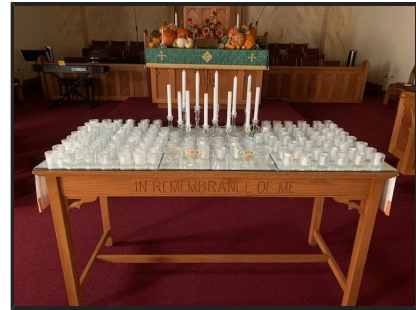


EMILY'S EDITION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The rain is much needed, but let's hope it clears out in time for trick or treaters tonight!

This weekend in worship, we will be celebrating Totenfest, when we remember those who have died in the past year. During these services you will have the opportunity to light a candle to remember your own loved ones as we give thanks to God for all the saints who have shaped and guided us.



On Saturday night, Pastor Doug will look at the story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10.25-37), and on Sunday morning we will look at Thomas's encounter with the resurrected Jesus (John 20.24-29). Also, on Sunday morning we will welcome two new members, Mike Dean and Pat King.

Whether Saturday night, Sunday morning, or online, I hope you will find time for worship this weekend!

Sign Up Spot

Worship Acolytes



Worship Liturgist



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are given by the Bethlehem Altar Guild in memory of loved ones on this Totenfest Sunday.

Missed last Sunday's message?



Thank you to everyone who has agreed to serve as ushers. The Confirmands & Youth are scheduled for October.

Prayer List

Bill Shafer (cancer diagnosis, brother to Lee Ann Shafer, Jane Jackson, and Judy Kattman)
Dwight Markwell
Middle East
Students and Teachers
Victims of gun violence
All those battling addiction and facing the daily struggle to stay clean.
Our military

Upcoming Sunday Morning Sermons

November 3: Totenfest: Scars Worthy of Remembrance

November 10*: The Election is Over. We are Still Neighbors.

Advent sermon series starts early.

November 17: There are Skeletons in Even Jesus' Closet

November 24: The Righteous Prostitute Part One: Tamar

*This message will also be preached on Saturday night, November 16.

Attn: Committee Heads

Committee rosters for 2025 are due today! Patty Oglesby is waiting on 12 more. Please send yours today using the link below.

Committee Heads, click on the link below. It will only take a matter of minutes to provide the committee list information for 2025. Many thanks for your cooperation.

<https://bethlehemucc.breezechms.com/form/45a07d074>

Contact Patty Oglesby with any questions at patty@bethlehemucc.org.



November 9 and 10

November 9 and 10 is the next Habitat for Humanity Weekend at Bethlehem. Please bring your Habitat banks of cash to the service and funnel them into our large Habitat House. You may also give online [HERE](#). Your donations provide future homeowners with a step up in their journey. Your help is important to the progress of providing opportunities for affordable, high-quality, energy-efficient homes.

[Give Here](#)

Have a college or trade school student?

Do you have a student who is in college or trade school? Please help the church office by taking just a moment to be sure we have their correct contact information. It's quick and easy! Please click the button below.

[Click Here](#)



Lost and Found



Our lost and found box is quickly filling up, especially from treasures found on campus within the last few weeks. If you are missing items that may have been left behind, please check the box, which is temporarily located in the church office vestibule (open 24/7).

**Chance to win a \$200
Amazon gift card!**

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Deadline is November 14

Bethlehem has been asked to participate in a survey to help better understand the ways congregations were impacted by the pandemic. Please consider using the link below to take the survey (it should take 10-15 minutes) or reach out to Pastor Emily if you'd like a paper copy. Once you've completed the survey, let Pastor Emily know and your name will be entered into a drawing to win the \$200 Amazon Gift Card our Congregation will receive for participating in the survey.

This Attender Survey is a part of the Exploring the Pandemic Impact on Congregations (EPIC) project and Faith Communities Today (FACT) research initiative in which the United Church of Christ participates. EPIC is a 5-year research project studying changes in the religious landscape since the COVID-19 pandemic.

You can learn more about the project by watching this two minute video: [2024 Attender Survey: Intro Video \(youtube.com\)](#)

Link to the survey:

https://covidreligionstudy.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9GYI89a3NMOwuFw?congregation=12834

SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

Please use the button below to see the **list of available dates and to order altar flowers**. If you'd prefer a paper form for your flower donation, they are currently available outside the church office. Please contact Cindy Carwile with any questions (812-430-6953 or ckcarwile@gmail.com).

Altar Flower Sign Up

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](#)



Apple Pies



It's Harvest time – time for picking and enjoying apples! The Eosin Sunday School Class will be selling our famous Dutch Apple Crumb Pies to benefit missions. We will be taking PREPAID orders once again this year. To be assured of getting pies, please complete the form at the bottom of this page and put it in the Eosin mailbox (level 2 by the elevator) or leave it in the church office. Please make your checks out to Eosin. **Additional order forms are available in the church office vestibule, Welcoming Area, and narthex.**

*This year there is a special incentive to order early. We will be giving away a coupon from Logan's Roadhouse for a dozen of their delicious rolls with each pie order.

The pies will be made and distributed on Thursday, November 14. Please plan to pick up your pies between 2:00 and 5:30 PM that evening.

EOSIN APPLE PIE SALE

Number of Pies _____ @ \$12.00 each total cost _____

Name _____ phone number _____

Email address

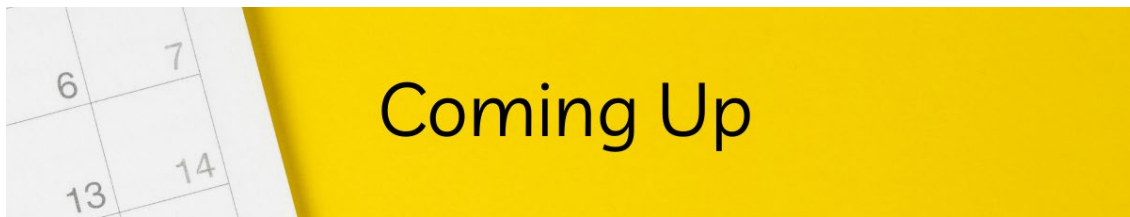
Remember to pick up your fresh pies on Thursday, November 14, between 2:00 and 5:30 PM.

Checks should be made out to Eosin.



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 this Tuesday at 11:30 am at Hornet's Nest. If you would like to join the group for lunch, please RSVP to Barry Jones at Twinpapa02@yahoo.com by Monday morning. New faces are always welcome!



Coming Up

Thursday, October 31

8am – 5pm

Kitchen Rsvd. - Felt

6:30 – 7:30pm

Bell Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

7:30 – 8:30pm

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

Saturday, November 2

5:30 – 6:30pm

Worship

Welcoming Area

Sunday, November 3

10:15 – 11:15am

Worship - Totenfest & New Member Sunday

Sanctuary

11:30am – 1pm

WEB Luncheon

Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 4

8:30 – 10am

Confirmation Classroom Rsvd. - Worthington

Tuesday, November 5

All day

National Election Day

6 – 7pm

U-10 Study Group

Confirmation Room

Wednesday, November 6

6 – 7:30pm

Cub Scout Den 346 Meeting

Fellowship Hall, Welcoming Area & Education Wing

Thursday, November 7

6:30 – 7:30pm

Bell Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

7:30 – 8:30pm

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Music Room

Saturday, November 9

5:30 – 6:30pm

Worship - Communion & Habitat Collection

Welcoming Area

Sunday, November 10

10:15 – 11:15am

Worship - Communion & Habitat Collection

Sanctuary



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