

The Starlett Weekly Newsletter | November 1, 2026

Congratulations to Cade & Annie Rogge on the birth of their son, Holden Robert, on Sunday, October 25, 2026. We pray our Father's continued protection over this new life until the day of his rebirth through the waters of holy baptism.

Christian sympathy is extended to Candy Johnston, her children Shawn Johnston and Desiree Almanza, and their families on the passing of husband, father, and grandfather, Guy Edward Johnston, carried Home on Monday, October 26. We pray our Father's comfort and His peace to be with all who mourn.



Altar flowers are given to the glory of God this morning by Matthew & Rachel Hoemann in celebration and thanksgiving of Eliana's 9th birthday on Friday, November 6.

Welcome to Fellowship Sunday!



This morning our regular (8:00 and 10:45 am) services are *combined for one service at 9:30 am*. Sunday School classes will not be held. Our regular schedule will resume next Sunday, November 8.

Join us for a pancake breakfast beginning at 8:00 am!

Upcoming Special Events



Saturday, November 7 at 1:00 pm: "Paint & Gab" Plan now to enjoy some creative recreation in this beginner class! Cost is $35; sign-up in the narthex today! *Contact: Sharon Diley, 918-605-5754 or* ***sharondiley@gmail.com****; sponsored by LWML*



Annual Voter's Meeting, NEXT Sunday, November 8 between services, 9:30-10:30. Members nominated to serve one 3-year term to the Governance Board are Mary Hunter, Gerry Moennig, and Paul Zainea. In addition to electing Governance Board Members, we will also vote on the 2027 budget. Make plans now to attend!



FAITH (Friends All In Together for Him) Youth Group for students 4th grade and up. **The annual youth bonfire and hayride** will be held at the Hoemann family home on November 14 from 4-7 pm. We plan to roast hot dogs and marshmallows! *Point of contact: Alicia, 660-890-4772 or* ***aruss.rd22@yahoo.com***

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: 5th/6th Grade, 9th Grade/High School; Adult Bible Class led by **Pastor Priem**

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Midweek Adult Bible Study (MABS): Led by Pastor Priem and open to all, this group meets Wednesday evenings at 6:00 for topical study.

Youth Catechism Club: Led by Pastor Priem and open to all youth, this group meets each Wednesday evening at 7:00 for study and conversation on Luther's Small Catechism—and whatever else comes up!

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*

Serving Opportunities

The next Blood Drive at Bethlehem is Tuesday, December 8. Use sponsor code 9H and schedule at **donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules/sponsor_code**. Walk-ins are welcome!

Winter necessities will be collected through November 15 in support of our partners in the Urban Ministry. *Needed:* NEW **coats,** NEW **blankets/quilts and large throws; socks, hats, gloves & scarves** (all sizes), and **long underwear** for men and women. Thank you for your ongoing support! *Sponsored by Bethlehem LWML in support of LUMA (Lutheran Urban Mission Agency)*

Craft/Plant Sale: Sunday, November 22 to raise money for quilting supplies. We'll have placemats, aprons, table runners, homemade cards, and plant starts! *Sponsored by LWML; Point of contact: Sharon Diley, 918-605-5754*



Hanging of the Greens is a special program that explains the meaning of the decorations on our Christmas tree and will be held Sunday, December 6 at 9:30 am during the Sunday School hour. **Youth (3rd grade and up) are invited to participate!** Contact Alicia Russell if you'd like a reading part, are willing to share your musical talent (instrumental or vocal), or both! Younger children are encouraged to help place the ornaments on the tree (youth and adults will be available to help). Youth do not need to be part of the FAITH Youth Group to participate. Anyone is welcome! Plan to bring your kids to help with this fun and special service. *Point of contact: Alicia, 660-890-4772 or* ***aruss.rd22@yahoo.com***

Immanuel Lutheran Church Food Pantry, 4205 Tracy, Kansas City, MO

High-Priority Staples Needed

- Dry Pasta & Sauce: Spaghetti, pasta sauce, and tomato products (paste, sauce, diced)
- Canned Goods: Canned Spinach and canned mixed greens are in especially high demand, along with canned fruit, pork and beans, canned soup, and canned meats (chicken, beef, Vienna sausage, sardines etc.).
- Pantry Essentials: Instant dry milk
- Hygiene & Cleaning: Laundry detergent, hand soap, dish soap, shampoo, and Clorox wipes

Please double-check expiration dates before donating, as we cannot distribute outdated food.

Financial Support

Monetary gifts allow us to stretch your dollar further by purchasing food at discounted rates directly from Harvesters. Make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church Food Pantry.

Thrivent Members: A huge thank you to those using their Thrivent Action Team Cards to buy bulk items for the pantry!

