

Progress

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

In-Person and
Zoomed Online

9:00 am

THURSDAYS

In-person

6:30 pm

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday
Closed

Pastor's Notes

...from Pat Kempf, Vicar

Greetings good people of Pilgrim!

Spring has sprung! Rain is falling more often than snow, average temperatures are above freezing, robins have returned to the Northwoods, and soon the trees and plants will be covered in new buds and shoots. I know I've said this before, but this is one of my favorite times of the year. As we just passed Easter, I can't help but think of the new life emerging from the cold ground as the yearly resurrection and renewal of God's creation.

This also reminds me of the ebbs and flows of the seasons of our lives. How some seasons are our favorites, and some we'd like to never have to see again. Most are familiar with the Ecclesiastes reading, "For everything there is a season..." and I think that applies to more than the weather. Our lives and habits shift with the physical seasons, just as they can when we enter a new personal season. New jobs, new schools, new opportunities, new perspectives, and new discoveries all can shift how we view the world and how we operate in it. It often seems scary to enter a new season and can be accompanied by fear and doubts about an unknown future.

We're in our last few months together on this journey called Internship and I find myself a little worried about what's next. What will the new season in my life bring? Where will I end up in my

first call? What will this transition mean for Pilgrim Lutheran Church? Big questions with likely bigger answers. But like the cycles of weather, no amount of worrying or planning will stop the winds of change from blowing. Winter comes back around every year whether we like it or not. Warm summer nights are a promise we can rely on, even in the bleakest midwinter.

I'm encouraged though because I know the Holy Spirit is at work through all of it. Though some seasons seem less desirable than others, we need the Autumn shedding and Winter freeze to provide rest and nourishment for the new life in Spring and Summer. We must grow to appreciate all of the seasons we go through in our lives as important chapters of our stories. If we removed a chapter or two, the tale wouldn't be complete.

So, as we all approach another season of change, as we continue to walk the path of Christ, let us do so with hope and a sense of peace. Hope that God has beautiful and wonderful things in store for all of us and peace of mind that nothing can separate us from the source of love, light, and life in the Universe.

Blessings to you and whatever season of life you may be in right now!

Grace and Peace,
Vicar Pat

Make a joyful noise!

“Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies,
it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.”

—John 12:23-24

You may be surprised to find a column about an Easter hymn after Easter. The Easter season actually extends 50 days after Easter Sunday! There were so many Easter hymns that Pilgrims requested for us to sing during Lent and Easter that we are singing Easter songs well after April 17.

Perhaps John MacLeod Campbell Crum who wrote the hymn “Now the Green Blade Rises,” almost 100 years ago, recognized how hard it is for us to overcome our doubt and maintain hope in the resurrection so he chose the metaphor for Jesus’s resurrection to a grain of wheat that is planted, dies, and germinates in order to create new life. It’s such a powerful visual example of resurrection in daily life that makes the resurrection easy to comprehend. Jesus lived. He died and was buried. He rose again to give new life to all who believe in him.

The first three verses of the hymn very graphically describe what happened to Jesus from the time he was crucified on Friday until Easter Sunday.

*Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

*In the grave they laid him, love by hatred slain,
thinking that he would never wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

*Forth he came at Easter like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

The hymn puts Jesus’s resurrection, not just in the past but also, in the present. “Now the green blade rises.” Now Jesus is risen, just as he was at the first Easter. The hymn uses a synonym for Jesus’s name when it says, “Love is come again like wheat arising green.” In contrast to many of our beloved Easter hymns, which are songs of might and of victory, this one is intimate, it is quiet, it is accessible, it is nurturing, and it is filled with love.

The last verse offers not just the hope of the resurrection but also hope for healing from the pain that goes along with daily life

*When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

With thanks for Pilgrims who minister to others by sharing hymns that touch them,

—Delores Kessel

Resource: Professor C. Michael Hawn from Southern Methodist University

“Unbalanced but Centered” Study

A women’s book study group will start up in May with the book titled *“Unbalanced but Centered: Tending to your Heart in the Frenzy of Life.”* It is written by Kari Van Wakeren, a wife, mom, writer, and ordained Pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. She lives in central Minnesota with her family. The study group will meet on the following Saturdays at 9:00 at the church.

May 7 * June 11 * July 9

The cost of the book is \$16.00. Please contact Shirley Ecker at 715-355-1574 (home) or 715-301-3372 (cell) for more information or questions.

