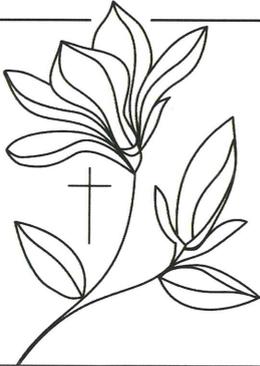


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God's Comfort and Peace to:



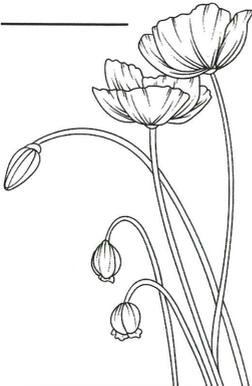
THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF
RICHARD DANA WHO WENT
HOME TO HIS HEAVENLY
FATHER ON JANUARY 1ST.

*May the love of God surround
you, offering comfort and peace in
the midst of sorrow.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Susan Ansorge
- Michelle Baker
- Jacob Bazz
- Sally Blevins
- Nora Borg-Breen
- Greg Busch
- Kevin Dart
- David Gamble
- Jennifer Garcia
- Dale Green
- Betty Greene
- Lynda Kernohan
- Myrna Koenigsdorf
- Phyllis Lee
- Gary McDaniel
- Flory Melendez
- Keren Raquel-Melendez
- Christy Pierce
- Mike Pierce
- Suzanne Reed
- Elias Rodas
- Mary Rosas
- Joyce Rose
- Joel Melendez-Sarceno
- Kat Totten
- Eno Uti

A Celebration of Life for Betty Rose



PLEASE JOIN THE FAMILY AND
FRIENDS OF BETTY ROSE FOR A
CELEBRATION OF LIFE ON
SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH AT 11 AM.
IT WILL BE HELD AT TRINITY
LUTHERAN CHURCH (30470 PAUBA
RD, TEMECULA) WITH A LUNCHEON
TO FOLLOW AT LA POINTE WEALTH
ADVISORS (43980 MARGARITA RD.
#201, TEMECULA). IF YOU WILL BE
JOINING FOR LUNCH, PLEASE
NOTIFY MARK ROSE AT (562) 254-
5921.

Worshipping 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

Serving Passionately Ephesians 2:10



SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY CHILDCARE POSITION OPENING

Do you love kids and love Jesus? We may have just the position for you!

We are seeking a childcare provider to serve the youngest of our Bethany family during our 8 & 9:30 am Sunday morning worship services.

Our nursery team serves in groups of two on Sunday mornings, welcoming our infants and preschoolers to the nursery and engages the kids in age-appropriate play & stories, sharing Jesus, while the service is livestreamed for everyone in the nursery to worship.

The hours are 7:45-10:45 am, approximately two Sunday mornings a month. Candidates must be 18 years old and satisfactorily complete the employment processes. **Please contact Alissa Brege at abrege@bethanylutheran.org for more info or to apply.**



YOUTH VOLUNTEER *Opportunities!*

ACOLYTE AND CRUCIFER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

We are once again interested in knowing which youth wish to acolyte for Sunday worship services (8 & 9:30 am)! Training is available to first-time acolytes. Please prayerfully consider this service opportunity and sign up on the google doc.

Questions? Please contact Karl Fink at kfink@bethanylutheran.org.

To volunteer: bit.ly/acolyte-and-crucifer

SUNDAY COFFEE & DONUT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

OPEN TO YOUTH IN GRADES 8-12!

This is a great way to interact with church members, hang out with other youth, and earn funds in your Youth Ministry Account to be used towards any Youth Ministry event.

Questions? Please contact Aimee Coleman at acoleman@bethanylutheran.org.

To volunteer: bit.ly/coffee-and-donuts

ROSE PARADE 2026: A RECAP



Most of us got to see the Lutheran Hour Float "Team Jesus" on TV in the Rose Parade. Janice & David Akins got to see it in person. LHM hosted a behind-the-scenes visit and tour on Tuesday December 30th to show the final decorating of the float. It was quite a treat. The 2026 event is in the books. Looking forward to the 2027 event, there will be many opportunities to participate. From donating to support the 2027 Lutheran Hour Float, volunteering to decorate floats with the Petal Pushers, tours, Rose Parade packages, and a coloring contest for the kids, you can participate. *Scan the QR code to see all of the opportunities.*



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 Maraley 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!**



HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM RAISERIGHT!

Whatever your goals this year, make sure your earning strategy is part of the plan. Pro tip: “Heart” your favorite brands, opt into notifications and never miss a bonus opportunity for the brands you use most often! Discover even more brands to turn every goal or resolution into funds for your tuition or a Bethany ministry.



TO LEARN MORE:

Ruth Lopez
BLS Scrip Coordinator
rlopez@bethanylutheran.org
562-420-7783 ext. 58



CALLING ALL TECH SUPPORTERS!

