

BETHANY LUTHERAN  
CHURCH and PRESCHOOL



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PARENT HANDBOOK

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DATE	EVENT	PARENT PARTICIPATION
Wednesday, August 28	6:30 - 7:30 Small Group Orientation	Parents sign up on Sign Up-Genius or contact office.
Thursday, August 29 Friday, August 30	10:00 - 11:30 Small Group Orientation 10:00 - 11:30 Small Group Orientation	Parents sign up on Sign Up-Genius or contact office.
Monday, September 2	Labor Day Holiday	No school for children
Tuesday, September 3	Classes begin 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Parent Coffee
Wednesday, September 4	Classes begin 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Parent Coffee
Monday, September 9	Full Schedule Begins Early Drop-Off Begins	9:00 am - 1:00 pm 8:30 am
Week beginning September 16	Enrichment Classes Begin	1:00 pm - 1:45 pm
Wednesday, October 9	Early Release Day	Classes end at 12:00 pm
Monday, October 14	Columbus Day Holiday	No school for children
Monday, November 4	School Closed	No school for children
Tuesday, November 5	Professional Development Day	No school for children
Wednesday, November 20 Thursday, November 21	Thanksgiving Feasts 11:00 am	Students will be dismissed after Feasts.
November 25 - 29	Thanksgiving Holiday	No school for children
Wednesday, December 18	Christmas Service 6:30 pm	For students ages 3 and 4
December 19 - January 3, 2020	Christmas Holiday	No school for children
Thursday, January 16	Early Release Day	Classes end at 12:00 pm
Monday, January 20	M. L. King Holiday	No school for children
Monday, January 27 Tuesday, January 28	Parent/Teacher Conferences	Scholastic Book Fair week
Monday, February 17	President's Day Holiday	No school for children
Friday, March 13	Professional Development Day	No school for children
Wednesday, March 18	Early Release Day	Classes end at 12:00 pm
April 6 - April 13	Easter/Spring Break	No school for children
Friday, April 24	Professional Development Day	No school for children
Saturday, April 25	Spring Fundraiser	8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Thursday, May 14	Early Release Day	Classes end at 12:00 pm
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day Holiday	No school for children
Friday, June 5	Last Day of Classes	

**Non-scheduled days off (snow days, etc.)** Days will be made up after 11 missed days.

- If Fairfax County Schools close due to emergency conditions, the preschool will close.
- If Fairfax County Schools have a delayed opening of any length due to emergency conditions, preschool class hours are 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- If Fairfax County Schools have an early closing due to emergency conditions, all after-school preschool activities are cancelled. Dismissal will begin at 12:00 noon.

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*Serving God's Children and Their Families Since 1959.*

## PURPOSE

Bethany Lutheran Preschool was founded in 1959 to provide a Christian education for young children and to be an outreach to their families. The school is an extension of the educational ministry of Bethany Lutheran Church, a Missouri Synod congregation. The school includes children of the congregation, children of other congregations, and children whose families have no church affiliation.

The Christian faith is the foundation of Bethany Lutheran Preschool. The school program is designed to develop children's knowledge and skills in all developmental areas — spiritual, social, emotional, physical, and intellectual — and to help children become lifelong learners.

Each child is a child of God; our objective is that children come to know God and His love for them. To achieve this, we tell Bible stories about the life of Jesus and hold regular chapel services led by the Pastor.

The concept of individual self-worth is basic to our program. Each child has an individual pattern and timing of growth, as well as an individual personality, learning style, and family background.

Curriculum and instruction are responsive to individual differences in ability and interests. Different levels of ability, development, and learning styles are expected, accepted, and used to design the curriculum. Children are allowed to move at their own pace in acquiring important skills including language arts, math, science, social studies, art, etc.



## ADMISSIONS

Bethany Lutheran Preschool admits students of any race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of educational and admission policies.

**A completed health form, signed by a physician, and proof of the child's identity and age must be in the school files before a child may attend classes. These documents are required by law.**



### BEGINNING THE SCHOOL YEAR

The first day of school is very important for both parents and children. Your school staff would like to make the first day the beginning of a growing Christian relationship among parents, teachers, and children. We begin the school year the Wednesday before Labor Day with a Meet the Teachers Orientation. The first week of school begins the day after Labor Day. The first week, classes run on a modified school day. This is designed to help your child adjust to the school schedule and ease the transition to school life.

