



November 30 & December 1, 2025

Adult Sunday Bible Study

We just started a new Bible study on 1 Thessalonians – the Worth of the Word. Bible study meets in the Fellowship Hall from 9:25-10:15am.

Sunday School/Youth Bible Hour

Today's lesson is "A King Forever - David" (1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:4-17). 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.

Upcoming Special Services

Wednesday, December 3 at 6:30pm – Advent Service – meal starting at 5:15pm – sloppy joes and hot dogs. Anyone wanting to help can bring cookies or bars for dessert and/or help serve or clean up.

Wednesday, December 10 at 10am & 6:30pm – BLS Christmas Services

Monday, December 22 at 6:30pm – Sunday School/Youth Bible Hour Christmas Service

Wednesday, December 24 at 1pm & 3:30pm – Christmas Eve Festival Worship Services / 7pm – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Thursday, December 25 at 9am – Christmas Day Worship Service

Monday, December 29 – NO Worship Service

Wednesday, December 31 at 6:30pm – New Year's Eve Worship Service. Pastor Kujath will be our guest pastor.

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 (on hold)
Growth Groups on Wednesdays from 6-7pm (on hold)
Women's Bible Study on the 1st & 3rd Mondays from 1-2pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at Bethlehem

Monday	1pm 5:30pm 6:30pm	Women's Bible Study Board of Member Care Worship
Wednesday	5pm 6:30pm 7:30pm	7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation Class Advent Worship Service Choir
Thursday	9:30-11:30am 6pm	Pastor Office Hours at Church Board of Worship

Gifts Given

November 23, 2025: *General Fund* - \$11,620; *General Debt* - \$367; *Stewardship Drive* - \$100; *Apache Missions* - \$80; *BOTC* - \$3,720; and *Building Our Legacy* - \$740.

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.

Divine Call Received

On Tuesday, November 11, Pastor Paustian received a divine call to serve at Trinity Lutheran Church in Aberdeen, South Dakota. Please keep Pastor and his family in your prayers as he deliberates.

Advent by Candlelight – December 7

Bethlehem is hosting an Advent by Candlelight event on ***Sunday, December 7*** at 3pm in the Fellowship Hall at Church. Women of all ages are invited - and bring a friend! The afternoon includes fellowship and a program with readings and hymns to help prepare our hearts for the Advent season. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex so we can be prepared for the number of people attending. For more information or questions, contact Wilhelmina Paustian.

Helping Others for Christmas

In the spirit of Christmas, we will be collecting for a “needy family” in the community. A list of items is [HERE](#) and also in the back of Church. It will also be in the Good News which will be out soon. Items will be collected through December 14 with collection boxes at church and at school.

Any items can be new or gently used. It is preferred that items NOT be wrapped, however, if you do wrap your item, please mark who it is for (example: family, boy, girl, mom, adult, man, woman) so the family will know how to distribute them. Thank you for your support!

Come Support BLS Basketball

Our BLS basketball teams kick off their season on **Thursday, December 11** at HOME against St. Peter Weyauwega. The girls play at 4:15pm, B-Boys at 5:15pm, and A-Boys at 6:15pm. Join us again on **Friday, December 12** as we take on Martin Luther at HOME. The B-Boys play at 4:30pm and A-Boys at 5:30pm

AROUND THE AREA

WELS Apple Valley Food Pantry

The December collection for the pantry will be on **Saturday, December 13**. The following is a list of items currently needed at the pantry: adult cereals; chunky soups; chilis & stews; canned corn, peas, carrots, & mixed veggies; canned tomato (sauce, diced, stewed); canned chicken noodle & tomato soups; 14oz. boxes instant rice; boxed/bagged mashed potatoes; peanut butter & jelly; & bathroom cleaning supplies. Thank you for your continued support of the pantry. Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

Fox Valley Lutheran High School

- Current Youth Sports opportunities - go to fvlhs.org/youth-sports.
- President Loberger will present floor plans, renderings, and details of **FVL's proposed building expansion** around the Federation. You are all encouraged to attend to get information and ask questions. Visit fvlhs.org/news for details. Meeting schedule:

December 1 at 6pm – Riverview, Appleton

December 11 at 6pm - St. Mark, Green Bay

December 14 at Noon - FVL (before the Christmas concert)

December 15 at 6pm – Emanuel, New London

- The FVL Choirs invite you to attend their **annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 14** at 2pm. The concert is free, and all are invited to join with the choirs as we celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus. It will also be live streamed on the FVLHS YouTube Channel.
- **Athletics Livestream** - Beginning this season, there is a fee to access our sports streaming service-Hudl. The change is part of our conference's collective effort to standardize streaming across all member schools. Passes can be purchased to view the livestream for one game, one month, the season, or for 12 months. Go to fvlhs.org/hudl to get signed up.
- **FVL is hiring!** We are looking for an assistant to the Activities Director and the Business Office. Find details and the application at fvlhs.org/about/employment.
- **The FVL Fans of Foxes Committee** (work focuses on athletics) is in need of an additional 3-4 individuals that would like to be on the planning committee. If you have interest, please reach out to Tracey Ratzburg at tristoooge2401@yahoo.com to discuss the position.

Christmas Concert at St. Peter, Weyauwega

Prepare your hearts and minds for the holiday season with beautiful music! Join us at St. Peter in Weyauwega (312 W. Main St.) on **Sunday, December 7**, for an afternoon full of familiar carols and new songs—3pm social, 4pm concert.

Michigan Lutheran Seminary – Giving Tuesday – Dec. 2

MLS Giving Tuesday is **December 2nd** and our goal is \$12,000. Every dollar given, up to the first \$6,000, will be matched by one of our generous alumni! Click mlsem.org/future-cardinals/donate-online/ to make a gift to the Technology Fund to help equip our classrooms with technology tools for tomorrow's teachers. Thank you for your support.

Christmas at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

Join the Seminary Chorus for *Christmas at the Seminary*, a service of lessons and carols, at 3pm and 7pm on **Sunday, December 14**. The concerts will be held in the auditorium (in Mequon) with the 3pm concert also live streamed at https://www.youtube.com/@WLS_Live and a recording will also be available for viewing afterward using the same link. More information can be found on Facebook and at wisluthsem.org.