Here’s something you may not be thinking about: The broadcast and live-worship-aid tech equipment breaks down, goes obsolete, and needs upgrading. Whether you are an in-person-only congregant, an online-only worshipper, a sermon podcast listener-viewer, or a mix of all of them, you can help our in-person and online worship ministry continue to thrive through the gift of technology. You can give a one-time gift, or even choose to include a regular, recurring offering into the ‘tech-giving fund!’ Use the QR code to get to the online-giving site, or call Maraley in the church office for assistance! Thanks for being a Tech-Supporter!



Community Connections Acts 2:44

WE'RE HIRING A PART-TIME OFFICE ADMIN FOR OUR CYPRESS CAMPUS!

WE'RE LOOKING FOR AN ORGANIZED, FRIENDLY MULTITASKER WHO LOVES CHECKING THINGS OFF LISTS, KEEPS CALENDARS STRAIGHT, AND HELPS THE OFFICE HUM ALONG. YOU'LL BE THE GO-TO PERSON FOR QUESTIONS, SCHEDULES, AND DETAILS—MAKING SURE EVERYONE HAS WHAT THEY NEED AND KNOWS WHERE THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE. IF YOU ENJOY BEING HELPFUL, STAYING ORGANIZED, AND KEEPING THINGS RUNNING SMOOTHLY, YOU'LL FEEL RIGHT AT HOME AT BETHANY'S CYPRESS CAMPUS.

TO LEARN
MORE AND
APPLY,
SCAN HERE.



BEUTEL SCHOLARSHIP GRANT APPLICATIONS HAVE ARRIVED!

Beutel Scholarship Grant Applications are now being accepted for academic year 2026-27 and are available in the Church Office. These applications are for students attending a college or university of our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in preparation for a full-time career as a pastor, teacher, deaconess, youth director, social worker, lay missionary worker, medical missionary, or parish worker. The purpose of the grant is to encourage our young people to pursue a career in church work and to give them assistance in reaching this goal. All scholarships are awarded on an annual basis. If a student needs scholarship help for the school term beginning in the fall of 2026, they must apply between January 15 and March 15 of this year. Application's are available in the Church Office for completion in a folder marked **BEUTEL SCHOLARSHIPS**.

IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE, THEY MUST RETURN APPLICATIONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICE (SLT: SPIRITUAL LIFE BOX) ON OR BEFORE SATURDAY, MARCH 15.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT JIM SWICK AT (562) 714-3196.

HELD FAST



**HIGH SCHOOL WINTER RETREAT
FEBRUARY 20-22, 2026**

PINE SUMMIT SALVATION ARMY CAMP, BIG BEAR

In a world that feels uncertain, loud, and overwhelming, our safety does not depend on how tightly we hold onto God, but on how tightly He holds onto us.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd. His grip is sure. His promises do not fail.

**TOTAL COST: \$150
\$75 DUE AT REGISTRATION (OPENS JANUARY 10, 2026)
\$75 FINAL PAYMENT DUE BY FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

COOK'S NIGHT OUT AT

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3801 Lakewood Blvd. Ste 101, Long Beach

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14
4 pm - 9 pm

Participate by ordering online using the code GIVEBACK, order in person, or at the kiosk using code GIVEBACK. 20% of the purchase goes to support our 8th graders as they raise money for the Washington DC & NYC trip.



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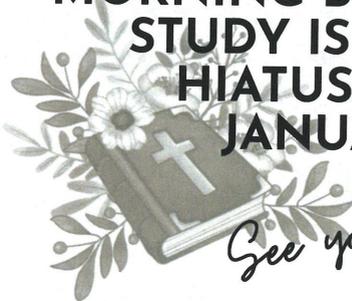


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WOMEN'S THURSDAY
MORNING BIBLE
STUDY IS ON
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JANUARY 22.



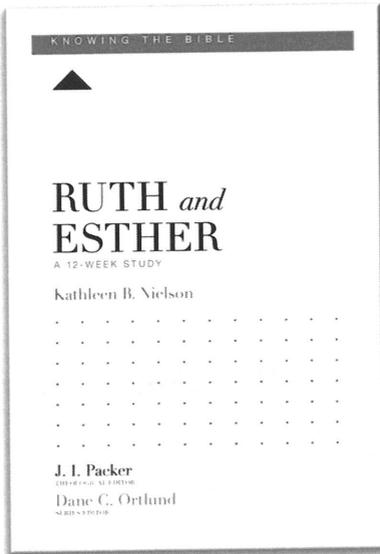
See you then!

DO YOU HAVE AN ARTICLE
FOR THE BROADCAST?

Please submit all articles to churchoffice@bethanylutheran.com by **Wednesday** to be printed the following Sunday's Broadcast. *Please note: Articles may be edited and reformatted in order to fit within the space available and all submissions will be sent to a pastor for final approval. Thank you for your understanding.*

Blessings, Kasey Loya

new **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING SOON!**



RUTH AND ESTHER: A 12-WEEK STUDY

BY: KATHLEEN B. NIELSON

Starts January 18, 2026
Meets Sundays 10:45 - Noon in the library
Bible Study Led by Sheri Esswein
Questions? Contact Sheri via the church office.
Book available for purchase on Amazon.

