



# BEAR FACTS

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

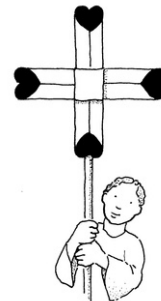
Here's a helpful list you can print and clip to your frig or dashboard...it's the first 25 items from "50 Questions to Ask Your Kids Instead of 'How Was Your Day' by Leslie Means. ([You can find the rest of the list here.](#))

1. What made you smile today?
2. Can you tell me an example of kindness you saw/showed?
3. Was there an example of unkindness? How did you respond?
4. Does everyone have a friend at recess?
5. What was the book about that your teacher read?
6. What's the word of the week?
7. Did anyone do anything silly to make you laugh?
8. What did you do that was creative?
9. What is the most popular game at recess?
10. What was the best thing that happened today?
11. Did you help anyone today?
12. Did you tell anyone thank you?
13. Who did you sit with at lunch? ([We love these joke cards for the lunchbox!](#))
14. What made you laugh?
15. Did you learn something you didn't understand?
16. Who inspired you today?
17. What was the high and the low?
18. What was your least favorite part of the day?
19. Was anyone in your class gone today?
20. Did you ever feel unsafe?
21. What is something you heard that surprised you?
22. What is something you saw that made you think?
23. Who did you play with today?
24. Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.
25. What is something that challenged you?

*Have a WONDERFUL week, Bethany Bears!  
Dr. Fink*

## COMING UP

- **Sept. 10-**  
Football home vs. Loving Savior  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Meeting-6:00  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade DC Meeting-6:30
- **Sept. 11-**5th Grade Camp Meeting-6:30
- **Sept. 14-**Troubadour-8:00 AM  
Trinity- 9:30 AM
- **Sept. 15-19-**7th Grade to Catalina
- **Sept. 17-** Football away at Mt. Calvary
- **Sept. 23-**School Photo Day!  
PTL Meeting-6:30 PM
- **Sept. 24-26**  
5th grade to Astrocamp
- **Sept. 29-**MAP testing begins



Leading chapel this week:  
**Kayleigh**

Parents, you are always welcome to join us in the church at 9:00 AM





# RaiseRight™

Formerly ShopWithScrip

## This is the week!

Raise Days begins on Friday, 9/12 and goes through Monday, 9/15. Take a sneak peek on the RaiseRight app on Thursday, 9/11 to see what will be on bonus and then plan to earn BIG!

Bonuses are good on eGift cards and reloads only. You must have an online account to participate.

Not already earning a rebate? Download the RaiseRight app and get started today! Ask me for the enrollment code.

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## School Photos

School pictures are scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 23. Please avoid out-of-school appointments that day. We do have a make-up day for absent students, but they will not be in the class photo.

Your picture package is pre-paid with your registration fee. You may also order additional prints.

Students should be in uniform dress for photos.



## Sports Schedule

Wednesday 9/10-

Football home vs. Loving Savior



GO BEARS!



## Parents Assemble!!



Not all Heroes wear capes!

Check out the QR code above  
to volunteer for PTL activities!



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## Middle School Corner

Bethany Lutheran offers team sports as one avenue for building problem-solving strategies, practicing effective communication skills, and exploring and developing God-given gifts, all while getting some exercise!

### Sports available for students in grades 5-8

- Fall Season: Girls Volleyball and Boys Football
- Winter Season: Girls Basketball and Boys Basketball
- Spring Season: Girls and Boys Track and Field

### Come cheer on the football and volleyball teams at their next home games!

- Football: Wednesday, 9/10 Varsity at 3:30/ JV at 4:30
- Volleyball: Tuesday, 9/23 at Varsity at 3:30 / JV at 4:30
- Volleyball: Thursday, 9/25 Varsity at 3:30

## Go Bears!



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MISSION SOCIETY

Vocation-based **OUTREACH TRAINING** where you live, labor, learn, & laugh

equipping & mobilizing the **priesthood of all believers**

**TOOLS** to win souls, make disciples, & root them in the Gospel

**PARTNERING TO PLANT**  
100 new ministries &  
25 churches by 2031

Leader development **PATHWAYS** for those serving in and from your church.  
On-the-ground apostolic band to **WORK ALONGSIDE** sending churches & circuits



