

THE BETHANY BROADCAST

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TODAY'S FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

to the glory of God:

IN CELEBRATION AMELIA FLATTLEY'S
BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAY

*Congratulations on this special day.
May your life be blessed with
love, peace, and happiness!*

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Jacob Bazz
Nora Borg-Breen
Kevin Dart
David Gamble
Betty Greene
Lynda Kernohan
Myrna Koenigsdorf
Phyllis Lee
Gary McDaniel
Flory Melendez
Keren Raquel-
Melendez
Larry Neasel
Christy Pierce
Mike Pierce
Suzanne Reed
Elias Rodas
Mary Rosas
Joyce Rose
Joel Melendez-
Sarceno
Mike Schliebe
Kat Totten
Eno Uti



JOIN US TODAY!
OCTOBER 26TH
MUSIC PERFORMANCE BY: LAUTHOSEN

ORDER OF EVENTS

TRUNK OR TREAT	4 - 5 PM
JOIN US IN THE PARKING LOT FOR OUR ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT! ADMISSION IS 1 BAG OF CANDY + 1 CANNED FOOD ITEM.	
FOOD IS SERVED	4:30 - 6:30 PM
DID YOU ORDER FOOD & DRINKS? MEET US ON THE FIELD FOR YOUR TRADITIONAL GERMAN FEAST WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS.	
OKTO-FEST	4 - 7 PM
THE FUN CONTINUES UNDER THE TENT WITH OKTO-BEAR-FEST: MUSIC, FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!	

4 PM - 7 PM

Worshiping Faithfully Hebrews 10:25



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

SERVICE SCHEDULE:

8 am • 9:30 am • 11 am

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

1ST SUNDAY all services

2ND SUNDAY 9:30 am only

3RD SUNDAY all services

4TH SUNDAY 9:30 am only

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

TIME 10:45 am - 12 pm

ROOMS # 215 & Library

LED BY Mary Kay Esswein (215)

Sheri Esswein (Library)

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

TIME 10:45 am - 12 pm

ROOM Parish Lounge

LED BY Bob Lange & David Akins



UNDER GRACE...

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH'S SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S MINISTRY PROGRAM

Potty-trained 3 year-olds through 2nd graders have the opportunity to take part in Under Grace during 9:30 am worship on every Sunday except the last Sunday of the month. The kids will leave the worship area after the children's message with the kids' ministry team in the narthex (or lobby area in the back of the church) and should be picked up from the Parish Lounge (the glass double doors across the courtyard) at the conclusion of the service.

We have also added a new element for our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders during the 9:30 am service. On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, they will also leave following the children's message with our kids' ministry team but will come back to Friendship Square to rejoin their families during fellowship, when worship concludes.

Parents, please fill out the yearlong permission form using the QR code in order for your child to come to any children's ministry program.



Questions? Contact Alissa Brege - Minister to Children & Families: 562-421-4711, ext. 13 or abrege@bethanylutheran.org



SPECIAL "BROADCAST" FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

These are exciting times for Bethany Lutheran as we move forward in ministry! Here are some updates:

STAFFING We are pleased to announce the hiring of Pauline Svolos as our Director of Finance and Operations. Pauline's responsibilities include oversight of our financial, human resources, and facilities departments. We have also hired Andria Rojas as our Accounting Specialist. Andria will report to Pauline and will be responsible for many of the day to day accounting functions. As these servants take on their roles and tasks Maralee Shaeffer will remain on our team until her retirement in 2/26. She will be focusing on some specific tasks and serving as support and back up for Pauline and Andria during these first few months of their service. We are certain that through these servants we will all witness how the Lord continues to bless at Bethany.

CYPRESS CAMPUS UPDATE Bethany Lutheran Cypress (Historic Holy Cross Sanctuary) is on track to be in use for congregational ministry and start mission outreach to the community in early 2026. We plan move our late service back to the Cypress campus, at least through the vacancy period, 11:10am in Cypress should begin in early 2026. It is also our plan to add a weekly evening mid-week service held on the Cypress campus sometime in early 2026 too; the goal is that this would start during Lent and then continue thereafter. There will also be a Saturday morning breakfast Bible Study opportunity beginning, hopefully in early 2026 as well.