The week before school starts, you may want to get your child accustomed to the daily schedule to be followed for the school year. Begin by having your child select school clothes and breakfast for the next day. Help your child get to bed early and rise at the time normally set to get up for school. Also, limit Sunday night activities if Monday is a school day.

Try to project a calm attitude for your child on the first day. You may want to explain that going to school is important and that learning is interesting and fun.

When you take your child to school, reassure him or her that you will come back. Many children are afraid their parents will not return. Usually children will say goodbye and mingle with the other children. However, some experience separation anxieties.

School may seem scary, even if they attended the year before. In that case, stay just long enough for your child to become comfortable with the setting. Say that you are leaving and that you will come back after school, then leave, avoiding prolonged good-byes. Be sure to be on time when you pick up your child. A minute seems like an eternity to a waiting preschooler.

## TUITION

Tuition is based on the actual costs of operating the school. The tuition is an **annual** tuition. Tuition may be paid in one of three ways: *in full*, *semi-annual* (two payments made in September and January), or *installments* (ten equal installments made September – June).

**The Installment Tuition Plan** begins with the first payment due September 1, 2019 and the final payment due June 1, 2020. A payment record sheet is provided to each family with our tax identification number included. We encourage you to use this sheet to maintain your records.

### Making Installment Payments

- Cash payments should be made to the Director or Office Assistant in person so that a receipt may be provided to you.
- Check payments may be placed in the wooden lock box outside of the Preschool office, or mailed to the Preschool. Checks should be made payable to Bethany Lutheran Preschool with the student's name recorded in the memo line.
- Electronic payments may be set up on the Preschool website [www.blps-tots.com](http://www.blps-tots.com) under Tuition and Forms.
  - Online electronic checks are accepted without a fee.
  - Debit and credit card fees are your responsibility. An additional 5% of the tuition (or registration fee) added to your payment total usually covers the fees applied by the payment processor.
- If monthly tuition is 30 days late, a late fee of \$25 may be charged for chronic lateness. If special payment schedules need to be arranged, please see the Preschool office or email [preschoolfinance@bethany-lcms.org](mailto:preschoolfinance@bethany-lcms.org).



## NOTIFICATION OF WITHDRAWAL

If at any time during the school year your child is unable to continue attending preschool, whether due to relocation or other factors, please notify the preschool office in writing, at least 45 days in advance of the child's last day of school. If less than 45 days' notice is given, parents are responsible for tuition for the next monthly installment. There are no refunds or prorating of tuition for withdrawals after April 1, 2020.

The school reserves the right to dismiss a student when ...

- Required documents are incomplete
- Tuition payments are 45 days late
- A child's behavior threatens others
- A child exhibits behaviors of unreadiness such as severe anxiety

Dismissal may occur after a conference with the Preschool Director and child's family.

## PARENT/TEACHER COMMUNICATION

Teachers and parents greatly enrich the lives of children by sharing ideas and information. Aside from informal contacts, parents receive weekly newsletters that include a calendar of events, describe learning activities, and share school experiences.

Special days are scheduled for formal parent/teacher conferences. Parents may also speak with their child's teacher after class, over the phone, or by email. Please avoid lengthy discussions during the busy time before school or during dismissal.

For more personal conversations at arrival or dismissal, it is best to check with the teacher or the office beforehand concerning the teacher's availability.

To connect with your child's teacher, contact them directly using the following email addresses:

[MDO@bethany-lcms.org](mailto:MDO@bethany-lcms.org)

[Butterflies@bethany-lcms.org](mailto:Butterflies@bethany-lcms.org)

[Ducks\\_Turtles@bethany-lcms.org](mailto:Ducks_Turtles@bethany-lcms.org)

[Owls@bethany-lcms.org](mailto:Owls@bethany-lcms.org)

[Foxes@bethany-lcms.org](mailto:Foxes@bethany-lcms.org)

[Giraffes@bethany-lcms.org](mailto:Giraffes@bethany-lcms.org)

## DRESS

Children will be more comfortable and ready to engage in play if they wear clothing suitable for play. Learning how to manage snaps, belts, zippers, tights, etc. is something to be responsible for at home, as well as at school. It is helpful to dress children in clothes that can be easily pulled down and up by the child in the bathroom. Younger children should wear clothing that makes diaper changes easy and quick.

It is equally important that children's clothing be suitable for mess and fun. Painting and running on the playground can mean spills and dirty clothing. Pretty dresses or dress slacks place a burden on the child to keep clean and reduces their opportunity for playing with their friends.

