



Community of Christ

Bethel Congregation, Midlands Mission Center
Welcoming the online community

Kansas City, KS
 July 13, 2025 10:30AM CDT

Discern Spiritual Wisdom

Presiding

High Priest Stan Troeh

Announcements

Gathering Hymn "In the Crossroads of This Moment" **CCS #170**

Welcome

Invitation to Worship

Psalm 82:2-4

² "How long will you judge unjustly
 and show partiality to the wicked? *Selah*
³ Give justice to the weak and the orphan;
 maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.
⁴ Rescue the weak and the needy;
 deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

***Hymn** "I Sought the Lord"

CCS #175

***Invocation**

Fred Troeh

***Response**

Prayer for Peace by Michael Wright

Jeff & Kris Cady

Hymn "Holy Presence, Holy Teacher"

CCS #601

Sermon

Seventy Kyle Joyce

Disciples' Generous Response

<https://bit.ly/BethelGift>

***Hymn** "Prophetic Church, the Future Waits" **CCS #362**

***Benediction**

***Congregation invited to stand**

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Recording Links

In the Crossroads of This Moment - CCS 170 - The Beyond the Walls Choir <https://youtube.com/watch?v=ZeYGmmiZi8A>

Prophetic Church, the Future Waits - CCS 362 - The Beyond the Walls Choir <https://youtube.com/watch?v=bdV15PxMhY8>

Announcements

- **Sunday 7/13 9:45 am** Lectionary Disc—Colossians 1:1-14
10:30 am *Discern Spiritual Wisdom*-Kyle Joyce
- **Sunday 7/20 9:45 am** Lectionary Disc—Colossians 1:15-28
10:30 am *God's Mystery Revealed*-Grace Troeh
- **Our website**, including weekly bulletin, web and zoom links bethel.forthrightsystems.com.
- Give through [eTithing](https://www.cofchrist.org/give) (<https://www.cofchrist.org/give>)
 Optionally, search for Bethel, KS ([link](#))

Lectionary: 3-year cycle engaging significant portions of our scripture

This Week July 13 [Discern Spiritual Wisdom](#)

Colossians 1:1-14 Amos 7:7-17
Psalm 82 Luke 10:25-37/10:26-38 IV

Next Week July 20 [God's Mystery Revealed](#)

Colossians 1:15-28 Amos 8:1-12
Psalm 52 Luke 10:38-42
 Doctrine and Covenants 163:4b-c

Prayer for Peace
by Michael Wright

Redeemer, Lord of the Paschal Mystery,

I'm going fishing:
The world I know, the sea,
searching for sustenance, and stability, with those who share my call.
And, yet, being at home on the sea, there are no fish tonight.
Where have they gone?
The nets are empty.
Our ark of disciples floats on the waves, with no response from the
creatures below.
I return discouraged, tired, and hungry.
Then, I hear your voice!

In the early light of dawn,
You appear on land, terra firma,
The world you came to redeem.
The fish appear in a scurry on the right side of the ship,
You call to me, telling me to come to the hearth to eat,
bring the fish that have responded.
I jump in, immersed in your call.
The cold water awakens my senses,
The darkness, discomfort do not discourage,
My outstretched arms keep me afloat, reaching toward peace.

You pull me from my world,
the water responds to gravity washing our four feet.
Your punctured hand pulls me from my depths and close to you.

I arrive burdened and clumsy,
Excited and eager with the abundance of fish,
too many for those who have been invited to break their fast.

Looking at my bursting net, you ask me the triune question:

“Do you love me?”
I respond, “I do.”
The Lamb of God responds: “Feed my lambs.”

“Do you love me?”
I respond, “you know I do.”
The Good Shepherd responds, “Feed my sheep.”

“Do you love me?”
I tearfully respond, “of course I do.”
The Pastor of Peace responds, “Feed my sheep.”