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE The Associate Pastor of Connect Ministries (Senior Pastor in Transition) Call Committee continues in their important task. They have received the official Call List from the District Office. This list is available for you to see in the Church Office. They are currently reviewing the candidates with a goal to begin interviews early next year.

MISCELLANEOUS With our new policy based governance structure one of the important roles of the Board of Directors is to identify new polices that are needed and to review and update existing policies. The Board spent a Saturday morning last summer working on this and we will continue this work in future meetings. We also recently spent a Saturday morning working with our Lead Staff in developing both short term and long term ministry goals. There will be more information coming as we develop these plans.

The members of the Board of Directors are available if anyone has questions on the ministries of our church. We ask that you would continue to support us in prayer as we continue to seek God's Will in how we can best be Gathered, Connected, and Sent.

Serving Passionately Ephesians 2:10



TODAY'S THE DAY TO HELP PROVIDE A MEAL TO FAMILIES IN NEED

At Christian Outreach in Action (COA), we are committed to providing essential support to our community members in need. Every day, we offer services such as hot meals, groceries, clothing, and more to ensure that individuals and families in Long Beach can meet their basic needs and thrive. But we can't do it along - we need you to help us make a lasting impact. By donating to COA, you're not just giving money—you're giving hope, stability, and a brighter future to those who need it most.

BETHANY WILL BE COLLECTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS TODAY AT TRUNK OR TREAT AND OKTO-BEAR-FEST FOR COA'S THANKSGIVING BASKETS. USE THE QR CODE TO SEE A FULL LIST OF DONATION REQUESTS.



Operation Christmas Child: **SHOEBOX SEASON IS HERE!**



We once again have the opportunity to touch the lives of children all over the world with a shoebox gift prayerfully packed full of fun gifts. Samaritan's Purse collects Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts and delivers them to children around the world through churches and other ministry partners in over 100 countries. These local believers tell boys and girls about Jesus Christ - God's Greatest Gift. Our Bethany students will be packing shoeboxes on Wednesday, November 12. We could use pencil pouches, crayons, small calculators, hair brushes, fun adhesive bandages, and quality toys like hot wheels, magna-tiles, dolls, and harmonicas. Items can be placed in the OCC box in the church office entryway. If you prefer, you can donate funds to cover the \$10 cost of shipping each box. Please drop off cash or checks (payable to Bethany Lutheran Church with OCC written on the memo line) to Maralee Shaeffer, Financial Administrator. Empty shoeboxes will be available for you to pack on Sunday, October 19.

Questions and Volunteer Info

Contact Kahana Smith
(310-387-0728), Ruth Lopez, or
Aleina Aiello.

Giving Proportionately Luke 21:1-4

WE GIVE HIM BUT HIS OWN

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! *Questions? Contact Maralee Shaeffer at mshaeffer@bethanylutheran.org.*

THERE ARE MULTIPLE WAYS TO GIVE TO BETHANY INCLUDING:

Online, Text to Give,
Online Bill-Pay, US
Mail, Offering Box,
**and now Apple Pay,
Google Pay, Venmo,
and PayPal!**



LAST WEEK OF BONUS FEST!

Oct. 24 - 26 / Featured brand - GAP (includes Old Navy, Athleta, Banana Republic). Buy a GAP card and you are entered to win a \$100 GAP card!

New Brand: **Dutch Bros. Coffee** - make your morning coffee run count! 5% on physical cards in \$10 and \$25 amounts / eCards in \$5 - \$500 amounts

Update: **Roblox** now available in \$10 & \$25 physical cards in addition to \$10 - \$200 eCards.



TO LEARN MORE:

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BLS Scrip Coordinator
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BETHANY'S ALTAR FLOWER FUND!



Flowers are used to decorate the altar every Sunday and you are able to make two types of donations to support this ministry: a general donation and a special request with recognition.

