

Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School

News & Notes for November 29 & 30

ALTAR FLOWERS – Dave Strohschoen, in memory of Robert Strohschoen.
COFFEE HOUR – Hosted by the Boenisch family, in celebration of Nathan's 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, Dean Usadel, and Sue Braun.

SCRIP CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE – The last day to place a Scrip order in time for Christmas will be Friday, December 5. Please plan ahead and get your orders in early! The last day for Scrip-on-the-Go orders will be Friday, December 12. Orders will be filled with Scrip inventory on hand. Scrip-on-the-Go orders will not be filled during Christmas break, but will resume the regular schedule on Friday, January 9, 2026. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

LWIM NOVEMBER MISSION - The Bethlehem LWIM have chosen a National Mission Grant for a combination bathroom/shower/laundry trailer, to be used by Lutheran Early Response Teams during disaster response work. Response volunteers will be able to wash their clothes and shower, as they continue to lift up their neighbors. Please pray for this mission! Donation envelopes are found on the back table in church.

HELP SPREAD CHRISTMAS CHEER TO NURSING HOMES – On Saturday, December 6 the adult choir will be Christmas caroling at Pine Haven and Edenbrook (formerly Sunny Ridge). If you enjoy singing and want to help spread Christmas cheer, we would love to have you join us. All ages are welcome. Carpooling will be available. We'll meet in the Century Room at noon and will return to church at approximately 3:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact David Ames at 920-901-0474.

SHEBOYGAN LUTHERAN HIGH'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT, O HOLY NIGHT – Join us Saturday, December 13 at 7:00pm or Sunday, December 14 at 2:00pm in our Performing Arts Center for music, reflection, and holiday joy at our annual Christmas concert, *O Holy Night*. This program will feature a beautiful selection of sacred and seasonal works, including *Fum, Fum, Fum*, *A Child is Born Upon This Night*, and *Greensleeves*, that celebrate the hope, peace, and wonder of the Christmas season. The concerts are free but please select your seats in advance at www.lutheranhigh.com/pac.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – If you are able to help with the removal of snow on Bethlehem's campus this winter, please contact the church office at 920-452-4331.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE "REVELATION" STUDY – Pastor Hanson will be in the Century Room on Saturday, November 29 (4:15pm) and Sunday, November 30 (9:15am) to lead participants in an understanding of God's judgement and the sealing of His people for salvation under the title, *"The Seals Opened"*. If you're wondering about the seals, be sure to be on hand to find out.

WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES OF PARTNERING WITH OTHER DENOMINATIONS? – On Sunday, November 30 in the library, Pastor Niles will discuss *"What is the church? – people who confess & cooperate"*. Are we able to partner with other Christian denominations with which we are not in fellowship? How do we bridge those gaps, with the hope of showing them the truth of theology? You won't want to miss this timely topic.

WHAT'S UP NEXT WEEK? – Pastor Hanson's topic: *"The trumpets sound"*. Pastor Niles begins a series on *"Mental health & the Christian life"*.

LADIES' NIGHT OUT – How about joining Lutheran Women in Mission for a pre-Christmas gathering in the Century Room on Tuesday, December 2 (6:30pm)? Featured will be three monologues on *"The Seasons of Mary"*, interspersed with Christmas carols and hymns. After a short meeting, refreshments and fellowship will abound. Will we see you there?

HERE'S A GREAT WAY TO "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" – The public school, home school, and BLS students who attend Sunday School are working hard to make this a special event on a new date & time. Let's make sure they have a great turnout to share this program with.

CHRISTMAS MOVIE TRIVIA NIGHT – Pause from the holiday hustle and join us for a fun evening of fellowship on Friday, December 19, from 6:00-9:00pm in the cafeteria. This 21+ event includes a light dinner and plenty of laughs! Form a team of 4 and sign up in the Century Room (by Dec. 14). Don't miss this chance to test your Christmas movie knowledge and celebrate the season together. Contact Martha Becker at martha.becker.96@gmail.com with any questions.

LUTHERAN YOUNG ADULTS LEAGUE CHRISTMAS PARTY - Young adults (ages 21–35) are invited to a Christmas celebration on Saturday, December 20 at 5:00pm at Luther Memorial Chapel (gym), 3833 N. Maryland Ave, Shorewood, WI 53211. Join us for a semi-formal evening of fellowship, a Christmas meal, and reflection on the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. RSVP to: lyalchristmasparty.rsvpify.com

2026 USHER SCHEDULE – Ushers, please feel free to take a copy of the 2026 schedule, which can be found in the usher room.

Upcoming Worship and Activities at Bethlehem

Sunday, November 30

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

Monday, December 1

6:00pm – PTL meeting
7:00pm – Board of Christian Day School meeting

Tuesday, December 2

6:30pm – LWIM Christmas gathering

Wednesday, December 3

8:30am – Advent worship
1:00pm – Reading Partners
3:30pm – Public school Confirmation class
5:00pm – Soup Supper
6:00pm – Advent worship
7:00pm – Board of Stewardship meeting

Thursday, December 4

6:00pm – Spanish class with Pastor Blas
7:00pm – Adult choir practice

Friday, December 5

Making Spirits Bright

Saturday, December 6

12:00pm – Bethlehem caroling to nursing homes
4:15pm – Bible class
5:30pm – Worship w/ Holy Communion

Sunday, December 7

8:00am – Worship w/ Holy Communion
9:15am – Bible classes
9:15am – Sunday School
10:30am – Worship w/ Holy Communion
4:00pm – Youth Group Christmas gathering



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
Custodian – Trisha Fischer
Custodian / Lunch Room – Crystal Payne
Lunch Coordinator – Monica Cyr
Extended Care Director – Rose Albertin
Extended Care – MaKenna Lindsay & Nylah Albertin

Member: Sheboygan Lutheran High School Assoc. & The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

✂ The First Sunday in Advent ✂
November 29 & 30, 2025

