

# EMILY'S EDITION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The parable of the prodigal and his brother, found in Luke 15:11, is the Scripture lesson for worship this weekend. On Sunday morning, we will celebrate the baptisms of Ava Marie Klass and Hudson Ray Klass.

I hope you will join me in person or via livestream on Sunday at 10:15 am or Pastor Doug on Saturday evening at 5:30.

**Sign Up Spot**

 **Worship Acolytes** 



**Worship Liturgist**



**Listen to Last Weekend's  
Worship Message**



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# Prayer List

Lela Curtis (passed away March 16, USI student of Sally Vogl-Bauer)  
Family and friends of Gene Hartz (passed away March 19)  
Gary Otahal (recovering from partial knee replacement, Harmony Gratzner's father)  
Shirley Kirby (recovering from hospital stay)  
Donna Anderson (bone cancer, friend of the Carwile family)  
Rick Witte (pancreatic cancer recurrence, coworker of Brad Johann)  
Joel Harvey (upcoming appointment at Riley, grandson of Brian and Carol Newton)  
Brooks Carroll (recovering from hand surgery)  
Cathy Slade (sudden loss of sight in one eye, Mike Slade's mother)  
John Small (health issues)  
Doug King (recovering from knee replacement, Pat King's husband)  
Bill Shafer (treatment for pancreatic cancer; brother of Judy Kattman, Jane Jackson, and Lee Ann Shafer)  
Bill Spurling (advanced stages of cancer)  
Those affected by weather-related disasters  
Middle East  
Students and Teachers  
Victims of violence  
All those battling addiction and facing the daily struggle to stay clean.  
Our military



## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are given by Rick and Gerri Klass in celebration of the baptisms of Ava Marie and Hudson Ray Klass.



Online  Giving

Whether giving to the church's general fund or a special offering, doing so online (24/7) is a quick and easy alternative to check-writing or having cash on hand. Simply click the button below.



Give Here

## LENTEN BREAKFASTS

SATURDAYS THROUGH APRIL 12

### There is still time to attend a breakfast!

This year's theme comes from John 3:1: "For God so loved the world..."

Breakfast begins at 8:00 am, with the service to follow at 8:45. Freewill offerings benefit United Caring Services and Tri-State Food Bank.

March 29 at St. Lucas, 33 W. Virginia St., Evansville

April 5 at St Paul's UCC, 7700 Middle Mt. Vernon Rd., Evansville

April 12 at St. Paul's German Township UCC, 8701 Big Cynthiana Rd., Evansville

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**This Saturday  
Rain or shine!**



*Bethlehem United Church of Christ*

## ANNUAL METAL RECYCLING DRIVE

**New date! March 29, 9AM - 12PM**

**Any metal item is welcome  
except those containing Freon and TVs.**

*Easter Lilies*

The Altar Guild is taking orders for Easter lilies that will be placed on our altar Easter Sunday, April 20th. We currently have 30 pre-ordered (currently 14 spoken for), with no opportunity to order more. If you are interested in

purchasing a lily (\$14 each) with the mention of “In Memory Of...”—“In Celebration Of...”—“To the Glory of God”—“In Thanksgiving For...” or other wording, please complete an order form currently available at church entrances, outside the church office, or by contacting Cindy Carwile at [ckcarwile@gmail.com](mailto:ckcarwile@gmail.com) or 812.430.6953. A complete list of donors will be available at sanctuary entrances.

\*Please plan to take the lily(lilies) you ordered after worship on Easter Sunday. Lilies not retrieved will be available in the church vestibule beginning Monday, April 21, for anyone who would like to plant one or more in their own yard to bloom the following spring.

# CAJE

CONGREGATIONS ACTING FOR JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

**This coming week!**  
**Monday, March 24**  
**6:30 pm in the Welcome Area**  
**You're Invited!**

Come to our one-hour meeting with Yvonne Martin, CAJE Lead Organizer, where we will discuss how to increase attendance for the rally and Nehemiah Action. Everyone is welcome to attend, and CAJE Network members are asked to be present.



## A few notes for your calendar from Ms. Margaret

Sunday, March 30 — Sunday School Returns from Spring Break

Sunday, April 13 — Palm Sunday (Children meet prior to worship in Confirmation Room, formerly Motley Crew Room to line up to wave palms.)

Sunday, April 20 — Easter Sunday - Egg Hunt to follow worship



## We need your help!



We need your help with the church dumpsters in the back parking lot. **Please help us avoid penalty charges by being sure you are placing the church's recyclable materials and trash in their respective dumpsters.** When trash is placed in the recycling dumpster, we are fined. Additionally, **plastic bags are**

**not recyclable** through this company, so recyclables placed inside trash bags will also result in fines. If the recyclables are in a trash bag, please empty them into the dumpster loose. Thanks for your help!



## Church Council Chat

### This Sunday!

The next Church Council Chat is this Sunday, March 30, following worship in the Welcome Area. We encourage anyone with questions, concerns, or comments to stop by the last Sunday of the month to speak to a Council member.

## SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

There are numerous opportunities in 2025 to donate Sunday's altar flowers. Click the button below to sign up for a weekend. Please contact Cindy Carwile with any questions at [ckcarwile@gmail.com](mailto:ckcarwile@gmail.com).

### Available dates in the coming months:

May 18, 25

June 1, 8, 22

July 6, 20, 27

**Altar Flower Sign Up**

## R.O.M.E.O. CLUB

What is the Bethlehem R.O.M.E.O. Club? It is Retired Old Men Eating Out (just men gathering) every Tuesday for food, fellowship, and faith. ROMEO Club is open to anyone no matter your age! The Club will meet again at 11:30 am for lunch this Tuesday at The Hornet's Nest. If you would like to join the group for lunch, please RSVP to Barry Jones at [Twinpapa02@yahoo.com](mailto:Twinpapa02@yahoo.com) by Monday morning. New faces are always welcome!



**Thank you to everyone who has agreed to serve as ushers in 2025. The U10 group is assigned to the month of March.**



## Coming Up

### **Thursday, March 27**

6:30 – 7:30pm

Bell Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

7:30 – 8:30pm

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

### **Saturday, March 29**

8 – 10am

Men's Lenten Breakfast - St. Lucas UCC

9am – 12pm

Metal Recycling Day - Rain or shine!

South Parking Lot

5:30 – 6:30pm

Worship

Welcoming Area

### **Sunday, March 30**

10:15 – 11:15am

Worship - Baptism

Sanctuary

11:30am – 12pm

Council Chat

Welcoming Area

**Monday, March 31**

8:30 – 10am

Confirmation Classroom Rsvd. - Worthington

**Tuesday, April 1**

6 – 7pm

U-10 Study Group

Welcoming Area

**Wednesday, April 2**

6 – 7:30pm

Cub Scout Den 346 Meeting

Fellowship Hall, Welcoming Area & Education Wing

**Thursday, April 3**

6:30 – 7:30pm

Bell Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

7:30 – 8:30pm

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

**Friday, April 4**

Confirmation Class Lock-In

All Areas

**Saturday, April 5**

8 – 10am

Men's Lenten Breakfast - St. Paul's UCC Middle Mt. Vernon Rd.

5:30 – 6:30pm

Worship - Moment for Mission OGHS

Welcoming Area

**Sunday, April 6**

10:15 – 11:15am

Worship - Moment for Mission OGHS

Sanctuary

11:30am – 1pm  
WEB Luncheon  
Fellowship Hall



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