The Board of Worship and Music would like YOU to be a part of our worship services!

There are many ways you can be a servant to God.

*Light and extinguish candles. *Help with offering. *Welcome worshippers *Hand out bulletins. *Communion preparation and clean up. *Serve communion. *Provide special music. *Read scripture. *Hand out instruments as needed.

Training is available.

Thank you for being a servant for all!

"Whatever your task, put yourselves into it, as done for the Lord and not for your masters, since you know that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward; you serve the Lord Christ." Colossians 3: 23-24 BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY ACTIVITIES 2019 - 2020









Greetings-

From birth to 18, we have 936 weeks to spend with our children before they go off to college or whatever their post high school plans maybe. By the time they are thirteen, we are down to 260 weeks. Time is something we never seem to have enough of, and there are many things vying for our time, the time of our families, and the time of our youth. The opportunities that lay before them are nearly countless. Studies show that on average, most youth spend 1-2 hours a week at church, whereas as parents, you have 168 hours with your kids a week. What you do with your time matters, how you invest your time matters, the conversations you have and the things you do are making an impact upon your children. We want to maximize what time we have and make sure that you know the opportunities for continuing to grow as disciples. Here at Bethlehem, we put together a booklet of most of the opportunities for faith formation for youth and families in this upcoming year, we want to ensure you have what you need in order to plan and make faith formation a vital part of what time we do have.

Plan to be here; make worship a part of your family's weekly routine. Set aside the time to make faith an integral part of your family's routine. As a church, we want to join with you to help pass on the faith.

Please fill out the registration form and return it to the office at your earliest convivence so that we know who to anticipate at various opportunities and so we can keep you all informed of the details as they become available. If you have any questions, please don't be shy and let me know.

Peace-

Sorah Marshall

Pastor Sarah

Here is contact information that you may need:

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HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

PR. SARAH IS STILL FINALIZING THE DETAILS. THERE WILL BE AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 29 AT 11:30 AM WITH ALL THE DETAILS. "WHOEVER SERVES ME MUST FOLLOW ME, AND WHERE I AM, THERE WILL MY SERVANT BE ALSO. WHOEVER SERVES ME, THE FATHER WILL HONOR." JOHN 12: 26

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THE WEEK OF JUNE 22 - JUNE 25, 2020

DINNER. SERVICE PROJECTS. MUSIC. STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS.

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ALL CHURCH

MISSION

TRIP

June <mark>14 - 19</mark> Location TBD

Cost of \$75 per person if traveling as family/\$125 if traveling as unaccompanied 7th grader or older

Informational meeting on November 17 at 11:30

"The greatest among you will be your servant." Matthew 23:11



KINDERGARTEN PORTRAITS AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Kindergarteners for the 2019-2020 school year, along with their parents, will join together on August 21 to have their portraits taken and enjoy some sweet treats. Pictures will be presented in the Narthex during the month of September. Please RSVP to the office to participate.

8.21.19 • 5:30 - 6:00 PM



SUNDAY NIGHT Potluck

Gather on the last Sunday of the month in August - April for fellowship and fun in from 5:00 -7:00 pm.

BRING A DINNER ITEM TO SHARE. FEEL FREE TO BRING A BOARD OR CARD GAME.

The first potluck is scheduled for August 25.

POTLUCK AT 5:30 MEAT AND DRINK PROVIDED. BRING A SIDEDISH OR DESSERT. ΑΤ BELC ΜΑΥ OUTDOOR WORSHIP AT 6:20 In case of rain or inclement weather, the event will be held indoors.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH CROP HUNGER W THIS IS MAY 6TH'S CATECHISM ACTIVITY. May 6, 2020 :15 PM EGISTRATION 5:30 PM 6:00 PM THROUGH FOR I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU GAVE ME FOOD MATTHEW 26: 35

