



Bear Facts

The Weekly Newsletter of
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



This week we'll celebrate Valentine's Day. Do you remember this holiday from your childhood? I remember red construction paper, white doilies, Elmer's glue and little candy hearts! Valentine's Day is a great day to remind others how much we love them.

I was sharing with the preschoolers this week that God also sent us a Valentine in the person of His Son, Jesus. What is the sentiment that goes with this Valentine?

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16

Happy Valentine's Day to you and yours.

Serving Him with you,
Mrs. Fink

We need pictures!

The yearbook staff would love your help! Would you kindly give us some of your AWESOME pictures for the yearbook? We're looking for:

- JV and Varsity Teams
Field trips, cheer, camp pictures, Grandparents' Days, etc.

The sooner, the better for us. Please e-mail to Mr. Trapp or burn a CD and drop it off in the school office to Mr. Trapp's attention.

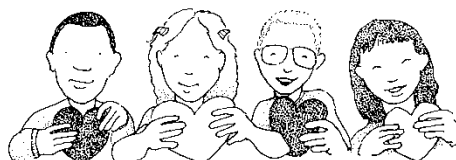
Interested in Joining Bethany Lutheran Church?

Bethany 101 is a five-week course that explores the key truths of the Christian faith from a Lutheran perspective. Attendance at this course is required for those joining Bethany who are not transferring their membership from another Lutheran Congregation. (Those transferring from another Lutheran church are *welcome* to attend, as are any members of Bethany wanting to 'refresh' their catechism instruction.)

Bethany 201 is a one-session event that welcomes confirmed Lutherans transferring to Bethany from another Lutheran congregation as well as those who have completed Bethany 101. This session therefore joins together all those entering Bethany together in one gathering in which new members have a chance to meet one another at the same time they are learning about Bethany. This learning will focus on the history, practice and values of Bethany Lutheran Church.

The next Bethany 101 session will begin at 4:00 pm on Sunday March 1st. The last Bethany 101 session will begin on Sunday March 29th at 4:00 pm and 201 will begin immediately thereafter at 5:00 pm. Child-care is provided for each session with RSVP.

Please RSVP your attendance with our church office: 421-4711.



School Bulletin #22

February 10, 2009



- ☺Feb. 11-13-6th Grade Camp
- ☺Feb. 14-Parents' Night Out Fundraiser
- ☺Feb. 16-No School.
- ☺Feb. 24-Kindergarten Sneak Peek/Roundup and Registration!
- ☺Mar. 2-6 National Lutheran Schools Week
- ☺Mar. 2-Meet the Masters-Rosseau
- ☺Mar. 6-Minimum Day



Keep those receipts rolling in!

The Board of Schools has adopted a **change in policy** regarding the use of inhalers for the treatment of asthma. If you would like your child to keep an inhaler in his/her backpack so that it is accessible for after-school activities like sports, etc., please stop by the school office to fill out a permission slip. (We will also post the form online.) This slip will give your child permission to self-administer the inhaler as needed.

Coming Soon!

Mark your calendars! Re-registration is Tuesday, Feb. 24!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



The FISHin' Hole
Opportunities to Serve

Need some FISH Hours? Have a pick-up truck? We could use some help getting our helium tank re-filled. E-mail Mrs. Fink if you're interested.

Do you sell items on e-Bay? We have some projection screens we'd like to sell. If you can handle the sale on Bethany's behalf, we can give you FISH hours for your time! Such a deal! Contact Mrs. Fink if you're interested.

Of all the duties enjoined by Christianity none is more essential and yet more neglected than prayer.
--François Fénelon

Join us for one hour every Wednesday in essential prayer for your children.
www.MomsInTouch.org

Did you miss out on ordering a cool BEARS sweatshirt or T-shirt? It's your lucky day! We're placing another order!!! See the form attached to today's Bear Facts. **GO BEARS!**



Congratulations!

OOPS! We forgot to include **Hannah Liedahl** in last week's list of monthly award winners and **Ashley Foster** in our Honor Roll List! Congrats, Ladies!

2009-2010 Preschool Enrollment

Now is the time to enroll your young child in Bethany Lutheran Preschool for next year. The month of February is early enrollment time for current preschool students, siblings of current preschool and elementary school students and children of congregational members. Beginning March 2, enrollment will be open for the general public. Applications are available in the preschool office, the school office, or online at bethanylutheran.org. If you would like more information, or would like to tour the preschool, call Nola Seaman at (562)429-7335 or send her an email at nseaman@bethanylutheran.org.

Girl Scout Bake Sale!

Troop 30 is selling more goodies on Feb. 10 and 17 after school! Yum, yum!



ALBERTSONS

SHOPPERS: Have you renewed your link to Bethany for your Albertsons Club Card? Last week's Bear Facts had the info necessary to re-link your card. PLEASE ask your friends and relatives to re-link or sign up to support you and Bethany. New sign ups must complete a form that is available in the school office.

Give all your special Valentine's a treat from Bethany SCRIP. We have something for just about everyone. Some suggestions to put in your Valentine cards are Baskin-Robbins(\$2), Starbucks(\$5 & \$10), Bath & Body Works(\$10), Jamba Juice(\$10) or Edwards/United Artist movie tickets(\$8). We have See's Candy gift certificates on hand for the chocolate lovers on your list.

Earn a tuition rebate, buy SCRIP/gift cards!

Upcoming High School Open Houses:

Valley: Feb. 28
Connelly: Mar. 12

Chess is back!!!

Chessmaster Mr. Anthony Cabus (Bethany Dad, formerly of Chessmasters) is ready to start the **third** session. Here are the details:

- Six Thursdays, Feb. 26-April 2
- Cost? FREE!!
- Open to students in Grades 2-8. We'll take the first 21 students who turn in this slip TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Yes, I want to play chess! Name _____ Grade _____