



Always be prepared to give an answer. - 1 Peter 3:15

Worship Schedule:

- 11/07 - 6:30 - Worship
- 11/13 - 9:00 - Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- 10:00 - Worship (*Christ the King*)

Mission Program: Our first quarter mission offering is going to support Christain Life Resources. They are an organization which provides Biblical-based counsel to individuals and families on life and family issues. Our current mission offering for the quarter is \$480.79. Our 2nd quarter mission offering will go to the Central African Medical Mission (CAMM). This ministry brings not only the gospel to places in Africa but also much needed medical and physical care also. Members of CAMM will be coming to give a school presentation about the CAMM on Wednesday, December 7th during chapel. Parents and congregation members are invited to join us for that presentation. This is a great opportunity for children to contribute to the mission work of our church and synod.

Report Cards: Report cards for the first quarter will be sent home this coming Wednesday, November 9th. Please keep the report card itself, but return the signed envelope right away!

Parent/Teacher Conferences: You are invited to come to school and talk to your child's teacher about your student's progress. The date for this is Monday, November 14th. An online sign-up was sent out with times for you to sign up for a conference.

Playground Update: We are still looking to install new playground equipment starting THIS FRIDAY, November 11th and November 12th & 13th. The playground has been shut down for excavation and will not open up again until after the installation of the new playground equipment. Although schedules are busy, we are hoping to get a crew of volunteers to help this weekend. Stephanie Wilson has posted the event on Bethel Lutheran School's Facebook page. Mark your calendars and if you are available, we would love your help!

Scrip Cards: On Thursday at noon and 3, Paul Gies will be available with Scrip gift cards for purchase. There are a variety of cards available and Bethel earns a percentage amount from each purchase.

MALL Girls' BBall Tournament: There has been a change in schedule for the MALL girls' basketball tournament. It has been moved to a two day tournament (Friday and Saturday) due to the size of the tournament. Once I have received a bracket with game start times I will pass it along.

MLS Play: A permission slip was sent home in grades 3-8 for the MLS play *12 Incompetent Jurors* on November 18th.. We will need drivers for this field trip. If you are willing to drive, please indicate so on the permission slip. **Please return your child's signed permission slip and the \$2 donation as soon as possible.**

Thanksgiving Church Service: Bethel will have a special Thanksgiving Eve church service on Wednesday, November 23rd, at 6:30. Both of our school choirs will be singing in that service. I pray that all our school and preschool families join us for this special service of thanks to our gracious God.

Boys' and Girls' Club: Cookie Bake is on Thursday, November 17 from 5:30-7:00 at Bethel. Come out to this fun evening of baking cookies!

Honor Roll: Students in grades 6-8 only are eligible for Honor Roll. There are two levels – all A's and A's & B's. For the first quarter of the school year the following students have made Honor Roll in grades 6-8:

All A's & B's:

Chloe Crites	Gr. 8	Robby Raushi	Gr. 8	Avery Kukla	Gr. 6
Logan Zube	Gr. 8	Collin Nitz	Gr. 6	Laney Wilson	Gr. 6
Olivia Rouech	Gr. 8	Ian McGehee	Gr. 6	Grace Janz	Gr. 6
Lilly Szostek	Gr. 8	Eliza Figley	Gr. 6		

Congratulations to these students! I hope all 6th to 8th grade students aspire to be on this list and work towards that goal!

Pastor Killinger Call: Pastor Killinger has received a divine call to serve as associate pastor at Trinity in Watertown, Wisconsin. I encourage you to reach out to Pastor Killinger if you have any questions or comments as it pertains to the call he is deliberating. Along with the Killinger family, I encourage you to keep Bethel and Trinity in your prayers during this deliberation process.

Dismissal Change: Due to the higher volume of traffic in the Pine Rd parking lot at dismissal, it has been decided to change our dismissal procedure. Preschool (4 year old program) and Kindergarten families (this includes PreK 4 year olds/Kindergarten students with older siblings) will be dismissed on the Ridge Road side of the building and will be signed out in the Multi-Purpose Room. Students in grades 1-8 will still be dismissed on the Pine Road side of the building. If you have questions, please speak to your child's teacher.

CEA: The Christian Education Association (CEA) has met and scheduled a number of activities for the school year. For a schedule and list of activities, please check the CEA schedule portion of the newsletter. If you are willing to help with any of the CEA events please contact the people who are in charge of them, listed next to the event. Thank you to all the parent volunteers who are willing to lead these events.

Good Shepherd Pastoral Vacancy: Our sister congregation, Good Shepherd in Midland, is currently without a pastor. Pastor Killinger has been called to serve as their vacancy pastor while Good Shepherd seeks to call a new pastor. There will be little disruption to what we are doing at Bethel during this process. Good Shepherd has put out a call to another pastor and are awaiting his decision. I encourage you to keep Good Shepherd in your prayers as they seek a new shepherd for their congregation and for Pastor Killinger as he serves them during the vacancy.

