



BOBCAT BULLETIN

Ed. #26

BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

3/19/2018

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

CHURCH & SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Church Phone: 989-892-4252
School Phone: 989-892-4508

E-MAIL:

Pastor: Mark Luetzow
pastor.luetzow@gmail.com
Principal / 6-8: Douglas Dast
dougdast@charter.net
Grades 3-5: Zachariah Thooft
zachtthoof7@gmail.com
Grades 1-2: Rebecca McGehee
Rebecca.m.mcgehee@gmail.com
Kindergarten: Sandy Mayhew
mayhewsl89@gmail.com
Preschool: Jodi Virant
virantjl@gmail.com

CHURCH & SCHOOL WEBSITE/EMAIL:

www.bethellutheranbc.org
bethelschoolbc@gmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Sunday school lesson for **Sunday, March 18** is "Jesus Rides into Jerusalem" The treat will be provided by **Betzold**.

LENT: Please remember to attend our mid-week Lenten services! There is a soup supper before each one starting at 5:00 PM. Wednesday evening services start at 6:30 PM.

3/21 Lent 6

3/25 Palm Sunday

3/29 Maundy Thursday @ 6:30

3/30 Good Friday @ 1:00 Grades 1-8 Sing

4/1 Easter Sunday

CHAPEL: For the third quarter our chapel offerings will be given to our own **Bethel Equip for Quality Special Fund**. This past week **\$41.96** was collected. Our offering for the quarter now totals **\$303.83**.

HOT LUNCH: Thanks to those that served hot lunch last week, everything was great! This coming Wednesday is a **Subway** hot lunch. Order forms will be sent home on **Monday 3/19** and will need to be returned on Tuesday 3/20. Mrs. Zube will be here on Tuesday morning to collect them and prepare our order. Workers for Wednesday are scheduled to be **Crites, Dahn, and Dean**.

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

CHURCH CLEANING: The annual spring cleaning of our church will take place on **Tuesday, March 20th**. All members of the congregation are encouraged to participate. You can come at any time. Directions will be provided. Please come and help with this important and necessary project.

JUNIOR CHOIR: The Junior Choir will be singing for **Palm Sunday, March 25th**. Rehearsal will be at 9:45 in Mr. Dast's room.

PALM SUNDAY PALMS PROCESSION: As is the custom, all children are invited to participate in the palms procession at the beginning of the service. Children may pick up their palm in Mr. Dast's room and then line up for the procession. After the procession children will be dismissed to sit with their parents. There will be a walk through practice on **Thursday, March 22**.

GOOD FRIDAY SPECIAL PIZZA HOT LUNCH: Just a heads up notification with this announcement. There will be two hot lunches during the Holy Week. Students will have their traditional holiday hot lunch on Wednesday, but there will also be a special Hungry Howies pizza day on Good Friday. This special Good Friday pizza hot lunch is on the hot lunch schedule. Our workers are scheduled to be **Herrera, Houck, and Krohn**.

PLAY SCENERY/PROPS: – Mrs. Mayhew is looking for some old Christmas Trees, silk Ficus trees, or any other large silk bushes or greenery to create our "woods" for the play. We could also use some old fishing poles, sleeping bags, Coleman lanterns, coolers, boat paddles, life vests, a blow-up raft, inner tube and empty spray cans. (These items can be broken or have holes. We are just using them as props or part of the scenery to give an effect of a summer camp.) Please speak with her if you have any questions.

END OF QUARTER: The 3rd quarter of the school year will end on **Friday, March 23rd**. Please keep an eye on Engrade and encourage your child to finish strong.

MLS LOCK IN: Michigan Lutheran Seminary will have its annual Lock In on **Friday, April 13th**. Students in grades 6-8 have been invited and have received information. Many students have indicated that they intend to go but chaperones will be needed in order for our students to attend and most forms have not yet been turned in. Please do so tomorrow so that I can report our attendance numbers to MLS. Thanks!

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.

REPORT CARDS: Report cards for the third quarter will be sent home on **Monday, March 26th**. Please sign and return only the envelope. If you would like a consultation to discuss your child's progress, please contact your child's teacher.

PINE CAR DERBY: With your last newsletter you received a Pine Car Derby entry form. Please return your form and entry fee tomorrow. Thanks!

FACULTY IN SERVICE: Your staff will have an in-service meeting on **Friday, March 23rd**. School will be dismissed at noon. Please remember to be on time!

BALL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT: Bethel will participate in the annual BALL Invitational Volleyball tournament being hosted by Trinity on **Saturday, March 24th**. A tournament bracket is attached to this newsletter. Go Bobcats!

