newborn to 4** would be great. We pray for God's continued blessings to Dylan, Jessica, Sadie, Kylie, Jaylie, Averie & Sophie! **Thank you to all those who have donated generously so far!**

FORENSICS TIME IS HERE! – Bethlehem School is looking for adult volunteers to serve as Forensics coaches. Forensics is the study and practice of public speaking and performance. Students prepare and present pieces such as speeches, poetry, or dramatic readings, focusing on skills like expression, pronunciation, clarity, and confidence. Each coach will be paired with a student or team, meeting 1-2 times a week, depending on the student's needs, to guide, encourage, and help them prepare for the Forensics Meet on November 15. No prior experience is needed – just a willingness to support and inspire our students! Space can be made available at school for your meetings. If you're interested in serving as a Forensics coach, please email jenna.walkenhorst@ourbethlehem.com

“BY FAITH” TO BE SATURDAY’S BIBLE STUDY – Join Pastor Niles in the Century Room on Saturday, October 11 (4:15pm), for a look at Hebrews 11. We will discover how the ancients were commended for “being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see”.

TAKE YOUR PICK OF BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS THIS SUNDAY –

- Pastor Hanson will be in the Century Room on October 12 (9:15am), leading the first of a two-part study on the “*I AM*” statements of Jesus. As Jesus tells us who He is, we will explore what His statements mean and how they shape our faith today.
- Pastor Niles will be in the library on October 12 (9:15am), continuing the study of “*What Lutherans Believe*”. Join the new members in this concise review of basic beliefs.

MONDAY NIGHT CLASS DISCOVERS MORE “FACETS OF CHRIST” – Under the leadership of master-teacher Rick Zeuner, we will look at various parables and acts of Jesus, as reported in the book of Mark. There are many more *Facets of Christ*, our amazing Savior, to discover. Join Rick on Monday, October 13 (6:00pm) for an hour well spent.

BOOKMARKS, ANYONE? – Remember the lovely and inspirational bookmarks which were given out to commemorate Bible Study Weekend? Maybe you didn't get one. Maybe you know of someone you'd like to give one to. Stop by the corner Welcome/Information Center at the top of the ramp in the Century Room and pick up additional bookmarks to share with family and friends. Here's an opportunity to invite others to Bible class as well!

READING PARTNERS NEEDED! – Would you be interested in volunteering to be either a weekly reader or a substitute (as needed)? Bethlehem's Reading Partner program takes place every Wednesday from 1:00-3:00pm in the Century Room. The students involved are in grades kindergarten to 3rd. If you are interested or if you have further questions, please contact either the church office or Jim/Judy Heinecke at 920-207-8886.

A THANK YOU FROM THE STAR GALA – Thank you to the sponsors: Irish Roofing, Advanced Comfort, Bethlehem PTL, Shorewest Realtors, Thrivent Sheboygan County Team, WI Bank & Trust, Rockline, Zimbal Mink, Jennifer Littmann-Pleasant View Realty. Thank you to our pastors for added entertainment. Thank you to our caterer, Josh Ursprung with Joshin' Around the Pit. Thank you to all attendees, volunteers, donors, and committee members. \$102,000 (before expenses) was raised. What a successful evening!

MAKING SPIRITS BRIGHT – Bethlehem is once again helping with this event. Adult volunteers (age 18+) are requested for Friday, December 5, from 6:30-9:00pm and for Sunday, December 28, from 6:30-9:00pm. Please see the sign-up sheets in the Century Room. Questions can be directed to Pastor Hanson at Jeremy.hanson@ourbethlehem.com

Upcoming Worship and Activities at Bethlehem

Sunday, October 12

8:00am – Worship w/ Holy Communion
9:15am – Bible classes
9:15am – Sunday School
10:30am – Worship w/ Holy Communion
11:45am – Confirmation information meeting

Monday, October 13

NO SCHOOL
6:00pm – Rick Zeuner Bible class

Tuesday, October 14

9:00am - Quilters

Wednesday, October 15

1:00pm – Reading Partners
3:30pm – Public school Confirmation class
6:00pm – Worship w/ Holy Communion

Thursday, October 16

8:00am – School picture re-take day
NO Spanish class with Pastor Blas
7:00pm – Adult Choir practice

Friday, October 17

Saturday, October 18

4:15pm – Bible class
5:30pm – Worship w/ Holy Communion

Sunday, October 19

8:00am – Worship w/ Holy Communion (New Member Welcome)
9:15am – Bible classes
9:15am – New Member Welcome coffee hour
9:15am – Sunday School
10:30am – Worship w/ Holy Communion
11:45am – Elders meeting

****Note:** If you’d still like to donate to the October LWIM mission project (Peace Valley Lutheran “church plant” in Monroe, WI), use an envelope found on the back table in the church narthex.**

✂ The 18th Sunday after Pentecost ✂
October 11, 12 & 15, 2025



Rev. Patrick Niles, Administrative Pastor
Rev. Jeremy Hanson, Associate Pastor
Mr. Joshua Klug, Principal

Parish Music/Organist – Sandra Kasten
School Music/P.E. – Rachel Bult
3 yr. Kindergarten – Joely Buss
4 yr. Kindergarten – Sonia TenPas
5 yr. Kindergarten – Holly Leibham
Grade 1 – Katrina Niles
Grade 2 – Jessica Usadel
Grade 3 – Ellen Vanic
Grade 4 – Heidi Wallner
Middle Grades – Aidan Diener
Middle Grades – Pam Carlson-Gugel
Middle Grades – Jon Krueger
Middle Grades – Ryan Sines
Spanish – Jenna Walkenhorst
Resource – Sarah Klug
Band Instructor – Elizabeth Bredman
Aides – Joy Tschudy & Mary Irish
Church Office Manager – Amy Weir
School Secretary – Dawn Hemschemeyer
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Custodian / Lunch Room – Crystal Payne
Lunch Coordinator – Monica Cyr
Extended Care Director – Rose Albertin
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