



***I am the vine; you are the branches." - John 15:5***

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**\*Due to Michigan District Teachers' Conference next week, this newsletter will cover information for the next two weeks\***

**Worship Schedule:**

Monday, September 25th @ 6:30 pm

Sunday, October 1st @ 10:00 a.m.

- Sunday School & Bible Class @ 9:00 a.m.

Monday, October 2nd @ 6:30 pm

Sunday, October 8th @ 10:00 a.m.

- Sunday School & Bible Class @ 9:00 a.m.

**Mission Program:** Our first quarter mission offering is going to support Kingdom Workers Indonesia, who are helping to bring clean water and sanitation solutions to rural Indonesia along with the message of the gospel. Our chapel offering last week was \$73.75 and students have collected \$115.75 this quarter.

**CEA Update:** Yesterday our parent group, the Christian Education Association (CEA) met to discuss activities and projects they will be sponsoring throughout this school year. Approved projects include a new Pine Car Derby track and risers for use in the Christmas Service and other various programs. The CEA also will sponsor activities throughout the school year such as the Daddy/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Activity, Trivia Night and Pine Car Derby. All these activities are in need of volunteer help. If you are interested in helping, please contact the person in charge of each of these activities. The name of the person in charge of each activity will be listed beside the activity along with the date in the CEA portion of the newsletter.

**Band:** Recently a Google Form from Mrs. Perkins was sent out for students in grades 5-8 who are interested in band. If your child intends to participate in band this school year please fill out this form as soon as possible. If you did not receive information about the form, please talk with Mr. Thoof for further information.

**Soccer Tournament:** Our soccer team will be finishing up their season this week. Their end of season tournament will be this Saturday (09/30) at Zion Lutheran in Chesaning. A tournament schedule will be passed out this week with game times. Good luck to our Bobcat players this weekend!

**Girls' Basketball Open Gym:** There will be open gym times for all girls' basketball players interested in sharpening their skills and getting ready for the upcoming season. The last open gym will be Thursday, September 28th from 3:00-4:30. For questions related to open gym times, contact Coach Paul Wilson.

**Grandparents' Day:** Grandparents' Day is Friday, October 20th. Grandparents are invited to arrive at school around 9:45 am for a program which will begin at 10 am. After the program the students will do a variety of activities with their grandparents. Students are dismissed at noon on this day. Further information about Grandparents' Day and an RSVP form will be sent out today related to Grandparents' Day. **If your child has grandparents that would like to attend Grandparents' Day please return the form to school by Monday, October 2nd.**

**Popcorn Friday:** This Friday will be our first Popcorn Friday of the school year. Bags of popcorn will be available for \$0.50 if your child would like to participate and get a bag of popcorn.

**Cross Country Results:** Last Wednesday some of our students participated in the MLS Cross Country Meet. Here are the results:

Taylor Thunberg - grade 6 - 1st place  
Rylee Thunberg - grade 5 - 6th place  
Mia Rupp - grade 3 - 14th place

**Cameron Zvara Assembly:** On October 13th Kindergarten through 8th grade students will be attending a Cameron Zvara Brain Break Assembly from 10:00-10:45 at Trinity. The cost for this event is \$7 per student. Trinity will be picking up the majority of our students with their bus, while the remaining upper grade students will have parental transportation. **Please return the permission slip and money by Monday, October 2nd.**

**Michigan District Teachers' Conference:** Your Bethel faculty will be attending the Michigan District Teachers' Conference from Wednesday, October 4th through Friday, October 6th in Livonia, Michigan. The conference is filled with presenters and workshops. There will be no school these days.

**Scoreboard Advertising:** A few years ago our CEA completed our scoreboard project thanks to the help of some advertising sponsors. Those sponsors purchased advertising space on our scoreboard in the gym and that allowed us to purchase our scoreboard. There is still advertising space available. If you are interested in learning more about this available space, please talk with Mr. Thoof.

**Registration Day Forms:** Although we made most of Registration Day digital, there are a few forms that were taken home on Registration Day that need to be returned. Specific information about these forms will be provided this week. If you have forms that need to be returned, please do so as soon as possible.