Appropriate shoes for play are important. Children's shoes should provide support and provide traction for play. Shoes, such as sneakers, are recommended. Sandals, plastic shoes, or cowboy boots are dangerous on the playground and not safe for climbing.

Clothing and personal belongings, such as a backpack, should be labeled with your child's full name. Coats or sweaters are strongly advised for those "uncertain weather" days.

## SNACK AND LUNCH TIME

Time is set aside in the early part of the day for a light snack and during the latter part of the day for lunch. The preschool will provide a snack unless other arrangements are made in class. Parents are responsible for their child's lunch.

Healthy snacks are often the most popular with children. Please help keep lunch time simple, healthy, and in child-size portions.

Some favorite snacks enjoyed by the children include:

fresh fruit slices, fruit cups, applesauce

carrots or celery sticks with salad dressing for dipping,

yogurt, cheese and crackers

If your child has a medical condition that impacts dietary needs, please inform your child's teacher. Parents are responsible for providing any special foods for their child. The following are prohibited items at school for snacks or lunch...

**NO tree nuts such as walnuts, almonds, macadamia nuts, etc.**

**NO peanuts or peanut products**

This includes, but is not limited to, peanut cookies, peanut butter, trail mixes or granola bars with nuts and products containing peanuts or tree nuts.

## DISCIPLINE POLICY

### BEHAVIOR POLICY

Our mission is to ensure that each child has an equal right and opportunity to receive a quality Christian education in a safe, secure, and nurturing environment. Teachers make every effort to address disruptive and unsafe behaviors through age appropriate behavior management techniques.

Behaviors that interfere with learning or the safety of others will be addressed. Disruptive behaviors impact the child who exhibits the behaviors, the individual who may be directly affected, and the entire class. Disruptive behaviors include, but are not limited to, aggressive behaviors such as hitting, kicking, biting, or attempting to bite, throwing objects at another individual, and severe anxiety such as inconsolable crying.

*In the event a child exhibits aggressive behaviors, the following is the practice at Bethany Lutheran Preschool:*

1. The event is discussed with the teacher and child involved. There will be an age -appropriate discussion of acceptable behavior as well as making good choices.
2. At the judgement of the staff, students may be removed from the room to discuss the event and more appropriate conflict resolution.
3. Parents of all children involved will be made aware of the event.

*If there are reoccurrences of aggressive behavior:*

1. The parent (s) of the child will be notified and instructed to come get the child as soon as possible.
2. A meeting between parent and staff may be required to better address the issue, to explore positive intervention techniques at school and home, or to discuss continuation in the school program.

It is our desire that both parents and school work in Christian harmony to help the children interact in appropriate ways. Parents may be required to meet with staff to best resolve issues. Resolutions may include, but are not limited to, abbreviated days for the child or parents remaining at school for a period of time.

The school maintains the right to terminate enrollment at any time.



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Bethany's discipline goal is to help children learn self-control and build good habits. Staff will help children learn self-control by treating them in a way that promotes their self-esteem and self-image. We believe that discipline means to teach.

*Acceptable discipline techniques include:*

1. Guiding children by setting clear, consistent, fair limits for classroom behavior that are appropriate and understandable to the children
2. Valuing mistakes as learning opportunities
3. Redirecting children to a more acceptable behavior or activity
4. Listening when children talk about their feelings and frustrations
5. Guiding children to use words to resolve conflicts and modeling skills that help children to solve their own problems
6. Patiently reminding children of rules and their rationale as needed
7. Arranging equipment in a way that promotes desirable behavior

*Discipline techniques DO NOT include:*

1. Physical punishment or disciplinary action administered to the body such as spanking or forcing a child to assume an uncomfortable position
2. Shaking a child
3. Withholding or forcing snack or punishing toilet accidents
4. Belittling remarks

**At no time is physical punishment an option.**



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## HEALTH AND SAFETY

It is our desire to provide a safe and healthy school in which all of our preschoolers can learn. In order to do this, it is important that we all think of and care for one another. When our preschoolers come to school sick, they are not ready to learn and they can make their friends sick, too! If your child is sick and shows any of the symptoms listed below, please be mindful of the welfare and well-being of your child and of all the children in our preschool. Keep your child home even if they beg to come.