There will also be a **Tuesday morning study group** that will begin meeting on **May 10th, 10:30 a.m.** The next meeting dates will be set at the end of the each meeting.

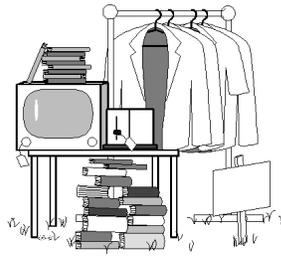
Annual Plant Sale

Marshfield Medical Center-Weston, 3400 Ministry Parkway, Lot #7. Proceeds will benefit Wausau/Weston Cancer Care Fund. Annuals provided by Cerny’s Greenhouse. Your support will help ensure hope and healing to cancer patients and their families in various ways..

Thursday, May 5
1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Friday, May 6
7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 7
7:00 am to 11:00 am



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Pilgrim Recycling and Bake Sale

FRIDAY, JUNE 3RD
8:00 – 3:00

SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH
8:00 – 12:00

If you have been looking for a new home for those household items, clothes, shoes, books, games, and other treasures that you don’t need or have room to store anymore we will take them off your hands. **NO ELECTRONICS, PLEASE!**

Set up for the recycling and bake sale will begin on Sunday, May 29, 2:00 p.m. There are several ways you can participate—help or come and shop for great bargains. Fill out the form and return it to the church office or put it in the offering plate by Sunday, May 22. Please prayerfully consider helping with the recycling sale.

- I have items to donate and need someone to pick them up.
- I can help set up and mark items during the week of March 29
- I can pick up items from members’ homes.
- I will donate items for the bake sale
- I will help at the bake sale
- I am willing to help with publicity (making posters, distributing flyers, making calls, etc.)
- I can make phone calls to remind members
- I can help on the day of the sale (circle each):
 - cashier clean up straighten tables during sale
 - greet shoppers carry purchased items to vehicles.

Name and Phone Number

Members of all ages are welcome. Bring a friend to help or shop. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Shirley Ecker at 715-301-3372. Thank you.

S'more Fun

Join us
Saturday June 18th, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
in the Pilgrim Lutheran Church parking lot
to celebrate summer with s'mores, water/juice,
campfires, and singing.

We hope to see you there.
All are welcome.

The Evangelism Team



Altar Guild Volunteers Needed

Please sign up today on the sheet posted on the bulletin board across from the church office. Thank you to Patti and Connie for helping to train others.

Weekly Prayer Circle Tuesdays 11:45 a.m.

If you would like to join the group, drop in. Or, if you would like to receive the weekly prayer list, contact the office.

Recorded Worship Services Available Online

Are you unable to attend worship services in-person or on Zoom? You can watch a video recording of the weekly worship service at home through our website at www.pilgrimofwausau.org.

Men's Monthly Bible Study Breakfast at Eagle's Nest

2nd Thursday of the Month
7:30 a.m.

The next gathering for food and faith is May 12th. Contact Eugene Viegut (715-359-9895) if you are interested in joining or have questions.

Sermon Feedback Form

One of the ways that we Pilgrims will be supporting our intern, Vicar Pat, is to provide him with feedback on his sermons. A form is available at church and will also be made available to those of you viewing from home. Responses can be brief or lengthy. Use the back if necessary. This feedback loop will continue throughout the time that Vicar Pat is with us, so please complete a form periodically (monthly/quarterly).

Thank you.

shout OUT!

- ☺ To those who helped with Spring cleanup on April 23rd: Tom Brown, John and Jean Trempe, Logan Zaitz, Jenni Zaitz, Kay Palmer, and Eugene Viegut.
- ☺ To Shirley Ecker for taking to the pulpit on April 3rd.
- ☺ To the Easter card writers—Mary Swanson, Barb Yeast, Jean Trempe, Sue Koerten, and Delores Kessel.
- ☺ To Bob and Jill Windorski for ushering during the Wednesday evening Lenten worship services.
- ☺ To all who helped with Holy Week worship services, including: Connie and Larry Brandenburg, who helped with the stripping of the altar on Maundy Thursday; Norah Brown for her beautiful trumpet solo on Good Friday and for Jeff Kessel who helped with lights; all who donated Easter flowers and Connie Brandenburg and Patti Petersen for their extra time to make the altar look special; Cathy Gottschalk who donated the basket of Easter eggs; Kay Palmer for the cross in the narthex and for Delores Kessel who helped with decorations; our worship assistants and ushers; and, the accompanists, music coordinator, music director, and combined choirs.
- ☺ To all who attend services, in person and online.
- ☺ To all who gave blood
- ☺ To the participants in the "Journeys with Angels" study groups

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 12, 2022
(Unapproved)

PRESENT IN PERSON: President Shirley Ecker, Vice President Jeanette Carlson, Secretary Jenni Zaitz, Treasurer Charlie Freiberg, Jeanne Wunsch, Eugene Viegut, Barb Yeast, Charlene Buttner, Vicar Pat Kempf, Janet Williams, and Jim Lenselink.