ALL STUDENTS IN 2019-2020

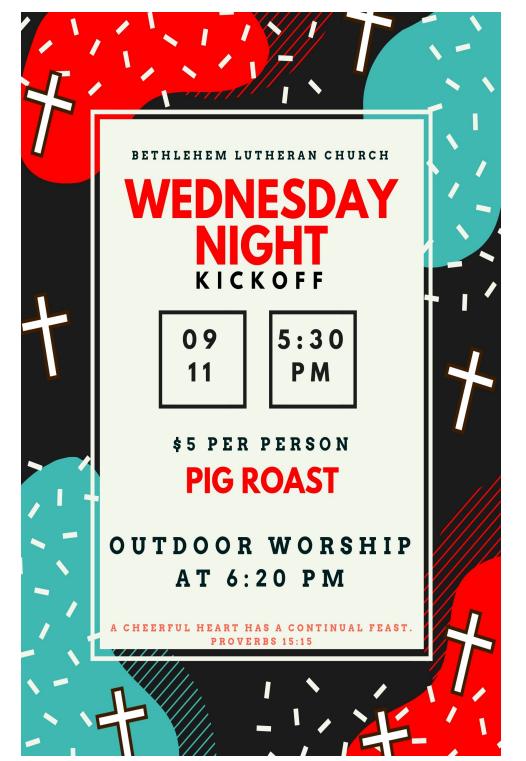
KINDERGARTEN AND BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

All students are invited to receive a special blessing on Sunday, September 8 at either the 8:20 or 10:30 am service.

09.8.19 - 10:30 AM

"And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them," and blessed them." Mark 10:16

CONTACT THE OFFICE AT 829-3330 OR OFFICE@BELCNET.NET IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.



Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 17 at the 10:30 AM service

Parents

Make a blanket for your graduate on Monday, May 4 at 5:30 PM in the Narthex.

If you can't make this date, please talk to Pr. Sarah to make other arrangements.



Wild Game Feed Sunday, April 26 at 11:30 am **Free will offering** All proceeds to benefit the youth mission trip.

Silent auction

Now then, take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and hunt game for me. Genesis 27:3

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

CATECHISM

6TH-8TH GRADES: OLD TESTAMENT, OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE

9TH GRADE: LIFE APPLICATION OF THE PAST 3 YEARS OF CATECHISM

Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 8:15 PM

Wednesday evening meals will be served at 5:30 on the nights of catechism

"MAKE ME TO KNOW YOUR WAYS, O LORD; TEACH ME YOUR PATHS." PSALM 25:4

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6TH - 9TH GRADE CATECHISM SCHEDULE Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 8:15 PM

9/11/19: Parent and Youth Night; pig roast at 5:30 1/29/20: 6th grade-Parent/Youth Night 7-9th grades-Individual Mentor Night 9/18/19: Teaching Night 2/5/20: Teaching Night 9/25/19: Teaching Night 10/2/19: 6th grade-Parent/Youth Night 2/7-2/9/20: 7th and 8th grade retreat 2/12/20: Teaching Night 7-9th grades-Individual Mentor Night 2/19/20: Teaching Night 10/9/19: Teaching Night 10/16/19: NO CATECHISM 2/26/20: Ash Wednesday; NO CATECHISM 2/28-3/1/20: Cardia Deo 10/23/19: Teaching Night 3/4/20: Lenten Series/Dinner at 5:30 10/30/19: Teaching Night 3/11/20: Lenten Series/Dinner at 5:30 11/6/19: Teaching Night 3/18/20: Lenten Series/Dinner at 5:30 11/13/19: Teaching Night 11/20/19: Teaching Night; decorate Thanksgiving 3/25/20: Lenten Series/Dinner at 5:30 4/1/20: 9th grade field trip boxes 4/1/20: Lenten Series/Dinner at 5:30 11/23-11/24/19: NEMN Synod Middle School 4/8/20: NO CATECHISM Gathering at Cragun's 4/9/20: Maundy Thursday Seder Meal at 6:30 pm 11/27/19: NO CATECHISM 4/10/20: Good Friday worship at 6:30 pm 12/4/19: Teaching Night 12/11/19: Teaching Night 4/12/19: Easter worship at 7:00, 9:00, 10:30 am 4/15/20: 6th grade-Parent/Youth Night 12/18/19: Christmas caroling 7-9th grades-Individual Mentor Night 12/24/19: Christmas Eve worship 4/22/20: Prep for Youth Led Worship 12/25/19: NO CATECHISM 1/1/20: NO CATECHISM Saturday, 4/25/20: 9th grade retreat Sunday, 4/26/20: Youth Led Worship at both 1/8/20: Teaching Night 1/15/20: Movie Night services 4/29/20: Teaching Night 1/22/20: Movie Night 5/6/20: CROP Walk 5/13/20: End of Catechism Picnic and worship