The books of Ruth and Esther recount two of the most moving stories in all of Scripture: Ruth, a displaced widow in search of a new home and loving husband, and Esther, a courageous queen intent on saving her people from imminent destruction.

This guide explains the biblical text with clarity and passion - leading us on a journey to discover the God who hears the cries of his people and remains faithful to his promises.

ESTATE PLANNING WITH THE LCMS FOUNDATION

We live in a "I can do it myself" culture. That has been cultivated by our access to technology. Yet the question is, "Do I need help to create my Christian estate plan?" This month we consider that your estate plan represents the biggest collection of decisions with far more impact than any others in life. But what is the value of meeting with an LCMS Gift Planning Counselor if I already plan on meeting with an attorney? The answer is, that your counselor can assist you in getting organized, thinking through your goals and becoming specific about them, and encouraging you to spend time considering who you might choose for a personal representative, trustee or the one named in your power of attorney documents. This decision should be carefully made, not rushed. Prayer should be included. Your LCMS Gift Planning Counselor can help you get started now. Contact Andrea Hyde, Gift Planning Specialist, at 209-613-2125.

LCMS Foundation
 TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER

IT'S TIME FOR THE ANNUAL CAMPOUT RETREAT!



When: February 13 - 16

Where: Mobiland RV Park, Ocotillo Wells

Bring your special dish for Saturday's pot luck supper, and Sunday evening hors d'oeuvres along with some firewood for the campfire. We will have a few optional outings throughout the weekend. A worship service will be held Sunday. For details or reservations, please call or text Philip Lopez at (562) 416-5960.

Family Ministry

BUMPER BOWLING

JANUARY 25, 2026

12:30 - 2:20 P.M. SHARP

CAL BOWL

2500 E CARSON ROAD
LAKEWOOD, CA 90712

SIGN UP NOW!

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/BUMPERBOWLING](https://bit.ly/bumperbowling)

SPACE IS LIMITED!

BOWLING SHOE RENTALS ARE INCLUDED

**QUESTIONS?
ASK ALISSA BREGE
ABREGE@BETHANYLUTHERAN.ORG**



Only
\$5
Per
Participant





Mom Co.

Date: second Tuesdays

Time: 12:30 pm

Location: LBX

A time for moms to connect with one another, have a time of devotion, learn & grow, build one another up & enjoy lunch together!

Questions? Contact Alissa Brege at abrege@bethanylutheran.org.



CHECK OUT OUR SELECTION OF PROJECT CONNECT BOOKLETS

Lutheran Hour Ministries' booklet ministry, **Project Connect**, is designed to provide down-to-earth insight about things people deal with every day—grief, stress, prayer, relationships—and more. You can share **Project Connect** booklets with friends and neighbors, and use them for your own encouragement and enlightenment. Bethany maintains a **Project Connect** booklet carousel in the narthex. Please visit the carousel, browse the booklets available, and take any that are of interest to you. *For more information about Lutheran Hour Ministries, visit lhm.org.*



Bethany Lutheran Church presents:
**THE BRIANNA ESSWEIN
 MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**
FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026



EARLY REGISTRATION PRICE: \$150 per golfer (before March 2)

LATE REGISTRATION PRICE: \$175 per golfer (after March 2)

WHERE: Navy Golf Course - Cypress, CA

QUESTIONS: Karl Fink - kfink@bethanylutheran.org

DEADLINE: March 13th (or until sold out)

TIME LINE:
6:30 AM - check in begins
7:45 AM - in carts!
8 AM - tee time
1 PM - buffet lunch

THE GOLF COMMITTEE:
 Marty Callow Craig Dean
 Bob Newell Ted Spaseff
 Phil Lopez Marty Platt

Join Us for ROOTED.



HERE'S WHAT BETHANY PARTICIPANTS HAVE SAID:



- *"It helped me to focus my priorities."*
- *"Gracious + welcoming to a very new Christian."*
- *"Loved doing the study with my husband + getting to know other couples."*
- *"Hearing faith stories + discussion helped me grow in my own faith."*

You're invited to take a 10-week adventure discovering a deeper relationship with the Lord and His people. Whether you're a life-long believer or are new to the faith, ROOTED will enliven your relationship with God and equip you to follow Jesus differently.

REGISTRATION OPEN!

DAYS: Tuesdays, Feb. 3 – April 7, 2026

TIME: 6:30 – 8:30 pm

LOCATION: Bethany CYPRESS Campus

CLOSING CELEBRATION: Saturday, April 11

GROUPS FOR: Women, Men, and Couples

COST: \$40 (\$20 if reusing workbook)

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 9:30 am service will be live-streamed on our YouTube channel:

