

Welcome to the Bethlehem Star newsletter!

If you currently receive a paper copy and no longer require one, please email infoschool@ourbethlehem.com.

September 2, 2021

Calendar

Thursday, September 2

3:15 – 4:30 pm VB Practice
3:15 – 4:45 pm CC Practice

Friday, September 3

No School

Saturday, September 4

5:30 pm Worship

Sunday, September 5

8:00 am Worship
10:30 am Worship

Monday, September 6

Labor Day – No School

Tuesday, September 7

3:15 – 4:45 pm CC Practice
VB @ BLS

4:30 pm St. Paul, Grafton

5:15 pm St. John, West Bend

Wednesday, September 8

3:15 – 4:30 pm VB Practice
3:15 – 4:45 pm CC Practice
6:00 pm Worship

Thursday, September 9

3:15 – 4:30 pm VB Practice
8th Gr. CC @ Grace, Menomonee Falls

Friday, September 10

The school newsletter contains a lot of important information. Please make sure to read the Star every week to ensure that you are current and up to date. This is our main way of keeping your informed of upcoming activities and important events.

Office Hours

School Office: Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 4:00 pm

(when school is in session)

Church Office: Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 4:30 pm

Health/Illness

If your child is ill, please do not send them to school. Children who are ill upon arrival at school or become ill during the school day will be sent home. Please pick them up as soon as possible.

We will be following the Sheboygan County Public Health Department and CDC recommended guidelines for COVID positive and close contact exposure. Any student who has a fever in combination with other COVID-19 symptoms need to remain at home and be fever free for at least 24 hours and have improved symptom conditions before returning. COVID-19 testing is highly recommended for unvaccinated individuals.

Quarantine of close contacts – household members: If vaccinated, quarantine is not necessary if you do not have Covid symptoms. If unvaccinated, household members would need to follow the quarantine parameters established by the Sheboygan County Health Department.

Quarantine of close contacts – non-household: If vaccinated, monitor for Covid symptoms and stay home if any arise. If unvaccinated, parent/staff member will be asked to monitor for any symptoms for a period of 14 days.

If your student is staying home in the morning, please contact the school as early as possible, and notify us of all symptoms your child has. Voicemails can be left at any time at 920-452-5071 or emails can be sent to infoschool@ourbethlehem.com. Asking a brother or sister to tell the teacher that the child is sick, is not acceptable

Lunch Menu

Monday, September 6

Labor Day – No School

Tuesday, September 7

Spaghetti Bake w/ WG Noodles

Green Beans

Mixed Peaches & Pears

Apple Sauce

Garlic Bread

Wednesday, September 8

Grilled Chicken on WG Bun

Peas

Baked Beans

Grapes

Sliced Apples

Sugar Cookie

Thursday, September 9

Mini Corn Dogs

Tater Tots

Corn

Peas

Sliced Apples

Craisin

Friday, September 10

Cheese Omelet

Sausage Links

Hash Browns

Carrots

Bananas or Orange Juice

Sandwich of the Week:

Cold Turkey & Cheese

Bethlehem Apparel

Bethlehem family, it's time to show your spirit! The Bethlehem Apparel Store is now open! t-shirts, hoodies, polos, joggers, hats and more in either the Bethlehem Star or Bethlehem Badger design are available. Check out the variety of styles in men's, women's and youth fit. Order your items online by September 12 via https://moprostores.com/bethlehem_lutheran_school/shop/home. Go Badgers!

Free Meals for Students

The USDA announced that they will continue to allow free meals to all students in the National School Lunch Program. This program allows students at Bethlehem Lutheran School to receive a free lunch per day in the regular food service line. Those students in 3K and 4K who do not attend a full day of school can opt to receive a cold lunch consisting of a sandwich, white milk, a fruit and a vegetable to be sent home with the child. This request must be received no later than 9 am the morning of service.

This program is only for students who choose to take hot lunch. If your child continues to bring a cold lunch and chooses a milk, families will be responsible for the charge of \$0.40, unless the family has been notified about being in the free or reduced programs. Those in the free and reduced program will still receive their milk at the free or reduced rate.

If you have any questions, please contact Amy Morrelle at amy.morrelle@ourbethlehem.com or 920-452-5071.

Volunteers Needed

- Bethlehem is looking for a few volunteers to help with cleaning tasks in the school lunchroom. Tasks will include washing tables, sweeping floors, handling the floor-scrubbing machine and garbage removal. Help will be needed Monday – Friday from 11:15 – 1:00 pm. Interested individuals should reach out to Trisha Fischer at trisha.fischer@ourbethlehem.com or Amy Morrelle at amy.morrelle@ourbethlehem.com.
- Do you enjoy working with children? Do you have 2 hours a week to read to a child or have a child read to you? **Partners in Reading** is looking for volunteers to be at Bethlehem School Wednesday afternoons for 2 hours from 1-3 pm. Contact Jim or Judy Heinecke at 920-458-6678 for more information.

USDA is an equal opportunity provider.

Happy Birthday!