Birthdays:

11/07 - Joy Szostek - grade 5

Student Spotlight:

Robby Raushi - grade 8; Avaree Fuhrman - grade 5; Skylar Heinz - Kindergarten; Eli Fleischmann - PreK-3

Coming Up:

- 11/09 - Report Cards Sent Home
- 11/14 - No School
 - Faculty In-Service in AM
 - Parent Consults in PM
- 11/23-11/25 - No School - Thanksgiving Vacation
- 12/21 - Classroom Christmas Parties (Last day of school before Christmas Break)
- 12/21 - Children's Christmas Service @ 6:30
- 01/09 - Classes Resume after Christmas Break



CEA Schedule:

- 12/11 - Coffee Hour after church - Powers/Kukla
- 01/15 - General Business Meeting
- 02/12 - Coffee Hour after church - Crites
- 02/22 - Ash Wednesday Soup Supper - VanDenBoom
- 02/25 - Saginaw Spirit Game - Krohn
- 03/04 - Trivia Night - Thunberg/Wilson
- 04/28 - Mother/Son Activity - Thunberg/Wilson
- 05/05 - Daddy/Daughter Dance - Thunberg/Wilson
- TBD Springtime - Pine Car Derby - Powers
- TBD - Board Games Night - Friske

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to organize these activities!

Hot Lunch Schedule:

- 11/16 - Pizza Hot Lunch - Szostek/Thunberg
- 11/30 - Taco Hot Lunch - Urban/VanDenBoom
- 12/14 - Pizza Hot Lunch - Wilson/Zube

Upcoming Singing Schedule Dates:

- 11/23 - Grades 1-8 (Thanksgiving Service)
- 12/04 - Cherub Choir
- 12/11 - Cantate Choir
- 12/22 - Children's Christmas Service



Bookmobile Schedule:

- 11/15, 12/06, 12/27

Girls' Basketball Game Schedule

(Games begin at 5:30, when A and B team play on the same night, B team plays first followed by A team):

- 11/08 vs Sag/Hem @ Christ Shields (8795 Ederer Rd, Saginaw, MI 48609)
- 11/11 - vs Emanuel (Tawas) @ Bethel
- 11/18-11/19 - MALL A Team Tournament @ Lansing
- 12/09-12/10 - MLS Tournament @ MLS



A Team Practice Schedule:

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| - Thursday, November 10 | 3:00-4:30 |
| - Sunday, November 13 | 5:00-6:30 |
| - Thursday, November 17 | 3:00-4:30 |
| - Monday, November 21 | 3:00-4:30 |
| - Tuesday, November 29 | 3:00-4:30 |
| - Thursday, December 1 | 3:00-4:30 |

- Tuesday, December 6 3:00-4:30
- Thursday, December 8 3:00-4:30

B Team Practice Schedule:

- Monday, November 7 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm
- Thursday, November 10 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm (joint A & B practice)



Michigan Lutheran Seminary:

MLS Application: Calling all 8th grade families! Now is the time to apply to Michigan Lutheran Seminary for the 2023-24 school year. Fill out the online application in just 10 minutes by visiting mlsem.org/apply! Applicant families are able to receive specific information about the upcoming school year. Apply before January 31st, 2023 and you'll be entered to win a \$500 or \$250 tuition discount. We're already excited to welcome a new class of Cardinal to campus and we hope that YOU are a part of it!

MLS OPEN HOUSE

Michigan Lutheran Seminary invites all 5th-8th grade students and their families to spend part of a day on campus learning about MLS at one of our Open House events. There will be several open houses throughout the school year. All open houses will include a tour of campus, faculty introductions, a free meal in the dining hall, and free admission to an MLS event.

- Nov 20 (4:00-6:00) - Fall Play performance @ 2:30 (Open House after show)
- Feb 10 (1:30-5:30) - Varsity basketball games vs. Nouvel
- Mar 11 (4:00-6:00) - Children's Theater performances @ 2:00 and 7:00 (Open House between shows)
- May 5 (4:00-6:00) - Varsity baseball/softball games vs. Bullock Creek

Get your questions answered as you and your 6th-8th grade students meet faculty and students, attend mini-classes, and hear personal experiences from other MLS parents. Between tours and break-out sessions, you'll find out everything that makes MLS an incredibly special place for students and their families. Visit www.mlsem.org to register.

Google Calendar: If you have not, please check out our Google calendar for the latest dates of events. It is important that you have access to our Google calendar because that is the primary way to know when events are happening at Bethel. If you need assistance with setting up access to the Google calendar, please contact a staff member.

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