

*Our Mission: Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School disciples each generation to grow deeply, serves humbly, and goes boldly in Christ to advance God's Kingdom.*

### Principal's Message

**"Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things."  
(Colossians 3:2)**

### Happy Advent!

Advent is a time of waiting, anticipating, and preparing for the coming of Christ. It is a season marked by the Savior's arrival, both by remembering it historically but also preparing for His future return. We do this through special worship services, lighting candles on special wreathes, using countdown calendars and the like to help us prepare.

In my home, the preparing comes in decluttering and cleaning areas that don't always get my attention, as decorations are brought out and special food prepared. This is important to me because I want to give my best to those who are coming to spend time with us.

This makes me think of what I need to declutter and clean in my life to help me truly receive the blessings God wants to give me through His Son Jesus. What are the distractions, the attitudes, the habits that take my life, my thoughts, my heart away from Jesus?

By the power of the Holy Spirit, we can prepare and clean our hearts to make ourselves ready for both the Savior, the infant in Bethlehem and our returning King.

Each Wednesday of Advent we invite you to join us for special children led Advent services. This week we thank the 5-8th graders for that leadership in the Gospel and look forward to grades 2nd-4th next week.. Although we will be proud of our students, please know that they are not there for their glory but to give God glory in the message and songs they will share. That is a greater joy as they focus on our savior. This week's service was streamed at:

<https://youtube.com/live/pxQXvQIdwtA?feature=share>

*In Christ,  
Mrs. Greener, Principal*

### WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

**Week of December 9 to December 13**  
**Salad Choice: Grilled Chicken Salad**

**MONDAY:** Orange Chicken with Vegetables  
or Beef Teriyaki

**Hot Side Options:** Rice and Broccoli

**TUESDAY:** Bosco Sticks w/ Marinara or Spicy  
Chicken Calzone

**Hot Side Options:** Carrots and Green Beans

**WEDNESDAY:** Pigs in a Blanket or Ham and  
Cheese Sliders

**Hot Side Options:** Baked Beans and Sweet  
Potato Puffs

**THURSDAY:** Chicken Wings or Meatball Sub

**Hot Side Options:** French Fries and Salad

**FRIDAY:** Sausage, Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza

**Hot Side Options:** Corn and Carrots

Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches and  
Yogurt & Cheese can be substituted for  
main dish.

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OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

**NURSERY:** Whitley Noll

**PRESCHOOL:** Aubrey Roberson & Jaxon  
Stevens

**KINDERGARTEN A:** All the Girls

**KINDERGARTEN B:** Adelynn Stahlhut

**1ST GRADE:** Emmie Oren

**2ND GRADE:** Grayson Robinson

**3RD GRADE:** Lincoln Shaw

**4TH GRADE:** Desmond Rodriguez

**5TH GRADE:** Aung Paing

**6TH GRADE:** Isabella Jomo

**7TH GRADE A:** Trinity Snyder

**7TH GRADE B:** Dexter Schaefer

**8TH GRADE:** Hailey Wilson

**SUPPORT STAFF:** Mrs. Lauren Johnston

**TEACHERS:** All Teachers

"Your Kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your  
dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord  
is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works."

Psalm 145:13

## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Children's Advent Services

Here is the link for the 2nd-4th grade students' service that will be on **Wednesday, December 11**. Please see the notes from your teachers for the time to arrive. <https://youtube.com/live/QKRAYL7H3Uk?feature=share>

### Christmas Movie Event

Throw on your jammies, grab a blanket and stuffed animal, and meet us in the gym for a viewing of 'The Star' This **Saturday, December 7 from 2:30-4:30**.

### Robotics Club

We are looking for enthusiastic adults who may be interested in leading a robotics team! Whether you have experience in robotics or simply a passion for working with kids, we would love to have you on board. This is a great opportunity to mentor students, foster teamwork and encourage problem-solving skills through hands-on learning in STEM.

If you are interested in leading a robotics team or would like more information, please send a message to Mrs. Greener. We look forward to hearing from you!

### November and December Invoices

Invoices were sent out this week for November Latchkey and Lunch and December Registration and Tuition. Please be sure to pay these as soon as you are able. Payments accepted include: cash, check, credit/debit card or Push Pay. Checks are to be made payable to SBLS. If you would prefer a paper copy, please contact the School Office.

### Dismissal Carline Tags

As a friendly reminder, we ask that you please have your carline tags during our end of the day school dismissal. If you need any additional tags, please let the School Office know and we will be sure to send them home with your child. Thank you for your help with this.

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## REPEATED ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Christmas Shop

Get ready to shop for loved ones at the Christmas Shop coming to your school from **Monday, December 9 to Friday, December 13!**

### Children's Advent Services

All Services will be LIVE streamed.

**Grades 2nd-4th, Dec. 11 at 7:00PM**

**Preschool, Dec. 15 at 10:30AM**

**Kindergarten-1st, Dec. 18 at 7:00PM**

### End of Quarter

End of 2nd Quarter is on **Friday, December 20**.

### Middle School Production of Alive in Wonderland Jr.

Students in grades 6-8 are invited to participate in auditions at CLHS on **Sunday, December 8 from 1-4PM**. The performance will be on March 14-15. If you need more information, please contact the School Office before Sunday.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We would like to wish a very special birthday to our SBL students and staff who celebrate their birthday in the month of **DECEMBER!**

MRS. AMY GREENER  
MRS. STEPHANIE MERTENS  
JORDAN HICKS  
HUDSON FRYMIER  
WESTON LEWIS  
BENTLEY SIMS  
CORABELLA KESSLER  
JAXON STEVENS  
NOAH WELCH  
HENRY BERRY  
ALANNAH BROOKS  
ARIAHNA STEWARD  
OWEN WOOD  
ISAAC WOOD  
ALEX BARRY  
SAWYER THOMAS  
KYLER AUER  
LILIANA RUSSELL  
MILES BITTNER  
MS. VERA ABRESCH  
ARYA BROWN  
SHELBY WHAN  
THEODORE BAXTER  
JALEN KEMMERLIN  
EMMIE OREN

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### GO BULLDOGS!

#### JV GIRLS

**Monday, December 9**

SBLS vs. ESM  
at SBLS at 4:30PM

#### JV BOYS

**Monday, December 9**

SBLS vs. ESM  
at SBLS at 5:45PM

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### STAFF SPOTLIGHT

**Name:** Mrs. Isabel Carr

**Position:** Kindergarten B Aide

**Hometown:** Fort Wayne, IN

**Favorite Color:** Purple

**Favorite Food:** Cheeseburgers

**Favorite Subject:** Language Arts

**Favorite Bible Verse:** 1 Corinthians 13: 4-8