



October 26 & 27, 2025

Adult Sunday Bible Study

We continue to study Jesus' parables. Jesus is the master teacher, and he often used a story (parable) to teach spiritual truths. Join us in the Fellowship Hall from 9:25-10:15am as we learn from these "Stories with Substance".

Sunday School/Youth Bible Hour

Today's lesson is "The Egypt Exit-Exodus" (Exodus 14). For more information and/or updates, go to bethlehem-wels.com/sunday-school. Anyone interested in helping with SS/YBH, contact Linda Lambie at 920-757-6889.

Growth Groups

Our sermon-based Bible Study Growth Group meets on Wednesdays at 6pm at church.

Joint Reformation Service at Bethlehem – TODAY

The annual Joint Reformation Worship Service will be held **TODAY, Sunday, Oct. 26** at 4pm here at Bethlehem. Professor Ben Schaefer from MLC is the guest preacher and Pastor Westra will serve as the liturgist. Light refreshments and fellowship will follow the service. Please join us for this special worship opportunity!

Door Offering Today

Today's door offering will be for the Needy People Fund. This fund provides financial support for church and community members in need.

Youth Rally Information Meeting – Nov. 5

An informational meeting about next summer's WELS International Youth Rally will be held at church on **Wednesday, November 5** at 6pm.

WORSHIP

Sundays: 8am & 10:30am
(also streamed)
Mondays: 6:30pm

BIBLE STUDY

Sundays from 9:25-10:15am
Bible Basics on Wednesdays from 6-7pm
Growth Groups on Wednesdays from 6-7pm
Women's Bible Study on the 1st & 3rd Mondays from 1-2pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at Bethlehem

Monday	6:30pm	Worship
Wednesday	5pm	7 th -8 th Grade Confirmation Class
	6pm	Bible Basics
	6pm	Growth Group
	7pm	Choir
Thursday	9:30-11:30am	NO Pastor Office Hours at Church
Thursday/Friday		Office Closed

Gifts Given

October 19, 2025: General Fund - \$11,030; General Debt - \$575; Facilities Rental - \$150; Meditations - \$80; Needy People Fund - \$113; Stabilization Fund - \$100; Church Extension Fund - \$125; BOTC - \$3,490; and Building Our Legacy - \$7,180.

Building On the Cross Gift Matching Opportunity!

A Bethlehem family has been blessed to be able to do a gift match for BOTC (our church mortgage) up to \$150,000. This opportunity will run through December 31, 2025.

Meditation Booklets Available

Meditation booklets (November 30, 2025 - February 28, 2026) are available in the back of church.

Office Closed Thursday & Friday This Week

The office will be closed **Thursday, Oct. 30 & Friday, Oct. 31** in conjunction with no school & our teachers & pastors attending conferences.

Upcoming Special Services

Sunday, November 2 – is our Service of Remembrance where we remember our brothers and sisters who have passed since last November.

Wednesday, November 19 at 6:30pm – we will have our annual Deer Hunters' Service. There will be NO Monday night worship on November 24.

Wednesday, November 26 at 6:30pm & **Thursday, November 27** at 9am – we will have our Thanksgiving worship services.

Update Meeting – BoL Steering Committee – Nov. 9

Our Building Steering Committee (Building our Legacy) will provide an update to members on ***Sunday, November 9*** between services. The Committee will be looking for feedback and direction from the congregation on how they would like the committee to proceed.

Call Received

Mr. Kujath, our BLS Principal, received a call to be the Principal at Good Shepherd in Burnsville, MN. Over the next few weeks, he & his family and will be praying, talking with many of you and listening to where God is calling him to serve, whether that is here in Hortonville, or in Burnsville. Please keep him & his family in your prayers.

New Office Secretary

The Office Secretary position has been filled. Mrs. Lori Andrews will be starting in mid-November, working Monday-Friday from 7:15am to 3:15pm. Please join us in welcoming her & her family to Bethlehem!

Mrs. Johnson will retire following a short training period.

VEX Robotics – Sponsorship Opportunity

VEX Robotics is offered to Bethlehem students, boys and girls, in grades 3-8. Your sponsorship helps defray the costs of equipment, such as kits to build the robots and the competition course, as well as competition fees. Funds received from sponsorships are also put towards purchase of T-shirts for student participants and coaches. Sponsorship forms are available [HERE](#), at the back of church, and in the office. For questions or more information, contact our Principal, John Kujath.

Bethlehem Volleyball Open Gym – November 7

All boys & girls in grades 5-8 are invited to join us on ***Friday, November 7*** from 6-9pm. Our event is free and open to all church members & the community whether you are new to volleyball or have played before. Pizza, snacks, water & soda will be provided. We are also looking for volunteers to help that night. Participants & volunteers can sign up at [Volunteer and Participant Sign Up Link](#) or with the QR code. Contact Sherri Bellile (sbellile@bethlehem-wels.com) with questions.



Collecting Plastic Bags for Armrest Benches

Thank you to everyone who has been donating plastic bags. We continue to collect them with boxes located at school and church for drop off.

AROUND THE AREA

Apple Valley Food Pantry Collection for November

The November collection for the pantry will be on ***Saturday, November 8.*** The following items are needed at the pantry: Adult cereals; canned corn, peas, carrots, & mixed veggies; chunky soups, stews & chilis; canned diced, stewed, sauce tomatoes; tomato & chicken soups; canned pasta sauce; spaghetti noodles; egg noodles; misc. pasta noodles; canned pasta; canned fruit cocktail; applesauce; instant boxed rice (14 oz.); all rice side dishes; peanut butter & jam; helper meals; toilet paper; & paper towels. We are also in need of brown paper grocery bags WITH HANDLES. Thank you for your continued support of the pantry!

Fox Valley Lutheran High School

- Current Youth Sports opportunities - go to fvlhs.org/youth-sports.
 - Dance Camp for girls (grades 5K-8) on ***Saturday, November 15***
 - Stunt Clinic for girls (grades 4-12) on ***Sunday, November 16***
- ***Today*** at 2pm is the last performance for FVL's theatre presentation of "Arsenic and Old Lace" by Joseph Kesselring. Get your tickets at fvlhs.org/arsenic.
- FVL is hosting almost 550 students and directors from around the country for this year's **WELS National Choral Fest**. The Pops Concerts will be held on ***Friday, Nov. 7*** at 7pm and the Sacred Concert will be held on ***Sunday, Nov. 9*** at 2pm. Both events will be held in the FVL gym and live streamed. *FVL is also looking for people to make desserts and for volunteers.* Go to fvlhs.org/wels-national-choral-fest to sign up.
- FVL is hosting a free "Building Your Legacy Blueprint: Estate & Wealth Strategies That Matter" seminar on ***Tuesday, Nov. 11*** at 6pm. All ages are welcome to join! Go to fvlhs.org/seminar for more information & to register.
- You are invited to the **FVL & FVL Schools Band Concerts**. The FVL Bands Concert is on ***Thursday, Nov. 13*** at 6:30pm. The FVL Schools Bands play on ***Thursday, Nov. 20*** at 6:30pm.