

Welcome to the Bethlehem Star newsletter!

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December 3, 2021

Advent/Christmas at Bethlehem

The Advent and Christmas season has approached here at Bethlehem. Our students and staff are preparing for the joyous time of year in which Jesus comes to us as a child.

Once again, our students will be sharing the Gospel message through the Advent services in the coming weeks. All services are at 8:30 am and again at 6:00 pm on Wednesday evenings. We invite you all to prepare your hearts and minds through the message of the students as we look forward to Christ entering our world.

- Grades 7 & 8 – Wednesday December 1
- 3K, 4K & 5K – Wednesday December 8
- Grades 1, 2 & 3 – Wednesday December 15
- Grades 4, 5 & 6 – Wednesday, December 22

Christmas Worship at Bethlehem Lutheran Church will be:

- December 24 – Christmas Eve 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 11:00 pm
- December 25 – Christmas Day 10:00 am
- December 26 – Devine Service with Communion 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Gingerbread Festival

The 3K class worked with Mrs. Kubow on their creation for the Gingerbread Festival at the Waelderhaus in Kohler. It will be displayed from December 1-30. Classroom and community organizations whose sweet designs receive the most votes from attendees, will receive cash prizes in different age groups. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, advanced reservations are required to view and vote for the gingerbread structures. Please sign up to visit at kohlerfoundation.org. You may also view them on Kohler Foundation Facebook and Instagram however voting can not be done online. All staff and visitors are required to wear masks at all times while in the Waelderhaus.

School Absences / Communication

Just a reminder as we are half way through the 2nd quarter. For attendance tracking we request that all communication regarding attendance be run through the school office. You can call 920-452-5071 any time day or night and leave a voice mail, or email at infoschool@ourbethlehem.com (you may copy your child's teacher at their school email address if you wish). Please do not email, text or message teachers/staff directly through their personal accounts. The office needs to have formal documentation for audit purposes. Thank you for your cooperation!

Christmas Break

Christmas Break at Bethlehem Lutheran School will take place from Thursday, December 23rd to Sunday, January 2nd.

2022-23 School Calendar

Attached is the [calendar](#) for the 2022-23 school year. Copies can also be found in Sycamore – Documents – 2022-23.

Friday, December 3
Mid-Quarter

Saturday, December 4
Boys A @ LHS Tournament
9:00 am vs. Christ Child Academy
12:20 pm vs. First Immanuel Cedarburg
5:30 pm Worship

Sunday, December 5
8:00 am Worship
10:30 am Worship
Boys A @ LHS Tournament

Monday, December 6
Distribution of Mid-Quarter Reports
BB @ Trinity Freistadt
4:30 pm Girls B
5:30 pm Boys B
6:30 pm Girls A
7:30 pm Boys A

Tuesday, December 7
3:15 – 4:45 pm Girls B Practice
4:45 – 6:15 pm Girls A Practice
6:30 – 8:00 pm Boys A Practice
7:00 pm Boys B @ St. John Baptist

Wednesday, December 8
3:15 – 4:45 pm Boys B Practice
6:00 pm Worship

Thursday, December 9
2:15 pm School Geography Bee
3:15 – 4:45 pm Boys A Practice
6:30 – 7:15 pm Gr. 5 & 6 Band
7:15 – 8:00 pm Gr. 7 & 8 Band

Friday, December 10

**Monday, December 6**

Hamburger/Cheeseburger
California Blend
Baked Beans
Mixed Peaches/Pears
Craisins

Tuesday, December 7

Chicken Quesadillas Pizza
Refried Beans
Corn
Pineapple
Mandarin Oranges

Wednesday, December 8

Grilled Cheese
Cheesy Broccoli Soup
Salad
Peaches
Apple Sauce

Thursday, December 9

Sausage and Egg English Muffin
Hashbrown
Carrot Sticks
Orange Juice
Strawberry Cup

Friday, December 10

BBQ Pulled Pork on WG Bun
Baked Beans
Coleslaw
Apples
Apple Sauce

Sandwich of the Week:

Cold Turkey and Cheese

USDA is an equal opportunity provider.

Holiday Gift Shop for Students

The elves are busy getting our Christmas shop together. The shop dates are Wednesday, December 8 and Thursday, December 9. This year we have a link for families to take a peek at what we will have in the store and we will also have a preview day. The link is: <https://5081710.holidaytreasures.com>. Flyers and additional information are being sent home with students today.

If there are any parents available Wednesday or Thursday to help the children shop and help with wrapping their purchase to keep them moving along, you can contact Kim Zeeman at kannz03@gmail.com

LHS Open House and Registration Night

Sheboygan Area Lutheran High School will hold their Open House and Registration Night on Tuesday, January 24, 2022 from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. They will also have registration nights available on Wednesday, January 26 and Thursday, January 27. Parents will be able to sign up for a registration time through a Sign-up Genius link that will be available on their website between Christmas and New Year's. Registration packets will be mailed to all 8th graders in SALSA schools between Christmas and New Year's. Families are encouraged to schedule a Sunday Education Consultation Tour with Mr. Bult. Please contact him at bult@lutheranhigh.com. Any students interested in a Shadow Day, should contact the LHS Office at 920-452-3323 or wetenkamp@lutheranhigh.com.