And in this moment,
I recognize that my world of comfort,
from which the fish came, is not where I am called.
I'm called to land where I am to shepherd,
No more gills and scales,
but I shall feed those who breathe and cry out as I do:
Love the most vulnerable in this world,
Who search for shalom,
The punctured hand that pulled me from the water,
The One who restores and reconciles
And grants peace.
Even to the fish below, the crying lamb, and the sheep who seek his
voice.

Amen.



Online Ministry & Priesthood Classes *Center for Innovation in Ministry and Mission (CIMM)*

To enroll or for more information on these classes and the certificate programs, visit graceland.edu/CIMM. Cost is \$25 unless noted.

June 30–August 24, 2025

- **Ministry of the High Priest** – Jenn Killpack
- **Ministry of the Evangelist** – Kris Judd
- **Child and Youth Worker Core Training**

August 25–October 19, 2025

- **Introduction to Priesthood Ministry** – TBD
- **Ministry of the Priest** – David Lloyd
- **Ministry of the Elder** – David Lloyd

CIMM Identity, Mission, Message, and Beliefs sessions are taking a break for the summer.



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HISTORIC BUS TOUR

Community of Christ Historic Sites Foundation is hosting a **bus tour** to trace our faith community's roots. Immerse yourself in history on this 10-day journey through eight US states and Canada exploring stories behind church members from all over the world. Join Barb Walden and Peter Smith **October 6-15, 2025**, from Independence to Kirkland. Information and registration can be found at bit.ly/CofCBusTour25.

JOB OPENINGS

Chihowa is seeking a **fulltime, onsite director**. More information can be found at bit.ly/ChihowaDirector. Applicants can send a resume and cover letter to Emily.Hidy@midlandsmc.org.

Chihowa is seeking a seasonal **lifeguard**. More information can be found at bit.ly/Lifeguard2025. Applicants can apply by contacting chihowaretreatcenter@gmail.com.

PEACE COLLOQUY

The Peace Colloquy is a gathering focused on justice, dialogue, and action. It will be held at The Temple **September 12–14**. This year we address houselessness in the Kansas City metro, emphasizing collaboration and systemic change. While this event is sponsored by CofChrist, it is a collaborative event made up of leaders and influencers across the KC metro. More information and registration is at cofckcpeace.org/.



Experience Summer Camp!!

Youth Camps 2025

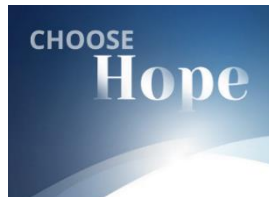
June 26 – 30 Sr High Float Trip @ Meramec State Park \$375
 July 12 – 19 Spectacular @ Graceland \$495 (\$595 after 6/30)
 July 13 – 17 Junior / Middle School @ Chihowa \$350
 July 13 – 18 Camp MITIOG @ Doniphan
 July 24 – 26 Youth Quest @ Olathe \$95



Family Camps (Reunion)

Doniphan – Excelsior Springs, MO – June 18 to 22
 Joint event with Central Missouri Mission Center
 Guest Minister: Apostle and Presiding Evangelist
 designee Mareva Arnaud Tchong
 Contact: Kat Hnatyshyn, 816.506.6948

Chihowa – Perry, KS – July 6 to 11
 Guest Minister: Apostle Richard James
 Director: Doug Albro, 316.734.4214



Family Camp Prices (Early Bird deadline has passed)

Age	Doniphan	Chihowa
Adults (age 18+)	\$300/\$320	250/\$270
Youth (age 13-17)	\$225/\$245	\$165/\$185
Children (age 5-12)	\$120/\$140	\$120/\$140
Children (age 0-4)	\$25/\$45	\$25/\$45

Register NOW at www.midlandsmc.org

- YOUTH: Find your camp and click “online registration”
- FAMILY CAMP: Find your camp and choose “pay now” (credit card) or “pay later” (check, cash, credit card)

Camperships are available. **Application forms must be submitted TWO WEEKS prior to the event.** If you have questions, please contact mcfoteam@midlandsmc.org

- Individual camperships: bit.ly/MMC1campership25
- Family camperships (SAME EVENT): bit.ly/MMCFamCampership25

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