EXCUSED: Suzanne Koerten

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Shirley Ecker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and she had devotions.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: (Jenni Zaitz) Minutes were reviewed from the March 8, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. Motion to accept the minutes by Carlson, Second by Wunsch. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Charlie Freiberg): Reviewed the current finances. March was not a good month. We are down \$13,000 since January 1st. Usually the April giving is good because of Easter. Freiberg recommends sending a letter out to members with their giving statements. A motion was made by Buttner to accept the Treasurers Reports, second by Viegut. Motion Carried.

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT: (Jeanette Carlson) No Report

VICARS REPORT: (Vicar Patrick Kempf) Things continue to go well. He performed a service at a care center today. The confirmation students will be returning to class on April 27th and will be confirmed in June. The outline for his project is complete and he will be starting to look for guest speakers.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Shirley Ecker) The Lease Agreement for Pilgrim Lutheran Church-ELCA/Christian Fellowship Church was reviewed. A motion was made by Viegut to leave the rent at \$3900 annually, second by Carlson. Motion carried. A motion was also made by Viegut to not attach the addendum to the lease, second by Carlson. Motion carried. The Pilgrim Recycling Sale will be held on Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Set-up will begin on Sunday, May 29th at 2:00 P.M. The nominating committee 2023 is still needing one former council member. Progress articles are due April 22, 2022. The church office will be closed on Monday, April 18th following Holy Week and there will be no Thursday evening service on April 21st. Vicar Pat has requested to take a vacation days on Sunday, May 22 and Sunday June 12th. A motion was made by Williams, second by Carlson to allow him to have the two Sundays off. Motion carried.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: (Sue Koerten) The joint Pilgrim/St. Stephens choirs provided music for the Palm Sunday service at St. Stephens Lutheran Church. They will provide music for the Maundy Thursday service at St Stephens. The choirs will provide music for the Easter Sunday service at Pilgrim. The council voted to reinstate alter communion once again at Pilgrim.

COMBINED COVID TASK FORCE & WORSHIP TEAM: (Jeff Kessel) Pilgrim's combined COVID Response Task Force and Worship Team met on 03/23/2022. Jeff Kessel Started out the meeting with a prayer and then gave an update on COVID-19. Despite the great decrease in the number of COVID cases and hospitalizations in Marathon

County, the COVID-19 pandemic is not over. In fact, a variant of the virus that causes COVID, Omicron BA.2, is growing in dominance across the US. Whether this will cause a surge in COVID cases is not known. The combined task force and worship team discussed the seven or eight topics in detail to see if changes in our policies and procedures can be made that will allow us to do more at Pilgrim without endangering safety. We used the US Center for Disease Control guidelines to help us in coming up with the following recommendations for the council:

- Our face mask policy and signage. We recommend the following policy and add that it should be posted at the entry to Pilgrim:
- Do not enter Pilgrim if you are having symptoms or are ill, stay at home.
- Face mask use is encouraged.
- Restroom signage. We recommend that Pilgrim post a sign in restrooms and above sinks reminding people to wash their hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or more.
- Roping off pews in the Sanctuary. We recommend that Pilgrim remove all ropes from the pews except for the row where the video camera is placed.
- Communion. We recommend that Pilgrim resume our previous practice where people file up the aisle, receive communion from the officiant(s), then return to their seats by way of the side aisles. As for people who are disabled or do not want to walk forward for com-

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munion, we recommend that the disposable plastic communion cups be used. People can pick up a communion cup as they enter the sanctuary, or an usher can bring then one.

