






THE WEEKLY
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Today We Celebrate the Holy Baptism of :



JOEELE FRANCOS

Daughter of Joel and Flory Melendez

TODAY'S FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

to the glory of God:



IN GRATITUDE FOR THE GIFT OF 83 YEARS OF
LIFE FOR JANET COONTZ BY HER HUSBAND,
JIM COONTZ.



*May the light of the Lord shine upon you
and grant you happiness on this
birthday and in the years to come!*

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR

Joyce Klenner and Marge Lorenz

Marge Lorenz's memorial service is scheduled for
Friday, May 30th at 11 am at Bethany Lutheran
with a luncheon to follow.

Joyce Klenner's memorial service is scheduled for
Saturday, June 7th at 9 am at Bethany Lutheran.

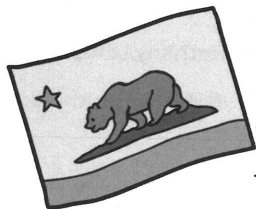


PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Julie Cole
Kevin Dart
David Gamble
Betty Greene
Lynda Kernahan
John Lightle
Phyllis Lee
Vanessa Lee
Tom Mooney
Larry Neasel
Christy Pierce
Mike Pierce
Suzanne Reed
Kat Totten
Eno Uti

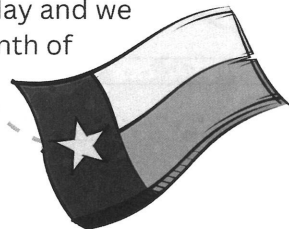


Worshiping Faithfully Hebrews 10:25



FAREWELL TO THE *Blake Family*

At Bethany, and *The Gathering before Bethany*, the Lord has blessed us with the ministry partnership of Pastor Kyle and Kendell Blake. As the Lord has called them to a new ministry field in the Lone Star State we prepare to say farewell, celebrate the time we've shared and pray God's speed upon them in their new field. Sunday, June 1st will be Pastor Kyle's last Sunday and we will recognize the Blakes congregationally. Throughout the month of May a box will remain in the narthex where we can individually leave them a card of thanks and blessing in recognition that at Bethany He blesses us, and He has certainly done so through their presence.



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

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE:

"Lessons of the Day" will be taking a break for the summer. Look for it returning sometime in the Fall.

Women's and Men's studies will be led by congregational members at 10:45AM. Location varies. Please contact the church office for more information.



BETHANY CYPRESS CAMPUS (HOLY CROSS)

Our Cypress campus is making great progress inside the building. Internal framing for offices, workspaces, chancel and balcony is complete. Plumbing and electrical lines are nearing completion and concrete is soon to be poured. Stained glass panels for internal room divider is in design phase, and chancel design is nearing completion. Wiring for phone lines, internet and security is underway.

Stay tuned for more updates!

TO SEE PICTURES
OF THE CAMPUS,
SCAN ME!



Serving Passionately Ephesians 2:10

COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The church office is looking for a few volunteers to assist with communion prep on the first weekend of each month. The position consists of the set-up and filling of communion cups on Saturday and/or clean-up after services on Sunday.

If you would like to be part of this ministry (or hear more about it), please contact Kasey in the church office at kloya@bethanylutheran.org or 562-421-4711, ext. 12.



DO YOU SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH?

Like many congregations, Bethany has many traditions. One of our more cherished traditions is reading the Pentecost account from Acts in the various languages represented in our Bethany family. We've had as many as a dozen different languages reading on Pentecost Sundays. If you speak a language other than English, and would be willing to read an assigned portion of the Acts account in worship this Pentecost Sunday, June 8th, please email Pastor Kevin the language which you'll be reading and the service(s) at which you're willing to read this Pentecost, June 8th, 2025.

Giving Proportionately **Luke 21:1-4**

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 Maralee in the church office for assistance with Tech-Giving! Thanks for being a Tech-Supporter!



GRADUATION WITH RAISERIGHT!

It's graduation season - they did it! Middle school, high school, college - graduations are happening everywhere! Show that special graduate how proud you are of them with a gift card for the latest technology, a new outfit, or furnishing their dorm room. Apple, Best Buy, Nordstrom, Target, Walmart and more!

To learn more:

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



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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!**

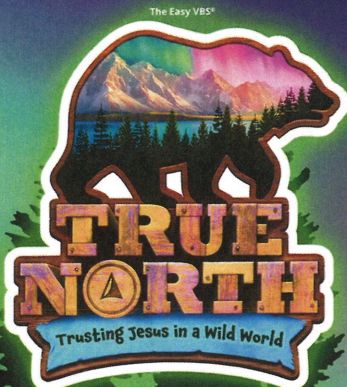


Community Connections Acts 2:44

JOIN US FOR AN AMAZING WEEK!

