week of
Aug 30 -
Sept 5

THE BETHANY BROADCAST



join us.

LONG BEACH CAMPUS
SUNDAYS 8 & 9:30 AM

CYPRESS CAMPUS
WEDNESDAYS 6:30 PM
SUNDAYS 11:10 AM

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Adam Beard
Greg Busch
Stan Curtis
Betty Greene
Dale Greene
Hazim Jainoor
Phyllis Lee
Richard Mallett
Gary McDaniel
Flory Melendez
Joel Melendez-Sarceno
Keren Raquel-Melendez
Charlene Mitchell
Mark Olof
Mike Pierce
Suzanne Reed
Elias Rodas

SEPTEMBER @ CYPRESS

EVERY WEDNESDAY
6:30 - 7:15 PM

CommonTable
Our CommonTable worship will include study and conversation gatherings around tables exploring the events that took place at Bethany during Jesus' earthly ministry: Mary & Martha, Lazarus' resurrection, Jesus' annointing and Jesus' ascension.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 23
5 - 6:30 PM

Back to School Bash
Celebrate back to school with us at our Cypress campus with food and fun on the patio!

SATURDAYS STARTING SEPT 12
7:30 - 9:30 AM

The Chosen Bible Study
We will watch an episode of "The Chosen" and discuss over a light breakfast. All are welcome!

SUNDAYS STARTING SEPT 6
10:15 - 11 AM

Intergenerational Bible Study
Join us for a new bible study designed for kids, teens, and grownups to come together through conversation and play to grow in relationship with our creator and each other.

EVERY TUESDAY
10 AM - 12 PM

LWML Devotions and Sewing
Join the LWML for a time of Christian fellowship, devotion, and sewing!

THURSDAYS, SEPT 10 & 24
9 AM - 2 PM

Sit and Sew
Join us for more Christian fellowship and sewing!

PRAYER REQUESTS

BAPTISMS @ BETHANY

FLOWER DONATIONS

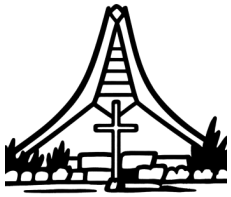
OUR NEW TWO-CAMPUS

WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE



LONG BEACH CAMPUS

SUNDAYS 8 & 9:30 AM*



CYPRESS CAMPUS

SUNDAYS 11:10 AM
WEDNESDAYS 6:30 PM

COMMUNION

1ST SUNDAY *ALL SERVICES*
2ND SUNDAY *9:30 AM ONLY*
3RD SUNDAY *ALL SERVICES*
4TH SUNDAY *9:30 AM ONLY*

***OUR 9:30 AM SERVICE IS LIVESTREAMED ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL.**

The CHOSEN

A New! SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

STARTING SEPTEMBER 12

7:30 - 9:30 AM

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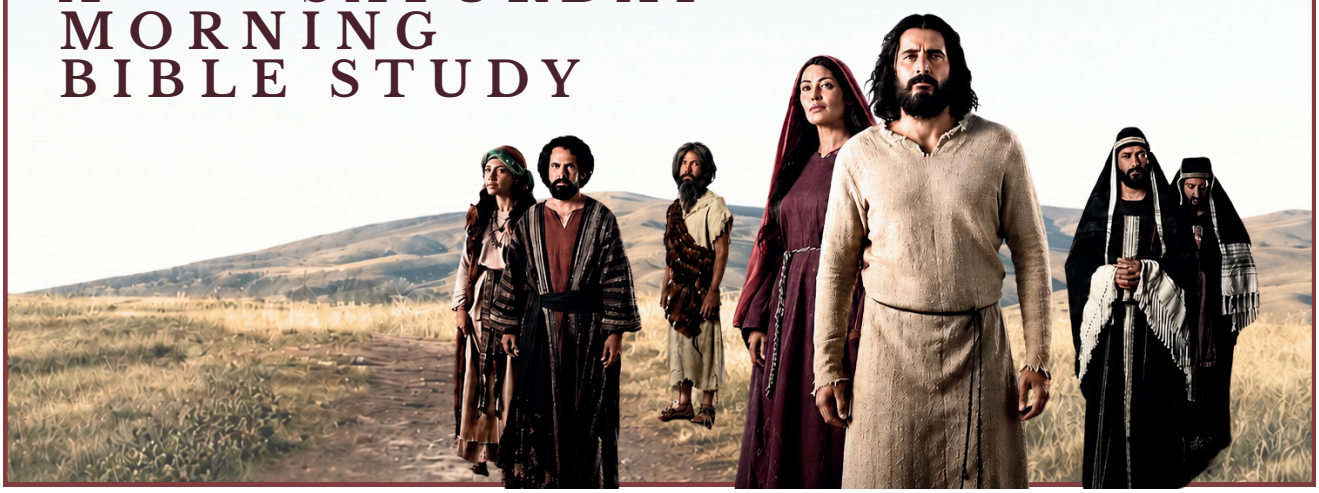