It is school policy that children must be symptom-free for a full 24 hours (without medication to reduce fever or other symptoms) before they may return to school. We appreciate your thoughtful consideration of the health of your child and all of the children at Bethany.

### **SIGNS of illness**

Fever over 99.8° orally

diarrhea or increased number of runny stools

vomiting

lethargy, uncontrolled coughing, difficulty breathing, wheezing, etc.

mouth sores and drooling

rash with fever or behavior changes

pink or red conjunctivitis

scabies, head lice or other infestation

impetigo

strep throat or other streptococcal infection

chicken pox, measles, rubella

respiratory symptoms which limit the child's comfortable participation in activities or significantly increases the level of necessary care

### **EXCLUDE until ...**

fever disappears for 24 hours without the aid of medication

diarrhea has stopped for 24 hours

vomiting stops for 24 hours

symptoms disappear

doctor determines the condition is non-contagious

a doctor determines the condition does not indicate a communicable disease

24 hours after treatment is started

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24 hours after treatment is started

24 hours after treatment is started and no fever is present

6 days after onset

symptoms disappear

Abuse and neglect are serious concerns for everyone. We must, by law, report any suspected cases to Child Protective Services.

All children must have a School Health Form and proof of identity on file. Without these documents, we cannot permit children to attend class.

## ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

Keeping a routine and schedule is a part of learning at preschool. Preschool begins at 9:00 a.m. when teachers are prepared to assume responsibility for the class and welcome each child. Adults escort their child to the classroom.

School doors are locked at 9:30 a.m. Late arrivals check in with the preschool office before entering their classroom. We often do not realize that entering a classroom when friends have settled in can be confusing to some students and disruptive to others. Routine late arrival impacts your child as well as their classmates. Instructions for the day occur in most classrooms within the first 25 minutes of the day.

Preschool classes end at 1:00 p.m. Children are released from the classroom to parents or authorized adults in an orderly fashion. Names of persons authorized to pick up your child must be kept current on the child's emergency preparedness form. No child will be released to a person not authorized by the parent (s). Identification may be required until the staff are familiar with faces. Please inform the school in writing of any changes in pickup routine.

Please pick up your child on time. Children do not have the same understanding of time as adults and five minutes late to a child can seem like an hour. **Children must be picked up no later than 10 minutes** after their scheduled dismissal time. Charges for a late pick up are as follows:

◆\$5.00 for 15 minutes after dismissal.

◆\$25/half hour or any part of the half hour after the first 15 minutes.

*According to state guidelines, children whose parents/guardians are one-half hour late and have not communicated with the preschool are considered abandoned.*

*Virginia law requires the school to report the event to Child Protective Services.*



## PARKING LOT SAFETY

Although we believe our parking lot to be a safe place, there are always concerns of unnoticed strangers or freak accidents. We ask that adults not leave other children in the car while escorting their preschooler into the building.

If you need special arrangements for your baby or sick sibling, please speak with your preschooler's teacher. We will be happy to have a teacher or teacher's assistant escort your child.

No child should be dropped off at the front door to the school. Children must be escorted from the car to the classroom by an adult.

For the safety of children and parents, please drive slowly and enter the lot by driving towards the rear of the lot. A diagram of parking lot travel is included below.

*According to the Commonwealth of Virginia, leaving a young child unattended in a vehicle for any length of time is considered abandonment.*

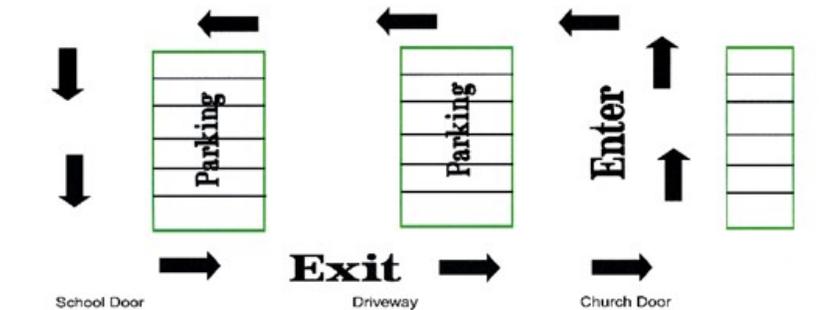


## RAINY-DAY DROP-OFF/PICK-UP

Staff will assist parents and guardians avoid the mad dash across the parking lot in rainy conditions. Parents will be notified of Rainy-Day Drop-Off/Pick-Up days by mobile text alert.

