

## Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School

### News & Notes for November 30, & December 1

ALTAR FLOWERS – Dave Strohschoen, in memory of Robert Strohschoen.  
COFFEE HOUR – Hosted by Steve and Nancy Brown.

**REQUESTED PRAYERS** – Brendan Cullen, Charlotte Jump, Sandra Eckert, Dottie Conard, Chuck Kiehl, Tiffany Prescher, Tammy Barthels, Vicky Almgren, Michelle Markevitch, Alan Schmidlkofer, Jeff Lampe, Brian Pool, Ken Gundlach, Lee Steffen, Barbara Prigge, Susan Schultz, Ashley Holt, and Eric Johnson.

**THANK YOU!** – A great big THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this year's Craft & Vendor Fair a success. Whether you volunteered or attended, we thank you for your support. ~Bethlehem PTL~

**SIGN UP NOW! SIGN UP OFTEN!** – The 2025 coffee hour, bulletin, and altar flower boards are up. Take a moment to sign up for one or more of these sponsorship and hosting opportunities for 2025!

**CHANGE FOR THE FUTURE** – The final collection deadline for this year will be December 31. Please include your name on the bag or envelope you turn in.

**GUESS WHAT TIME IT IS?** – It's Bethlehem Badger basketball time! There are several ways to help and support this program.

- 1). Use this link to sign up to work in the concession stand:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050445A8A72CA2FB6-concession#/>
- 2). Help stock the concession stand. For a complete list of items needed, please check your December Visitor (newsletter). Monetary donations are also appreciated and can be dropped off in the church office.
- 3). Cheer on the Badgers by finding a seat in the stands. The first home game is Dec. 9.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING** - Join the Adult Choir & the Youth Group/families as they bring Christmas cheer to a few nursing homes (Pine Haven & Sheboygan Senior Community). Plan to meet as a group in the Century Room by 11:30am on Saturday, Dec. 14. They plan on carpooling. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet located in the Century Room.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY** – Bethlehem's Board of Properties is currently looking for volunteers to help with snow removal on the property (shoveling and/or snowblower/tractor). If interested, please contact the church office with your name and phone number.

**ATTENTION USHERS** – The 2025 usher schedule is ready and located in the usher room.

**DOES JESUS' ANCESTRY REALLY MATTER?** – Pastor Niles gives us a close look at the first chapter of Matthew. We learn how Jesus' genealogy sets up our reading of Matthew's account of Jesus' birth. Join Pastor Niles in the Century Room on either Saturday, November 30 from 4:15-5:15pm or on Sunday, December 1 from 9:15-10:15am, to delve into this fascinating subject.

**HIDDEN GEMS FROM THE BOOK OF LUKE** – On Sunday, December 1, join Pastor Hanson in the library from 9:15-10:15am as he leads a "deep dive" into the book of Luke. It's likely you'll hear things you've never heard of or thought about before.

**RICK ZEUNER RETURNS TO THE CENTURY ROOM IN JANUARY** – On Monday, January 13 from 6:00-7:00pm in the Century Room, Rick will begin an 8-session study on the topic "Is Genesis History?". He will show how science actually supports Biblical teachings. Mark your calendar!

#### **SCRIP INFORMATION** –

- Please note that Kwik Trip 10% and Kwik Trip 20% Grocery Only cards cannot be ordered online; only in-person sales and Scrip-on-the-Go orders are accepted. Also, there is a limit of \$300.00.
- When placing online orders, *Pay-by-Check* orders will only be ordered from our supplier after payment is received. Orders and payment must be in by 3:00pm on Friday to be included in the next shipment.

**HOLIDAY SCRIP INFORMATION** – The last day to place a Scrip-on-the-Go or special order before Christmas will be December 6. Any order after this date will be filled with the inventory that we have on hand. So please plan ahead. Scrip-on-the-Go will resume on January 2, 2025. Thank you for your cooperation.

**CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT SHEBOYGAN LUTHERAN HIGH** – Join us for *Joy to the World*, Lutheran High's annual band & choral Christmas concert, on Friday, December 6 at 7:00pm and Saturday, December 7 at 2:00pm. You'll hear *Carol of the Bells* from Konzertchor, *Still, Still, Still* from Symphonic Band, a funky rendition of *Joy to the World* from the Jazz Band, and more! Reserve your FREE tickets to this joy-filled event in advance at [www.lutheranhigh.com/pac](http://www.lutheranhigh.com/pac).

Then, on Saturday, December 14, The Pete Ellman Big Band returns to the LHS Performing Arts Center to perform *The Twelve Grooves of Christmas*. Get in the holiday spirit with Chicago's 20-piece jazz band! Doors & cash bar open at 6:00pm with the concert to follow at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$20 and available at [www.lutheranhigh.com/pac](http://www.lutheranhigh.com/pac). All proceeds benefit Lutheran High's capital campaign.

**BETHLEHEM SPIRIT WEAR** – If you'd like items to arrive in time for Christmas, please place your order by Dec. 8. Take a look at the fliers located in the Century Room.

## Upcoming Worship and Activities at Bethlehem

The First Sunday in Advent  
November 30, & December 1, 2024

### Sunday, December 1

8:00am – Worship w/Holy Communion  
9:15am – Bible study  
9:15am – Sunday School  
10:30am – Worship w/Holy Communion  
6:00pm – **Advent by Candlelight Reimagined**, hosted by Bethlehem LWML

### Monday, December 2

### Tuesday, December 3

7:00pm – LWML meeting

### Wednesday, December 4

8:30am – Advent worship (grades 4, 5 & 6)  
1:00pm – Reading Partners  
3:30pm – Public school Confirmation class  
4:00pm – Youth Board meeting  
5:00pm – Soup Supper  
6:00pm – Advent worship (grades 4, 5 & 6)  
7:00pm – Board of Stewardship meeting

### Thursday, December 5

7:00pm – Adult Choir practice

### Friday, December 6

7:00pm – LHS Christmas Concert

### Saturday, December 7

2:00pm – LHS Christmas Concert  
4:15pm – Bible study  
5:30pm – Worship w/Holy Communion

### Sunday, December 8

8:00am – Worship w/Holy Communion  
9:15am – Bible study  
9:15am – Sunday School  
10:30am – Worship w/Holy Communion



**Rev. Patrick Niles, Administrative Pastor**  
**Rev. Jeremy Hanson, Associate Pastor**  
**Mr. Patrick Vanic, Principal**

Parish Music/Organist – Sandra Kasten  
School Music/Resource – Rachel Bult  
3 yr. Kindergarten – Joely Buss  
4 yr. Kindergarten/Resource – 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 – Jeff Wegner  
Middle Grades – Pam Carlson-Gugel  
Middle Grades – Jon Krueger  
Middle Grades – Ryan Sines  
PE/Spanish – Laurie Schultz  
Band Instructor – Geoff Schuh  
Extended Care / Aide – Rose Albertin  
Extended Care / Aide – Joy Tschudy  
Aide – Mary Irish  
Church Office Manager – Amy Weir  
School Secretary – Dawn Hemschemeyer  
Custodian – Trisha Fischer  
Lunch Coordinator – Amy Morrelle  
Lunch Aide/Extended Care – Monica Cyr  
Extended Care – Sarah Hanson



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