

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

In the Spirit of Thanksgiving

Tuesday, Nov. 21st

5:30 FELLOWSHIP MEAL / 6:30 SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

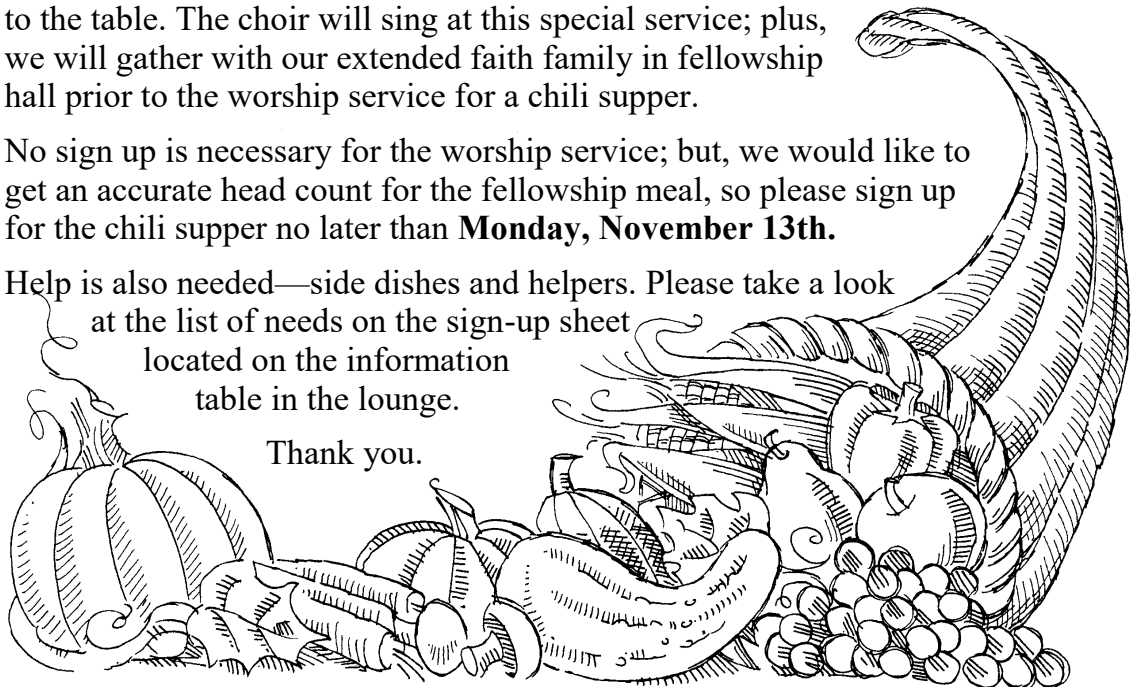


Join us in giving thanks for the abundant harvest (our own blessings), a celebration of one another, and a recognition of our God, who wants everyone brought to the table. The choir will sing at this special service; plus, we will gather with our extended faith family in fellowship hall prior to the worship service for a chili supper.

No sign up is necessary for the worship service; but, we would like to get an accurate head count for the fellowship meal, so please sign up for the chili supper no later than **Monday, November 13th**.

Help is also needed—side dishes and helpers. Please take a look at the list of needs on the sign-up sheet located on the information table in the lounge.

Thank you.





God's grace, peace, and mercy to you as we enter into this season of giving thanks!

Here at the synod office, we are giving thanks to all of you for your faithful ministry together, for your perseverance, and your patience in dwelling with one another during this season of ministry in the greater Wausau area. In particular, we want to lift up and celebrate the ministry of your council presidents and other leaders who have been part of making phone calls, coordinating, showing up for meetings, having conversations, and listening closely to where God is calling.

At this time in the Wausau area, there are seven congregations who are in a time of transition. Of those seven, each one is in a different season of ministry together. Some are newer congregations that started in the late 80s, others have been around for 150+ years, some are able to call a full-time pastor, others are not. No matter where your congregation is in this transition time, know that you are *all* in a time of Holy Conversation and discernment, and you are *all* being held tightly in prayer.

At some point in time, your council has received a brief orientation to a document called *Holy Conversations*. That document is for all congregations who find themselves in a new chapter of life and ministry together, no matter what their circumstances – it is for *all* congregations who are in transition and listening deeply for how God is calling them to serve their neighbors.

The *Holy Conversations* document outlines different pathways forward in ministry. The pathways are:

- **Choosing Transformation:** making significant change to current context from within to connect with God's mission. Options include: intentional vitality process (think of this as visioning), redevelopment, sale of building, and strengthening and equipping lay leadership.
- **Choosing Partnership:** engaging in shared ministry with another congregation(s) for the sake of the gospel. Options include shared ministry, merger/consolidation, and anchor church models.
- **Choosing Resurrection:** embracing the end with belief in the promise that God is doing a new thing. Options include word & service mission post; and holy closure.

My dear siblings in Christ: there are a *lot* of expressions of the ELCA faith tradition in Wausau. As your congregation is in discernment, we encourage you to consider not just the future of your own community, but to dream about what a stronger, more diverse community that is focused on serving the world could look like. That could mean that some congregations do the faithful work of selling their building and worshiping in a different one, some could do the faithful work of building a relationship and becoming a parish together, some could merge to become one congregation, and others could do the courageous and hard work of leaving a legacy through holy closure so new life and ministries can emerge. **All of these pathways are deeply faithful pathways.** None of them signify failure or a lack of faith. All of them are opportunities for your community to grow in relationship with God and with others. Also...all of them involve processing some grief too, because things just aren't the way they used to be.

Representatives from all the congregations in Wausau have been invited to come together on November 18th at St. Stephen's. During that time synod staff will share resources that will help congregations along in their discernment. We are hopeful that the time together will help provide more clarity as we all travel together through this sacred season of ministry.

God is on the move in Wausau! Let's all turn our ears to listen deeply for God's call so we can move forward together in mission!

Peace be the journey,

Pastor Dara Q. Clifford
Associate to the Bishop, Director for Evangelical Mission
East Central Synod of Wisconsin

Make a joyful noise!

“There are eighty-eight keys on a piano and within that, an entire universe.”

— James Rhodes

This article is different from my usual articles. I am not going to write about any particular kind of music or any particular hymns. I am going to write about the need we are facing at Pilgrim to replace our digital piano.

First, I want to write a kind of eulogy for the digital piano we have used in our sanctuary for more than 28 years. It has worked very well for us. We could even say it has been a faithful servant. Because it has been present in our sanctuary, Norah Brown and I have been able to support our congregation’s worship experience for people who are in church as well as people who worship in their homes. We have played it to support our hymn singing and we have played it to create a meditative atmosphere in our sanctuary. Sometimes we have played it to set a jazzy tone for our services. For all the reasons we have played it, our digital piano has been responsive to our hands, and it has touched our hearts. I feel confident that both Norah and I, as the pianists at Pilgrim, have felt privileged to play it. Now it is time for us to say, “Well done, good and faithful servant.”

There are several reasons we need to replace our digital piano.

- Sometimes the sustain pedal doesn’t engage. That makes the music sound very choppy and quite unpleasant.
- Sometimes the sound in the lower notes suddenly loses volume in the middle of a song.
- The keyboard has transposed itself down. That means the notes we play on the keyboard sound lower than the music as it is written.
- Two keys don’t have any sound.

Most of these problems have occurred this year.

We have learned that our digital piano is likely not repairable. The model of the piano we have was introduced to the market in 1993 and it was discontinued in 2000. Parts for it are no longer being made. The ability to get them would be quite random and we may not be able to get all the parts we need to bring it back to full function. There is not a repair person in our area; the nearest one is in Verona, near Madison. We would have to transport our piano to them; they don’t do service calls. A man at the repair shop told me he thinks our best option is to replace it. The life span of a digital piano ranges from 20-50 years so we can safely say our piano has stood the test of time.

We are in the process of fundraising for a replacement and have found two very good options at Heid Music in Stevens Point. **We appreciate your consideration of a donation that will help us get our new piano as quickly as possible. We are thankful to all the Pilgrims who have already made donations toward our new purchase.**

We are choosing to replace our digital piano with another digital piano for several reasons.

- A digital piano can be hooked directly into our sound system so people who worship at home will be able to hear it without too much distortion.
- We will be able to continue recording music for our Thursday evening services.
- We can get sounds in addition to the sound of a piano on a digital piano. These extra sounds, for instance brass instruments, can enhance our worship from time to time.

With thanks for congregation members who are responsive to Pilgrim’s needs.

With thanks for creative people who invented digital pianos.

Delores Kessel

LSS Conditional Release Clients

CHRISTMAS GIFTS



In gratitude and with joy we focus on those in need; and, at this time of year we continue our tradition of lending support to the Conditional Release Clients of Lutheran Social Services. Pilgrim has a long history of supporting this mission in various ways, one of which is by providing gifts for their annual Christmas party. These gifts are likely to be the only ones many of them will receive. This year, there are 22 people (six women and 16 men). We are collecting the following items **through November 26th**. A basket is placed under the information table in the lounge for your offerings. Thank you.

- | | |
|----------------|------------|
| <u>Women</u> | <u>Men</u> |
| 6 body lotions | 16 gloves |
| 6 bubble baths | 16 hats |

For All

22 ChapSticks/Lip Balms

Monetary donations for Kwik Trip gift cards
(or, if you prefer, pick up \$10 Kwik Trip cards,
which is the amount we will be giving as gifts.)

December 3rd is the first Sunday in Advent

We wait for the coming of the Lord, two thousand years ago and the arrival yet to occur. What did they expect from the Messiah then and what do we long for today? We travel with holy anticipation to meet the newborn king in the manger as we wait in hope for today.

Some practical ways to prepare for Advent:

- Keep an Advent calendar **(available in the church lounge)**
- Get or make an Advent wreath
- Set up a nativity scene
- Have an Advent tree



The Ordination of Pastor Patrick Kempf, Sunday, October 1st, 2023

More pictures and a video are available on Our Saviors-Skogdalen Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/oursaviors.skogdalen>

(photos by Karen Larson)

Pilgrim Day of Prayer Thursday, Nov. 30th

9:00 – 6:15 pm Sanctuary Open for Prayer
6:30 – 7:15 Thursday Worship

*“I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.” —Ps. 121:1-2*

Why is Pilgrim having a Day of Prayer?

Recognizing that our help does, indeed, come from the Lord, as the Psalm above reminds us, we wish to humble our hearts before God and seek God’s guidance in an intentional way.

What will be the focus of this prayer time?

1. To pray for the ministries of Pilgrim Lutheran Church and other local churches, our community, and the world.
2. To bring before the Lord our personal needs and the needs of those we love, especially as we enter the Advent Season, and prepare our hearts for Christmas.

How can I participate?

1. Be in the church sanctuary, where there will be soft lighting and contemplative music. The church will be open for prayer from 9:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. Come at your convenience, for as long as you like. (Note that Thursday worship will take place as usual at 6:30 pm.)
2. If you are not able to come to the church, be in prayer at home or work at a dedicated time during that day.
3. Fill out this prayer request form for specific concerns you have and others will join in prayer for these concerns on the Day of Prayer.

Please drop this form in an offering plate, the prayer request box, or mail to the church office by Sunday, November 19th.

Mount Calvary Wish List for People Who Are Homeless

Several items are needed, and because cold weather and winter are knocking at the door, emphasis is on filling those needs to help keep people warm. Nothing needs to be new. Here is the list.

Large backpacks, blankets, sleeping bags, small tents, tarps, cots (and one mat for one of the cots), warm coats/hats/gloves/mittens, hiking boots/winter boots/tennis shoes (mostly men’s sizes 10, 10½, 11), warm hooded sweat-shirts, men’s jeans and sweat-pants (all sizes), men’s long underwear/underwear/socks, hand-warmers, deodorant, hygiene products, bikes, bike locks, bike tire pumps, triple A batteries, water flavor packets, instant coffee, 185/65 R14 tires for a car, and gas card.

If you have something on the list, please drop it off at Pilgrim. Items will then be given to Mount Calvary who drops them off at three different places: the Salvation Army on 2nd Avenue, the Warming Shelter on Grand Avenue, and the Marty Bus parked downtown on Drive. If you have any questions, call or text Sherry Johnson at 715-571-2620.

Thank you.

ITEMS-OF-THE-MONTH

Blessings That Give Hope

November

Macaroni & Cheese

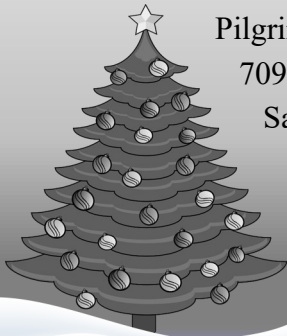
Deodorant

(men & women)

Christmas Sing-a-long



Traditional Christmas Carols
—open to all, bring your family & friends—



Pilgrim Lutheran Church
709 Weston Avenue, Wausau
Saturday, December 16th
2:00 pm, in the sanctuary



Light refreshments will follow.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

300 N. First Street, Wausau

Members Only Sale

Wednesday, Nov. 1, 5 - 7:30
(non-members can join at the door)

*Also: there are members-only
book sales on the third Saturday
of every month!*

Public Invited

Thursday, Nov. 2, 9:30 - 7:30

Friday, Nov. 3, 9:30 - 4:30

Bag Sale Day—\$6.00 a Bag

Saturday, Nov. 4, 9:30 - 3:30

Visit the library for great deals on books, movies, music, and more! All book sale proceeds are used to support library programs.

MITTEN SUNDAY November 12



We will begin collecting warm mittens, gloves, hats, socks, and scarves for all ages when the Mitten Tree goes up on November 12. Please bring your offerings to help our neighbors in need. Your donations will be delivered to local schools and other non-profit organizations.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY November 5 Remembering New Saints and Old

Sunday, November 5, is set aside as a time of grateful remembrance of the saints victorious—those who lived in the Lord, and have now died. It is also a time to remember the newest saints—those who were baptized into Christ.

You will have an opportunity to remember these people of faith in your lives during the worship service in a special All Saint's Procession of Remembrance. Bring a candle from home to symbolize the light of the loved one(s) you are remembering, or use one of the votive candles that will be available at the service.

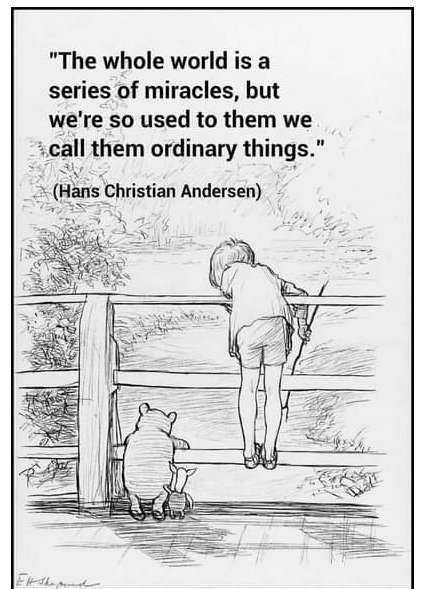
This year, we will especially honor the following:

Saints victorious—those who were members of Pilgrim, or their funerals were handled through Pilgrim this past year:

Arlette Hildebrandt
Frank Tucek

"The whole world is a series of miracles, but we're so used to them we call them ordinary things."

(Hans Christian Andersen)



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

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

The next gathering for food, faith, and fellowship is **November 9th**. Contact Eugene Viegut (715-359-9895) if you are interested in joining.

Book Study Group *Jesus Revolution*

This study group will meet monthly at 9:00 a.m. on Saturdays:

Final Session
November 11th

shout **OUT!**

- To Stan Myers for helping to remove the window screens and putting up the storm windows in the sanctuary
- To our lawn mowing crew: Kevin Zaitz, Logan Zatz, Randy Ecker, Bob Windorski, John Trempe, Jason Viegut, and Eugene Viegut
- To Randy Ecker for picking up the pine needles in the parking lot
- To Dennis Wunsch for designing the piano fundraiser poster in the lounge
- To Jeff and Delores Kessel and Frank and Sue Koerten for bringing the feeling of Fall to the lounge and the sanctuary
- To our visiting pastors, Bill Schrubba and Natalie Bassett, and our lay ministers, Kay Palmer and Shirley Ecker, for leading worship services and sharing God's love with us this month.

Christmas Poinsettias

Premium poinsettias in red, white, pink, and marble are available this year for \$10 per plant. These holiday plants come in a 6.5" pot.



*Please submit orders to the church office, along with payment, no later than **Sunday, November 26**. The poinsettias will decorate our altar for worship services on **Sunday and Monday, December 24th and December 25th**. Poinsettias can be picked up after worship on **Christmas Day**. Thank you!*

Name _____

Quantity of Plants: _____

___ Red ___ White ___ Pink ___ Marble

Total Plants: _____ x \$10 = \$ _____

In Memory of: _____

In Celebration of: _____

Change your clock,

CHANGE your batteries

Sunday, November 5th,
Daylight Savings Time ends.
Turn your clocks back.

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
October 10th, 2023
Unapproved

PRESENT IN PERSON: President Shirley Ecker, Vice President Jeanette Carlson, Secretary Jenni Zaitz, Treasurer Charles Freiberg, Eugene Viegut, Terra Ecker, Charlene Buttner, Jim Lenselink, and Delores Kessel.

EXCUSED: Sue Koerten and Janet Williams

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT: (Jenni Zaitz) Minutes were reviewed from the September 12, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. A motion was made by Lenselink, second by Carlson to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Charles Freiberg): Reviewed the current finances. We are nine months into the year and our offering is on par with the last couple of years. Our net gain is due primarily to not having a salary expense. A motion was made by Buttner, second by Viegut to accept the Treasurers Reports. Motion carried.

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT: (Jeanette Carlson) Jeanette will be setting up a Budget Committee meeting with President, Vice President, Treasurer, Stewardship and Building and Grounds Committee Representatives.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Shirley Ecker) Bob and Rheta Utech have asked to transfer their membership from Pilgrim Lutheran Church to Saint John in the Village of Maine. A motion was made by Terra Ecker, second by Lenselink to accept with regret

their request to transfer. Motion carried. On September 17th, Pastor Dara was sick so Pastor Andrea presided over the service and town hall meeting. There will be a meeting on November 18th to discuss the situation of not having enough pastors with Pastor Asher, Pastor Dara and Pastor Andrea at Saint Stephen from 9:00 A.M to 11:30 A.M. Shirley and 2-3 council or congregation members are invited to attend. Shirley, Jim, Sue and Terra will be attending a shared ministry meeting with Mount Calvary on October 12 at 6:00 P.M. The Wunsch family has requested to use Fellowship Hall on Thursday, November 23 from 7:00 A.M to 8:00 P.M. for their family Thanksgiving celebration. A motion was made by Buttner, second by Viegut to allow the Wunsch family to use Fellowship Hall on Thursday, November 23 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for their Thanksgiving celebration. Motion carried.

WORSHIP REPORT: (Sue Koerten & Delores Kessel) We are set for a combined Thanksgiving service with St. Stephen on Tuesday, November 21 at 6:30. Someone needs to start planning the soup supper that is scheduled for 5:30. The choir will sing at the service. Pastor Karoline will participate however she is asked to participate. Pastor Natalie Bassett is scheduled to be our supply Pastor that evening. It was recommended that we invite Immanuel to the Thanksgiving service as well as any other congregation that we would like to invite. Some of the congregations have already paired up for Thanksgiving services. Last year the Thanksgiving offering was designated to ELCA World Hunger, Salvation Army and the Neighbors Place. A motion was made by Viegut, second by Freiberg to keep the designation the same in 2023. Motion Carried. A shared Christmas Carol sing along will be held at Pilgrim on

the afternoon of December 16th. It will be followed by refreshments. On September 5th Delores attended the Thursday night service to talk with the people that attend that service about the idea of having a shared mid-week service with Pilgrim, Mt. Calvary, St John's in Mosinee and St. Andrew. The people who attend the Thursday night service are not opposed to the idea but do not want to drive to unfamiliar places in the dark. The members of Mt. Calvary and St. John's said the same thing. The idea of shared mid-week services is on hold until summer when it will be light later into the evening. The Advent Choral Service will take place at St. Stephen on December 10th and at Pilgrim on December 17th. The worship team agreed to sponsor a reception after the service. Choir members will be asked if they are willing to contribute to the reception. Mt. Calvary has had a "Blue Christmas" service for several years (COVID years excluded). This year they have invited Pilgrim, St. John's in Mosinee and St. Andrew to be co-hosts for the service. Since this is something that Mt. Calvary has done in the past they will take the lead in how the service will go. Delores will be attending a meeting on Thursday, October 12 to discuss this event. Some of the other ELCA congregations in Wausau are actively sending out small teams of people to visit the other congregations that are without pastors to see how their services are run and whether or not they would be a good partner for shared ministry. Some of these congregations are also experimenting with having their worship leaders exchange pulpits and musicians. We are moving forward with fundraising to buy a new digital piano. We have 2 very good choices available at Heid Music in Stevens Point. We have quotes on two instruments that are good until

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October 19th. The local store doesn't have anything to say about the prices that they can quote for the instruments. The prices are set by Yamaha Company, which is the parent for Clavinovas, the industry standard for digital pianos. Yamaha sends out notices when their prices will change but when that will happen is unpredictable so we do not know how long after October 19 our quote is good for. We have learned that our pipe organ can be mic'd so it can be used during our worship services and people at home will be able to hear it. We still need a reliable instrument for recording our Thursday night services, for hymns that work better on the piano than on an organ and for accompanying the choir. November 5th is all Saints Sunday. November 12th the mitten tree will go up. Thursday, November 30th will be the Day of Prayer at Pilgrim, and the other congregations will be invited. December 3rd is the first Sunday of Advent.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: (Eugene Viegut) All the shrubbery have been trimmed. The leak in the roof above the coffee area has been repaired. The light fixture on the south entrance to Fellowship Hall has been replaced. The insulation will hopefully be done this month. This is Eugene's last year of taking care of the weeding, trimming the bushes and taking care of the flowers. Someone else will need to take over in the spring.

EVANGELISM: Trunk-n-Treat will be held at Good Shepherd on Friday, October 27th.

BLESSINGS THAT GIVE HOPE: No report

CHURCH AND SOCIETY: (Charlene Buttner) Empty Bowls will be held on October 14 at Community Partners Campus, 360 Grand Avenue Wausau from 11:00

A.M. to 3:00 P.M. It will include an art show, food truck rally, artisan made bowls and a raffle. Make a Difference Day is October 28th. Volunteers are needed for raking, bagging, and hauling leaves for elderly and disabled homeowners across Marathon County. Contact Carly to register at channey@unitedwaymc.org or 715-298-5719. Community Partners is in the process of creating an on call system of organizations able to provide a warm space for people to eat a meal and spend the night to get out of the weather when they have an overflow of people. Saint Stephen would like to partner with another congregation to get involved. There will be a meeting to discuss this on November 6th.

LIFE & GROWTH: (Janet Williams) No report

STEWARDSHIP: (Jim Lenselink) No report

CHILDREN & YOUTH: Terra will be starting Sunday School on Sunday, October 15th following the children's sermon.

Progress articles are due October 20, 2023

New Business: A motion was made by Freiberg, second by Viegut to move the January council meeting from January 9th to January 16th to allow some extra time following the Holiday to complete the year end stuff. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: At 8:10 a motion was made by Terra Ecker, second by Freiberg to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. Jenni Zaitz has devotions.

Respectfully submitted,
Jenni Zaitz, Secretary

Parish Updates
TRANSFER Robert and Rheta Utech October 11, 2023 St. John's Lutheran Church Maine, WI



Where the fabric of life is being ripped apart, God is mending and quilting.





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

Brian Widmark	11/01	Julian Brown	11/14
Bruce Bartell	11/04	Joel Rhyner	11/14
Jill Myers	11/04	Norah Brown	11/17
Jackson Brown	11/08	Elise Laughlin	11/17
Linda Konkel	11/09	Kay Palmer	11/19
Steven Poppe	11/11	Debi Rhyner	11/20
Zackary Billington	11/12	Sarah Landeau	11/24
Sue Koerten	11/12	Rebecca Stubbe	11/27
David Clemment	11/13	Debra Kaetterhenry	11/30

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

November

1 Adam Petersen	16 Jay Schlitz
2 Patti Petersen	17 Ruth Schlitz
3 Ryan Petersen	18 Ramona Schmitz
4 Walter Petersen	19 Brauley Schneider
5 Doug Pittsley	20 John A. Schneider
6 Kim Pittsley	21 John R. Schneider
7 Caroline Randow	22 Karla Schneider
8 Timothy Remley	23 Nancy Schneider
9 Debi Rhyner	24 Wesley Schneider
10 Jean Rhyner	25 Marion Schultz
11 Joel Rhyner	26 Carol Shaw
12 Brandon Roberts	27 Linda Soenksen
13 Patricia Roberts	28 Steven Soenksen
14 Ken Rueth	29 Bonnie Spangberg
15 Lynn Rueth	30 Alissa Strick

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
			1 6:30 Choir	2 6:30 Worship	3	4
5 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 7:45 Evangelism Team Meeting 9:00 Worship	6	7 11:45 Prayer Circle	8 9:00 Busy Bee Quilters 6:30 Choir	9 7:30 Men's Bible Study at Eagle's Nest 6:30 Worship	10	11 9:00 <i>Jesus Revolution</i> Book Study
12 9:00 Worship	13	14 11:45 Prayer Circle 6:30 Council Mtg.	15 6:30 Choir	16 9-1 WRV Conference Mtg. 6:30 Worship	17 Lay School	18 Lay School 9-11 Synod Lead All-Church Mtg. St. Stephen
19 9:00 Worship 10:15 SS	20	21 11:45 Prayer Circle 5:30 Soup Supper 6:30 Worship	22 6:30 Choir Progress Article Deadline	23 THANKSGIVING DAY No Worship	24	25
26 9:00 Worship	27	28 11:45 Prayer Circle	29 6:30 Choir	30 DAY OF PRAYER 9:00-6:00 Prayer in the Sanctuary 6:30 Worship		

FINANCIAL INFORMATION UPDATE October 26, 2023

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
\$ 70,432 Balance: 09/28/2023	
\$ 650 Principal Payment	\$90,386 \$88,550
\$ 224 Interest Payment	
\$ 69,782 Balance: 10/26/2023	Outstanding Bills
	\$2,890 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

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.

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

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... 281

CAN'T GET TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY?

**COME WORSHIP
THURSDAYS AT 6:30 PM!**

We gather for worship each week in a simple service of hymns, prayers, Scripture, sermon, and the Lord's Supper. We don't "dress up," and it only lasts 30 – 40 minutes. If your spirit needs food for the journey, please consider joining us. We promise you will be fed!

SUNDAY, NOV. 5
All Saints Sunday
(turn your clocks back)

SUNDAY, NOV. 12
Mitten Sunday

TUESDAY, NOV. 21
Chili Supper and Service of Gratitude

THURSDAY, NOV. 30
Day of Prayer

Staff

Ministers
Office Manager
Choir Directors
Pianists
Custodian

All Pilgrims
Fred Patten
Jim Lenselink/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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Sharing God's Never-Ending Love with All People through Faith and Service!

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