



# BOBCAT BULLETIN

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*In Christ Alone: by Grace alone, by Faith alone, by Scripture alone*

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** The Sunday school lesson for **Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>** is "Sampson's Sin and Death." The treat will be provided by the staff.

**CHAPEL:** For the second quarter our chapel offerings will be given to the **Wisconsin Lutheran Child & Family Service**. Our offering for this past week was **\$34.45**. Our total for the quarter is **\$242.00**.

**HOT LUNCH:** Thanks to those that served hot lunch last week, everything was great! Our menu this coming Wednesday will include **tacos, carrot sticks, and ice cream**. Our workers are scheduled to be **Raushi, Richard, and Rouech**.

**BETHEL PRESENTS CAMERON ZVARA:** Start planning ahead. As part of Lutheran Schools Week, we have scheduled a special performance of an **extraordinary local talent!** Cameron Zvara will be at Bethel on **Wednesday, January 24, 2018** starting at 6:30 PM for a magic show. His show features crowd interaction and fun for all ages. All elementary children and preschool children will be offered tickets as well as their entire immediate family. \$2.00 tickets will go on sale from **January 8<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup>** in the school office. Additional tickets will be available on a first come first served basis on **Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>** after church. You can check out his Facebook page or follow this

link <http://cameronzvara.com> to his website. More information will be coming home soon.

**CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT SERVICE:** Bethel is trying something new this year. On Sunday, **December 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30** there will be candlelight Christmas Eve service. Please place this service on your list of things you won't want to miss!

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE:** Please don't forget that this year's Children's Christmas Service will take place on **Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM** replacing our normal Sunday morning service.

**BOYS' BASEKTBALL GAME CHANGE:** Due to availability of a gym, St. Luke's, Vassar has rescheduled its home game with us. The previously scheduled date has been changed from **Tuesday, January 16 to Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**. This will be an "A" only game with a start time of 6:30. The site is **Immanuel, Frankentrost**.

**COFFEE HOUR THANK YOU:** Michelle Neveau would like to thank all those who provided goodies for yesterday's CEA sponsored coffee hour.

**CLOTHING ORDER:** The order website is now open. Flyers were sent home last week. To order go to <https://bethelapparel17.itemorder.com>. Youth sizes are available on the website. Please place your order by **Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**.

**MLS GIRLS' BB TOURNAMENT RESULTS:** This past weekend our girls participated in the MLS Girls' Invitational Basketball Tournament. They took 1<sup>st</sup> place in their division. Congratulations to our team and its coaches. The trophy is on display in the 6-8 classroom window. Go, Bobcats!

**REGISTRATION DAY BILLS:** Statements were sent out recently to those who haven't paid their book fees from Registration Day in full. The BOE requests that all bills be paid in full before the end of the current calendar year or those with open accounts be on an agreed upon payment schedule. **As of January 1, 2018 interest will be charged monthly at the rate of 1%.**

**CHRISTMAS VACATION:** There will be no school from December 23<sup>rd</sup> through January 7<sup>th</sup> as our school has its annual Christmas break.

**BOWLING:** The first event in our week long celebration of Lutheran Schools will take place on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a special early pizza lunch and then we will head off to Alert Lanes for an afternoon of bowling. **Sign up information is being sent home today.** Please read the information sheet carefully, offer to volunteer as much as possible, save the top part of the form for the information it provides, and fill out and return the bottom portion - **WITH MONEY FOR THE EVENT** (right away if possible) but no later than Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**GIRLS' BASKETBALL:** This past weekend the Girls' basketball team took home 1<sup>st</sup> place in the MLS tournament! I am so proud of the way our girls played this weekend and all season long. Our players demonstrated great Christian character all season long both on and off the court. I want to thank all the players for a great season. Thank you to the parents for your time and dedication this basketball season! Thank you to Jamie Krohn for helping coach this season - Coach Thooft

**NEEDED:** Mrs. Mayhew is looking to collect 12 of the plastic, gallon Hawaiian Punch jugs. If you have any please drop them off in the Kindergarten room. Thank you!

**BIRTHDAYS:** Happy Birthday to:

Avery Kukla	Gr. 1	12/12
Ada Figley	Gr. 2	12/12
Nathan Luetzow	Gr. 7	12/12
Grace Austin	K	12/14
Sophia Friday	Pre.	12/17

### **CLASSROOM NEWS:**

**Preschool:** This week in preschool the children will conclude their theme *All Aboard!* They will continue learning about trains and the different types of train cars, train stations, and railroad crossings. The letter is K, number 10, color green and star shape. The Bible lesson this week is *Jesus the Savior is Born*. They will learn that God gave his son, Jesus the Savior to all people and that He came to earth to save us from sin. The memory treasures are: I Timothy 1:15 *Jesus came...to save sinners*; and John 3:16 *God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son*. With the winter weather upon us, please send snow boots, snow pants, hats, scarves, and gloves/mittens along with your child. They will go outside to play in the snow and this will allow your child to have fun in the snow. Please put this extra clothing in the reusable shopping bag that was included on your supply list at the beginning of the year **not** in your child's back pack. This will help my assistant and me when we are getting everyone ready to go outside. Please continue to

review the song and recitation for Christmas with your child. Thank you for your help.

**Kindergarten:** In Word of God, the children will be learning how God took care of the Children of Israel in the desert and how he gave them the 10 commandments. The children will finish Letter book T and be starting letter F. Our sight word for this week will be the word "you". Show and Tell will be things that begin with the letter F. In math, the children will continue to work on counting and writing the numbers 15-19. Some of our class time will be used to practice for the Christmas Eve service so we will be having a lighter load for the next two weeks. It is also time to break out those boots and snow pants. In order to help keep track of all of the children's winter gear, please send your child's gear in a fabric bag with their name on it. Also the children can wear their snow boots to school and change into their gym shoes.

**Memory Work** for this week will be to review the Christmas recitation of Luke 2 and the three verses of "Away in a Manger".

**Grades 1-2:** We will continue to work on Christmas service parts this week. A few of the Bible passages are being assigned for memory work this week in addition to the second verse of *Behold a Branch is Growing*. Please place your December book orders online using code Q4X4B by December 13th to ensure delivery before Christmas. Coming home this week- a permission slip to go caroling at the facilities across the street, Book-Its (from November), new reading logs (please return in January after we come back to school), and December's STEAM project.

**Grades 3-5:** It was a good week in the 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom last week. This week we will have a full week. We have several Christmas Eve practices this week so please make sure that your child stays on top of their Christmas Eve service memory work. This Wednesday we have *Behold a Branch is Growing* all three verses. Thursday Unit 14 spelling books are due and we will have the spelling test. Friday memory work is due. Third grade will have a test over chapter 5 (multiplication) this Thursday. Blessings on your week.

**Grades 6-8:** Only two weeks until Christmas and there is a lot to do! Joint practices for the children's service began today (see schedule below). Those practices really start to bring about excitement and anticipation for the Christmas season. Our class schedule will be greatly altered for the next two weeks while we fit in about 6 hours of practice. I plan to get in one more unit each in social studies and science before the vacation and then give my students a stress free break. Please continue to encourage your student to read his/her approved book. Another book report will be due shortly after the Christmas break. Also don't forget to help your child purchase his/her student exchange gift. Don't send your child's gift to school until the last day (December 22<sup>nd</sup>) before Christmas. In

the near future you should hear from my room mothers about items needed for our room Christmas party.

### **SINGING SCHEDULE:**

#### **12/24 Pre-8 Children's Christmas Service**

1/28 Pre-8 Lutheran Ed. Sunday  
2/14 Junior Choir Ash Wednesday  
2/21 Grades 6-8  
3/4 Jr. Choir  
3/11 Pre & K  
3/18 Grades 3-5  
3/25 Jr. Choir  
3/30 Grades 1-8

### **BOYS' BASKETBALL:**

#### **Practices:**

**Tuesday 12/12 3:00 to 5:00**  
**Thursday 12/14 3:00 to 5:00**  
Tuesday 12/19 3:00 to 5:00  
Thursday 12/21 3:00 to 5:00

#### **Games:**

1/5 vs. Trinity @ Bethel 6:30 PM  
1/9 vs. St. John's BC @ St. John's 5:30 PM  
1/12 vs. SB/GS/St.J @ St. John's BC 6:30 PM  
1/15 vs. St. Luke's@Frankentrost A only 6:30 PM  
1/19 vs. Tawas @ Bethel A only 6:30 PM  
1/20 B TOURNEY @ TRINITY  
1/23 Vs. Trinity @ Trinity 5:30 PM  
1/26 vs. St. John's BC @ Bethel 6:30 PM  
1/30 vs. SB/GS/St.J @ Bethel 5:30 PM  
2/2-3 MLS SMALL SCHOOL TOURNAMENT  
2/9-10 MLS LARGE SCHOOL TOURNAMENT  
2/23-24 BALL TOURNAMENT @ TRINITY

### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE PRACTICES:**

**Monday 12/11 10:30 AM**  
**Thursday 12/14 10:30 AM**  
Tuesday 12/19 10:30 AM  
Friday 12/22 8:30 AM

### **LUTHERAN SCHOOLS' WEEK JANUARY 22-28:**

1/22-26 - Penny Challenge  
1/22 - Pizza Monday and Bowling in PM  
1/23 - Team project planning/snow activity in PM  
1/24 - Team project work  
Cameron Zvara Magic Show @ 6:30 PM  
1/25 - Game Day in PM  
1/26 - Visiting Senior Homes in PM  
1/28 - Capstone Sunday – Pre to 8 Sing  
Chili Cook off

### **COMING UP:**

12/20 - Caroling at Brookdale, New Hope, & Hampton Manor @ 1:00 PM  
12/22 - Last Day before Christmas Vacation  
½ day, Room Christmas Parties  
12-23 to 1/7 – Christmas Vacation – No School  
12/24 - Children's Christmas Service @ 10:00 AM  
12/24 - Christmas Candlelight Service @ 6:30 PM  
12/25 - Christmas Day Service @ 10:00 AM  
1/8 - Classes resume after Christmas

1/11 - Board of Education @ 6:30 PM  
1/12 - Principals' Conference in PM  
1/14 - MLS Concert Choir at Bethel  
1/15 - 2018-19 Preschool enrollment begins  
1/19 - End 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter  
Faculty In Service ½ day  
BALL League Meeting in AM  
1/21 - Annual Congregational Meeting  
1/22-26 - Lutheran Schools Week  
1/24 - Bethel Presents - Cameron Zvara  
1/28 - Lutheran Schools Sunday  
Chili Cook-off  
2/2 - Faculty In Service ½ Day  
2/5 - **No School** – Pastor/Teacher Conference  
2/14 - Ash Wednesday