The following members of our Bethlehem family will observe their birthday during the coming week:

Amaya Contreras

Madisyn Haas

Giovanni Moctezuma

The following members of our Bethlehem School family will observe their baptism during the coming week:

Isabella Bult

Jacob Bult

Alaina Lindsay

Addyson Niles

Kyler Zeman



Scrip Sales

Scrip sales will continue to be “Scrip on the Go” only. All orders need to be in by 8:00 am Monday morning. Filled orders can be picked up Tuesday – Friday 8:30 am – 3:30 pm. If requested you will be contacted when your order has been filled and is ready for pick up (please provide a phone number). Weekend sales will continue to take place after Saturday evening worship and also from 9:00 – 10:15 am on Sundays, in the church office.

Extended Care Contact

If your child is in Extended Care either before or after school and you need to reach the teacher, please call the school office 92-452-5071 and dial extension 107. This will ring directly in that room.

Current Phone Numbers/Email Addresses

It is absolutely necessary for parents to keep the office informed of any changes to phone number or email addresses. We must be able to contact a parent in case of an emergency or illness.

Also, we frequently send information to parents electronically and want to make sure that you receive all notices. If you change phone number or email addresses during the year, please contact the office with this information immediately.

School Communication

We make every effort to communicate as much as possible with our parents. The school newsletter “Star” will be sent via email weekly. Families who opted to receive a paper copy will receive theirs on Friday’s. Periodically we will also send special reminder or updates via email. If you change your email during the year, please notify the school office.

Also, please take time to familiarize yourself with Sycamore Education. The school calendar, school forms, lunch menu, student grades, attendance records, homework assignments, classroom information, and tuition/extended care financial information can all be located on Sycamore. If you have misplaced your username or password for the system, please contact the office. The school id for the system is 2297.

You also have the option to subscribe to text alerts from Bethlehem School. These will be sent only to those who subscribe. An information sheet with subscription instructions can be found in Sycamore under School / Documents / Sycamore Help / Instructions.

New Payment Options Available

Did you know there are several options to paying your tuition/extended care bills each month?

- 1) You may pay by cash or check in the school office. Simply drop off your payment, mail it or send it to school with your student.
- 2) New this year! You can pay your bill online either by ACH or credit card through your Sycamore account. If you need additional assistance, instructions can be found in Sycamore. Go to School / Documents / Sycamore Help/Instructions / Payments Through Sycamore.
- 3) Set up a reoccurring monthly automatic withdraw from your checking or savings account by completing a ACH Application which can be found on Sycamore / School / Documents / 2021-22 School Forms / ACH Application.

Complaints/Concerns

If at any time during the school year you have a concern or complaint about something in the school, please bring it to the attention of the proper person in the school. Questions or concerns about a teacher's procedures, a child's homework or grades, or anything happening in an individual classroom should be addressed to the teacher. If the question or concern is about something in school in general, or if you are not sure with whom you should speak, then contact Mr. Vanic. We want to know when you have a concern, and address it.

Students and Medication

State law requires that all students who require medication (either over the counter or prescription) provide the office with proper written consent. This includes students who carry asthma inhalers and self-administer.

If your student requires **ANY** type of medication during the school day the Medication Request and Release Form must be on file with the school office. No medication will be administered without the proper paperwork.

Also, for the safety of students, **ALL** medication should be kept either by the teacher or in the school office (in the original container). Students should not have any type of medication in their backpacks, pockets or desks.

Use of Video Monitoring on School Buses

Attached is a [notice](#) we received from the Sheboygan Area School District informing parents of the use of video cameras on school buses. Questions about the use of video recording should be addressed to the Transportation Office of the Sheboygan Area School District 920-459-3569.

Sunday School Starts September 12

The 2021-22 Sunday School year will kick-off on Sunday, September 12. We will welcome the Sunday School students in church and introduce the teachers. Please plan to have your children attend this awesome year of Sunday School. The [registration form](#) can be dropped off in the church office now until September 12. The requested email address will be used to notify parents of changes or cancellations.

Interested in Becoming a Member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church?

Contact the church office by calling 920-452-4331 or emailing infochurch@ourbethlehem.com.

Starting September 12th is the New Member "What Lutherans Believe" class 9:15 – 10:15 am Sundays (between services) taught by Pastor Niles.

Save the Date – Auction Time!

The Bethlehem Auction will be held on October 23. You won't want to miss it! Stay tuned for more information.

Bethlehem Lutheran Winter Craft & Vendor Fair

Bethlehem Lutheran will be hosting a Winter Craft/Vendor Fair on Saturday, November 13, 2021 from 9am – 2pm. We are looking for crafters and vendors! Spaces are filling up, so don't delay. Contact Gail at craft_fair@ourbethlehem.com for a rental agreement form!

Community Family Fair at Lutheran High – Saturday, September 11 from 3 – 7 pm

Everyone is welcome to this community-wide event. Children of all ages can enjoy a great variety of inflatable play structures, festival games with prizes, and skill-challenging games. Enter the pie-eating contest, drop your name in our family-fun basket drawings, and enjoy food and beverages under the tent. Tickets are \$1 each and are available at the event Welcome Tent. Full event information can be found on the LHS website at www.lutheranhigh.com.

Girl Scouts of Manitou Council

Girls Scouts of Manitou council will be hosting a Sheboygan Area Girl Scout Registration Night on Tuesday, September 29 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at the Girls Scouts of Manitou Council Office located at 5212 Windward Court in Sheboygan. This event is for new families to receive more information about Girl Scouts. If you have any questions, please contact Aby Weber at abby@gsmanitou.org.

