

## **Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School**

### **News & Notes for January 31, February 1 & 4**

**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.

**LEADING WITH MISSIONS** – The Bethlehem Lutheran Women in Mission (LWIM) have chosen The Sheboygan County Food Bank as the **January mission of the month**. This food bank distributes nutritious food through its programs and also its partnership with food pantries and other organizations. The goal is to support our neighbors in need, which also includes compassion, care, and love. Please pray for and support this mission right here is our community. Please use a designated envelope in the back of church for your donation. Watch next weekend's bulletin for information on the February mission.

**ATTENTION MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION** – Our next gathering, Tuesday, February 3 at 6:30pm, is an important one. Our group is hosting the LWIM Prayer Service for both zones 8 & 9, which will be held on March 7. In lieu of the announced topic, we will have a planning meeting. All hand's on deck for February 3!

**JOIN OUR EMAIL & COMMUNICATION LIST!** - Stay informed with weather-related cancellations, receive The Visitor newsletter by email, and obtain special event announcements. Simply scan the QR code on the posters or fill out a form—both available in the Century Room. We kindly ask that each adult in your household completes their own sign-up. We look forward to keeping you informed on all the happenings at Bethlehem Lutheran Church!

**REGISTRATION FOR THE BLS 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR IS NOW OPEN!** – Help us spread the word about the exciting things happening at Bethlehem School; FREE full-day 3K & 4K, five days a week, open to all families. The Wisconsin School Choice Program opens February 2 and may allow qualifying families to attend tuition-free. If you know of a family seeking a Christ-centered education for children in 3K–8th grade, please grab a promo on your way out and help us share the good news of Bethlehem School.

**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL RECOGNITION NIGHT** - Join us in the Bethlehem gymnasium on February 9. We will celebrate the hard work, growth, and dedication of our 8th grade student-athletes! These players have put in countless hours on the court, shown incredible teamwork, and represented our school with pride. Come out to cheer on the Badgers and recognize their achievements. We will celebrate with cake throughout the night. Games start at 4:30pm.

**SATURDAY BIBLE CLASS TO CONCLUDE REVELATION** – You won't want to miss the dramatic conclusion of this challenging book of the Bible. Join Pastor Hanson in the Century Room on Saturday, January 31, from 4:15-5:15pm.

**PASTOR NILES CONTINUES WITH SELECTIONS FROM ROMANS** – On Sunday, February 1 (9:15am) in the Century Room, Pastor Niles will discuss “The gifts of justification” and “The Christian's struggle to live as saint and sinner”. Paul's writings to the Romans are often characterized as the heart of the gospel. Join in to hear Paul's take on these topics.

**EVER HEARD OF THE SMALCALD ARTICLES?** – Luther wrote these articles for an intended ecumenical council of the church. In them he summarizes what Lutherans believe. Join Pastor Hanson in the library on Sunday, February 1 (9:15am) to learn what Luther has to say.

**RICK ZEUNER CLASSES ARE MORE THAN THEY APPEAR** – Although billed as a study on Christian leadership, this topic digs much deeper into Biblical truths than the title would suggest. Rick's knowledge, informal style, and sense of humor are just some of the reasons why it's worth it to be at Lutheran High (room #102) on Monday evenings from 6:00-7:00pm. His final session will be on February 16.

**SWEETHEART DANCE** – Bethlehem's PTL is excited to host The Sweetheart Dance, and you're invited! Join us on Friday, February 13, from 6:30–8:00pm in the Bethlehem gym for a special evening of snacks, dancing, and sweet memories. All girls are welcome to attend with their special adult for a night to celebrate together.

**ATTENTION ALTAR GUILD LADIES** – Please plan to attend our next meeting, which will take place on Saturday, February 14 at 9:30am.

**LUTHERAN HIGH PRESENTS: SACRED INSPIRATION** - *A Devotional Journey Through the American Revolution and God's Word* ~ presented by Dr. Jim Pingel. Dr. Pingel, former Executive Director at LHS, has recently published a new devotional that he's really excited to share. Join us for pie and coffee, and listen to Jim as he shares his latest book. **Sunday, February 15 @ 2 pm** in the auditorium of the Performing Arts Center at Lutheran High School. **RSVP online at [www.lutheranhigh.com/pac](http://www.lutheranhigh.com/pac)** or call the school office at 920-452-3323.

**BOARD OF ASSIMILATION TO HOST THE PIZZA MAN** – Please join us in the cafeteria on Saturday, February 28 at 6:30pm for a night of food, fellowship, and fun. We will enjoy delicious pizza and great stories from Frank Marzano. Cost for the event is \$20 per person. This includes pizza, soda, and entertainment. Feel free to bring your own adult beverages. Sign up is limited to the first 60 people. Please sign up in the church office (including payment) by Sunday, February 22. Call Brenda Kanz at 920-912-3086 with any questions.

# Upcoming Worship and Activities at Bethlehem

## Sunday, February 1

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

## Monday, February 2

6:00pm – Rick Zeuner Bible class @ LHS, Room #102  
6:00pm – PTL meeting  
7:00pm – Board of Christian Day School meeting

## Tuesday, February 3

9:00am - Quilters  
6:30pm – LWIM meeting

## Wednesday, February 4

1:00pm – Reading Partners  
3:30pm – Public school Confirmation class  
6:00pm – Worship w/ Holy Communion  
6:00pm – Board of Assimilation meeting  
7:00pm – Board of Stewardship meeting

## Thursday, February 5

7:00pm – Adult choir practice

## Friday, February 6

## Saturday, February 7

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

## Sunday, February 8

8:00am – Worship w/ Holy Communion – **LHS Sunday**  
9:00am – LHS Sunday coffee hour  
9:00am – 7<sup>th</sup> grade sub sandwich fundraiser (pick-up from 9:00-noon)  
9:15am – Bible class  
9:15am – Sunday School  
10:30am – Worship w/ Holy Communion – **LHS Sunday**



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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  
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

✂ The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany ✂  
January 31, February 1 & 4, 2026

## THE BEATITUDES

Matt. 5:3-12

*Blessed* are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

*Blessed* are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

*Blessed* are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

*Blessed* are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

*Blessed* are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

*Blessed* are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

*Blessed* are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

*Blessed* are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

*The Beatitudes*

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