



TIGER TALES

"SENT TO SERVE"



**Thank you to everyone who came out for
our Annual Fall Festival!**

CALENDAR

Oct. 4 Church Pork Chop
Dinner Fundraiser
Oct. 9 End of 1st Quarter
Oct. 13-15 Parent Teacher
Conferences
Oct. 19-23 Fall Break

OCTOBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

BIRTHDAYS

Oct. 11 Alex Fuhrmann
Oct. 14 MacKenzie Price



CHAPEL OFFERING SERVICE PROJECT

During the 1st quarter our school family will be supporting the Seminary Co-op. The Co-op is available to seminary students enrolled in classes leading to ordination in the holy ministry or certification as a deaconess. Food, clothing, and household items are available at no financial cost to the students. Seminary students register and volunteer time for the privilege of use. Every one to two weeks we will be collecting different items, and there will be a school-wide reward if we reach our collection goal for that specific time period.

At the end of each week a total will be sent out to keep you updated on the total number of items. You can also find totals outside Heidi's office.

If you have any questions please direct them to Miss Weston (aweston@bethlsossian.org).

August 31-September 11: canned goods Goal: 150 cans *(met)*

September 14-September 18: personal hygiene Goal: 50 items *(met)*

September 21-October 2: boxed foods Goal: 100 items *(met)*

NOW-October 9: paper products & snack food Goal: 100 items

Our chapel offering for the 2nd Quarter (Oct. 10-Dec. 18) this year is going to be collected for Trinity Lutheran Church and School of Mobile, Alabama.

Recently Hurricane Sally devastated parts of the southern states. Trinity Lutheran is a historic African-American congregation that was founded by Lutheran pioneer Rosa Young. Ms. Young was very influential in founding many Lutheran churches as well as helping Concordia, Selma College.

Our 2nd quarter offerings are being collected to help Trinity and other Southern District churches and schools recover from the effects of Hurricane Sally.

Trinity Lutheran School has an enrollment of 70 students in K-6, and 113 in Early Childhood.

This is the student portal Mr. Meyer maintains that gives the students quick access to a lot of our programs. Parents may also access this site to see what is going on in grades 3 - 8 grades. <https://sites.google.com/bethlsossian.org/bethlehemstudentportal/home>

PRIVACY NOTICE

We all love to share pictures of our child's school activities and accomplishments. However, we have to be very careful where those pictures are posted and respect that other students might also be in the picture. Parents please remember to respect do not post pictures that may have students in them other than your own child. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office before posting anything. Thank you

PTL NEWS

FUNDRAISER Thank you to everyone who contributed to the fundraiser or made a donation to the PTL. The Butter Braid orders are due to arrive on October 6th. Please watch for more announcements to pick up your order. The Rada orders will also be arriving soon.

FALL FESTIVAL! Thank you to everyone for coming out to our annual Fall Festival. We hope that you enjoyed yourselves! Also a big thank you to our PTL committee for putting on such a nice event. We appreciate all of the volunteers and donated items.

PTL MEETING— PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO ATTEND THE PTL MEETING ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND. TIME TBA

Weather permitting the students will be going outside for recess time. Please have your child dress appropriately for the weather.

Potential delays and cancellations for Bethlehem will follow the same as Northern Wells Community Schools. Sign up for text alerts at www.wane.com/text-alerts.



BETHLEHEM WILL BE CLOSED OCTOBER 19-23 FOR FALL BREAK!

Fall Scholastic Book Fair



Our Fall Scholastic book fair will be held Monday, October 12th – Friday, October 16th. The theme is Time Machine: Reading Can Take You Anywhere! We plan to have a lot of fun events for book fair week including dress up days and contests. More information will be coming soon.

With Gradelink you can stay updated on your child's academic progress at school and get information on upcoming assignments such as assignment descriptions and due dates. The following information is available to you when you **log in to Gradelink:**

- Current Grade in each class
- Current GPA for the term, if applicable
- Descriptions, Grades, and Teacher Comments for graded assignments
- Descriptions and Due Dates for upcoming assignments
- Assignment handouts or documents (attachments)
- Email Alerts you can configure for grades and attendance
- Attendance Information
- Transcript Information, if applicable
- Billing Information, if applicable



To access this information go to www.gradelink.com and click on the green Log In button.

PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU NEED ANY HELP

Being Connected

Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. John 15:4



Mobile phones can be life-savers...but the batteries have a limited lifespan and need to be re-charged. One time I forgot to charge my cell phone. I went through my evening routine, dutifully placing my mobile phone on its charger. Unfortunately, I neglected to totally plug the charger into the socket. Next morning I woke refreshed—but my phone was in bad shape. It was in the right place...but it wasn't connected to the power source! Sometimes the consequences of not "plugging in" can be more severe...many people dutifully march to church every week, but leave as drained as when they came. They're in the right place, but they're not plugged in to the power of God...and without that it doesn't matter if you sit in a pew or on a barstool...You can study the Scriptures for hours on end, "always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth" (2 Timothy 3:7); you can even do great things for God but lack power in your life.

The more we all plug into the scriptures, the more knowledgeable we will be. At Bethlehem School we attempt to charge up the students as they prepare for life. We charge them with knowledge of the Scriptures so they are prepared to face the questions that will be tough and to a life being connected to Him.

Mr. Mark Schallhorn



Bethlehem Lutheran School invites you to a night of fun and mystery at the 2nd annual Black Tie and Blue Jeans "Murder Mystery" Silent Auction on Feb 13, 2021 at 6 pm.



Parent – Teacher Conferences will be held

Wednesday, October 13th - Thursday, October 15th.

Parents will have an opportunity to meet with their child's teacher after school in person from 3:30-7pm on either day. Scheduling forms will need to be returned to the school office by October 5th. A confirmation of your scheduled day and time will be returned with your child as soon as the schedule is complete. Please be sure to check your child's book bags.

End of the first quarter is October 9th.

Report cards will be handed out at your scheduled Parent Teacher Conference.

Shop at Kroger and help Bethlehem Lutheran School tuition assistance fund with the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

Register online at krogercommunityrewards.com, be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with Bethlehem Lutheran School as your organization for the reward. The NPO number for Bethlehem is WG595#.

If you don't have a Kroger Plus card, they are available at the customer service desk. Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered card when shopping for each purchase to count.

PLAN TO USE SCRIP FOR ALL YOUR SHOPPING NEEDS and at the same time reduce your child's tuition fees for next year! Scrip orders can be placed on Mondays. Order forms are available in this newsletter or from the school office. Please contact our Scrip coordinator, Melissa Price at 260-433-5307 if you would have any questions. Thank you

Keep On Clipping...

Box Tops, Spirit of America labels, Tyson Labels and Community Market receipts (the whole receipt) are all worth money for our school. Please send in your labels and receipts to help purchase needed school items. See below for examples.

Don't forget box tops have an expiration date and are not worth anything after they expire. So turn them in regularly to make sure they are not wasted. Classroom contests will take place quarterly. Be sure to indicate which classroom to credit when sending your labels.

For questions, contact Jenny Todd our label coordinator,

KEEP ON CLIPPING and SCANNING!

*The Box Tops for Education is changing the way we can earn cash for our school. Please see flyer attached to this newsletter.



As most of you are aware, the Box Tops program has changed a lot in the past year. Most qualifying Box Tops products no longer have the labels that you clip, but instead, are scanned from your grocery receipt through the Box Tops app. If you have any questions about this new program, please contact Jenny Todd.

We will be doing one more collection of the traditional Box Tops. If you have any Box Tops floating around that aren't expired, please turn them in by October 30th.



This is Monarch butterfly season and our local Master Naturalist, Jody Heaston took our Kindergarten – 2nd grade students on a field trip out to the alfalfa field to catch butterflies. The students had fun catching them and tagging their wings.



Dear Parents,

When schools give students access to devices and online accounts, an incredible world of learning opportunities opens up — as well as potential dangers. Digital safety is critically important to Bethlehem Lutheran School which is why we are now using Bark for Schools to help us protect our students both online and in real life.

Bark monitors for signs of potential issues like:

- Cyberbullying
- Suicidal ideation
- Sexual predators
- Threats of violence
- And more

Alerts at the First Signs of Danger

When possible dangers arise on school-issued accounts, Bark for Schools sends us alerts so we can address the situation in a timely manner. These alerts also give us insights that help us promote the wellness of the entire student body.

Learn more about Bark for Schools — including their commitment to student privacy at <https://www.bark.us/schools> If you have additional questions, please contact Mr. Meyer at pmeyer@bethlssossian.org. Thank you for your support as we strive to help keep our students safe online. Best wishes,

Peter Meyer, Teacher, Google Suite for Education Administrator



More Fall Festival Fun!



