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Church Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday
9 am — 12 pm

Closed Fridays

Today we Celebrate the Holy Baptism of :



Isabella Rose Fekjar, daughter of Christian Fekjar and Esmeralda Martines.

Sponsor is Cassandra Fekjar.

NEXT WEEK

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Michelle Bialorke
- Betty Greene
- Walter Greene
- Cristina LaSalvia
- Phyllis Lee
- Ron Miner
- Tom Mooney
- Heidi Moyer-Juswanto
- Larry Neasel
- Suzanne Reed
- Liz Ruhl
- Juanita Rush
- Shirley Sisson
- Martin & Nancy Wastell
- Joyce Yocam

Vacation Bible School
JUNE 24-28, 2024
8:30A.M.-12:00P.M.
ON BETHANY'S CAMPUS

Sign-up for this free event today!



SCUBA
diving into friendship with god

Worshiping Faithfully: Hebrews 10:25

PRAY WITH COASTAL MISSION SOCIETY



On Pentecost Sunday, we announced Bethany's partnership and the launch of the new Coastal Mission Society, which is aiming to convene churches around the further and intentional expansion of Christ's church here in coastal Southern California. We are thrilled to be a part of this crucial ministry, and one way we can initially get involved is by joining the rest of the mission society in prayer. Please visit coastalmision.org/pray to sign up as a Prayer Partner and receive Coastal's monthly prayer update and other valuable prayer resources to aid your time with God, living out Christ's call in Luke 10:2 for us to pray.



Serving Passionately: Ephesians 2:10

SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY CHILDCARE PROVIDER POSITION OPENING:



Do you love kids and love Jesus? We might have just the position for you! We are seeking one more childcare provider to watch over our littlest ones during morning worship services. Our nursery employees work in teams of two on Sundays welcoming our littlest ones to the nursey, providing age-appropriate care, interacting with the children and parents. They have the opportunity to share Jesus through Christian behaviors with our youngsters. **Hours are 7:45 AM - 10:45 AM Sunday mornings.** Candidates must be 18 years old and satisfactorily complete employment processes. To apply or for additional information, please contact Alissa Brege at abrege@bethanylutheran.org.

BETHANY LUTHERAN SCHOOL IS HIRING FOR FALL 2024!

8TH GRADE HOME ROOM / MIDDLE SCHOOL HISTORY TEACHER

We are seeking a candidate who will provide an environment that is Christ-centered, engaging and academically excellent. Candidates must possess excellent communication and collaboration skills, the desire to work cooperatively with team-mates and have a whole-parish understanding of ministry. Teaching credential a must. A rostered teacher is preferred.

PART-TIME P.E. TEACHER

We are seeking a part-time PE teacher for next year. This person would teach PE two days per week, Grades K-8. A teaching credential is preferred.

INTERESTED OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT BE?

Contact: mfink@bethanylutheran.org



CONGRATULATIONS AND YOU WILL BE MISSED

Pastor Mark!

It has been a joy for us at Bethany to partner in ministry with Pastor Mark Siegert for nearly 4 years.

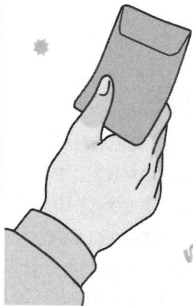
Pastor Mark's passion for teaching is clearly evident in all he does! That passion will obviously be a blessing to Crean Lutheran High School, where Pastor Mark will serve full time starting this fall.

What does this mean? While Pastor Mark will come back and serve as a guest preacher occasionally, his official ministry with us ends on July 7th. If you would like to drop Pastor Mark a note of appreciation, you can bring it to the church office!



Giving Proportionately **Luke 21:1-4**

WE GIVE HIM BUT HIS OWN



TITHE AND OFFERINGS

At Bethany we know that "our stuff is not our stuff!" All that we have, all that we are, is a gift from Him. We also know that giving is a spirit-given compulsion. For Jesus Christ, in whose likeness we are being transformed daily, is the ultimate giver. Your gifts fund ministry that give people Jesus. His words, His promises, His presence, His gifts, His comfort, His strength are given through the gifts you are now giving Him. We thank and honor you for these gifts, because they thank and honor Him!

There are multiple ways to give to Bethany Lutheran Church including:
Giving Online, Text to Give, Online Bill-Pay, US Mail, Offering Box

Please see the GIVING link on Bethany's website for more information on how to make your offering. **If you need further assistance, contact our Financial Administrator at mshaeffer@bethanylutheran.org**

SUMMERTIME WITH SCRIP!



As warmer weather approaches it's time to refresh your outdoor spaces to prepare for patio season! Shop the Home Improvement and Home Decor categories on RaiseRight to earn on lawn and garden supplies, patio furniture/decor and more summer essentials. Shop Home Depot, LOWE'S, Home Goods, Crate & Barrel, Wayfair and so much more!

New Brand: Etsy! Earn 5% with new Etsy eGift cards in \$15 - \$500 amounts, then shop unique handcrafted pieces, personalized gifts, vintage treasures and more.



- Ruth Lopez (Scrip Coordinator)
rlopez@bethanylutheran.org / 562-420-7783 ext. 58

BETHANY'S BENEVOLENCE FUND



Summer time but the liv'ns not easy. While summer time is high volume of travel and lower volume of people on campus, historically speaking it is when our pastoral staff is asked for assistance more than any other season, with the exception of Christmas. At Bethany, one of the means through which we offer assistance is our benevolence fund. At this moment our benevolence fund is running rather low. If the Lord moves you to help Bethany care for "the least of these" with a gift over and above your regular offerings you can make a special designation to Benevolence by noting such on your check, envelope or on-line.

Community Connections: **Acts 2:44**



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DONATIONS NEEDED!

THANK YOU to everyone who made a purchase off of our VBS Amazon Wishlist...EVERYTHING has been purchased from the Wishlist!!

WOW...your support is a huge blessing to the success of VBS!

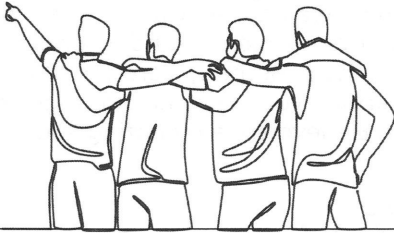
If you feel so inclined to donate, we are looking for Visa Gift Cards in \$50 and \$25 increments. These Visa Gift Cards will be used towards our VBS Tidal Snack needs. And to top it off, you can purchase these through SCRIP with Ruth Lopez. She has on hand Visa gift cards in different dollar increments that fit your giving need.

Your support is crucial in making our SCUBA Vacation Bible School a success! We are incredibly grateful and blessed by your continued support, partnership and commitment to our Bethany Family.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call, text, or email Kayleigh Lopez at 309-307-6583, klopez@bethanylutheran.org

Community Connections continued:

MEN'S RETREAT *Coming!*



A men's retreat is being planned for the weekend of September 13-15 at Luther Glen Retreat Center in Oak Glen. This is a wonderful facility that we have used before. The cost for this is \$275 which includes 2 nights and 5 meals. Bedding and towels are provided for our stay. Retreat starts with dinner on Friday and concludes with Worship on Sunday morning. Theme and program being planned. Plenty of time for fellowship. Should you only be able to join us for the day Saturday, cost is \$146 for the full day and 3 meals. More information to come in the following weeks. Any questions please contact Karl Fink using his email kfink@bethanylutheran.org or call his office at 562.421.4711, ext 19.

IT'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP TIME!

**Friendship Group meets
Wednesday, June 19th at
11:30 am in the Parish Lounge.**

Please bring your lunch; coffee and dessert will be served. Karl will have a devotion and then we will play everyone's favorite...Bingo! Please join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. This will be the last meeting until September!



JOIN US FOR **SUMMER BIBLE STUDY**

WHERE: BETHANY
LUTHERAN'S
YOUTH ROOM

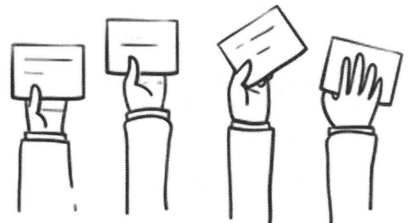
WHEN: SUNDAYS DURING
THE SUMMER
11:30 - 1 PM

AGES: 18-25

Happening now!

UPCOMING VOTERS MEETING!

We will have our Spring Voters meeting on Sunday, June 23 at 11:00 am in the sanctuary. We will be voting on the proposed balanced budget. Copies of the budget will be available in the church office starting on the 16th.



CELEBRATE DAD WITH A ROOT BEER FLOAT!



Join us **TODAY** after both the 8 and 9:30 am worship services at Bethany Lutheran in Friendship Square. There will also be a photo opportunity available!

Happy Father's Day to all wonderful fathers in our lives!

COA INVITES YOU TO A THEATRE AND SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER!



Christian Outreach in Action ("COA"), requests your presence at our Fundraiser on July 11, 2024 at 6PM for the **Long Beach Playhouse's** production of *The Addams Family, A Musical Comedy*. Prepare for a thrilling comic adventure! Watch as Wednesday Addams, the darling of shadows, dives into a forbidden romance with a charming young man from a conventional family. But when secrets collide and dinner is served to the in-laws, chaos erupts! Can Gomez keep this eccentric family affair under control? Get ready for a night of twisted humor, catchy tunes, and the beloved characters you know and love. Don't miss out on this delightfully entertaining musical! From Gomez's passionate tango to Wednesday's love woes, this musical comedy is bound to entertain audiences of all ages.

In addition to the performance, enjoy heavy **hors d'œuvres**, and indulge in the excitement of our **silent auction**, where you can bid on an array of enchanting treasures, while supporting a worthy cause.

GENERAL ADMISSION: \$55
PRIORITY SEATING: \$75

Tickets can be purchased by calling **562-432-1440** or visiting <https://givebutter.com/c/DcQDc>

Scan for more info



All proceeds benefit COA's food bank, hot meals, and other programs.



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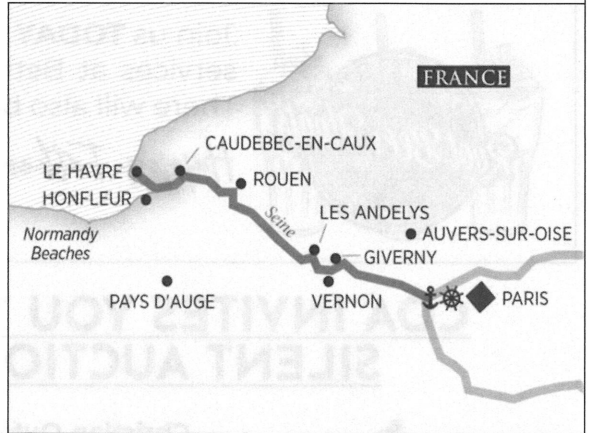
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BETHANY ON THE GO!

AMAWATERWAYS RIVER CRUISE

JUNE 12 2025

PARIS AND NORMANDY



Bethany has had a rich heritage of traveling together to all parts of the globe through it's travel group. A final choice for the 2025 trip has been made!

7- Night Cruise With 2 Nights Paris
Pre-Cruise **from \$4,099**

See the best of Paris during a 2-night stay before embarking on your Paris & Normandy River cruise. Paris always sizzles while Normandy beckons with its stunning coastline, incredible food and artistic beauty. Monet's Gardens and the charming harbor town of Honfleur, will inspire you the same way as they inspired the great Impressionists. For inspiration of a different kind, travel the "Routes des Abbayes," visiting some of the most magnificent monasteries, and to the unforgettable beaches of Normandy where Allied forces landed during WWII's D-Day invasion. Relive the grandeur of royalty at Chateau de Bizy, once referred to as "the Versailles of Normandy." Blend a passion for the good life with culture, art, architecture and timeless landscapes, and you have Northern France.

There are a limited number of cabins available and this itinerary is sure to sell out quickly. This trip is expertly put together through CTA travel. For further details, reservations, and to answer all your questions, please contact our Travel advisor Justin Dolan at justind@ctatravel.com or (800) 758-4955 or Lucy Smith at lucysmith99@verizon.net or (562) 972-7209.

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REQUEST OR DESIRE
INFORMATION ABOUT A
MINISTRY, MEMBERSHIP,
OR ONLINE GIVING?**



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