"MAKE ME TO KNOW YOUR WAYS, O LORD; TEACH ME YOUR PATHS." PSALM 25:4



APRIL 25

9TH GRADE RETREAT 9:00 - 2:00

CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENT

REFLECT ON CATECHISM EXPERIENCE

REJOICE ALWAYS, PRAY WITHOUT CEASING, GIVE THANKS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES; FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS FOR YOU. 2 THESSALONIANS 5: 17-18

Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser Easter Breakfast SUNDAY, APRIL 12

8:00 - 9:00 AM

Meal may include egg bakes, yogurt parfaits, cinnamon rolls, fresh fruit and beverages.

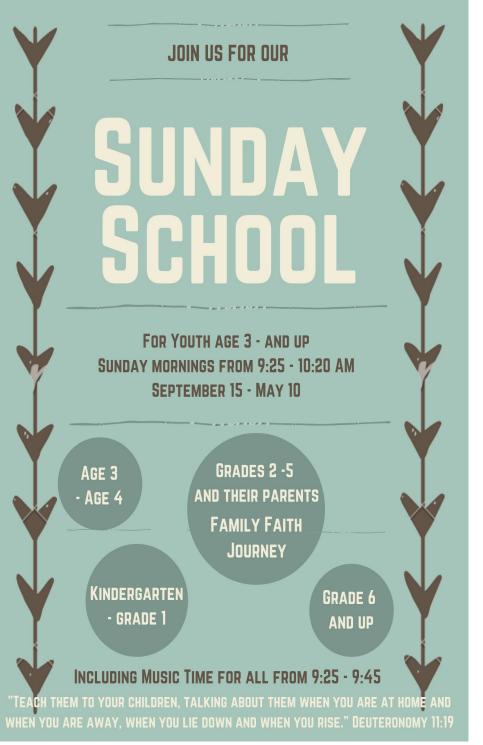
> \$8 suggested donation to youth mission trip

ILEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH KA **SEPTEMBER 15**

9:30 AM IN THE LIVING ROOM

SNACKS MEET YOUR TEACHER GROUP ACTIVITIES

TRAIN CHILDREN IN THE RIGHT WAY, AND WHEN OLD, THEY WILL NOT STRAY. PROVERBS 22: 6



GOOD FRIDAY EXPERIENCE

Good Friday Experience will have stations and games for young children and families. Friday, April 10 from 5:15-5:45 PM Sign up on the yellow opportunities sheet.

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A movie will be shown for children during the Good Friday traditional service at 6:30 pm to allow parents to attend the service. Sign up on the yellow opportunities sheet.

"Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last." Matthew 27:50

FOR ALL 3RD GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS AND ANYONE WHO HAS MISSED THE OPPORTUNITY

FIRST COMMUNION WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, FROM 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

LEARN | GROW | UNDERSTAND | FAITH

RECEIVE YOUR FIRST COMMUNION ON SUNDAY, APRIL 5, AT EITHER SERVICE.

"FOR THE BREAD OF GOD IS THAT WHICH COMES DOWN FROM HEAVEN AND GIVES LIFE TO THE WORLD." JOHN 6:33



JOIN US FOR OUR FOR YOUTH AGE 3 - AND UP SUNDAY MORNINGS FROM 9:25 - 10:20 AM SCHEDULE: **SEPTEMBER 15. 22. AND 29 OCTOBER 6. 13. AND 27** NOVEMBER 3, 10, 17, AND 24 **DECEMBER 8 AND 15** JANUARY 5, 12, AND 26 FEBRUARY 2, 9, AND 23 MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22, AND 29 **MAY 3 AND 10 INCLUDING MUSIC TIME FOR ALL** "TEACH THEM TO YOUR CHILDREN, TALKING ABOUT THEM WHEN YOU ARE AT HOME AND WHEN YOU ARE AWAY, WHEN YOU LIE DOWN AND WHEN YOU RISE." DEUTERONOMY 11:19

