



BEAR FACTS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Valentine's Day is coming, so I know what you'll be doing the next couple of days: putting the finishing touches on those little expressions of love to your nearest and dearest AND supervising your kids as they do the same.

I know there are some cynics out there who see this day as a conspiracy by the card companies; personally, I think you can never go wrong telling others you love them. We ALL need to hear it on a regular basis, don't you think?

Our heavenly Father reminded us how much He loved us by sending us a Valentine, as well. That "Valentine," of course, was His Son, Jesus: Love Incarnate! His death and resurrection are the ultimate expression of how much God loves us. And because He loves us, we are able to love others. (1 John 4:19).

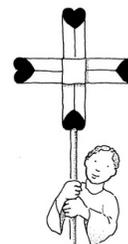
As you're sharing Valentine love with your families this week, may you be reminded of how much YOU are loved.

*Blessed to be at Bethany,
Dr. Fink*

Happy
Valentine's
Day

COMING UP

- **Feb. 2-12** MAP Testing
- **Feb. 11**-Kindergarten Info Night-6:30
- **Feb. 13/16** Presidents Day Holidays
- **Feb. 18**-Ash Wednesday
- **Feb. 20**- Middle School Musical!
9:00 and 6:30
- **Feb. 24**-PTL Meeting
- **Mar. 6**-Open House/Science Fair
- **Mar. 8**-Daylight Savings Time
- **Mar. 11**-A Cappella Concert
- **Mar. 17**-Battle of the Books
- **Mar. 20**-End Quarter 3



Leading chapel this week:

Mrs. Morgensen

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

Our chapel offerings this month will go
to Phil's Friends.



MONTHLY EARNING CHALLENGES:

Stay motivated to earn BIG all year long! Every month brings a new challenge, and a new chance to win a \$500 gift card of your choice.

How it works:

- Each month RaiseRight will announce a new earning challenge.
- Complete any month's challenge to qualify for that month's \$500 gift card drawing.

February's Challenge: Between 2/9 and 2/28/26, every hotel, car rental or attraction tickets booked through RaiseRight = 1 entry to win.

Shop during the Spring Break and Travel Online Shopping Bonus Event / Feb. 20 - 27. Earn more and be entered to win! This is a great opportunity to boost your rebate and get ahead of summer travel plans before the end of the current earning period which ends March 31.

Questions?

Contact Ruth Lopez, Scrip Coordinator
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Lenten Worship Services

- **Ash Wednesday (2/18)** - 9:00 AM Chapel at Bethany and 6:30 PM at our Cypress campus (4321 Cerritos Ave.)

Lenten services-6:30 PM at the Cypress Campus

- Wednesday Lent I (2/25) "Look what I've knitted you." [Genesis 3](#)
- Wednesday Lent II (3/4) "You Look Marvelous" [Genesis 37](#)
- Wednesday Lent III (3/11) "Swaddled" [Luke 2](#)
- Wednesday Lent IV (3/18) "Filthy Rags" | [Peter 2:24](#)
- Wednesday Lent V (3/25) "Garments of Grace" [Revelation 3](#)



"Remem-bear":

We do not have school on Friday, Feb. 13 or Monday, Feb. 16.

Students may wear Valentine shirts/sweatshirts and jeans on Thursday, Feb. 12!

Ready to chat? Today, we're sharing a great list of questions that can jump-start wonderful conversations with your pre-teen/teenager around the dinner table, in the car, on a walk, or whenever you have a few minutes together during the day.

1. Which would you rather have: \$1 million today or 1 cent doubled every day for 30 days? (This teaches your teen about compound interest.)
2. Would you rather be the boss or employee, and what would make you better at one position versus the other?
3. If you could have only one superpower, what would it be?
4. Describe yourself in 5 words or less.
5. If you could give every person in the world a gift but it would have to be the same gift, what would that gift be?
6. Imagine you're the President and you need to have 3 people to assist you. Who would you pick and why?
7. If you could set one rule for the family that we all have to follow, what would it be?
8. If you could live anywhere in the world, where would it be?
9. When do you feel a child or teen becomes an adult?
10. What have you learned in life that you feel will be the most useful?
11. Describe what a perfect day would be from the moment you wake up until bedtime.
12. If you could change anything in the world, what 3 things would it be and why?
13. If you could eat dinner with 3 people you don't know, who would it be and where would you go?
14. Do you think it's better to have one great skill you're an A+ at or many skills you're a C at and why?
15. What's the best invention you've seen most recently, and what do you like about it?
16. What makes our family amazing that you feel is unique about us?
17. What are 3 things you are grateful for in your life, and why?
18. What are 3 really small victories that you've had in the last few days that you're proud of?
19. What's a hobby that you don't currently have that you'd love to learn? What's holding you back?
20. What do you feel are the most important things to living a great life?
21. If we lost everything we owned today but could keep 3 things, what would you pick and why?
22. Imagine you're the teacher at school tomorrow. What are 3 things you'd teach that you think would help make school more useful for one's future?
23. When someone is feeling stressed, what are 3 suggestions you'd share with them on how to feel less stressed?
24. Do you find it easy or hard to celebrate when someone else does something well or receives positive attention?
25. What do you feel is the hardest job in the world and why?
26. How would you explain the word "love" to someone without using the word "love"?
27. Do you believe money can or can't buy happiness?
28. Think of the worst thing that's happened to you...what did you learn from it?
29. Of all the things you're learning, what do you think will be most useful as an adult?
30. If you could travel back in time 3 years, what advice would you give yourself?
31. Which of your friends do you think I would like most? Why?
32. If you could grow up to be famous, what would you be famous for?
33. How would you change the world if you could?
34. How can you help someone today?
35. If you could make one rule that everyone in the world had to follow, what would it be?
36. If you had enough money that you never had to work, what would you do with your time?
37. Have you passed up on any chances that you now regret? What were they?
38. If you were told you would live forever, what would you change about your life?
39. What are you most afraid of?
40. What do you think is keeping you from complete happiness?

