

2026 LOCAL HEROES RAFFLE OFFICIAL RULES
Bethany Church
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Net proceeds raised from this event will go to **LOCAL HEROES** (First Responder Departments in the NW Indiana Region) for needs outside of regular budget and to help in keeping our communities safe.

Grand (Single) Prize Winner will receive choice of a 1968 Chevrolet C10 Pickup Truck. Online value estimate is \$25,000 or \$10,000 (instead of the vehicle). Winner is responsible for pick up /delivery of vehicle and any costs associated with transport as arranged through Bethany Church. Winner will be provided with the title, so that they may complete ownership documents and pay all applicable fees. Cash prize option is \$10,000 less taxes paid through Bethany Lutheran Church). Just 7,500 raffle tickets are available. Any unsold tickets left at the time of the raffle (approximately 5:00pm CST on November 1, 2026) will not be entered into the raffle. By entering this charity raffle, you are stating that you have read the raffle rules and understand them.

Winners shall be responsible for any and all federal, state and local income or excise taxes, fees, licensing, registration, insurance and like charges associated with the prize. For IRS requirements and Government rules governing withholding of prizes won, check with a qualified financial adviser. The IRS has taken the position that amounts paid for chances to participate in raffles, lotteries or similar programs are not gifts and, therefore, the price of the entry does not qualify as a deductible charitable contribution. Any state, local, or federal taxes must be paid to Bethany Lutheran Church before the car or cash option is transferred/distributed to the winner and no later than 30 days after the drawing unless otherwise agreed upon. Winner must produce valid drivers license and complete any documents needed by Bethany Church for tax purposes at time of acceptance.

Tickets are available for purchase online only for the following prices. A total of 7,500 tickets are available. 1 for \$10; 6 for \$50; 14 for \$100

All ticket numbers will be emailed to ticket purchasers by the registered electronic raffle supplier Rafflebox.

Odds of Winning - The probability of winning these prizes depends upon the number of tickets sold for those specific prizes and the total number of entries until the drawing.

Winners Selected - The winner will be determined by a random draw utilizing Rafflebox's registered certified electronic random number generator.

- a. The winners will be contacted by phone and email
- b. There are no refunds,
- c. Winners have 30 days to claim their prizes, or they will forfeit their prize. Forfeited prize will be sold to benefit the local heroes cause.
- d. Winners claiming their prizes must present a valid driver's license or other photo identification.

Eligible Persons - For such online sales of raffle tickets via Rafflebox, patrons who purchase chances to enter these raffles...

- 1) must be physically located within the state of Indiana at time of purchase
- 2) must be 18 years or older and a legal resident of the US at time of purchase. Indiana Charity Gaming License # 014175
- 3) must use a major credit card or major debit card
- 4) THE WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN
- 5) Full time staff members of Bethany Church are not eligible to enter or win; however, spouses, partners, and offspring of full time staff members and any part time staff members are eligible to participate, provided they meet all other eligibility requirements.

Conduct of the Raffle is subject to all applicable Indiana laws and regulations, specifically, provisions of Indiana Code governing charity gaming at Indiana Code art. 4-32.3.

Governing Law and Jurisdiction - The raffles are subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations and is void where prohibited by law. This raffle is governed by the internal laws of the State of Indiana. Any and all legal actions or claims arising in connection with this raffle must be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction with the State of Indiana, County of LaPorte.

Release of Liability - Any person or organization affiliated with Bethany Church will not assume any liability for any loss, injury, claim or otherwise resulting from any prize awarded. By agreeing to enter the raffle, the participant acknowledges this limitation of liability and assumes any liability and will hold harmless and indemnify Bethany Church or any affiliate for any liability resulting from any prize resulting therefrom. The vehicle, will be transferred to the Prize winner "as is, where is, and with all faults". Bethany Church does not make or provide any representation, guarantee or warranty, expressed or implied, in connection with the Car and accepts no liability or responsibility regarding the construction or condition of the Car. Bethany Church does not warrant that the Car is of mercantile quality or that it can be used for any particular purpose. No express warranties are given and no affirmation of Bethany by words and/or actions will constitute a warranty. Bethany Church makes no guarantee that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will accept that value of the car for the purpose of determining any income tax that may be due from the winner. Bethany Church takes no responsibility for any tax liabilities. Consult your tax advisor. Void where prohibited.