Our Response: October 19—25

Sunday, 10/25: In-person: **97/79** | Guests: **14** | Virtual: **19**	Sunday School, 10/25: Students/Teachers: **21/8** | Adult: **54** (6-remote)
Adult Midweek, 10/21: **NA** Youth Catechism Club, 10/21: **NA**	Month-to-Date: 9/28—10/25 Regular Offering: **$53,208.86** Capital Fund: **$1355** | Renovate Our House: **$1,155**

Serving This Morning

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew D. Priem | **Musician:** Julie Hall
Elders: (Communion) Darren Hall/Steve Gfeller/Roger Fox/Doug Bolton/Scott Kastman
Acolyte: Aaron Hoemann/Rory Evans
Greeters: Debbie Green
Altar Guild: Karen Taylor | **Children's Message:** Pat Bottoms
Stream: Gretchen Krull | **Video:** Ray Krueger
Ushers: Craig Rogge/Ronnie Thompson/Bert Raymer/David Frazier

This Week at Bethlehem

November 1—8, 2026

Sunday, November 1: All Saints Day; Fellowship Sunday (combined services)
8:00 am Pancake Breakfast *(Fellowship Hall)*
9:30 am Worship/Holy Communion *(and Live Stream to **Facebook**)*
Monday, November 2
9:15 am Staff Meeting *(Conf Rm)*
10:00 am Seasoned Saints Bible Study *(Sanctuary)*
6:00 pm Scout Troops 1032/7032 *(Conf Rm, Conf Rm2, Library, FH, Narthex)*
Tuesday, November 3
1:00 pm Bunco *(Sanctuary)*
Wednesday, November 4
6:00 pm Midweek Adult Bible Study *(Fellowship Hall)*
7:00 pm Youth Catechism Club *(Fellowship Hall)*
Thursday, November 5
1:00 pm Quilting Small Group *(Fellowship Hall)*
6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 2256 *(Fellowship Hall)*
Friday, November 6 (Pastor Priem-Day off)
Saturday, November 7
9:00 am Worship Committee *(Fellowship Hall)*
1:00 pm Beginner Painting Party *(Fellowship Hall)*
Sunday, November 8
8:00 am Worship *(and Live Stream to **Facebook**)*
9:30 am Children's Sunday School
9:30 am Congregational Meeting *(Sanctuary)*
10:45 am Worship/Holy Communion

Ongoing

Worship service and communion participation are self-reported.

In-Person Attendance: Let us know you are with us by completing the Fellowship Registration. *Please note ✔ if you commune as we will never assume that you do.* Voter eligibility is based on *active* participation (commune at least twice with the congregation in the 365 days preceding a Regular or Special Voter's Meeting).

Virtual Attendance: Leave a Facebook comment, sharing names of all from your location who join with you in worship. NOTE: If you "attend" after the live stream or don't have a Facebook account, let us know of your presence using the **Online Attendance form: bit.ly/blc-attend** (a link is available on our website's homepage and in each issue of BLCUpdates, the emailed weekly news).

Lutheran Community

EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST… *Issues, Etc.* is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: Lutheranism in Israel, Postpartum Depression, ADHD, 20th-Century Lutheran Theologian Hermann Sasse and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

The last day to register for the* Kansas LLL District Convention on Nov 6-7, 2026, *is tomorrow, November 2. Join us for a day of spiritual growth with inspirational presentations to encourage and equip you in ministry for families. Register for the Kansas LLL District Convention on Friday, November 6 and Saturday, November 7 at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 407 E 12th Street, Hutchison, KS.

A Reformation Service will be celebrated at 7:00 pm on Friday, November 6 with a Meet & Greet with Rev. Novelli immediately following. On Saturday, November 7 the doors open at 8:30 am with refreshments and fellowship. The Convention begins at 10 am. Registration fee is $35 per person and includes lunch. Please complete the online registration form at **https://www.lhm.org/ks-lll** for seat and lunch count.

*Point of contact: Joe Chretien, Kansas LLL District President, 785.639.3851 or **jrchretien@hotmail.com**; or Tom Stanton, KS LLL District Convention Chairman, **trlsstanton@hotmail.com***

Bethlehem Christmas Cookie Sale: December 13



Do you love to bake? We need volunteers to bake cookies-doesn't matter what kind or how many. Bake a dozen (or two or three!) of your favorite Christmas cookies and deliver them to Bethlehem on Friday, December 11 (someone will be available to receive them between the hours of Noon-2pm); or Saturday morning, December 12 between 8:00 and 9:30 am.

Volunteers will gladly package your cookies with others to create a fabulous assortment. Please indicate whether your cookies include nuts or are gluten-free and we will carefully package nut-free and gluten-free cookie plates as options.

Buyers: Need a last minute Christmas gift for your neighbors, co-workers or service providers? Or would you like to have some cookies on hand to share with family and friends? Festive plates of Christmas cookies will be on sale in the Narthex on Sunday, December 13. *Point of contact: Dee-Dee Stokes, 816-809-0340, **stokesdbld@gmail.com**; or Linda Bolton, 816-585-4218, **boltonlinda@hotmail.com***. All proceeds will go toward LWML Mission Projects.