Youth in Grades 2 -5 with their parents

FAMILY FAITH JOURNEY

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Sunday mornings from 9:30 - 10:20 AM 9/15/19 - 5/10/20 in the Trinity Center

GROW IN FAITH

LEARN TOGETHER

PRAY TOGETHER

"Let the little children come to me...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." Mark 10: 14 ANighton a Bethlehem youth fundraiser Save the date! Saturday, March 14 5:00-Social Hour 6:00-Dinner

THREE-COURSE MEAL SERVED BY OUR YOUTH *TICKETS ARE VERY LIMITED

Design by Taya Person

ONE GENERATION SHALL LAUD YOUR WORKS TO ANOTHER, AND SHALL DECLARE YOUR MIGHTY ACTS. PSALM 145:4



CROSS+GENERATIONAL DINNERS AND CONVERSATIONS

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT 5:30 - 7:00

Meals Conversations Worship March 4- April 1 6th - 9th graders - sign up to work the night that works best for you. Bring a pot of soup and a plate of sandwiches.

CONTACT PR. SARAH WITH QUESTIONS.



RECEIVE A SPECIAL BLESSING AS YOU START YOUR JOURNEY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Parents, please RSVP to the office if your child will be participating.

Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me. Matthew 18: 5



WATCH FOR A NEW OPPORTUNITY THIS FALL! A NEW YOUTH GROUP IS BEING FORMED WITH YOUTH FROM BETHLEHEM, FIRST, LORD OF LIFE, LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS, AND TRINITY ON THE 3RD SUNDAY EVENING EACH MONTH STARTING IN SEPTEMBER.

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SENIORS WILL MEET AT LORD OF LIFE ON AUGUST 18 AT 7PM TO ENJOY A BONFIRE WITH SMORES AND PLAN DETAILS FOR THE YEAR. MORE INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE THEN. CONTACT PR. SARAH FOR MORE INFORMATION.





WE ARE CALLED, GATHERED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT TO SHARE THE HEART OF GOD



Friday, February 28 – Sunday, March 1 Leave Bethlehem at 5:00 PM on 2/28; Return to Bethlehem around 2:00 PM on 3/1 Big Sandy Camp in McGregor Cost is \$135.

Adult leaders are needed. Please talk to Pr. Sarah if you can help or if you have any questions.





This is a catechism requirement.

h - 8 grade retreat

Friday - Sunday, February 7 - 9 Leave after school Friday and return Sunday afternoon

> Spend time at Luther Crest. Hang out with friends. Dig deep into questions of faith. Eat good food. Have fun.

Parents, drivers and chaperones are needed.



Best deal in town!



WEDNESDAY DINNERS

STARTING SEPTEMBER 18 SERVED FROM 5:30 UNTIL GONE

SERVED THE NIGHTS THERE IS CATECHISM

COST IS \$5 PER MEAL

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. 1 Corinthians 10:31

Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12

High School Youth Group

Wednesdays ~ 7:00 - 8:15 PM beginning September 18 *open to all 10th -12th graders

Talk to Amber Hennessey if you have questions.



BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS

2019-2020

PSALM 71:23

REHEARSALS ON

WEDNESDAYS

5:45-6:15 PM

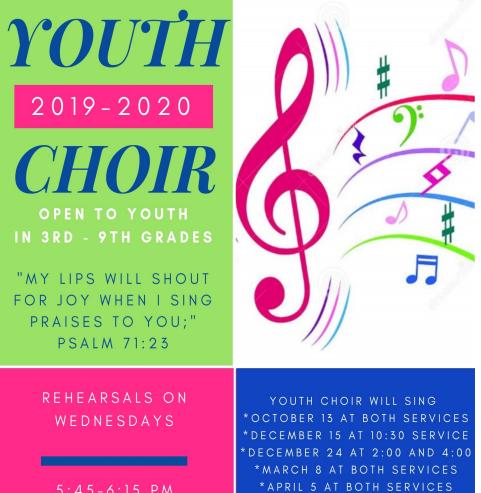
BEGINNING 9/18

CHRISTmas Journey II

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Carol together in NE Brainerd with catechism groups and parents. Wrap up the evening with cookies and hot beverages.

