

## Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School

### News & Notes for July 26, 27 & 30

*ALTAR FLOWERS – Jim & Donna Rusch, in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.*

*COFFEE HOUR – Hosted by Luke, Lisa & Lydia Timm.*

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

**BETHLEHEM'S GENEROSITY SHINES FOR THE SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE** – We have seen an amazing amount of donations come in so far! The bin in the Century Room has continuously been overflowing! Bethlehem will have an informational table at the **Sheboygan Neighborhood National Night Out** at King Park on August 5. We are teaming up with St. Peter Claver for the School Supply Drive. The supplies from both churches will be handed out to kids at the National Night Out. Contact Ellen Vanic (920-453-8728 or [ellen.vanic@ourbethlehem.com](mailto:ellen.vanic@ourbethlehem.com)) with questions.

**ALTAR GUILD MEETING** – Attention Altar Guild ladies: your presence would be greatly appreciated at the next meeting, which will be held on Saturday, August 9 at 9:30am.

**SAVE THE DATE** – Join your Bethlehem family at Kiwanis Park on Sunday, August 17 for our annual picnic. Worship begins at 10:00am, with food, fellowship, and activities to follow.

**CHURCH PICNIC DONATION INFORMATION** – The church picnic committee needs your help and donations. They are requesting food donations, gift cards to purchase food, and BINGO prize donations (\$5 or under). They are also needing volunteers to take tickets, fill order forms, and serve food & drinks on picnic day. All sign-up forms and donation bins will be in the Century Room (please turn gift cards into the church office). Please have all items donated by Wednesday, August 13. We can't wait to see you on August 17 – let's make this year's picnic a great one!

**UPCOMING SALES AT NEAT REPEATS** – Visit the store and check out these sales:

- 7/29-8/2: jewelry, 50% off
- 8/5-8/9: hats, scarves, ties, and belts, 50% off
- 8/12: everything in the store, 30% off
- 8/13-8/15: linens, 50% off
- 8/16: everything in the store, 50% off – National Thrift Store Day!

**PASTOR NILES HAS SOME FIGHTIN' WORDS FOR US** – Under the title “Allies, enemies, and the battle”, Pastor Niles will discuss angels, demons, and the Christian life. Join him in the Century Room on Saturday, July 26 at 4:15pm or on Sunday, July 27 at 9:15am to learn the real nature of the war we Christians are engaged in.

**THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS HAS SOME IMPORTANT LIFE LESSONS** – Join Pastor Hanson in the library on Sunday, July 27 at 9:15am to learn what it means to “walk as the children of light”. He will also touch on how we are to reflect Christ's love and order in our marriages, parenting, and work relationships.

**NEXT WEEK WITH PASTOR HANSON** – Here's what next weekend looks like (Pastor Niles will be off). On Saturday, August 2 at 4:15pm, the book of Ephesians topics will include “walking as the children of light” and also how we are to reflect Christ's love and order in our marriages, parenting, and work relationships. On Sunday, August 3 at 9:15am, he will tackle a not-to-be-missed mini-study on the “Armor of God”.

**WELCOME BACK** – Our youth and leaders have returned from the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA! A wonderful experience of faith and fellowship was had by all.

**A MESSAGE FROM THE LCMS FOUNDATION** -- We may face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. The Lord gives us a charitable heart but where should we direct our charitable intent? As you decide where charitable gifts should be aimed, it might be a good idea to have a discussion with a leader from your favored organizations, to see if they have a plan in place for appropriately handling estate gifts. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you set up those meetings, even attending them with you if you prefer. Contact Craig Toerpe, Gift Planning Counselor of the LCMS Foundation to facilitate this legacy conversation or other questions you may have regarding how you can faithfully provide for your family and financially support the Lord's work at 262-707-3005 or [craig.toerpe@lfnd.org](mailto:craig.toerpe@lfnd.org)

**LOOKING AHEAD** – Back to School Night will be held on Thursday, August 21 from 6:00-7:30pm. The first day of school (and school pictures) is Monday, August 25.

**VOTERS** – Our next regular Voters' meeting will be on Wednesday, August 27, beginning at 7:00pm in the sanctuary.

## Upcoming Worship and Activities at Bethlehem

### Sunday, July 27

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

### Monday, July 28

8:30am – Vacation Bible School

### Tuesday, July 29

8:30am – Vacation Bible School

### Wednesday, July 30

8:30am – Vacation Bible School  
6:00pm – Worship w/ Holy Communion

### Thursday, July 31

8:30am – Vacation Bible School

### Friday, August 1

### Saturday, August 2

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

### Sunday, August 3

8:00am – Worship w/ Holy Communion  
9:15am – Bible class  
10:30am – Worship w/ Holy Communion  
11:45am – Bible Study Task Force meeting

✠ The 7th Sunday after Pentecost ✠

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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  
Resource – Sarah Klug  
Band Instructor – Elizabeth Bredman  
Aide – Joy Tschudy  
Aide – Mary Irish  
Aide – Sarah Hanson  
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



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