

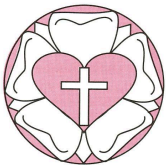


The Starlett Weekly Newsletter | September 14, 2025



Altar flowers are given to the glory of God this morning by Rich Westhoff in loving memory of his wife Shirley.

Call Committee Update



Congregational members may again nominate pastors to be included on our *second* call list. *The last day for nominations is TODAY, 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.

Serving Opportunities



To support our partners in the Urban Ministry, we are collecting *family-sized hygiene products & cleaning supplies* through TODAY, 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)*



Moving help needed! Our Congregation's response to requests for help to move families has been wonderful in the past. Another member family is in need of our services—please mark your calendar for *Saturday, September 27*. If you can help, text or call Gerry Moennig at 816-590-1549.



Needs for Immanuel Lutheran Church Food Pantry, 4205 Tracy, KC, MO: 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 *Please check expiration dates on the items you bring as outdated food cannot be given.*

****UPDATE:** Plastic and reusable grocery bags are needed! **

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.



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. *Point of contact: Alicia Russell, 660-890-4772 or aruss.rd22@yahoo.com*

Serving This Morning

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew D. Priem | **Musician:** Teresa Henny

Elders: (Reader) Doug Bolton (Communion) Carl Sellmeyer

Acolytes: (8:00) Reese Swopes (10:45) Maci Heintzelman

Greeters: (8:00) Paul & Stacy Matney (10:45) Jimbo & Sharon Diley

Altar Guild: Linda Bolton | Children's Message (10:45) Kelly Dhyne

Stream: Jimbo Diley | **Video:** (8:00) Michelle Hill (10:45) Rick & Jennifer DeLuca

Ushers: (8:00) Ronnie Thompson/Paul Matney (10:45) Jerry Burns/Tim Benson

This Week at Bethlehem

September 14—21, 2025

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)

Monday, September 15

9:30 am	Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 pm	Scout Troops 1032/7032 (Conf Rm/FH/Narthex)

Tuesday, September 16

8:30 am	Budget Meeting (Finance Office)
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Wednesday, September 17

9:00 am	LUMAA (Lutheran Urban Missionary Agency Auxiliary) (Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary)
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Thursday, September 18

9:00 am	Pastors' Conference (Beautiful Savior, Lees Summit)
1:00 pm	Quilting Small Group (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop 2256 (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, September 19 (Pastor Priem, day off)

Sunday, September 21

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	Church Picnic (Lion's Shelter, Raymore Memorial Park)

Our Response: August 31—September 7

<p style="text-align: center;">Worship 9/7: In-person: 98/85 Guests: 15 Virtual: 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday School, 9/7: Students/Teachers: 32/8 Adult: 63 (7-Zoom)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Adult Midweek, 9/3: 13 (0-Zoom) FAITH Youth Group, 9/7: 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8/31—9/7 Regular Offering: \$11,914.00 Capital Fund: \$5.00 Renovate Our House: \$845.00</p>

Upcoming & Ongoing



The Lutheran Urban Mission Agency Auxiliary will meet at Bethlehem on Wednesday, September 17. 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