

The Starlett Weekly Newsletter | September 7, 2025

Christian sympathy is extended to Mike Scholtes and his family on the passing of his wife and our sister in Christ, Donna, who was carried Home to be with Jesus on Saturday, August 30, 2025. We pray our Father's blanket of comfort and of peace to be with all who mourn.

Sunday School, Midweek, and Small Group Studies

Sunday School 9:30-10:30 am for ages 2 and up.

- Downstairs: Parents & 2s, Preschool/Kind, 1st/2nd Grade, 3rd/4th Grade, 7th Grade, 8th Grade
- Upstairs Conference Room: 5th/6th Grade
- Sanctuary: 9th Grade/High School
- Fellowship Hall: Adult Bible Class, in-person and by Zoom, led by Pastor Priem.

Men's Bible Study meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 pm, led by Pastor Priem, hosted by Tabb Renzelman at Serendipity Farms, 4674 W 183rd St, Stilwell, KS. Point of contact: Tabb, 816-716-5845

FAITH (Friends All In Together for Him) Youth Group for students 4th grade and up. **The next meeting** is TODAY, September 7 after the 10:45 service. Lunch will be provided. *Point of contact: Alicia Russell,* 660-890-4772 or **aruss.rd22@yahoo.com**

Serving Opportunities



To support our partners in the Urban Ministry, we are collecting *family-sized* hygiene products & cleaning supplies through Sunday, September 14. Needed: paper towels, toilet paper, Depends, dish soap, laundry soap, shampoo and conditioner, wash cloths, bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes (full sized). Sponsored by Bethlehem LWML in support of LUMA (Lutheran Urban Mission Agency)

Immanuel Lutheran Church Food Pantry, 4205 Tracy, KC, MO: Needed: breakfast items; canned fruit, soups, and meats; pork & beans; bags of rice; spaghetti products; cleaning supplies; and SCHOOL LUNCHBOX ITEMS. Pick up a full grocery needs list from the bulletin board in the hallway and keep an eye on that space for updates. Please check expiration dates on the items you bring as outdated food cannot be given.

The next blood drive at Bethlehem is Tuesday, October 7, from 12:00-6:00 pm. Schedule at donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules/sponsor_code (Bethlehem sponsor code 9H). Walk-ins are welcome! *If you are unable to donate* at this drive, we urge you to schedule a donation time to fit your schedule. Community Blood Center supports over 70 hospitals in the Greater KC

Metropolitan area, eastern KS and Western MO.

Serving This Morning

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew D. Priem | Musician: Julie Hall Elders: (Reader) Steve Gfeller (Communion) Darren Hall Acolytes: (8:00) Matthew Golden (10:45) Moses Priem

Greeters: (8:00) Bob & Carole Rose (10:45) James & Michelle Neugebauer
Altar Guild: Karen Taylor | Children's Message (10:45) Amy Sellmeyer
Stream: Sherry Golden | Video: (8:00) Courtney Morrill (10:45) Megan Kuhns
Ushers: (8:00) Jason Rockman/Craig Rogge (10:45) David Frazier/Bert Raymer

The Children's Message, offered in the 10:45 service, is on hiatus and will resume next month.

This Week at Bethlehem September 7—14, 2025

Sunday, September 7

8:00 am Worship/Holy Communion (and Live Stream to Facebook)

9:30 am Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall and Zoom) and Children's Sunday School

10:45 am Worship

12:00 pm FAITH Youth Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
2:00 pm Private Party (Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall)

Monday, September 8

9:30 am Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
10:00 am Visitation: Donna Sue Scholtes
11:00 am Funeral: Donna Sue Scholtes
Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 pm Scout Troops 1032/7032 (Conf Rm/FH/Narthex)

Tuesday, September 9

8:30 am Finance Committee (Conference Room)

6:30 pm Men's Bible Study (Serendipity Farms, Stilwell, KS)

Wednesday, September 10

6:00 pm Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, September 12 (Pastor Priem, day off)

Sunday, September 14

8:00 am Worship (and Live Stream to Facebook)

9:30 am Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall and Zoom) and Children's Sunday School

10:45 am Worship/Holy Communion

12:30 pm Elder Meeting (Conference Room)

Our Response: August 25—August 31

Worship 8/31: In-person: 85/86 Guests: 18 Virtual: 24	Sunday School, 8/31: Students/Teachers: 11/5 Adult: 48 (3-Zoom)
Men's Bible Study, 8/26: 8 Adult Midweek, 8/27: 14 (1-Zoom)	8/25—8/31 Regular Offering: \$9,632.00 Capital Fund: \$60.00 Renovate Our House: \$5.00

Upcoming & Ongoing



The Lutheran Urban Mission Agency Auxiliary will meet on Wednesday, September 17 at Bethlehem. Registration begins at 9 am with the opening service at 9:30 am. The program speaker will be Isabelle Miller from Kanbe's Market in Kansas City, MO. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP by September 14 to Shari Keilig, 816-550-7987. All ladies of the congregation are invited.

Kanbe's Markets is a 501(c)3 non-profit on a mission to build a more inclusive food system by transforming food loss into food access. Their goal is to eliminate food insecurity while simultaneously reinvesting into our communities and reducing food waste. Visit kanbesmarkets.org for more information.



Mark your calendars! The annual Church Picnic is Sunday, September 21 after the 10:45 service at the Lion's Shelter, Raymore Memorial Park, 300 Park Ln. Plan to join in the fun, games, fellowship, and great food! Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. Bring a dish or two to share.

Beautiful Savior Auxiliary will supply all your needs for strong, sturdy trash bags. Rolls of 16 blue (55-gal), 25 yellow (lawn/leaf) or 65 white (tall kitchen) are \$12 each. *Point of contact: Richard Westhoff,* 816-560-3161 or papabear0346@gmail.com.

Would you like to provide flowers to adorn the altar on a Sunday morning? A flower chart and order envelopes are posted near the sanctuary entrance. Arrangements are \$25 each. If you would like to mark a special occasion or remember a loved one, please indicate that on your envelope. Make checks payable to Bethlehem and indicate "altar flowers" OR order and pay online at Bethlehem's Giving Page: bethlehem-raymore.org/give-form.



Order your Bethlehem T-Shirt today!

Shirts are just \$15, available in charcoal gray or royal blue. Orders are due by October 17 for November pickup. A portion of each sale supports church missions. Order forms are available in the Narthex.

Point of contact: Kelly Dhyne or Christina Benson

Call Committee Update



Congregational members may again nominate pastors to be included on our second call list. Nominations will remain open until Sunday, September 14.

Pastoral Nomination Forms and Job Descriptions are available in the Document Library of our website, on the table at the back of the Sanctuary, or by contacting any Elder at Bethlehem or Teresa in the Church Office