**Good Shepherd Pastoral Vacancy:** Our sister congregation, Good Shepherd in Midland, is currently without a pastor. Pastor Killinger has been serving as vacancy pastor for their congregation. Good Shepherd currently has a call out for a pastor. Please keep Good Shepherd's ministry, as well as Pastor Killinger, in your prayers during this time of vacancy.

**Birthdays:**

Hudson Scharich - PreK-3 - September 25th  
Ella Albrecht - Kindergarten - September 27th  
Skylar Heinz - Grade 1 - October 6th

**Upcoming Singing Schedule Dates:**

- 10/15 - Cantate Choir
- 10/22 - Cherub Choir
- 10/29 - PreK/Kindergarten
- 11/12 - Cantate Choir
- 11/22 - Grades 1-8 (Thanksgiving Eve)

### **Coming Up:**

- **09/27 - Owosso Cross Country**
- **10/04-10/06 - State Teachers' Conference (No School)**
- 10/11 - Class Pictures
- 10/13 - K-8 Cameron Zvara Assembly @ Trinity
- 10/20 - Grandparents' Day (½ day w/faculty in-service in the afternoon)
- 10/27 - Costume Day
- 11/03 - End of 1st Quarter
  - Principals' Conference
- 11/08 - Report Cards sent home
- 11/13 - No School
  - Faculty In-Service in the morning.
  - Parent Consultations in the afternoon
- 11/22-11/24 - No School (Thanksgiving Break)

### **Soccer Game Schedule (Games begin at 4 unless otherwise noted):**

- **09/26 - vs Burton @ Bethel - (5:00 pm)**
- **09/30 - Tournament @ TBD**

### **Girls' Basketball Schedule**

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

- 10/17 - vs Trinity @ Bethel (AB)
- 10/20 - vs St. Bart's @ SJBC (AB)
- 10/21 - B Team Tournament @ Trinity
- 10/24 - vs Emanuel (Tawas) @ Tawas (B team)
- 10/27 - vs SJBC @ Bethel (B team)
- 10/27 - vs Sag/Hem @ Bethel (A team)
- 11/03 - vs Sag/Hem @ Christ Shields (B team)
- 11/07 - vs SJBC @ SJBC (AB)
- 11/10 - vs Owosso @ Bethel (A team)
- 11/14 - vs SJBC @ Bethel (AB)
- 11/17 - vs Emanuel (Lansing) @ Lansing (A team)
- 11/28 - vs Trinity @ Trinity (AB)
- 12/01-12/02 - MALL Tournament @ SJBC
- 12/08-12/09 - MLS Tournament @ MLS

### **CEA Sponsored Activities:**

- 12/10 - Coffee Hour (Powers)
- 02/14 - Ash Wednesday Soup Supper (VanDenBoom)
- 03/02 - Trivia Night (Thunberg/Wilson)
- 03/10 - Coffee Hour (Leppeck)
- 04/26 - Mother/Son Activity (Thunberg/Wilson)
- 05/03 - Daddy/Daughter Dance (Thunberg/Wilson)
- TBD - Pine Car Derby (Powers)
- TBD - Family Movie Night (Wilson)
- TBD - Board Game Night (Friske)

**Check these out!** Did you know our Synod had a variety of family resources? Below are a couple links that include family devotions that can be used at home as well as articles on a variety of parenting and family topics. I pray these resources are helpful to you and your family.

Family Devotions: [Family Devotions – WELS](https://wels.net/serving-you/devotions/family-devotions/) (https://wels.net/serving-you/devotions/family-devotions/)

Forward in Christ Parent Conversations: [Parents – FORWARD IN CHRIST](https://forwardinchrist.net/parents/) (https://forwardinchrist.net/parents/).

## **Michigan Lutheran Seminary**

### **MLS Jr. Cardinal Sports Programs**

This fall MLS is excited to offer three different opportunities for grade school age children to come experience MLS! Deadlines to register for these programs vary and are coming up soon, so don't wait to sign up. We are offering the following programs:

Jr. Cardinal Flag Football League (September 13 to October 21)

Jr. Volleyball Club (October 15 to November 19)

Jr. Cardinal Pom Clinic (October 15)