Christmas Break Scrip Sales

The last day that Scrip-on-the-Go orders will be filled for Christmas is Friday, December 17, 2021. Orders must be turned in by 3:00 pm. These orders will be filled with inventory that we have on hand. Scrip-on-the-Go orders will not be filled during Christmas Break. Scrip-on-the-Go will return on Friday, January 7, 2022.

There will be no in person sales Christmas weekend (December 25 and 26) or New Year's weekend (January 1 and 2). In person sales will resume on January 8, 2022. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

Scrip Changes

Beginning this week December 3, 2021, all Scrip orders will need to be turned in by Friday at 3:00 pm. Orders will be processed over the weekend. Pick up days and times will remain the same (Tuesday – Friday 8:30 am – 3:30 pm in the school office, after Saturday evening worship and from 9:30 – 10:15 am on Sundays in the church office).

Cold Weather Clothing

Please make sure your student has appropriate cold weather clothing at school (warm jacket, snow pants, mittens/gloves, hat and boots or change of shoes).

SALSA Band Concert

Your Sheboygan Area Lutheran Schools and St. John the Baptist School will be performing their annual Christmas Band Concert on Thursday, December 16th at 7:00 pm in the Worship and Fine Arts Center at LHS. Please join us in a celebration of praise to our newborn savior, and stay for fellowship and treats afterward. No admission – freewill offering at the door. All proceeds are used to fund transportation for the bands nursing home tour in April.

Special Presentation on Vocational Stewardship

Rev. Dr. Nathan Meador will present Saturday, December 4 at 4:15 pm or Sunday, December 5th at 9:15 am in the Century Room.



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

Emmett Littmann
Isabella Smith

Weather Related School Closings

We will be using the text messaging application through Sycamore to notify you of any delays or closures due to inclement weather. If you have not yet signed up, we highly recommend you do.

- Go to “My School” – “My Notifications”
- Select the “primary parent” from the drop-down menu (at this time we are only able to add one number per family to receive text alerts)
- Make sure the “Enable Messaging” box is checked
- Select the correct cell phone number in “SMS” (including area code)
- Select the correct carrier
- Check – “School Closing Notifications”
- Click the blue “Update” button in the upper right corner

This system will only be used for the school to send out notifications of urgency. We will not respond to text messages sent to us.

You may also tune in to these stations for school closing announcements. WHBL 1330AM, WTMJ Channel 4 Milwaukee and WISN Channel 12 Milwaukee. Information will also be posted on Bethlehem’s Sycamore homepage, Facebook and Twitter pages. In addition, we will email those families that have current email addresses on file with the school.

Please DO NOT call or email the school. Answering phones and emails only prevents us from getting information out to everyone quickly.

In the event there is a two-hour delay, there will be no 3K or 4K classes held that day and extended care will not open before classes begin. If we close early, extended care will close as well.

Holiday Concert Opportunities at LHS

Saturday, December 4: The December “Rooted and Rising” concert will be a special holiday show featuring internationally acclaimed accordion player Stas Venglevski, accompanied by wonderful vocalist and singer-songwriter Carmen Nickerson. Tickets for the concert in the LHS Worship and Fine Arts Center can be purchased at lutheranhigh.com/events. Concert start time is 7:00 pm. Doors open at 6:15 pm.

Sunday, December 5: LHS is pleased to welcome community favorite, the Sheboygan Pops Band to the LHS Worship Fine Arts Center stage for their annual holiday concert. The concert is free and open to the public, no ticket necessary. Freewill donations will be accepted at the door. Concert start time is 1:30 pm. Doors open at 1:00 pm.

Saturday, December 11: The Sheboygan Lutheran Chamber Choir has been invited to sing with the Sheboygan Symphony Orchestra and Chorus for their annual “Sounds of the Season” concert at the Stefanie H. Weill Center, downtown Sheboygan. You are invited to celebrate the holidays with LHS and the SSO as they combine to sing holiday classics, new favorites, and even a singalong to top it off. Please visit sheboygansymphony.org to purchase tickets for the concert. Concert time is 7:00 pm.

Saturday, December 18 and Sunday, December 19: A favorite tradition among many in our community, “A Lutheran High Christmas” will be presented on Saturday, December 18 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, December 19 at 2:00 pm in the Worship Fine Arts Center at Sheboygan Lutheran High School. The concert will feature the bands and choirs of LHS. Tickets are free but required for reserved seating. Reserve your seats now at lutheranhigh.com/events. A freewill offering will be taken at intermission. Doors for each concert will open 45 minutes prior to start time. In addition, a special gift will be given to all those in attendance as well. Don’t miss this wonderful event celebrating the birth of our Savior!