MEET AT BELC DECEMBER 18 | 7PM TO 8PM



* APRIL 9 AT 6:30 PM * MAY 10 AT BOTH SERVICES * OTHER DATES TBD

TALK TO YOUTH MUSIC DIRECTOR NANCY ALBERTSON IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

2019-2020 **MUSIC** BEGINNING 9/22

"MY LIPS WILL SHOUT FOR JOY WHEN I SING PRAISES TO YOU;" PSALM 71:23

SUNDAY SCHOOL YOUTH (AGE 3 - GRADE 5) WILL BE SINGING: *OCTOBER 13 AT BOTH SERVICES *DECEMBER 15 AT THE 10:30 SERVICE *MARCH 8 AT BOTH SERVICES *APRIL 5 AT BOTH SERVICES *MAY 10 AT BOTH SERVICES *OTHER DATES TBD



PRACTICE ON SUNDAYS DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME FOR PK - 5TH GRADERS

TALK TO YOUTH MUSIC DIRECTOR NANCY ALBERTSON IF YOU HAVE <u>AN</u>Y QUESTIONS.

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CHRISTMAS PROGRAM DECEMBER 15 AT THE 10:30 SERVICE

And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. Luke 2: 7



Speakers. Music. Large group assemblies. Learning clusters. Family time. Worship. Fun.

NE MN SYNOD MIDDLE SCHOOL GATHERING

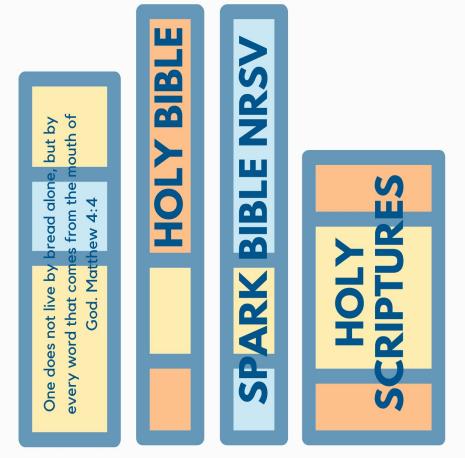
at Cragun's Resort

SATURDAY, 11/23- SUNDAY, 11/24

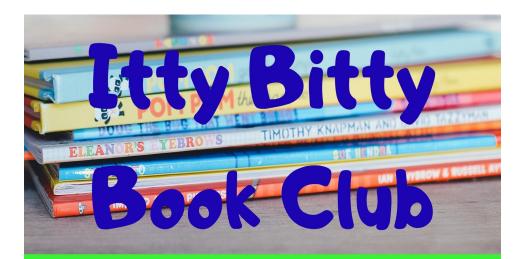
Arrive 11/23 at 5:15 PM in the gym Pick up 11/24 at 12:05 PM in the gym Cost is \$75. This year's theme is the Ten Commandments.

Adult leaders are needed. Please talk to Pr. Sarah if you can help or if you have questions. 2nd graders, receive your **BBBLES**

Sunday, October 6, at either service



Parents, please RSVP to the office ASAP if you haven't already.



Listen to a story (take home the book), do an activity, and play!

Designed for children (with an adult) from birth to age 3 that are too young for Sunday School or anyone who'd like to participate.

Ist Sunday of the month in the nursery at 9:30 am from October - May

"THE ONE WHO BELIEVES AND IS BAPTIZED WILL BE SAVED:" MARK 16:16A

BAPTISM **SEMINAR** FOR ANYONE CONTEMPLATING BEING BAPTIZED OR

DESIRING TO HAVE THEIR CHILD BAPTIZED

