



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

Worship Schedule:

Monday, October 9th @ 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 15th @ 10:00 a.m.

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

Picture Day: Picture Day is this Wednesday, October 11th. Picture forms were sent home last week. You may purchase pictures online through PhotoFactory or bring a check or cash. Please fill out and bring in the forms on picture day. Pictures will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Pie, Popcorn, Peanuts & Pajamas Night: Mark your calendars for this brand new event we are adding this fall. On Tuesday, November 21st at 6:30 pm you are invited to the school gym for fellowship and...pie! Please bring a pie (or multiple if you can't choose one) to share. We will be watching the Charlie Brown Thanksgiving movie and popcorn will be available for the showing. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity for us to get together during the holiday season as a church and school family!

Hot Lunch: This Wednesday (10/11) will be our first pizza hot lunch of the school year. Pizza forms were sent home last week. Please bring in those forms **Tuesday** morning for ordering.

Clothing Order: It's time to get your Bethel apparel! The clothing order will be done online through Sandlot Sports and has a variety of items including youth and adult sizes. The items available will be similar to clothing orders done previous years. The online store will open on Sunday, October 15th and close on Sunday, October 22nd at 11:59 pm. A QR code and link will be sent out shortly before the store opens. Orders and payments are all done online through Sandlot Sports. Clothing items will be sent home with students or can be picked up in the school office when they come in. The estimated pick time will be middle to late November. You will be notified when orders are ready. Please contact Mr. Thooft for any questions.

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 \$90.56 and students have collected \$206.31 this quarter.

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. **If your child has grandparents that would like to attend Grandparents' Day please return the form to school as soon as possible.**

Soccer Tournament: Our soccer team finished up their season with a tournament at Zion in Chesaning. They played in a couple close games, including a shootout but went 0-2 in the tournament. Thank you to the coaches and players for their work this season!

Band: Mrs. Perkins met with interested band students last week and sent out information about the band program. If your child is interested in band, please fill out the packet that was sent home and return it to school this week.

MLS Taste of Ministry: This week we had Kayla and Madison from MLS visit our school to get some experience in what ministry is about. Kayla will observe in the preschool room and Madison in grades 1-2. This program is a great opportunity for MLS students to get a taste of ministry and for us to encourage them to pursue ministry if they are interested!

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. **If you have not turned in your child's permission slip, please do so as soon as possible.**

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.

MAP Testing: Our first round of MAP Testing for grades 3-8 will be October 23rd through October 25th. There will be three tests (Math, Reading & Language). These tests are designed to measure the progress and growth that students have made in the various academic subjects. Please make sure, as much as possible, that your child will be in attendance during this week.

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:

Opal Welton - October 9th - PreK4
Nicklas Barclay - October 9th - grade 6

Coming Up:

- 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)

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)
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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 Emaunel (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)
- 03/03 - Coffee Hour (Leppek)
- 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/).

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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)