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BETHEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** There will be no Sunday school on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> due to our congregation's annual celebration of Easter and the extra activities planned for the day. The Sunday school lesson for **Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** will be "The Parable of the Money Bags" The treat will be provided by **Anderson**.

**HOLY WEEK:** Please note the following Holy Week schedule and plan to attend all of our special services with your family.

**3/29 Maundy Thursday @ 6:30**  
**3/30 Good Friday @ 1:00 Grades 1-8 Sing**  
**4/1 Easter Sunday @10:00**  
**Easter Breakfast @ 8:30**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY:** There will be a special Maundy Thursday church service this coming **Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:30**. Please plan to attend with your entire family.

**GOOD FRIDAY:** Our congregation's Good Friday church service will be held this coming **Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**. The service will begin at 1:00 p.m. Children in grades 1-8 will be singing for the service. School will officially end and spring break will begin after the service. Students will be dismissed to sit with their parents after they sing.

**PASTOR LUETZOW:** In case you were not able to attend church yesterday and didn't hear the news in another way, Pastor Luetzow informed the congregation that he has decided to accept the call to become the next President of Michigan Lutheran Seminary. I know you all join me in thanking him for his faithful service to Bethel and in wishing him God's blessings in his new call.

**CHAPEL:** For the third quarter our chapel offerings will be given to our own **Bethel Equip for Quality Special Fund**. This past week **\$30.00** was collected. Our offering for the quarter now totals **\$333.83**. This was the last offering for the third quarter. During the fourth quarter our offering will go to the **Martin Luther College Tuition Match Program**.

**HONOR ROLL:** Congratulations to all 6-8 students that made honor roll for the third quarter!

### **All A's and B's:**

Kyle Krohn Gr. 6  
Hunter Seifferly Gr. 7  
Isabella Shaw Gr. 8

### **All A's:**

Andrew Luetzow Gr. 6  
Carly Krohn Gr. 7  
Erica Krohn Gr. 8  
Olivia Lopez Gr. 8  
Kaya McGinnis Gr. 8

**WEDNESDAY HOT LUNCH:** Thanks to those that served hot lunch last week, everything was great! This coming Wednesday is a special holiday hot lunch. The menu will include ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, and bars. Our workers are scheduled to be **Figley, Gutzwiller, and Hartley**.

### **GOOD FRIDAY HUNGRY HOWIES HOT LUNCH:**

Next **Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>** there will be a special Hungry Howies Pizza hot lunch. **Lunch will be served at 11:30 not 12:00 noon**. Tickets will be sold that morning. Our workers are scheduled to be **Herrera, Houck, and Krohn**.

**SPRING BREAK:** BLS will have its annual spring break from **April 2 to 6**. There will be no school. Classes will resume on **Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** with a full day of school. Enjoy the time off!

**BALL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**: This past weekend our volleyball team concluded its season by playing in the BALL Volleyball tournament hosted by Trinity Lutheran School at Michigan Lutheran Seminary. Our team finished the regular season with only one loss and to top it off, **they won the tournament. Congratulations, Bobcats!** Thanks to our volleyball team and their coach for a great season!

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

**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.

**MLS LOCK IN**: Michigan Lutheran Seminary will have its annual Lock In on **Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**. Students in grades 6-8 have been invited and have received information. Chaperones will be needed in order for our students to attend. Please return your forms right away so that I can report our attendance numbers to MLS. **Last call for turning in info for this activity will be Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. I will be signing our kids up on Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**. If we do not have the requisite number of chaperons (1 for every six students) we will not be able to participate.

**REPORT CARDS**: Report cards for the third quarter will be sent home today, **Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**. **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.

### **CLASSROOM NEWS:**

**Preschool**: As we enter the last week of March and also the special services of Holy Week in preparation for Easter, the children will study the Bible lesson *Jesus Dies on the Cross*. The 4 year olds will learn Jesus suffered and died to finish his work of taking away our sins. The memory treasure is I Timothy 1:15 *Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners*. The 3 year olds will learn Jesus let himself die on the cross to take away our sins. Their memory treasure is 1Corinthians 15:3 *Christ died for our sins*. The children will complete the theme *Springtime Sparkles* and learn about animals that are born in spring. Have a blessed Easter and enjoy your break.

#### **2018-2019 enrollment update:**

**10** openings 4 year old class

**11** openings in the 3 year old class

**Kindergarten**: This week we will be finishing up some units before our spring break and working on the songs for our play. In Word of God we will be learning how David sinned and God forgave him. We will be continuing to work on letter V. In math, the children will be finishing up their chapter on 3 dimensional shapes. In science we will continue to work on our unit on plants and their parts. Show-n-tell for this week are things that begin with the letter V.