1st and 2nd grade Art Projects



3rd and 4th grade Art Projects



Bethlehem Script Order

Date
Bethlehem Lutheran Church

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Name

Check #
Total

If applicable - Tuition Credit For:

Merchant	%	\$	QTY	Total	Merchant	%	\$	QTY	Total	Merchant	%	\$	QTY	Total
Grocery Stores														
Community Markets	5%	\$25/\$100			Retail Stores					National Restaurant Chains				
Gordon Foods	4%	\$25/\$100			Amazon	2.25%	\$25/\$100			Applebee's	8%	\$25		
Meljer	3%	\$25/\$100			American Eagle	10%	\$25			Arby's	8%	\$10		
Sam's Club	2.50%	\$25/\$100			Burnes & Noble	8%	\$10/\$25			Bob Evans	10%	\$10		
Walmart	2.50%	\$25/\$100			Bath & Body Work	12%	\$10			Buffalo Wild Wing	8%	\$10		
					Bed, Bath & Beyond	7%	\$25			Burger King	4%	\$10		
Entertainment					Best Buy	4%	\$25/\$100			Chili's	11%	\$25		
AMC Theatres	8%	\$25			Build A Bear Work	8%	\$25			Chipotle	10%	\$10		
ITunes	5%	\$15			Cabello's	10%	\$25/\$100			Cracker Barrel	8%	\$10		
Goodrich Theatres	4%	\$10			Chaire's	9%	\$10			Dairy Queen	3%	\$10		
					CVS	6%	\$25/\$100			Logan's Steakhous	10%	\$25		
Home Improvement					Dick's Sporting Got	8%	\$25/\$100			McDonald's	5%	\$10		
Home Depot	4%	\$25/\$100			Express	10%	\$25			O'Charley's	13%	\$25		
Low's	4%	\$25/\$100			Gap	14%	\$25			Olive Garden	8%	\$25		
Memard's	3%	\$25/\$100			JC Penney	5%	\$25/\$100			Outback Steakhou	8%	\$25		
					Kohl's	4%	\$25/\$100			Penner Bread	8%	\$10		
Automotive (Gas, Parts, Services)					Land's End	15%	\$25/\$100			Penn Station	10%	\$20		
BP	1.50%	\$50/\$100			Macy's	10%	\$25/\$100			Pizza Hut	8%	\$10		
Marathon	3%	\$25/\$100			Maurice's	7%	\$20			Red Lobster	8%	\$25		
Shell	2.00%	\$25/\$100			Michaels	4%	\$25			Starbucks	7%	\$10		
Speedway	4%	\$25			Old Navy	14%	\$25/\$100			Steak-N-Shake	8%	\$10		
**Zurber's Tire - Monroe	5%	*			Stein Mart	7%	\$25			Subway	6%	\$10		
					Target	2.50%	\$25/\$100			Taco Bell	5%	\$10		
					T.J. Maxx/Marshall	7%	\$25/\$100			Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25		
					Walgreen's	5%	\$25			Wendy's	6.50%	\$10		
*Check with Scrip Coordinator										Local Restaurants				
*Checks are made out to Bethlehem Scrip										Back Forty	10%	\$10		
										Bandido's	10%	\$10		
										Casa Restaurants	5%	\$10		
										East of Chicago	10%	\$10		
										Hall's Restaurants	10%	\$15		
										Nine Mile	9%	\$20		
										Richard's Restaura	10%	\$20		
										The Galley	10%	\$10		



TLSP- History, Mission, Services and Support

At the November 2015 TLSP administrators council, in clarification for TLSP's pending request for 1617 operational support from The Lutheran Foundation (TLF), it was affirmed to go forward with a membership fee. Along with a commitment of \$2500, it was guaranteed to school principals that the investment fee would remain at \$2500 through the 2019-2020 school year. COVID19 brought a quick end to any discussion about an increase in the membership fee. In fact, TLSP staff and board continue to explore other funding avenues to support the trusted leadership and support offered by TLSP. This includes TLSP's inaugural VIP Event.

Since mid March of 2020, TLSP has demonstrated its unique ability to understand the unique needs of its schools and provide a response appropriate to those needs. Providing guidance and training on remote learning possibilities, informing and discussing the health protocols in response to the pandemic, staying engaged with the political aspect of the COVID19 response and providing encouragement for administrators and teachers have been part of the 5 month history of COVID19's impact on our schools and TLSP's response. We know that more support is needed...and we will continue to seek effective ways to help our schools.

TLSP "exists to serve area Lutheran schools and glorify Jesus Christ with vital services which promote enrollment growth, secure third source funding, achieve academic excellence and develop teachers and administrators." This mission statement was derived from *Growth 2012*, a document supplied to TLF that encouraged the creation of what is now TLSP.

As always, a reminder- TLSP has no administrative oversight of our 19 member schools. Each school is autonomous; each school has its own governance. TLSP has *no interest* in changing the unique culture of our schools and churches. TLSP DOES have an interest in helping our schools' personnel share great ideas, support various academic and spiritual endeavors, and consider practices that can better each school. TLSP endeavors to encourage and foster a spirit of cooperation and collaboration among the Lutheran schools of northeast Indiana.

