



July 26 & 27, 2026

Summer Sunday Bible Study

Our summer Bible study continues throughout the summer. Join us between services (around 9:25am) for a 19-minute Bible study on **"Favorite Passages of the Old Testament."** We will dig a little deeper into some of the more well-known verses in the Old Testament.

Wednesday Bible Study – Last Week!

This is the last week of our Wednesday Night Bible study that meets at 6pm. Join us as we wrap up our discussion of the 10 Commandments.

Pastor Rugen Installation – August 2

Save the date for Pastor Matthew Rugen's installation on Sunday, August 2 at 3pm.

We will be hosting a welcome meal after the 3pm installation service of our new pastor. All members and visitors are invited to attend this event. Bethlehem will supply the main meal, beverage and sheet cake, and we ask that our congregation members serve our Lord by bringing a generous dish to pass as we will have visitors in our midst that day for this special occasion. Additional opportunities to serve our Lord include helping with set up on Saturday, Aug 1 at 9:00 AM and on Sunday, Aug. 2 serving from 4-5pm and cleanup from 5:30 to completion. Please sign-up to help on the sheet in the church entryway or by contacting Connie Thorson at medina.cct@gmail.com or Janet Meyer at landline 920-779-6334.

Door Offering Today

Today's door offering will be for FVL Tuition Assistance.

WORSHIP

*Sundays: 8am & 10am
(both streamed)*

Mondays: 6:30pm

BIBLE STUDY

*Sundays from 9:25-9:45am
Bible Basics: Mondays from 5:15-6:00pm
Wednesday Bible Study: 6:00-7:00pm*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at Bethlehem

Monday	5:15pm 6:30pm	Bible Basics Worship
Wednesday	6:00pm	Wednesday Bible Study
Thursday	9:30-11:30am	Pastor Office Hours at Church
Saturday	9:00am	Installation Meal set-up
Sunday	3:00pm	Pastor Rugen's Installation Service

Gifts Given

July 19, 2026: General Fund - \$14,702; General Debt - \$1,382; Meditations - \$14; FVL Capital Project - \$20; MLC Tuition Asst - \$25; WI Lutheran College Tuition Asst - \$120; and Building Our Legacy - \$3,016.

Flowers on the altar today are in honor of Tracy & Jim Schultz' 40th wedding anniversary. Gods' blessings to them on their marriage.

Baptism Today

Frederich James Ziegler, son of Troy and Lindsey (Ebben) Ziegler, will be baptized today, July 26, after services. Serving as sponsors are Andy and Kendra Christensen. God's blessings to the family on this special occasion!

Vacation Bible School

We had a great week learning about God's Wonderful World at Creation Camp VBS. Thank you to everyone who helped, everyone who brought their children to have fun while learning God's Word, and to the wonderful children who made the week so rewarding.

Save the Date! – Church Picnic – August 23

Everyone is invited to our Church Picnic on **Sunday, August 23rd** which coincides with our BLS Student Orientation Day! There will be a meal, fellowship, entertainment, and fun. Thank you to those who have volunteered to help. Watch for additional details to come out closer to the date.

Employment Opportunity – Bethlehem Lutheran School

Do you enjoy working with children? If so, BLS is looking for an **Aftercare Teacher** for the 2026-2027 school year. Reach out to Ms. Nikki (njohnson@bethlehem-wels.com) for more information and/or to apply.

Registration Open for Dash Down Nash

Mark your calendar for our 10th Annual Bethlehem Dash Down Nash 5K Run/Walk to be held on **Saturday, September 12**. This event is available to kids and adults, and spectators are invited to join in the fun by cheering their family and friends through the course! Sponsorship opportunities are available [HERE](#). Online registration is open at [Race Roster 2026](#) or by [Paper Registration](#) (to avoid fees). Copies are also available at the back of the church. **Sign up by August 25th to be guaranteed a shirt!** Go to bethlehem-wels.com/dash-down-nash for details about the event, sponsorship opportunities, and to register. Questions can be directed to Brett Bellile.

Help Needed – October LWMS Fall Rally – October 3

Bethlehem is hosting the LWMS Fall Rally on **Saturday, October 3** and help is needed! Can you help with serving food or bake? Do you like to decorate or help at the registration tables? If you would like to be involved, contact Brenda Ehlers (text or call 920-540-2037).

AROUND THE AREA

Fox Valley Lutheran High School

- **Youth Sports opportunities** are shared online. Included are tryouts for Jr. Foxes Summer Baseball and Softball 2027 teams, tryouts for a new Jr. Foxes Competitive Cheer team, and registration for a September Cheer Camp. All can be found at fvlhs.org/youth-sports.
- **Summer 2026 edition of the Legacy Magazine** is online. Read where the members of the Class of 2026 are headed, see the FVL photo flashback focused on theatre and the Sound And Lights Team (SALT) through the years, and catch up on FVL news. Go to fvlhs.org/legacy to find the magazine.

WELS Apple Valley Food Pantry

The August 2026 collection for the pantry is Saturday, August 8. The following is the list of items currently in need of at the pantry: Adult cereals, canned pasta, canned peas and corn, jam/jelly, mashed potato sides, boxed potato sides, all canned fruit and applesauce, tomato and chicken noodles soups, spaghetti noodles and spaghetti sauces, women's shampoos and conditioners and body washes, boxed rice side dishes and paper towel. Thank you for your support of the pantry!

“Armor of God: Truth & Righteousness” Retreat / Oct. 8-11

Registration is open for our 2026 Spiritual Retreat, held **October 8-11, 2026**, at Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch near Rochester, Minnesota. This Christ-centered retreat is designed for Military Service Members, Veterans, and their Spouses, providing a unique opportunity to step away from the demands of daily life and be renewed through God’s Word, worship, Christian fellowship, and meaningful conversations with others who understand the military journey. Travel assistance is available for those who need it. Additional information about the retreat, schedule, and registration is available at lutheranmilitary.org/what-we-do/spiritual-retreats/.