#### **Memory Work for this week**

Tuesday, March 27 – 5A Luke 18:13

Wednesday, March 28 – none

Thursday, March 29 – none

Friday, March 30 – 5B 4<sup>th</sup> Commandment

**Grades 1-2**: Thank you to everyone who returned their Reading Challenge Logs on Friday! We are approaching the end of our reading challenge. Continue reading through the end of March and turn in your child’s reading log after spring break. Currently Caleb is in the lead. Zach is in second place. We will continue to practice for our Good Friday song and our play this week. We sing in church on Good Friday @ 1:00. Your child will join you for the remainder of the service after they sing upstairs in the balcony. I hope everyone has an enjoyable Easter and spring break! 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**: This week is Holy Week. Please check the newsletter for worship times during this special week as we look forward to Easter Sunday! This Friday is a half day with Good Friday and the students sing in the service which begins at 1:00 pm. On Wednesday, hymn #140 *God Was There on Calvary* is due. On Thursday, unit 27 in our spelling workbook is due and we will have the word test on Thursday. On Friday, memory work is due. All grades will have a test over pronouns in language arts this week. Fifth grade will have a math test over chapter 11. All book reports are due this Wednesday; please make sure your child has finished their book report by that time so we can do our discussion activity on Thursday. Enjoy your upcoming spring break and blessings on your week!

**Grades 6-8**: One week to go before everyone gets a much needed break. I hope everyone’s week off is filled with nice spring weather. If students work hard this week they should have little homework over the break. The break would be a nice time for everyone to start working on their fourth quarter book report. During the week off my students need to work hard on their speaking parts for the play. We only have one week of practice when we return from break and then it is play time! The fourth quarter begins this week! I hope everyone can shake off the winter blues and finish the year strong. Soon after the break I will be sending home information about our end of the year class trip to Michigan Adventure. Please watch for an initial letter of information and please respond quickly.

Also see the announcement earlier in this newsletter regarding the sleep over at MLS. This information is needed yet this week.

### **SINGING SCHEDULE:**

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

### **BIRTHDAYS:** Happy Birthday to:

Marcus Fuhrman	3/28	Pre.
Robi Gutzwiller	3/28	Pre.
Kaylee Lack	3/31	Pre.
Pastor Luetzow	4/1	
Mrs. Oblender	4/1	
Kaden Szostek	4/4	Gr. 8
Lillianna Szostek	4/6	Gr. 3

### **COMING UP:**

- 3/30 - Good Friday – Special Pizza Lunch – School out after 1:00 PM Church Service**
- 4/1 - Easter Sunday  
Easter Breakfast @ 8:30 a.m.**
- 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  
8<sup>th</sup> 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 @ 6:00 a.m.
- 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

## **MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY**

### **APRIL 8 - CONCERT CHOIR HOMECOMING**

**CONCERT:** This will be the final concert of their spring tour. Please consider attending this concert to show your support and welcome the choir back. It promises to be a spiritually edifying and wonderfully inspiring concert. The concert will be held in the MLS chapel.

**APRIL 13 • MLS LOCK-IN:** MLS invites all 6 through 8 grade students to attend the 5th Annual MLS Lock-in with a group from their church or school. The date for the lock in is Friday, April 13. Registration starts at 7:00 p.m. The lock-in will run until 8:00 a.m., Saturday, April 14. Attending is free. Breakfast will be provided. Visit [www.mlsem.org/lockin](http://www.mlsem.org/lockin) for more information. To register, contact your Pastor or Principal.

**APRIL 15 • MLS BAND CONCERT:** We invite you to come and enjoy the pieces played by our band as they use their musical abilities for our enjoyment and God's praise. The concert will be held in the MLS gym. Immediately following this the Shadows, an acapella group that helps with recruitment presentations will present a few of their numbers.

**MLS SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS:** Registration is now open for Summer Sports Camp! MLS camps emphasize teaching fundamentals, skills, and knowledge of the game in a positive, Christian setting. We offer basketball, boys' football, girls' volleyball camp and new this year is an overnight father/son football camp. For more information and to register, visit [www.mlsem.org/summercamps](http://www.mlsem.org/summercamps)

**HOST FAMILIES NEEDED:** MLS is looking for host families for the 2018-19 school year. We need families that are willing to model typical American Christian family life for these students. While they will live in the dorm, they need places to stay when the dorms close for vacations. Host families will receive \$300 per international student as a token of our appreciation and to help offset the cost of hosting. For more information, please contact Prof. Joanne Kohler ([jrk@mlsem.org](mailto:jrk@mlsem.org)) or Dean Melissa LaBair ([mjl@mlsem.org](mailto:mjl@mlsem.org)). For questions about any MLS events, please contact our Public Relations Coordinator