

EMILY'S EDITION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

I look forward to being with you in worship for both services this weekend. We will look at one of my very favorite stories of Scripture. Take a look at Exodus 1.8-2.10 as you prepare for worship. How many women work together to protect Moses? What do you notice about the formal power they have versus the power they discover and claim for themselves. How does God work amid their actions—even actions that deceive!

This week kicks off a five-week run of looking at stories from the book of Exodus (on Sunday mornings). I'm looking forward to working through these passages together!

For this week, I will look forward to being with you Saturday night at 5:30 or Sunday morning at 10:15. Remember, Sunday School begins in earnest this Sunday at 9!



Last week, I asked the children to help make a list of things they'd like us to be praying for and about related to the start of school. Here is the list we created together, and I invite you to join me in using this list as a guide for your prayers.

- Teachers
- Family
- Friends who are sick
- School
- Principal and Assistant Principal
- Friends who are in other classes
- Janitors

- Coaches
- Student Teachers
- Substitute Teachers



Family and Friends of Doug King (husband of Pat King, passed away on August 14)
 Family and Friends of Phillip Gaffney (son of Diane Gaffney, passed away August 17)
 Ruth Ann Krall (upcoming surgery, mother of Cindy Carwile and online worship participant)
 Mike Dean (chemo treatments)
 Bill Kreighbaum
 Jeff Hoffman (renal cell carcinoma, friend of Tim and Amy Spurling)
 Chris Dugan (serious car accident, son-in-law of Hungates)
 Those affected by weather-related disasters
 Middle East
 Russia/Ukraine Conflict
 Victims of gun violence
 All those battling addiction and facing the daily struggle to stay clean.
 Our military
 Students and Teachers



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.



The flowers on the altar are given by the Altar Guild to the Glory of God.

A single white rose is in memory of Doug King, husband of Pat King.
A second rose is in memory of Phillip Gaffney, son of Diane Gaffney.

Please use the buttons below to view dates and sign up for altar flowers. If you prefer a paper form, they are always available in the vestibule (office entrance open 24/7), church office hallway, Welcoming Area, children and youth entrance, and narthex.

For altar flower needs, please contact Carol Kolb at carolrkolb@yahoo.com or (812) 589-8322.

Upcoming Available Dates

Altar Flower Sign Up

Serve 

Sunday Worship Acolyte

Sunday Worship Liturgist



Everything that happens at Bethlehem is ministry.

As we prepare for **Commitment weekend, August 29-30**, we continue to view special video messages sharing different aspects of how our important ministry touches



others. If you missed previous videos, be sure to catch up by clicking [here](#).

If you are in need of a pledge card or additional copies for other family members, please see church entrances. Please contact the [church office](#) should a card need to be mailed. Non-members are welcomed and encouraged to pledge a 2027 offering!



An invitation from the Green Team

For those who wish to attend the last 3 sessions of “Blessed Tomorrow: Faith and Climate,” we are changing rooms. We will meet in the first breakout room next to the youth room on the lower level. 9AM check in with each other; 9:15 film: 9:35 discussion. We hope you will join us; you do not have to have attended the first sessions.

It's been said that no matter what today's headlines are, the climate is the issue. We look forward to seeing you!



Can you help?



We will be serving lunch at Sister Joanna's Table on September 12 and need volunteers to help with setup, serving, and clean up at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 301 SE First St. Anyone who would like to help, please contact Chris Champion at 812-449-8852 or chris@bethlehemucc.org.



a little note



If you'd like to send a card to Mary Weyher, she lives in Indianapolis near family after experiencing a stroke this past spring. Her address is:
8046 Morningside Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46240



There is still time to apply for the Michael P. Schmitt and Lorena K. Schmitt Music Scholarships. Applications are available outside the church office.

Qualifications:

- Applicant must be a member or regularly attend Bethlehem United Church of Christ.
- Applicant must show an interest and aptitude for instrumental or vocal music.
- Applicant must be willing to share his/her talent with the church when requested.

Deadline for submitting applications is August 31, 2026. Please contact the [church office](#) if you have any questions.

Please send application to:

ATTN: MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Bethlehem United Church of Christ

6400 Oak Hill Road, Evansville, IN 47725



Please bring any questions or concerns for the Church Council to the next Council Chat following worship on Sunday, August 30, in the Welcoming Area. Everyone is welcomed to attend!



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 Pips Pub. 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!



Thank you to everyone who
has agreed to serve as ushers. The
YAC class is assigned to August.



Coming Up

Saturday, August 22

5:30 – 6:30pm

Worship

Welcoming Area

Sunday, August 23

9 – 10am

Sunday School Classes - All Ages

10:15 – 11:15am

Worship

Sanctuary

11:30am – 1:30pm

Confirmation Kick-Off & Lunch

Fellowship Hall

11:30am – 12:30pm

Altar Guild Meeting

Sanctuary

2 – 6pm

UCS Board Retreat

Welcoming Area

3:30 – 5:30pm

UCS DINNER - Motley Crew

United Caring Services

Monday, August 24

Aug, Mon

8:30 – 10am

Conference Room Rsvd. - Worthington

Tuesday, August 25

10:30 – 11:45am

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Conference Room

Saturday, August 29

5:30 – 6:30pm

Worship - Commitment Saturday

Welcoming Area

Sunday, August 30

9 – 10am

Sunday School Classes - All Ages

10:15 – 11:15am

Worship - Commitment & New Member Sunday

Sanctuary

11:30am – 12pm

Council Chat

Welcoming Area



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