TLSP includes all 18 of the region's elementary schools and CLHS. We are better schools as we share and support one another. The inclusion of CLHS in this consortium allows for better communication within our network of Lutheran schools.

TLSP has demonstrated value for the region and for individual schools. The following are ways in which TLSP supports our schools-

Academic Excellence consultation- TLSP provides academic consultation for principals and teachers within our region. This consultation, through Alicia Levitt, includes data analysis, curriculum support, and curriculum studies. The cost of Alicia's consultation to each school- \$0

Accreditation and APP Visits- Working by process, not product, schools have the opportunity to participate in Action Plan Protocol Visits (APP) which provide data to determine action plans unique to the issues of one's school. After a full guide the school in creating an action plan. Not only do the action plans make use of the data from the APP, these action plans should prove to support the school's accreditation process including various indicators in National Lutheran School Accreditation. Cost to the school- \$0

Administrative Council- Prayer, sharing and supporting, training, information distribution, project coordination and much more- the administrative council is an opportunity for Lutheran principals to support each other and learn about things that can better their school. This group meets once a month. Cost for this day of sharing and learning and supplied lunch- \$0.

Administration of The Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Indiana (TLSGOI)- TLSP administers TLSGOI (TLSGOI has no hired staff- all support is contracted with TLSP). As a service to Lutheran schools and in wanting to use the donations to TLSGOI to the highest degree, TLSP charges TLSGOI no more than 7% of the permissible 10% administrative fees. In the fiscal year 1819, this meant that \$29760 of additional money was available to TLSP schools for scholarships rather than if donations had gone to one of the other SGOs in the state who charge 10%. TLSGOI, staffed by TLSP, also "eats" bank card and stock/grain sale expenses as the cost of doing business. The convenience of our own SGO, the personal service, the marketing resources and the lower administration fee are valued added services thanks to TLSP.

Admission Counselors- Annually meeting at least three times a year as a group, admission counselors receive training and support from TLSP. In 1819, TLSP transitioned to the support of Brand Innovative Group (BIG). Over the years of its existence, TLSP has provided training on social media use and social media policies, good photography, admission policies, and web page best practices. With the input of admission counselors and school administrators, TLSP provides marketing resources during recruitment time. This includes social media banners, various pdfs for school use, and various regional marketing supports (radio and tv commercials, billboards and more). Cost of admission counselor support and materials- \$0 to member schools.

Advancement consultation- Jon Dize provides up to an hour of teaching at each administrators' council. Also, Jon is available to each school for any and all advancement consultation. This consult includes but is not limited to the promotion of school's maintenance of a database, implementing an annual fund drive and promoting long-term gifts (i.e. estate plans). Jon has promoted and offered help for schools building their endowments and meeting the challenge of TLF's Endowment Match program. His insights on advancement planning and special events have been valued parts of TLSP services. Jon has his CFRE (Certified Fundraising Executive) from CFRE International and his CFRM (Certified Fundraising Manager) from Indiana University's Lilly Family School of Philanthropy. Jon also consults with paid advancement staff in weekly, bi-weekly, and quarterly sessions. Cost of these consultation services to TLSP schools- \$0

ALDE membership- ALDE, the Association of Lutheran Development Executives, is our main “faith-based” fundraising staff association. By negotiating with ALDE staff, TLSP staff convinced ALDE to consider all our TLSP schools as one entity and obtain “Collaborative Partners” status. By being a Collaborative Partner, each TLSP school development staff member receives the following (in addition to the regular membership benefits):

- Free webinars during the year; (\$750 value for EACH member); we have a total of 11 memberships among TLSP schools- a \$8250 collective savings!
- One free ALDE membership for a year
- One free ALDE international conference fee for a year
- We should receive this free membership benefits next year, and will utilize it again to encourage a new participant from one of our Partner schools that is not yet a member of ALDE.

Curriculum Mapping- Knowing that mapping would be an expected part of the accreditation process (NLSA), TLSP purchased the electronic mapping program for all schools 8 years ago. This subscription includes professional development opportunities for the region and represented a discount for group purchasing. Over the past years, TLSP slowly backed off on the subsidy of each school’s fee but worked with the Indiana District-LCMS for a greater discount per school. TLSP has also provided lead teacher training for each school in assisting schools in their ongoing mapping and curriculum efforts. Alicia Levitt is also available for workshops and training. Cost for the schools to receive lead teacher training and for Alicia’s lead at faculty meetings and in-services- \$0 for TLSP schools. It should be noted that in most TLSP academic subcommittee efforts, *substitute teacher costs are reimbursed through TLSP.*

Marketing Expenditures- While some of TLSP marketing expenditures are used for The Lutheran Schools’ website (www.thelutheranschools.org) maintenance and fees, survey tools and other smaller PR tools, the majority of the TLSP marketing spend is used for annual Open House support and school enrollment efforts. This has included TV commercials, radio commercials, billboards, personalized posters, personalized mailers, and social media resources. In fiscal year 1920, TLSP (with the guidance of BIG) spent \$65,000 on web advertising, print advertising, social media and radio. As has been the case, the November/December admission counselor meeting endorsed the expected open house resources. Cost to schools- \$0

School Choice support- As school choice began to simmer in 2010, TLSP was actively engaged in the legislative process to begin to determine if choice scholarships would be advantageous for our schools. This engagement continues today as TLSP staff hold board membership (Mark Muehl) on the Indiana Non-Public School Association, serve on the IDOE Advisory Council and as the staff continues to keep informed on legislation that might affect our schools. TLSP has been actively engaged in ongoing conversation about choice scholarship compliance and overall school choice issues as well as the potential effects of challenges to religious liberty. Cost of this support from TSLP- \$0.

Teacher Councils, Learn and Lead, other professional development opportunities- Besides the valuable information that is shared at these free professional development opportunities, PGP points are offered for ongoing teacher license renewal. These convenient opportunities provide responsive content for professional growth while keeping these opportunities in close proximity to Fort Wayne. TLSP also organizes and offers needed required training events for ongoing teacher licensure. Also, teacher councils, Learn and Lead, other professional development opportunities provide opportunities for local teachers to be leaders, sharing their experiences through workshops and sectionals. Cost for the

individual and school- \$0 (this often includes TLSP providing reimbursement to schools for substitute teachers- sub pay being \$80 a day). It should be noted that some minimal shared costs occur for the required trainings.

Other issues being addressed-

1. Professional development for school boards
2. Task force for better support of resource rooms and special education services
3. Support of early childhood
4. Consideration of funding options for the sustainability of Lutheran schools

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

DRIVE - THRU Pork Chop Dinner

Lighted Gardens
10794 N State Road 1 Ossian, IN

Sunday, October 4th



10:30 – 1:30

Cost: \$11.00

Dinner includes:

Smoked Pork Chop, Baked Potato, Green Beans and Roll

For dinner orders contact:

Pat Meyer 260-227-0400 spmeyer1982@gmail.com

or

Cheryl Louison 260-414-5526 clouison@ymail.com

Deadline for orders is Friday, October 2nd

*Proceeds go to: Bethlehem Lutheran Church and
School AC Repairs and Northern Wells Food Pantry*



Swiss Steak Dinner

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

7545 N 650 E Ossian, IN 46777

Sunday, November 8, 2020

10:30 to 12:30 pm

*Swiss Steak
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Green Beans
Roll
Cookie
Adults \$11.00*

Pre-order by calling :
Peggy at 260-705-9182
or
Dorothy at 260-438-7839

DRIVE THRU ONLY



Bethlehem Lutheran School

Lunch Menu

October 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Hot Dog Potato Wedges Broccoli Fruit Choice	2 Pizza Corn Vegetable Choice Apple Crisp	3
4	5 Cheeseburger Tator Tots Vegy Choice Applesauce	6 Walking Tacos Lettuce & Cheese Refried Beans Grape Tomatoes Fruit Cocktail	7 Chicken Tenders Potato Wedges Vegys Fruit Corn Biscuit	8 Stuffed Breadsticks Marinara Sauce Fresh Broccoli Apple Slices	9 French Toast Sticks Hash Brown Potato Vegy Choice Strawberries	10
11	12 Popcorn Chicken Fried Rice Broccoli & Carrots Pears	13 Chicken & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fruit & Biscuit	14 Breakfast Sandwich Tri Tator Vegy Choice Peaches	15 Pizza Salad Green Beans Fruit Cocktail	16 Quesadilla Refried Beans Chips & Salsa Fruit Choice	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
FALL BREAK - NO SCHOOL						
25	26 Chicken Leg Mashed Potato Slushie Dinner Roll	27 Nachos & Cheese Refried Beans Salsa & Lettuce Fruit Choice	28 Chick Nuggets Corn Salad Peaches Pretzel Stick	29 Ham & Cheese Sandwich Carrots & Celery Applesauce Chex Mix	30 Mummy Dog Broom Sticks Boo-Nana Vegy choice Pumpkin Cookie	31