- Our Funeral Policy and Procedure document. We recommend that the council approve a new policy for use when the level of COVID is low in Marathon County. That proposed Policy and Procedure will be attached to an email to Shirley Ecker.
- Kids' Activity Bags/Prayer Shawls. We recommend that Pilgrim resume having kids' activity bags and prayer shawls available to people attending a service or event at Pilgrim.
- The May 1st potluck proposed by Life and Growth. We recommend that the potluck proceed provided certain guidelines are met. After further discussion Shirley suggested that the guidelines could apply to coffee hours and other events where food is served. A General Meal Policy was suggested and the combined task force and worship team agreed. We recommend that the council approve a new General Meal Policy. That proposed Policy and Procedure will be attached to an email to Shirley Ecker.

A motion was made by Freiberg to approve the March 23rd revision to the COVID policy, second by Buttner. Motion carried.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS TEAM: (Eugene Viegut) The choir room has been painted, thank you to Delores and Jeff Kessel. The leaks in the Library and Coffee area have been fixed. Eugene will look for an organization that would like the old soft-

ball and dartball trophies. The old Memorial Garden sign has been thrown away. Spring clean up will start as soon as the snow is gone.

EVANGELISM: (Jeanne Wunsch) On June 18th from 6-7:30 Pilgrim will be having campfires, smores, songs and chalk art in the parking lot area. Rain date is June 25th. The book study "Journey with Angles" has finished. A new study will be held during May, June and July and the name of the book is "Unbalanced but Centered". Following that study will be one focusing on the book "Cast of Characters" which will run from July to December.

BLESSINGS THAT GIVE HOPE: (Jeanne Wunsch) Food has been purchased for the remainder of the school year.

CHURCH AND SOCIETY: (Charlene Buttner) Quilts and prayer shawls were donated to the Aspirus Hospice House. We have a generous supply of prayer shawls available to share. Ink cartridges and grocery bags were donated to Faith in Action. Donations to the Little Library continue and food items have recently been added again.

LIFE & GROWTH: (Janet Williams) A potluck is being planned for Sunday, May 1st at the Sylvan Hill Chalet. The cost to rent the chalet is \$197.00 plus a \$50.00 deposit which is returnable after the event. The church service would be held there at 10:30 and the potluck would follow. We will need to find out how many people are coming and what they are bringing. A motion was made by Buttner, second by Carlson to take money from the script account to cover the cost of the deposit and to change the time of the church service to 10:30. Motion carried.

STEWARDSHIP: (Jim Lenselink) The Time and Talent sheets have been used to create the 2022 Faith Inspirations and Opportunities list. It is felt that if someone signs up to help in a certain area that they should be contacted.

CHILDREN & YOUTH: (Barb Yeast) Members are needed for this committee. Please contact Barb if you are interested in being a part of this committee.

BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL: Jim Lenselink spoke with a friend about possibly fixing up the old piano and it was determined that it would cost a lot. The recommendation was to only fix it if it held sentimental value.

ADJOURN: At 7:53 p.m. a motion was made by Buttner, Second by Freiberg to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2022. Pat Kempf has devotions.

Respectfully submitted,
Jenni Zaitz, Secretary

Friends of the Library Book Sale

300 N. First Street, Wausau

Members Only Sale

Wednesday, May 4, 5 - 7:30
(join at the door for \$10)

Public Invited

Thursday, May 5, 9:30 - 7:30
Friday, May 6, 9:30 - 4:30

Bag Sale Day—\$6.00 a Bag
Saturday, May 7, 9:30 - 1:30

Visit the library for great deals on like-new and gently used books, movies, music CD's, and more! All book sale proceeds are used to support library programs.

May

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1 7:45 Evangelism Team Meeting 9:00 Worship	2	3 9:00 Pastors' Breakfast 11:45 Prayer Circle 1:00 Vicar/Sup. Meeting 5:30 Internship Committee Mtg.	4 6:00 Confirmation Class 7:00 Choir	5 6:30 Worship	6	7 9:00 "Unbalanced But Centered" Women's Study Group
8 9:00 Worship	9	10 9:00 Pastors' Breakfast 10:30 "Unbalanced But Centered" Women's Study Group 11:45 Prayer Circle 1:00 Pastors' Text Study 2:00 Vicar Pat at Mt. View 6:30 Council Mtg.	11 9:00 Busy Bee Quilters 6:00 Confirmation Class 7:00 Choir	12 7:30 Men's Bible Study at Eagle's Nest 6:30 Worship	13 Annual Synod Conference	14 Annual Synod Conference
15 9:00 Worship	16	17 9:00 Pastors' Breakfast 11:45 Prayer Circle 1:00 Vicar/Sup. Meeting 6:00 GWCS Meeting at Pilgrim	18 9:45 Eugene at Benedictine 10:45 Eugene at Colonial Manor 6:00 Confirmation Class 7:00 Choir	19 9-12 WRV Conference Mtg. 6:30 Worship	20 Lay School Progress Article Deadline	21 Lay School
22 9:00 Worship	23	24 9:00 Pastors' Breakfast 11:45 Prayer Circle 1:00 Pastors' Text Study 5:30 Internship Committee Mtg.	25 9:45 Vicar Pat at Benedictine 10:45 Vicar Pat at Colonial Manor 6:00 Confirmation Class 7:00 Choir	26 6:30 Worship	27	28
29 9:00 Worship	30 Memorial Day (office closed)	31 9:00 Pastors' Breakfast 11:45 Prayer Circle 1:00 Vicar/Sup. Meeting				



Happy Birthday from your Pilgrim family!
Please contact the church office with any updates.

Taylor Lemanski	05/01	Karen Larson	05/18
Ellen Anderson	05/03	Austin Fehlhaber	05/19
Mica Fehlhaber-Poppe	05/03	Patricia Roberts	05/24
Frank Koerten	05/04	Kassidie Augustine	05/26
Lindsey Koski	05/05	Michael Butterbrodt	05/26
Cody Augustine	05/06	Rachel Clemment	05/26
Connie Brandenburg	05/06	Terra Ecker	05/28
Manda Strick	05/10	Paul Ziebell	05./28
Chris Ecker	05/16	Anna Larsen	05/29
Donald Mattke	05/17	Nathan Stromme	05/31

On birthdays, we honor our beginnings and remember that in God's eyes, we have a place in this world that no one else has.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

the following members of our Pilgrim family on their numbered day of the month

May

1 Willis Gresen	17 Jeff Kessel
2 Janice Hayes	18 Gigs Kirsch
3 Arlette Hildebrandt	19 Ginny Kirsch
4 Kathleen Huebner	20 Ava Kislow
5 Layla Huffman	21 Jacob Kislow
6 Anlyss James	22 Jamie Kislow
7 Brody James	23 Job Kislow
8 Nina James	24 Jordan Kislow
9 Mark Jones	25 Kayle Kislow
10 Rita Jones	26 Logan Kislow
11 Debra Kaetterhenry	27 Maureen Kislow
12 Kathy Kainz	28 Michael Kislow
13 Deanna Kelly	29 Frank Koerten
14 Ronald Kelly	30 Sue Koerten
15 Clara Kennedy	31 Elaine Kolden
16 Delores Kessel	

"Be kind, everyone you meet is fighting a tough battle."

— Philo Juleaus

FINANCIAL INFORMATION UPDATE

April 28th, 2022

A budget is a statement of faith. It is our way of saying this is what we believe God wants us to do. And we trust that God will provide.

Mortgage		Year-to-Date Revenue Budget vs. Actual	
\$ 81,604	Balance: 03/31/2022		
\$ 615	Principal Payment	\$43,044	\$39,079
\$ 259	Interest Payment	Outstanding Bills	
\$ 80,989	Balance: 04/28/2022	\$1,662 Total Bills	

PARTICIPATE IN THE SCRIP PROGRAM AND SUPPORT PILGRIM

Put your regular household shopping dollars to work by purchasing gift cards at Pilgrim. Scrip-participating retailers sell gift cards to Pilgrim at a discount and you get the full face value of the gift card. Orders are taken periodically. For information, email or call the office at 715-842-4544

THOSE PILGRIMS UNABLE TO ATTEND SERVICES

Please remember the following Pilgrims who are not able to attend worship due to personal limitation. If you need their addresses, please contact the church office.

In Care Facilities

Kathleen Huebner.....Mount View

In Their Homes

Kathy Boehm	John Schneider
Donald Mattke	Stephen Williams

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8 - 12 and 1 - 3

(Closed on Fridays)

Although closed on Fridays, Vicar Pat will be here from 9:00 to 3:00, so the church will be open.

THRIVENT CHOICE PROGRAM

We are pleased to announce that Pilgrim Church receives funds through Thrivent Financial's Thrivent Choice program. By directing Choice Dollars, eligible Thrivent members can recommend which nonprofit organizations they feel should receive charitable grant funding from Thrivent. If you are an eligible member, please consider us when directing Choice Dollars. Call 800-847-4836 or visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Do you know someone who needs prayer and a special word of encouragement? Consider extending the love of Jesus through a Circle of Women prayer shawl.

A cabinet in the lounge holds a variety of prayer shawls. Choose one to deliver to a person who needs a special, tangible reminder of God's love and presence. Sign the book to show that you have taken one, and use a prayer request form to add this person to the Prayer Circle list, if that is appropriate.

A wicker basket sits next to the cabinet. If you have extra yarn to donate, you may place it there to be used for other handcrafted shawls. Thank You!

Shawls given to date... 265



April 13, 2022

Since conflict began in late February, millions of people have fled Ukraine, with hundreds of thousands more in dire need within their country.

How is Lutheran World Relief helping?

We are committing \$7 million to respond to this crisis, and we expect to increase this amount as we secure additional funding.

Our Humanitarian Action team is working with partners to implement programming based on short and long-term needs **in Poland and in Ukraine**. We have deployed additional technical staff to support our relief operations, including a program manager, a health advisor, and an advisor to lead our efforts to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse in Ukraine and for Ukrainian refugees.

Our response in Ukraine includes:

- **Medical supplies and equipment.** We are supporting health facilities in Ukraine in partnership with the Order of Malta by providing supplies, including surgical and wound care kits, gauze, IV kits, oxygen masks, defibrillators and stretchers.
- **Partnerships with networks throughout Ukraine to provide shelter.** We are partnering with networks in Ukraine to provide ongoing support to six facilities that are being used to shelter internally displaced persons. We're providing food and essential supplies and equipment, like folding beds, pillows, heaters, laundry detergent, toilet paper, and personal hygiene items. In all, we'll offer nearly 60,000 nights of

shelter for people who need a place to stay.

- **Identifying key gaps in the availability of services.** We are designing an assessment process to identify key gaps in the availability of health services related to gender-based violence, mental health services and psychosocial services and communicable diseases. This work will be used to inform our response to support the Ministry of Health and other health care providers in Ukraine.

Our response in Poland includes:

- **Emergency cash and vouchers for Ukrainian refugees in Poland.** We've committed \$2 million to this effort in a combined program with Lutheran World Federation (LWF) that will support an initial caseload of more than 1,300 refugee families for the next three months.
- **Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse:** We're integrating a referral system at our cash distribution sites in Poland so refugee women and children can safely and easily access protection services. We are an active member of the

Regional Gender Task Force for Ukraine response, which is co-chaired by UN Women and Care International.

- **Ongoing support for the Evangelical-Augsburg Church of St. Martin in Krakow, Poland, which has established a hostel for Ukrainian women and children.** We have provided essential supplies including milk, energy biscuits, personal hygiene products and room partition panels. We will continue to support the church to expand its relief operations in coordination with LWF.
- **Shipping and distributing LWR Quilts and Care Kits** in partnership with local organizations. We are grateful for the thousands of Lutherans across the United States whose care and generosity have made it possible for us to respond immediately. At this time, financial gifts are the number one need to assist refugees on the move.

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Yes, I want to help!

- Lutheran Disaster Response: Eastern Europe Crisis Response \$_____IDG0103
- Lutheran Disaster Response: Where needed most \$_____DDG0010

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP code _____

Email address _____

Give through your congregation or make your check out to Lutheran Disaster Response and send to: **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gifts Processing Center, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009** and write "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" or "Where needed most" on your check's memo line.

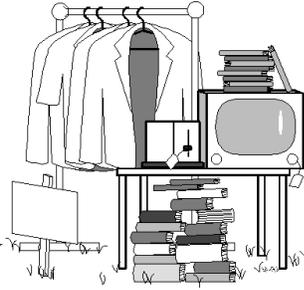


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God's work. Our hands.

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RECYCLE AND BAKE SALE

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 8 - 3
SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 8 - NOON



Staff

Pastor
Ministers
Office Manager
Choir Director
Pianists
Custodian

Vicar Pat Kempf
All Pilgrims
Fred Patten
Delores Kessel
Delores Kessel, Norah Brown
Dennis Wunsch

If you wish to give a gift to Pilgrim electronically, please go to www.pilgrimofwausau.org and click on the DONATE button on the home page. Thank you.

Donate



Services

Sundays 9:00 a.m. and Thursdays 6:30 p.m.

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