Enter the lot by driving towards the rear of the lot, as usual. Continue across the rear of the lot and form a line beginning at the school door. The staff will escort children from your vehicle into the building.

If you will not be using the Rainy-Day Drop-Off/Pick-Up service, you must park near the church entrance and enter/exit through the church doors.



The line forms here.

**Drop-Off begins at 8:55 a.m. and Pick-Up begins at 1:00 p.m.**

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Crisis plans and emergency preparedness have unfortunately become a way of life. In the event that Fairfax County Public Schools (F.C.P.S.) declares Emergency Preparedness mode, Bethany Lutheran Preschool will act as follows:

1. In the event that F.C.P.S. emergency plans go into effect before the start of our school day, Bethany Lutheran Preschool will be closed.
2. If F.C.P.S. emergency plans go into effect during our school day, children will be kept indoors in a safe, secure environment.
3. Parents or a designated adult are expected to pick up their child as soon as possible.
4. A staff person will remain with children until all children are united with a family member or designated adult.
5. We will communicate via mobile text alert, email, and social media.

In the event that an emergency or unsafe condition occurs at the school which may cause us to close the building, children will be escorted away from the building in fire drill fashion. All classes will assemble at the furthest end of the parking lot. Families will be contacted by mobile text alert informing them to pick up their children. Children will be kept safe and secure with a staff member.

It is important that parents keep their child's emergency information up to date. Please notify the preschool office of any changes in phone numbers, address, or persons with permission to pick up their child, as well as any changes in medical information.



Our preschool calendar is similar to Fairfax County Public School's calendar. There are exceptions, so please check the school calendar found at the front of this booklet.

When Fairfax County Schools (K - 12) close due to inclement weather, the preschool closes. Closings are announced on local radio and television stations. Emails and mobile text alerts are sent out to email addresses and phone numbers provided by the families.

Any late openings for Fairfax County Schools will delay the opening of the preschool to 10:00 a.m. Dismissal will be at the regularly scheduled time.

If Fairfax County closes early due to any emergency, all after-school activities will be cancelled and pick up will begin at 12:00 p.m.

## BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Bethany Lutheran Church and Preschool offers before school care and after school activities, including enrichment programs to children enrolled in our preschool and, when space is available, children in the community. It is an opportunity for children to play and socialize with a variety of Bethany friends or to learn a sport or explore enrichment activities. Children must be between the ages of 2.5 - 5 years old and able to use the bathroom independently, i.e. potty trained.

**Enrichment Classes** Preschool children may enroll in an after school activity. Offerings have included martial arts classes, cooking classes, soccer classes, etc. Fees for enrichment classes are separate of tuition. After school activities are 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

**Early Drop-Off** is every school day morning beginning at 8:30 a.m. Children may bring their breakfast. Preschoolers are escorted to their classrooms before the start of class. This is available to any child enrolled in the preschool for \$5 per day.

Early closing by Fairfax County Schools will cancel all after school activities.



### MOM'S DAY OUT

Bethany Lutheran Church offers a morning Mom's Day Out (MDO) program from 9:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Bethany families and friends may sign up and pay in advance to secure a space via the preschool website. Space availability is on a first come - first served basis. The program is available to children 12 months and walking to 2 years old.

## Regulation Information

Virginia State Law Section 63.1 - 196.3 of the Code of Virginia, allows preschools operated by religious institutions the opportunity to file for an exemption from license by meeting documentation and other requirements specified within the exemption law. The statements below have been prepared and distributed to meet requirements of the exemption law.

1. The maximum number of children the preschool can have at any one time is 80.
2. Bethany Lutheran Preschool is located at 2501 Beacon Hill Road, Alexandria, VA. There is more than 3,084 square feet of school space. The enclosed playground is beside the school and contains a sandbox, slides, and preschool size playground units. The kitchen is made available for our use, however, we do not provide food services.
3. All staff are certified by a physician to be free from any disability which would prevent them from caring for children. A negative tuberculin skin test is also required.
4. All staff are required to pass a criminal record check.
5. Staff qualifications: The preschool director interviews prospective staff members and makes preliminary hiring recommendations. Final approval for selection must be decided by the Board of Christian Education of Bethany Lutheran Church.