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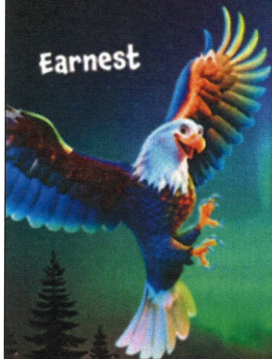
JUNE 23-27, 2025
8:30 A.M. - NOON



THIS **FREE** VBS IS FOR
AGES 3 YEARS OLD
AND POTTY-TRAINED -
ENTERING 6TH GRADE.



Earnest



Volunteers

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

**VBS VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION
IS NOW OPEN!**



HELP US POINT KIDS TO TRUE NORTH!

Vacation Bible School is almost here, and we're charting a course for adventure with **True North VBS**, running **June 23–27!** To make this an unforgettable week full of faith, fun, and discovery, we need your help stocking up on supplies. From snacks to crafts to decorations that fit our northern adventure theme, every donation makes a difference.

**Please bring all donations to the Youth Office
by June 13.**

Thank you for your generosity!

Check out our Amazon Wish List:

<https://bit.ly/Amazonvbs25>



SCAN ME

Or scan the QR code to view and donate easily!

GOT A CHRISTMAS TREE WE CAN BORROW?

As part of our staging for the “True North” theme, we’re looking to borrow artificial Christmas trees to help transform our space into a northern wilderness! If you’re willing to lend us a tree, please label it clearly with your **LAST NAME**.

Don’t worry—children will not be touching the trees, and they’ll be returned to you by the second Sunday after VBS ends.

Thank you for helping us create a meaningful and memorable VBS experience!

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH IS *Hiring!*

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS



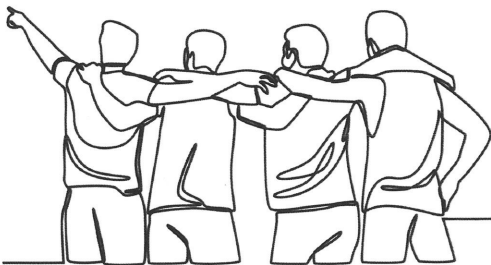
Bethany Lutheran Church and School is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Director of Finance and Operations. This position will oversee the financial and human resources responsibilities of our organization for both the church and the school, along with overseeing some of our operational functions. This is a full-time benefitted position with an anticipated start date in late Spring 2025.

A full job description is available here:

<https://bit.ly/BethanyDPO>. If you are interested in this position please submit your name, email address, and a brief summary of your qualifications to **jobs@bethanylutheran.org**.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE *Men's Retreat!*

Bethany's annual Men's retreat will be held the weekend of **October 3-5** in our usual place, the Luther Glen Farm Retreat Center in Oak Glen. Get this in your calendars **NOW!** We are looking forward to a great time, as always!



storymakers

StoryMakers
NYC is a not-for-profit creative
studio that designs Gospel-

centered, imaginative resources for kids, teens, and the grown-ups that care for them. We spark curiosity, hope, and faith by drawing individuals into God's redemptive narrative in the stories of the Bible. Our resources can be (and are) used in churches and homes around the world, from The Bronx to Bolivia. StoryMakers' core offerings provide opportunities for kids, teens, and grown-ups to get creative, play, and make social-emotional connections, while building Biblical literacy and deepening their understanding of the foundational tenets of the Christian faith.

StoryMakers is grateful to Bethany Lutheran for a recent donation to these efforts. Together, we are having a global Gospel impact!

To learn more or start your own Bible Adventure, visit www.storymakersnyc.com

Additional 'Serving Passionately' Opportunities



BETHANY LUTHERAN SCHOOL COULD USE YOUR HELP!

Bethany Fun Day 2025 will be Monday, June 2nd! This is an **"All Hands on Deck" volunteer event** and we have lots of spots left to fill. (This year in addition to EZ Ups, coolers, and physical help we are asking for donations of food items and prizes as well.) Anyone who is able, willing, and friendly is welcome, this event requires A LOT of hands. Please use the QR code to sign up and contact the church or school office with any questions!



Thank you for your help!

OUR NEW KITCHEN IS ALMOST READY TO GO! COULD YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS TO HELP WITH SOME LAST MINUTE CLEANING?



Before we put everything back into our beautiful, brand-new kitchen, let's make sure it's clean! If you are willing and ready to help us wash a few dishes and prep the cabinets, please meet us at 9 am next Saturday, May 31st.

See you there!

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