WORSHIPING FAITHFULLY
HEBREWS 10:25

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Mary Fink
Principal



Madison Ruiz
Kindergarten



Lori Lange
First Grade



Stefanie Hinrichs
Second Grade



Shannon Morgensen
Third Grade



Alison Bestelmeyer
Fourth Grade



Heidi Leicht
Fifth Grade



Carrie Evans
Middle School English



Abby Einspahr
Middle School Math



Brad Royuk
Middle School History



Paul Brege
Middle School Science



Kelsey Cornett
Student Success



Connie Kritzer
Student Success



Amanda Mercado
Math Intervention



Jeanne Ruiz
Speech Pathologist



Christi Koehlinger
Kindergarten Aide



Julie Bunting
Second Grade Aide



Cory Steele
Third-Fifth Grade Aide



Jen Dicecca
Workroom Aide



Jessica Zakharia
Art Teacher/
First Grade Aide



Brent Whitfield
P.E. Teacher



Ali Wickwire
Spanish Teacher



Kevin Bowers
Music Teacher



Joshua Hicks
I.T. Director



Nola Seaman
Librarian



Tammy Simpson
Preschool Director



Kara Bowman
Preschool Teacher



Elizabeth Aguirre
Preschool Teacher



Leticia Perez
Preschool Teacher



Jennifer Garcia
Preschool Teacher



Lauren Joanes
Preschool Teacher



Vannessa Contreras
Preschool Teacher



Alicia Lagana
Preschool Teacher



Tabitha Craft
Preschool Teacher



Kristy Fields
Preschool Teacher



Grace Millares
Preschool Teacher



Marvella Soltero
Preschool Teacher



Erika Datingaling
Preschool Teacher



Sara Cerulle
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Holly Jainoor
HR Director



Ruth Lopez
Scrip Coordinator



Kim Yoshiyama
School Secretary



Carlota Brown
EDC Director



Michelle Fischer
EDC Staff



Jacob Lagana
EDC Staff



Laci Carlson
EDC Staff



Kevin Kritzer
Senior Pastor



Seth Moorman
Pastor



John Alwood
Pastor



Johnny Trinklein
Vicor



Karl Fink
DCE - Care Ministry



Kayleigh Lopez
DCE - Youth Ministry



Alissa Brege
DCE - Children & Family Ministry



Noah Freeman
Director - Music & Worship Arts



Blake Flattley
Artist in Residence



Mara Widmann
Music & Worship Assistant



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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS
ACTS 2:44



October 9-10 at our Long Beach Campus

$50/person includes 3 meals & beverages

Retreat Guest Speaker: Pr. John Alwood

BETHANY LUTHERAN MEN'S RETREAT

HOLD FIRM: SOUND MEN IN AN UNSOUND WORLD

SCAN

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

MEAT SMOKING COMPETITION

AND BBQ FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, SEPT 20

5-7PM



BENEFITING BETHANY LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S 8TH GRADE WASHINGTON DC TRIP

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF)

For the past 11 years, Bethany has hosted an international Bible Study, called Bible Study Fellowship (BSF). It starts in September every year and goes to May. This year we are studying Romans.

Romans speaks to our deepest struggles and leads us straight to God's grace. Written for ordinary people, the book of Romans offers real hope for real life. For believers, it reminds us that the God who saves also transforms day by day, from the inside out ... ***from guilt to grace.***

For more info please contact the church office at longbeachoffice@bethanylutheran.org.

Mondays 6:55 - 8:30PM starting September 14

Long Beach Campus

Choir Room

Learn more at www.bsfinternational.org



10.15.26

Mark Your Calendars.

Join us as the Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study returns beginning October 15. We will be diving into the book of Revelation using a brand-new Concordia Bible study written from the Lutheran tradition.

The Parish Lounge opens at 9:15 AM for coffee, conversation, and fellowship, followed by Bible study from 10:00–11:00 AM. It's a wonderful opportunity to grow in God's Word while building friendships with our sisters in Christ!

Study books are available for a special discounted price of $12.50, including tax and shipping, when ordered by September 8. For questions or to order a book, contact Meg Velez at (562) 426-4262. *(This is a landline, so please leave a message and your call will be returned.)*



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SAVE THE DATE!

OCTOBER 25TH

Bethany Lutheran Church & Schools

Okto~bear~fest

stay tuned, more info coming soon...

New Bible Study!



Join us for Ephesians: Experience God's Power, a 9-session study by Sarah K. Howley. Together, we'll explore how God's power is at work today—transforming our lives, our relationships, and the world around us.

This new women's bible study begins Sunday, September 13, from 10:45 AM–12:00 PM in the School Library and will be co-led by Sheri Esswein, Celena McDermott, and Elsie Rivera.

Study books are available on Amazon in paperback or large print for $12.99. Friends are warmly invited to join us!

Griefshare

your journey from mourning _____ to joy

JOIN US FOR A SUPPORTIVE SMALL GROUP FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE, WHETHER RECENT OR LONG AGO. EACH GATHERING INCLUDES PRAYER, A SHORT VIDEO, AND TIME FOR DISCUSSION AND ENCOURAGEMENT. A MINIMAL FEE FOR THE WORKBOOK WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE FIRST MEETING. *NO RSVP NEEDED—WE'D LOVE TO WELCOME YOU.*

STARTING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH @ 12:30 PM
CONFERENCE ROOM *LONG BEACH CAMPUS*

AFTERNOON TEA *at Cypress*



OCTOBER 10TH @ 1 PM

CYPRESS CAMPUS

$20 FOR ADULTS
$10 FOR KIDS 10 & UNDER

JOIN US FOR TEA, SANDWICHES, DESSERTS, AND ENTERTAINMENT!

SCAN ME
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DID YOU KNOW?
THERE'S A QR FOR THAT!

CONTACT & INFO REQUEST

NEW MEMBER REQUEST

WEDDING REQUEST

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OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL!

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