Qualifications for teachers include:

- (1) a degree in education or early childhood education course work.
- (2) experience with preschool children.
- (3) ability to plan daily and long range activities for preschool children in a Christian environment.
- (4) a tender, caring concern for children.
- (5) a strong desire to work with preschool children.
- (6) an effective ability to interact with adults and children.
- (7) Christian by faith affirmation and example. Members of Bethany Lutheran Church have preference over other applicants if they have equal capabilities in all other areas.

*Instructional assistants are expected to meet qualifications for teachers except numbers (1) and (3).*

6. Bethany Lutheran Church and Preschool is covered by Public Liability Insurance through Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company, Fort Wayne, Indiana. The agent is National Church Group Insurance Agency, Falls Church, Virginia.

## Things to say to PRAISE your child

Wow \* Way to go \* Super \* Outstanding \* Excellent \* Great \* Good \* Neat \* Well done \* You're sweet \* I knew you could do it \* I'm proud of you \* Fantastic \* Super cool \* Nice work \* Looking good \* Beautiful \* You figured it out \* Hurray \* Spectacular \* You're a darling \* How nice \* Incredible \* You're talented \* What an imagination \* God loves you and so do I \* You're a good friend \* Awesome \* You are a blessing \* Big hug \* You are precious \* What a great smile \* I love you \* You're a good learner \* That's the best \* You made my day \* My buddy \* You are a treasure \* You're so brave \* Terrific \* Thank you for sharing \* Jesus loves you \* Great try \* Super work \* You're the best \* You are wonderful \* You brighten the room with your smile \* Wow, you did it \* You're a precious gift from God \*

## Preschool Recipes

### Bethany's Best Play Dough

2 cups flour  
1 cup salt  
2 tablespoon oil  
4 teaspoons cream of tartar  
2 cups water  
Food coloring



Mix all the ingredients in a large pot. Cook over medium heat. Stir until it forms a ball in the pot. Knead. Store in an air-tight container.

Note: soak pot immediately!

### Bethany Bubbles

2 cups dish washing detergent (Dawn is the best)  
6 cups water  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup Karo corn syrup (clear) to help bubbles keep their shape

In a bowl or recycled plastic bottle mix all of the ingredients well. Let sit for thirty (30) minutes.

Use a wand or try a variety of items around the house, such as a flyswatter with holes.

## Classroom Supplies

### Toddlers Class Supply List

- 2 containers of baby wipes\*
- 1 container of antibacterial wipes\*
- 2 boxes of tissues\*
- 1 box of fat crayons
- 1 fat Elmer's glue stick
- 1 bottle of liquid glue
- 1 box of small chalk
- Extra diapers may be stored in a bag labeled with your child's name or in your child's backpack, as well as an extra change of clothes. Please mark your child's clothing and backpack with their name.



### 2-year-old Class Supply List

- 2 containers of baby wipes\*
- 2 fat Elmer's glue sticks
- 1 box of Crayola markers
- 2 boxes of tissues\*
- 1 change of clothes (include socks)
- 1 backpack large enough to accommodate art work and other precious projects.
- Extra diapers may be stored at school in a bag labeled with your child's name or in your child's backpack.
- Please write your child's name on their backpack and jackets.



### 3- & 4-year-old Classes Supply List

- 2 containers of antibacterial hand wipes\*
- 2 boxes of tissues\*
- 2 large Elmer's glue sticks
- 1 box of Crayola markers
- 1 backpack large enough to accommodate art work and other precious projects.
- A change of clothes is suggested, especially during the first month of school.
- Please write your child's name on their backpack and jackets.



\* We often run short on these items. If you are looking to contribute after Christmas Break, these would be the perfect items to donate.

Bethany Lutheran Preschool's Verse of the Year

*The 2018-2019 Verse of the Year*

*Grow* in the  
grace and  
knowledge of *Jesus*  
2 Peter 3:18

*The 2019-2020 Verse of the Year*

*One generation shall commend  
your works to another, and  
shall declare your mighty acts.  
Psalm 145:4*



We have several ways you can see what's happening at Bethany Lutheran Preschool.

You can follow us on social media:



@BLPreschool



@blps\_tots



@BlpsTots

Subscribe to Mobile Text Alerts! We'll use this service for school cancellations, Rainy-Day Drop-Off, fundraising reminders, etc.

Text 'BLPS' to 662-200-4303 to begin receiving alerts  
or go online at <https://mobile-text-alerts.com/BLPS>

Our web address is [www.BLPS-TOTS.com](http://www.BLPS-TOTS.com)

You can also contact the Preschool Office via phone or email

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