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Preschool: Welcome Spring!!! The calendar says spring has arrived this week. Along with the arrival of spring the children will begin a new theme called *Springtime Sparkles*. They will learn about signs of spring – the blossoming of trees and flowers and also the changing weather in spring. The letter this week is U, the number 16, the color yellow, and the oval. In the Bible lessons they will continue their Lenten journey with *Jesus before Pilate*. They will learn Pilate wanted to let Jesus go free because Pilate knew that Jesus had done nothing wrong, but he ended up saying Jesus should die.

2018-2019 enrollment update:

11 openings 4 year old class

11 openings in the 3 year old class

Kindergarten: This week we will be very busy starting our play practices with the preschool and grades 1-2. Please make sure your child knows the lines that they will be saying in the small groups. In Word of God the children will learn how David showed kindness to Saul and his family even though King Saul was very cruel to him. The children have started a new Letter book that will cover the letters P, V, and W. This week we will be focusing on the letter P. They will be learning the sight

word *put*, reading the story "The Odd Picnic" and working on their comprehension skills. In math, the children will be finishing their chapter on patterns and start learning about 3 dimensional shapes. In science, they have been learning about plants and how they grow. Show and Tell this week will be things that begin with the letter P.

Memory Work:

Tuesday, March 20 – 4A Ephesians 4:32

Wednesday, March 21 – none

Thursday, March 22 – none

Friday, March 23 – 4B Matthew 22:39

Grades 1-2: Thank you to everyone who returned their Reading Challenge Logs on Friday! It's not too late to start reading! Avery is now in the lead with a total of 300 minutes. Everyone else is not far behind! Keep reading!! Please order March Scholastic Book order online using code Q4X4B by the end of this week. We have been busy working on our songs and parts for the upcoming play. We will continue to practice more this week and next. We are also working on our song for Good Friday. Please look for additional information about what we are learning, especially spelling words and Memory Treasures in your child's Homework Guide.

Grades 3-5: Thank you to the students who sang in church last Sunday! This week play practice is in full swing and we will be practicing more often this week to get ready for the play. Our classroom is in need of Kleenex; if you are willing to donate some to our classroom please send them with your child. On Wednesday our Good Friday song is due. On Thursday unit 26 in spelling is due and we will have our word test. Friday our memory work is due. Friday is the end of the quarter and report cards will be handed out the following Monday. Third and fourth grade will have a test in math on Tuesday. Please continue to help your child stay on top of their daily and weekly work. Holy Week is next week, please check the bulletin or newsletter for worship times and please note that the students sing on Good Friday. Blessings on your week!

Grades 6-8: Spring will be here tomorrow and I can't wait. It seems to renew the spirit and give additional energy. I hope my students use their additional energy to finish the quarter strong. The quarter will officially end on Friday. Book reports are all in which is great!

There will be chapter tests in science and social studies this week sometime. I am not quite sure of the dates since our schedule is likely to be off due to play practices. There might also be a chapter test in English but that is not certain, again for the same reason as above. Speaking of play practices, they will be much more frequent as the play date approaches. I hope my students are working hard on their parts. Time for preparation is running out.

SINGING SCHEDULE:

3/25 Jr. Choir
3/30 Grades 1-8
4/29 Jr. Choir Confirmation
5/6 Grades 1-2
5/10 Jr. Choir
6/3 Grades 1-7 Graduation

VOLLEYBALL:

Practices:

Fri. 3/23 12:00 to 2:30

Matches:

Tue. 3/20 vs. St. Luke's @ Bethel @ 5:30
vs. St. John's II @ Bethel @ 7:30
Sat. 3/24 BALL VB Tourney @ MLS

BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to:

Leah Nitz 3/19 K
Leighton Schultz 3/21 Pre.

COMING UP:

3/19 - Pre K vision and hearing screening
3/20 - Church spring cleaning
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 – Easter Sunday Breakfast
4/2-4/6 - Spring Vacation – No School
4.13 - MLS Lock In
4/14 - School Plays Pre-2 @ 4:00 and 3-8 @ 6:00
4/23 - Examination
4/27 - Principals' Conference
8th Grade Career Day at Career Center
4/29 - Confirmation Sunday
5/2 - WELS LES Community Service @ State Park
5/4 - Faculty In Service – Dismiss at Noon
5/9 - WELS LES Community Service @ State Park
Rain Out Date
5/10 - Ascension Service @ St. John's
5/13 - Mothers' Day
5/15 - Loons Game
5/20 - Pine Car Derby
5/23 - 4 Year Old Preschool Farewell
5/24 - 3 Year Old Preschool Farewell
5/25 - BALL Track Meet @ Garber
5/28 - Memorial Day – No School
5/29 - 6-8 Class Trip
5/30 - MLS Track Meet
5/31 - Records Day – Dismiss at Noon
6/1 - Last Day – Dismiss @ Noon/Report Cards
Awards Assembly @ 11:30
6/3 - Graduation/Church Picnic