



BEAR FACTS

Issue 23: February 17, 2026

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I hope you enjoyed your four-day President's weekend. Mr. Fink and I decided to visit the Nixon library yesterday. It was a great way to celebrate the day. I've visited three of the 13 presidential libraries, and I always come away with a renewed perspective on the man, the office and our nation. I highly recommend visiting them when you can! (On a side note: the Nixon library has a special "America's 250th Birthday" exhibit right now, as well. Check it out!)

On different topic, tomorrow is a special day in the church year: Ash Wednesday. On this day, we acknowledge our sinfulness and our need for the forgiveness found in Jesus. This day also marks the beginning of the season of Lent.

In our chapel service, we will have the opportunity to have ashes in the shape of a cross placed on our foreheads or backs of our hands. (We also have the option to say "no, thank you.") You are welcome to join us for this special worship service at 9:00 in the church sanctuary.

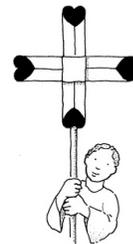
The sanctuary will also be open from 7:30-8:30 AM for private reflection. You are also welcome to attend our Ash Wednesday evening service, 6:30 PM at the Cypress campus (4321 Cerritos Ave.)



*God bless your week ahead,
Dr. Fink*

COMING UP

- **Feb. 18**-Ash Wednesday
- **Feb. 20**- Middle School Musical!
9:00 and 6:30
- **Feb. 24**-PTL Meeting
- **Feb. 27**-Dress Like a Teacher Day
- **Mar. 6**-Open House/Science Fair
- **Mar. 8**-Daylight Savings Time
- **Mar. 11**-A Cappella Concert 7 PM
- **Mar. 17**-Battle of the Books
- **Mar. 20**-End Quarter 3
- **Mar. 24**-PTL Meeting
- **Mar. 26/27**-Minimum Days, P/T Conferences



Leading chapel this week:

Pastor Kritzer

Parents, you are welcome to join us at 9:00 AM in the church for our Ash Wednesday chapel service.

Our chapel offerings this month will go to [Phil's Friends](#).

Middle School Corner

Please join us for:
A Very Patriotic Pageant Musical
Friday, 2/20, 2026
9:00 AM & 6:30 PM



Hope to see you there!

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" [I Peter 2:24](#)
- Wednesday Lent V (3/25) "Garments of Grace" [Revelation 3](#)



"Remem-bear":

If students wear rain boots to school, they should bring a pair of athletic shoes to wear in the gym. Thanks!

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	\$9282
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.**



Contact Karl Fink kfink@bethanylutheran.org

THE UNIVERSITY

A Cappella Choir

AT BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH



CONDUCTOR: DR. KURT E. VON KAMPEN

MARCH 11
2026

Join us!

7 PM



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at



Bethany
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Church
Long Beach, CA