- **A SPECIAL REQUEST WITH RECOGNITION**
This type of donation comes with a special message printed in the Weekly Broadcast and Sunday Bulletin.* **Suggested donation of \$75.**
- **A GENERAL DONATION TO THE ALTAR FLOWER FUND**

* If you are making a **Special Request with Recognition**, please let us know two weeks in advance and specify which Sunday as well as the message you would like printed.

Community Connections **Acts 2:44**

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Opportunity

Join us each Thursday morning
for Men's Bible Study!

TIME 7:30 am – 8:45 am

PLACE Parish Lounge

We have just started the Gospel of
Mark. Bring your coffee and
something to eat as we study
God's good Word for us today!

See you there!

CREATIVE CRAFTER'S *retreat!*

NOVEMBER 21-22

If you are a sewer, quilter, knitter, cross-stitcher, crocheter, scrapbooker, jeweler, painter, woodworker, or all-around crafter and you would love to have some uninterrupted time to finish a project or start something new...this is for you!

We will gather in the Parish Lounge of Friday and craft the day away starting at 10 am. Stay as long as you want but the lights will be on until 10 pm. We will return on Saturday morning from 8 am - 6 pm.

RSVP : Cindy Morlok

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Anita Armbrust

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2026 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE FLOAT

Building off the 2026 Tournament of Roses theme, *The Magic in Teamwork*, the Lutheran Hour Ministries Float Committee proudly presents its *Bringing Christ to the Nations* float. The float features a "Team Jesus" blimp flying over the world. Coming forth from the church, Jesus celebrates with 12 modern-day disciples, as it features the message ALL WELCOME. Riding on the float this year is a small representation of vocations Christ has called us for the building of His Church and furtherance of the Gospel message: a teacher, a missionary, a pastor, etc. Want to secure your spot to be a Petal Pusher? Use the QR code to volunteer today!



SATURDAY DECORATING

DAYS December 6, 13, 20

TIMES 8 am - 4 pm / 4 pm - 8 pm



DECORATION WEEK

DAYS December 26 - 31

TIMES 8 am - 4 pm / 4 pm - 11 pm

JOIN US FOR AN ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT GAME DAY!

friends & family fun

DAY Tuesday, November 4th

TIME 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

PLACE Parish Lounge

Christian fellowship

cards & board games

QUESTIONS? Contact Cheryl at magicalviewcp@gmail.com.



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COOK'S NIGHT OUT AT



**RESTAURANT
BREWHOUSE**

11101 183rd St. Cerritos

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29
11 am - 11 pm

Please bring a flyer for dine-in or take-out. Use code - OCT485 for online orders. 20% of the purchase goes to support our 8th graders as they raise money for the Washington DC & NYC trip.

Not valid towards alcohol, happy hour, or delivery purchases.



WHAT DO WASHINGTON DC & CHRISTMAS WREATHS HAVE IN COMMON?

The annual wreath sales to raise funds for the 8th grade DC trip is HERE! There are many opportunities to place your order and every wreath sold supports our 8th graders as they travel to Washington DC in May! Wreaths are hand-crafted from sustainably harvested evergreens...trees are not cut down, and old-growth materials are never used.

On their trip this Spring, these students will have the opportunity to see the places they have been studying all year long. With stops in Mount Vernon, Monticello, Washington DC, Gettysburg, and New York, this trip will be one to remember! Questions? Please contact Dr. Fink at mfink@bethanylutheran.org. **Last day to place your order is Sunday, November 9th by midnight.**



Clara Nguyen, one of our beloved Music Academy piano instructors will be performing at CSULB and you're invited!

WHERE Carpenter Performing Arts Center at CSULB

WHEN Wednesday, November 5th at 7:30 pm

PLAYING Franz Liszt's Totentanz for solo piano and orchestra

Questions? Contact Mara Widmann, Academy Administrator, at mwidmann@bethanylutheran.org or (562) 421-477 ext. 55.

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR DESIRE INFORMATION ABOUT A MINISTRY, MEMBERSHIP, OR ONLINE GIVING?



WOULD YOU LIKE TO HEAR TODAY'S OR A PREVIOUS SERMON AGAIN?

You can hear them as podcasts at bethanylutheran.org



WANT TO SEE IT AGAIN?

Today's 8 am service will be live-streamed on our YouTube channel:

