

## Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School

### News & Notes for November 1, 2 & 5

*BULLETINS – Linda Nikisch, in celebration of her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.*

*ALTAR FLOWERS – Linda Nikisch, in celebration of her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.*

*COFFEE HOUR – In CELEBRATION & APPRECIATION of our Pastors!*

**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.

**BLS CHAPEL FOR NOVEMBER** – Each year during the month of November, Bethlehem students are encouraged to bring in items as their chapel offering. Student Council members coordinate the collection in order to benefit Bethlehem families and friends. The focus is very specific, as this is where the greatest need is right now.

- Week 1 (Nov. 2-8): peanut butter, spaghetti, mac n cheese
- Week 2 (Nov. 9-15): cans of soup, cans of vegetables, cans of fruit
- Week 3 (Nov. 16-22): cereal, laundry soap

Congregation members can take this opportunity to donate items as well. Please pay special attention to expiration dates. A little love goes a long way, thank you!

**SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY** – There are still a few spots remaining for the in-home women's small group Bible study. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Century Room.

- **Where:** Home of Sarah Hanson, 892 Eisenhower Ct., Howards Grove.
- **When:** Tuesday, November 11 from 6:30-7:30pm (will run for 9 weeks).
- **Topic:** *"Promised Hope"* by Michelle Diercks. Please purchase this book from either CPH.org or Amazon.

Questions about the study? Contact Mary Jo Cyr at 920-912-2532.

This is the first of a series of small group opportunities that will be popping up. If you are interested in leading a small group study, please reach out to either of our pastors.

**A WORD OF THANKS** – Thank you all so much for the generous gift of diapers and wipes! Your thoughtfulness and support mean the world to us as we welcome our little ones. It's amazing to know that we have such a caring congregation around us. We can promise that your gift will be put to good use 😊. With love and gratitude ~ Dylan & Jessica Usadel.

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR QUILTERS** – Thank you to the Bethlehem congregation for your continued support and appreciation. Also, a big thank you to those who purchased quilts from us recently. Your donations and generosity allow us to continue creating more beautiful quilts. We're thankful to be able to share this special gift with Bethlehem and our community.

**BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR NILES DEALS WITH CHURCH FELLOWSHIP ISSUES** – Join him on Saturday, November 1 (4:15pm) or Sunday, November 2 (9:15am) as he leads a discussion on "what is the church?", "why is fellowship in the church so difficult?", and "what happens when not everyone has the same view regarding the importance of God's Word?".

**REVELATION CLASS TO DISCUSS "CHRIST AMONG THE LAMPSTANDS"** – What is a lampstand and why is it important to understand the vision of the risen Lord walking among His church? Join Pastor Hanson in the Century Room on Sunday, November 2 (9:15am) to discover what we are to learn from this revelation by God to the apostle John.

**LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION TO WELCOME ZONE PRESIDENT** – On Tuesday, November 4 at 6:30pm in the Century Room, Bethlehem's LWIM will host a visit from Hannah Schultz, Zone 8 President. She will give an up-close and personal report of her experiences at the national LWIM convention this past summer. We'll hear about the broad scope and wide-reaching financial impact of LWIM. This is a not-to-be-missed gathering!

**ATTENTION ALTAR GUILD LADIES** – Please plan to attend the next meeting, which will be in the Century Room on Saturday, November 15 at 9:30am. There will be important subjects to discuss, along with elections to be voted on.

**ADVENT ACTIVITY** – The Board of Assimilation welcomes our church and school families to join in creating a wall hanging Advent wreath. This will be a free, family-friendly event for all, on Monday, November 17 at 5:00pm. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Century Room or you can also RSVP to Emily Nickel at [emclarenicks@yahoo.com](mailto:emclarenicks@yahoo.com).

**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. Sign up in the Century Room.

**SEMINARY STUDENT GIFT CARDS** - Bethlehem will again be collecting gift cards for students at the Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana. These gift cards will be distributed to the students to help provide a joyful Christmas for them and their families. It is asked that gift card denominations be no larger than \$50. For convenience, you can purchase cards through our Scrip program. Feel free to leave your cards with the Scrip sellers or they can be turned in to the church office, with a note indicating that it is for the Seminary students. Some suggestions are Walmart, Target, Meijer, Olive Garden, McDonald's, Pizza Hut, Texas Roadhouse, BP, Shell, Marathon, and Speedway. We will be collecting cards now until November 24. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Questions can be directed to Melinda Oetzel with Bethlehem's Board of Social Ministry ([moetzel@att.net](mailto:moetzel@att.net)) or Brenda Kanz with the Scrip program (920-912-3086).

## Upcoming Worship and Activities at Bethlehem

### Sunday, November 2

8:00am – Worship w/ Holy Communion  
9:15am – Bible classes  
9:15am – Sunday School  
10:30am – Worship w/ Holy Communion  
4:00pm – Youth Group Fall get-together, until 5:30pm

### Monday, November 3

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

### Tuesday, November 4

6:30pm – LWIM meeting

### Wednesday, November 5

1:00pm – Reading Partners  
3:30pm – Public school Confirmation class  
Parent-Teacher conferences  
6:00pm – Worship w/ Holy Communion  
6:00pm – Board of Assimilation meeting  
7:00pm – Parish Planning Council meeting

### Thursday, November 6

Parent-Teacher conferences  
6:00pm – Spanish class with Pastor Blas  
7:00pm – Adult Choir practice

### Friday, November 7

**NO SCHOOL**

### Saturday, November 8

9:00am – Bethlehem's Craft & Vendor Fair, until 2:00pm  
4:15pm – Bible class  
5:30pm – Worship w/ Holy Communion

### Sunday, November 9

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

**\*\* The next Voters' meeting is on Wednesday, November 19 \*\***



**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

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✂ All Saints' Day ✂  
November 1, 2 & 5, 2025

