



BEAR FACTS

Issue 27: March 17, 2026

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Happy St. Patrick's Day! I hope the breastplate prayer of St. Patrick is ours, as well:

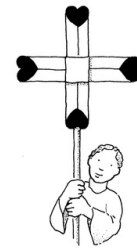
Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right,
Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

*Blessings on your week,
Dr. Fink*



COMING UP

- **Mar. 17**-Battle of the Books
- **Mar. 18**-Sees Candy in person orders due
- **Mar. 19**-Environmental Defenders Assembly
- **Mar. 20**-End Quarter 3
Sees Candy online orders due
- **Mar. 24**-PTL Meeting
- **Mar. 26/27**-Minimum Days, P/T Conferences
- **Mar. 27**-Pajama Day!!
- **Apr. 3**-Good Friday, No School
- **Apr. 5**-Easter HE IS RISEN!
- **Apr. 6-10** Easter Break



Leading chapel this week:

Student Council

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

Our chapel offerings this month will go to [Free Wheelchair Mission](#)



You have the chance every month to win a \$500 gift card of your choice by referring friends and family to join RaiseRight. Score extra entries for each referral who buys their first gift card in the same month they sign up.

In March only, get more entries for every order you place that includes a \$25+ Instacart gift card. March's winner will also receive a \$500 Instacart gift card!

Check out the RaiseRight website for details on how you could win!

Middle School Corner

The middle school is excited to continue our March Madness traditions!

This week, the middle school students and teachers will have the opportunity to complete an NCAA March Madness basketball tournament bracket. This exercise allows students to understand how elimination brackets work while participating in a wonderful multi-grade activity.

And the middle school loves to celebrate, so there are prizes for those whose brackets do well. Let the games begin!

Also, in English, the 8th grade students recently finished their poetry brackets, with Annabel Lee by Edgar Allan Poe, barely edging out Caged Bird by Maya Angelou.

Plus, in science, the 7th and 8th grade students are participating in the popular Mammal March Madness brackets...which predator will reign supreme?

And if you missed the email last week, it's March Madness season!

Lenten Worship Services

Lenten services-6:30 PM at the newly-renovated Cypress Campus

- Wednesday Lent IV (3/18) "Filthy Rags" | Peter 2:24
- Wednesday Lent V (3/25) "Garments of Grace" | Revelation 3



LAUDAMUS TOUR 2026

DIRECTOR:
DR. SAMUEL
EATHERTON

The premier choir of seminarians from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.



TUESDAY, MARCH 17 AT 7 PM

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH LONG BEACH CAMPUS
4644 CLARK AVE. LONG BEACH, CA 90808



Concordia
Seminary
ST. LOUIS

at



Bethany
Lutheran
Church
Long Beach, CA

Spring See's

at Bethany Lutheran

Dear Parents and Friends:

We are excited to begin our See's Candies Spring Service! Let us help you bring Easter blessings to friends, relatives, neighbors, and co-workers. By ordering through our students you help out our program here at Bethany Lutheran in our Preschool and K-8 grade classes!

All in person orders are due March 18th

Please no exceptions!

Online shopping will close at midnight March 20th



Please make checks payable to Bethany Lutheran PTL

BETHANY LUTHERAN ANGELS GAME

SAN DIEGO PADRES V.
LOS ANGELES ANGELS OF ANAHEIM



SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026
1:07 P.M. GAME TIME
AT ANGEL STADIUM
TICKETS ARE LIMITED!
COST: \$20 PER TICKET

QUESTIONS? CONTACT ALISSA BREGE AT
ABREGE@BETHANYLUTHERAN.ORG

EASTER EGGS-TRAVAGANZA

BETHANY LUTHERAN
LONG BEACH CAMPUS

EGG HUNT, CRAFTS, SNACKS &
DEVOTION

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026
11:00 A.M.

WE ARE MEETING IN THE GYM.
THIS IS A FREE EVENT.

PLEASE RSVP BY
TUESDAY, 3/24

SO THAT WE CAN PREPARE FOR THE
CORRECT AMOUNT OF PEOPLE.



QUESTIONS? REACH OUT TO ALISSA ABREGE@BETHANYLUTHERAN.ORG

2026-2027 School Calendar



Bethany Lutheran School

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DATE	EVENT/HOLIDAY
August	
26	Family Classroom Visit 6:30 PM
28	Bethany Bonfire at Bolsa Chica Beach
30	Family Classroom Visits 3:00 and 4:00 PM
September	
1	First Day of School
7	Labor Day-No School
21-25	7th Grade to Catalina
30	5th Grade Astrocamp
October	
1-2	5th Grade Astrocamp
5-7	6th Grade Camp
16	Teacher Inservice-No School-EDC Available
25	Okto-bear-fest/Trunk-or-Treat
30	Jog-a-thon
30	Minimum Day-EDC Available
November	
5	Minimum Day-P/T Conferences-EDC Available
6	No School-Morning P/T conferences and EDC available
11	Veteran's Day-No School
20	Grandparents Day
20	Minimum Days-EDC Available
23-27	Thanksgiving Break-No School
December	
18	Minimum Day-EDC Available
21-31	Christmas Break-No School
January	
4	Christmas Break-No School-EDC Available
5	First Day of School in 2027
18	Martin Luther King Holiday-No School
February	
12-15	Presidents Holiday-No School
March	
25	Minimum Day-EDC Available
26	Good Friday-No School
29-31	Easter Break
April	
1-2	Easter Break
8	Minimum Day/PT Conferences-EDC Available
9	No School-Morning P/T conferences and EDC available
May	
1-7	8th Grade DC Trip
7	Minimum Day-EDC Available
26-27	4th Grade Sacramento Trip
29	Teacher Inservice-No School
31	Memorial Day Holiday-No School
June	
6	8th Grade Graduation 4:00
10	Last Day of School-Minimum Day-EDC Available

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	No School
	Special Event

August 2026						
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