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Ed. #17 **BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** January 15, 2018

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

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SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Sunday school lesson for **Sunday, January 21, 2018** is "Transfiguration." The treat will be provided by Dean.

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 **\$53.25**. Our total for the quarter is **\$372.70**.

BOYS' BASKETBALL TONIGHT: The boys' basketball game this evening against St. Luke's in Vassar will be played at Immanuel Lutheran School in Frankentrost. **The address is 8220 E Holland Rd. Saginaw, Michigan 48601.**

2018-19 PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT: Bethel Lutheran Preschool is now accepting enrollments on a first come first served basis for the 2018-19 school year. Please see Mrs. Virant for additional information.

HOT LUNCH: Thanks to those that served hot lunch last week, everything was great! The menu for this week includes **spaghetti, rolls, salad, and brownies**. Our workers are scheduled to be **Beutel, Crites and Dahn**.

GIFTS/DONATIONS: There is nothing to report for this week.

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! They will be needed for the Penny Wars (see below).

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK: Its almost here! A weeklong celebration of Lutheran will begin on **Monday, January 22, 2018** (see the week's agenda at the end of this newsletter). It will be a week of fun, entertainment, fellowship, and reaching out capped off with a special church service on **Sunday, January 28, 2018**. Please plan to fully participate.

CAMERON ZVARA: As part of Lutheran Schools Week, we have scheduled a special performance of an **extraordinary local talent!** His show features crowd interaction and fun for all ages. **Unsold tickets are available starting today, January 15, 2018.** You may now purchase additional tickets for your extended family or friends. **In order to break even, many additional tickets need to be sold.** Please support this great entertainment event for the whole family. Tickets may be purchased at the school office.

PENNY WARS COMING: During the week of our Lutheran Schools Celebration each of our classrooms will be participating in a Penny War with the proceeds going to the Bay County Animal Shelter. Start saving those pennies now!

SPECIAL HUNGRY HOWIES HOT LUNCH: As part of Lutheran Schools Week, there will be a special Hungry Howies hot lunch on **Monday, January 22, 2018** before we go bowling. This special hot lunch will be served at 11:30 AM. Tickets may be purchased for the usual price that morning. Our special volunteer workers for this event are **Dean, Gutzwiller, Neveau, and Rouech**.

DRIVERS FOR BOWLING: Thanks to all those who volunteered to transport students to Alert Lanes for bowling on **Monday, January 22, 2018**. There were not enough volunteers to take everyone at once so it will be necessary to ask some of our drivers to make repeated trips. Transportation of students will begin at 12:00 noon. Everyone should be back at school to depart for home at the usual time. Our volunteers are: **Austin, Beutel, Corbat, Dahn, Dean, Figley, Gutzwiller, Iler, Lobodzinski, Neveau, Nitz, Powers,**

Rouech, Thunberg, Urban, Wilson, Zube. Drivers, please be here a bit early to get organized.

BOWLING SUPERVISORS: Thanks to those that volunteered to supervise a team of students while they bowl! Your job will be to keep your team organized and moving forward at a proper pace, solve problems, answer questions, help get and return equipment, and crowd control. Those that have volunteered are: **Austin, Beutel, Corbat, Dean, Figley, Gutzwiller, Neveau, Nitz, Rouech, Seifferly, Thunberg, Urban, Wilson, Zube**

PERMISSION SLIPS: Last week permission slips were sent home for two events during Lutheran Schools Week. Please return your child's form tomorrow.

BOYS' B TEAM TOURNAMENT: Our Boys B team will participate in a tournament being held at Trinity Lutheran on Broadway on **Saturday, January 20th, 2018.** Our first game will be at 10:00 AM vs. Tawas. A tournament bracket has been attached to this newsletter.

END OF QUARTER: The second quarter of the school year will end on **Friday, January 19th.** Please keep an eye on ***Engrade*** and encourage your child to finish strong.

REPORT CARDS: Report cards for the second quarter will be sent home on **Monday, January 22, 2018.** A chapel contribution summary will also be provided. Please sign and return only the envelope. There are no formal consultations for the 2nd quarter, but you may request a consultation by talking to your child's teacher. Your staff will be happy to schedule an appointment with you if needed.

LEAGUE MEETING: There will be a special BALL League meeting on **Friday, January 19th** in the morning. The sole purpose of this meeting is to discuss the possibility of developing a relationship with local Missouri Lutheran Synod group of schools. It is hoped that through this effort we can offer our students more athletic opportunity. Please watch for updates on this topic. I will be off campus for this meeting. Thanks to Mrs. Drayer for serving as my sub.

FACULTY IN SERVICE: There will be a half day of school on **Friday, January 19th.** School will be dismissed at 12:00 noon. Please be on time. Your faculty will have meetings during the afternoon.

CARDINAL FOR A DAY: Students in grades 1 to 8 will participate in "Cardinal for a Day." The date is **Thursday, February 1, 2018.** Students will be taken by bus to MLS to participate in a variety of events. They will have a pizza lunch which should last until about 12:45 and then be transported back to Bethel. We should be back around 1:30. We will have a class or two and dismiss at the usual time. Please watch for

a permission slip coming home very soon. Students will have to pay \$2.00 for their pizza lunch.

MLS FINE ARTS FAIR: The annual MLS Fine Arts Fair will be held on **Saturday, March 3, 2018.** We have received preliminary information and students are being encouraged to participate. Parents, please encourage your child. Students in grades 3-5 may participate in Spelling, Math, Music, Forensics, Art and Science. In some cases extra credit is being offered to those that enter. Contact your child's teacher if you would like additional information.

BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to:
Billie Irvine 1/16 Gr. 6
Jacob Krohn 1/17 Gr. 2

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Preschool: This week the preschool will begin a new theme: *Polar Pals*. They will be learning about the North and South Poles, polar animals, and also the polar bear. This week the letter is N, the number 12, the color white, and the octagon. Their Bible lesson is *Young Jesus Visits the Temple*. The children will learn Jesus always obeyed his Father in heaven and his parents on earth. The memory treasures are: Colossians 3:20: *Children, obey your parents* and Ephesians 6:1: *Children, obey your parents in the Lord for this is right*. The January Scholastic Book order is **due Wednesday, January 17.** You may order online or send in the form. Enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year begins today. If you are in need of an application or have any questions see Mrs. Virant.

Kindergarten: Our lessons in Word of God this week will be *The Bronze Snake* and *Balaam*. In their Letter book E the children will be working on identifying the beginning, middle, and ending sounds in words, and reading short sentences. In math, the children are working on identifying how many tens and ones in a number and writing numbers 0-100. Show and tell for this week is things that begin with the letter E like in *egg*. Our sight word for this week is the word "me". Keep building those snowmen for the Book-It pizza certificate.

Memory Work:

Tuesday, January 16 – 7A John 1:29b
Wednesday January 17 - none
Thursday, January 18 – none
Friday January 19 – 7B Psalm 103:1
Monday, January 22 - none

Grades 1-2: Please place Scholastic Book orders online using code **Q4X4B** by January 26. This week look for January reading logs and STEAM projects to come home. Please check your child's homework folder for Memory Treasures and spelling words as well as more information about what we are learning this week in our classroom!

Grades 3-5: It was a busy week back in the 3-5th grade classroom. This week brings another full week of classes. Please remember that this week that we have a half day on Friday, January 19th. If you are planning on going to the Zvara show at Bethel during Lutheran Schools Week there are still tickets available. You can pick them up in the office. This week 3rd and 4th grade has a math test. 5th grade will have a language arts test over verbs on Wednesday. Our hymn this week is #79 *How Lovely Shines the Morning Star* and it is due Wednesday. Spelling this week will be unit 17 and due Thursday along with our spelling test. Friday we will have memory work due. Please help your child stay on top of their daily and weekly work. Next week is Lutheran Schools Week and we have a number of fun activities planned for the week that I hope the kids will enjoy! Blessings on your week!

Grades 6-8: The end of the quarter is near. Almost everyone got their book report for the quarter in which is good news. This week will have some important end of the quarter tests in science, English, and social studies. Please watch your child's study habits. Most students still need to return their permission slips for sledding and visiting the home across the street during Lutheran Schools Week. Students will also need to return their **Cardinal for a Day** permission slips asap. They will be sent home tomorrow. We have a lot going on over the next few weeks! I am offering extra credit in most subjects for all those that attend the MLS Fine Arts Fair. About 4 students have shown interest so far. I am preparing them information and sign up packets and they should be sent home very soon. Thanks to Mrs. Drayer for serving as my sub this coming Friday morning and next Friday as well.

SINGING SCHEDULE:

- 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: All practices are from 3:00 to 5:00 PM

01/15- B team practice only (A team has a game)

01/18

01/22

01/25

Games:

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

2/9-10 MLS LARGE SCHOOL TOURNAMENT

2/23-24 BALL TOURNAMENT @ TRINITY

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:

1/15 - 2018-19 Preschool enrollment begins

1/19 - End 2nd 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

2/1 - Cardinal for a Day @ MLS

2/2 - Faculty In Service ½ Day

2/5 - Pastor/Teacher Conference – **No School**

2/6-7 - Mr. Dast out of town for VEBA meeting

2/14 - Ash Wednesday

2/22 - Hearing grades 2 and 4

3/2 - Principals' Conference

3/2 - Sports pictures

3/3 - MLS Fine Arts Fair

3/5 - K Visit Day

3/7 - K Visit Day

3/9 - BALL League Meeting

3/11 - Daylight Saving Time begins

3/23 - End 3rd Quarter

Faculty in Service in the afternoon – ½ Day

3/25 - Palm Sunday

3/26 - Report Cards Due Out

3/30 - Good Friday – Special Pizza Lunch – School out after 1:00 PM Service

4/1 - Easter Sunday

4/2-4/6 - Spring Vacation – No School