From: Media Mix. 50 Thought-Provoking Questions to Ask Your Teen. 15 July 2020, youthfirstinc.org/50-thought-provoking-questions-to-ask-your-teen.

BETHANY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

3 STEP

Re-Registration

2026-2027

1

FEBRUARY

Confirm and update
all family information
in Gradelink

2

MARCH

Registration/Tech Fees
charged - no tuition
this month!

3

ANYTIME!

Refer a new family and
get your Registration
Fee credited back on
December's tuition bill*

*one-time amount of \$330 only, max once per year



2026-2027 Tuition and Fees

Bethany Lutheran School offers two tuition schedules; one for families who are members of Bethany Lutheran Church and another for members of the community. Claiming membership in Bethany Lutheran Church means:

- a. One or both parents of the child are members and are listed on the church roll.
- b. The members are regular in their church and communion attendance, and support Bethany Lutheran Church through their financial contributions.

All families are encouraged to use our SCRIP/Gift card program and accumulate a SCRIP/Gift card rebate, which may be used to offset some of the tuition costs.

Members of Bethany Lutheran Church

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Paid over 10 months</u>	<u>*Full Payment/5% discount</u>
1 child:	\$8790	\$879 monthly	\$8351
2 children:	\$15,820	\$1582 monthly	\$15,029
3 children:	\$19,770	\$1977 monthly	\$18,782

Members of the Community

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Paid over 10 months</u>	<u>*Full Payment/5% discount</u>
1 child:	\$9770	\$977 monthly	\$9771
2 children:	\$17,580	\$1758 monthly	\$16,701
3 children:	\$21,970	\$2197 monthly	\$20,872

Tuition payments are made via your FACTS account and are divided equally over 10 months, August to June. (March is a “no-tuition-month so that families may pay their registration/tech fees for the next year.) Payments may be set up for the 5th or the 20th of the month.

*Tuition paid in full for the year *by August 1* will receive a 5% reduction. Late payments are subject to a \$30 late fee.

Bethany Lutheran School does not refuse enrollment to returning students solely due to matters of money if there is room available. If your family is struggling to meet tuition payments, please ask about need-based financial aid.

Fees

There is a Registration Fee of \$330 per child. This fee is due upon enrollment for new students. For returning students, registration fees are due in March. This fee pays for a student insurance premium, a school yearbook, a school theme shirt, a package of individual school photos, textbook rental and curriculum materials.

There is also a Technology Fee of \$250 per child. This fee is due upon enrollment for new students and in March for returning students.

Registration and technology fees are non-refundable. Questions concerning the tax-deductibility of payments to Bethany Lutheran School or Bethany Lutheran Church should be referred to qualified tax counsel.

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH'S ANNUAL

BRIANNA ESSWEIN MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



FRIDAY
MARCH 27



6:30 AM *CHECK IN*
7:45 AM *IN CARTS!*
8 AM *TEE TIME*
1 PM *BUFFET LUNCH*



NAVY GOLF COURSE
CYPRESS, CA



\$150 PER GOLFER
UNTIL MARCH 2ND



PROCEEDS HELP
SUPPORT THE VARIOUS
MINISTRIES HERE AT
BETHANY, INCLUDING:
*MISSION WORK, THE 2028
LCMS YOUTH GATHERING,
STUDENT SUCCESS, AND
THE STUDENT
SCHOLARSHIP FUND.*

SCAN HERE



**DON'T HAVE A FULL
FOURSOME?
NO PROBLEM!
INDIVIDUAL GOLFERS
AND TWOSOMES WILL
BE PAIRED.**



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