**2025-26 BETHANY BEARS  
SPIRIT WEAR FUNDRAISER**



**PLEASE SCAN THE  
QR CODE TO  
CONNECT**



LONG BEACH STATE VS. UC SANTA BARBARA

# VOLLEYBALL FUNDRAISER

OCTOBER 3, 2025 @ 7PM



**JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL  
AND CHEER ON YOUR BETHANY VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS  
AS THEY TAKE CENTER COURT FOR THE  
NATIONAL ANTHEM!**

**GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!**

**\$3 of every ticket sold goes to Bethany's volleyball program.**





Dear Parents and Guardians,

**SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>**

Permanent Impressions is a child safety company dedicated to providing the most advanced and effective child-safety biometric technology available. Using state-of-the-art, encrypted software, we offer immediate and secure transfer of biometric information to domestic and international authorities like Interpol, the FBI, the Department of Justice, the National Center for Missing Children, and other law enforcement organizations. Our goal is to assist in the quick recovery of children in emergency situations.

### 1. Committed to Protecting Your Children Through Biometrics

As parents and guardians, we understand that the safety of your children is of utmost importance. If an emergency arises, *Permanent Impressions*' Multimodal Biometric Safety Program offers a solution. Our program gathers essential biometric data in a secure and efficient manner, ready to be accessed or disseminated to law enforcement if needed. We employ highly skilled professionals, including current and former police officers, forensic experts, and investigators, to manage your child's safety packet with utmost care and confidentiality.

### 2. What is Included in the Child Safety Packet?

The Child Safety Packet provides the most comprehensive identification process available to families. Administered on site, it includes:

- 10-Print Fingerprint impressions including classifications of all pattern types
- Palm impressions and writer's palms; Foot impressions; Photo and optional personal identifiers
- Facial recognition mapping and measurements including image plotting providing unique identifiers
- Retinal Scan and Individual Pattern Recognition Identification
- Iris Scans and Pattern Signature Traits

### 3. Why We Stand Out

We are the most advanced and knowledgeable in this field. Our experienced law enforcement experts are highly trained in all disciplines of forensics and fingerprint analysis. **Unlike other programs, our approach is rooted in best practices for identifying children quickly and accurately in emergencies. The biometric data we collect is more advanced than traditional ink prints and remains highly effective even as your child grows.**

### 4. Next Steps for Parents

If you are interested in the *Permanent Impressions Child Safety Program*, please review the enclosed information. Complete the form with all packet choices and return to your child's teacher or school office. Attach payment with the selected amount or call if using a credit card, Zelle or Venmo. On the designated day, *Permanent Impressions* will come to your child's school to complete your child's safety packet. **Families do not need to be present to participate so long as a form is submitted.** After completion, we will send the finalized packet home to you for safekeeping.

*Thank you, and we look forward to keeping your family safe!*

**\*All information is confidential with no duplicate copies unless requested by parent/guardian\***



# MULTIMODAL BIOMETRICS CHILD SAFETY PROGRAM





Children as young as 2 week old can participate

Yearly updates are recommended as children grow and software changes

Options marked with "🚨" are highly recommended by law enforcement

Child's Name:	Cell Phone #
Teacher's Name :	Parent E-Mail:

## Biometric Packet Choices:

 <b>Police Recommended Vaulting-</b> Please indicate if you would like your child's safety packet to be securely vaulted and monitored. Vaulting allows for instant retrieval and dissemination of biometric data-such as fingerprints, iris/retinal scans. And facial recognition-to law enforcement agencies both domestically and internationally in the event of an emergency. Time is crucial in emergencies, and vaulting ensures that no time is wasted in converting raw data. All safety packets below can be vaulted. Without vaulting, law enforcement will need extra time to process and share the information. For the quickest response in an emergency, vaulting is the best option.	For details on pricing and vaulting options, please contact us.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
 Digital Live Scan USB Credit Card containing child photo, all 10-print information, rolled impressions, flat sequence and optional personal identifiers. Wallet-sized and easy to carry in your purse or wallet and formatted for law enforcement agencies in and outside of the US.	<b>\$86.00</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
USB Key containing all 10-print information, rolled impressions, flat sequence and optional personal identifiers. Includes photo and personal information card with identifiers for parent/guardian to fill-out.	<b>\$82.00</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Iris Scan and Facial Recognition.</b> <b>Iris scanning</b> captures both visible & near-infrared light to take a clear, high contrast picture of the iris. Iris scanning is more common in high-security applications because the eye is so unique with over 200 points of reference for comparison, as opposed to 60 or 70 points in fingerprints. The Iris also does not change over time making it ideal for biometric identification. <b>Facial recognition</b> captures facial features/measurements and creates an algorithm by extracting facial landmarks on a face. These unique characters are measured and matched for use in identification. <b>Images will be captured as raw data to be entered and used in an emergency situation where an algorithm will be created from the template. Images will be transferred to a USB drive or added with any of the digital fingerprint packets listed.</b>	<b>\$182.00</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
 Digital Safety ID Bracelet containing child photo, all fingerprint impressions stored electronically within bracelet & accessible within seconds by law enforcement. Ideal for travel in & outside the US and great for theme parks and everyday use for child/parent/guardian. It is recommended to also have a back-up packet administered in the event the bracelet is lost.	<b>\$86.00</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Travel ID Cards (set of two ink thumbprint impression cards w/out photo)</b> Includes personal information card with identifiers for parent/guardian to fill-out. ID cards are only recommended in addition to a packet with a full set of prints	<b>\$28.00</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Foot Impressions right and left foot impression (administered w/ink)</b> Includes personal information card with identifiers for parent/guardian to fill-out.	<b>\$39.00</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>CHECK PAYABLE TO: PERMANENT IMPRESSIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b> <b>\$</b>	

Please call if you would like to pay by Zelle, Venmo or credit card.





## A SEASONAL JOB WITH AN ETERNAL PURPOSE

**Work with Operation Christmas Child to process gift-filled shoeboxes for children around the world in Jesus' Name.**

Whether you're a people person or like working behind the scenes, we have a variety of seasonal employment openings—from assisting teams of volunteers to lifting cartons of shoeboxes or operating forklifts in our warehouse.



Work from approximately mid-November to mid-December at one of our regional shoebox processing centers:

**Atlanta, GA | Baltimore, MD | Boone, NC | Charlotte, NC  
Aurora, IL | Coppell, TX | Englewood, CO | Fullerton, CA**

**Apply at [samaritanspurse.org/occseasonaljobs](https://samaritanspurse.org/occseasonaljobs)**



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# Under Grace...

Bethany Lutheran's Sunday Morning Children's Ministry

For our potty trained 3 year olds through 2nd graders, we meet EVERY SUNDAY, except the last Sunday of the month, Starting Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, during the 9:30 Worship Service. Kids will be dismissed after the Children's Message from church & pick up will happen across the courtyard (Friendship Square) at the doors of the Parish Lounge.

A new element to Under Grade for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Graders will be starting on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> on the FIRST and THIRD SUNDAYS of each month. They will also leave after Children's Message during the 9:30 Worship Service and their pick up will also be in the Parish Lounge.

Please fill out the yearlong permission form (QR Code) once to attend anytime through out this 2025-26 school year.

Questions? Reach out to Alissa Brege, Minister to Children & Families at [abrege@bethanylutheran.org](mailto:abrege@bethanylutheran.org).



## Mom Co.

*A time for moms to connect  
with one another,  
learn & grow together, build one another up,  
and grab a  
tasty treat or beverage (as desired).*

**We will meet the second Tuesday  
of the month  
for lunch at 12:30 at LBX.**

Questions? Ask Alissa Brege at  
[abrege@bethanylutheran.org](mailto:abrege@bethanylutheran.org)

## Bethany Lutheran Family Ministries

# BBQ & Water Play Day

Sunday, September 14, 2025 at 11:00 A.M.

Join us for an afternoon of fun, a BBQ lunch & water play on the field.

This is a free event, but please RSVP by Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

<https://bit.ly/BBQWaterPlayDay>

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