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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Zoom Online
Sunday
9:00 am

Office Hours

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

Friday
8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Notes from the Pastor...

William Ostrem

Greeting and Blessings to You!

As I continue with part two of this series, we look at the second half of the 12 statements that clergy would like the congregation to know. I am humbled by the opportunities that I have had in my life in ministry, both as a lay person supporting those in this vocation and as a vicar serving others. As Pilgrim becomes a teaching congregation and a place for others to shape their own pastoral identity and authority, it is good to be reminded and encouraged about the role of the congregation as it journeys with them.

7. No one is perfect.

When you are unrealistic about me, it can make it difficult to relate to you in an honest, transparent fashion. We try to be available to all people, we just can't be available at all times. Don't make us little "g" gods or paragons of virtue with expectations that are too high to reach. We can't possibly fulfill all those expectations and when we fail, only deep hurt can happen.

8. Even clergy need grace.

We all have bad days, and we all live in a world marked by sharp differences of opinion, unmanageable stress, and the pressure to be everything to everyone. Like you, we will have moments when we are impatient, when we lose our temper, when we didn't recognize what you needed, or when we react when attacked personally. We try to remember to say we are sorry, but we will still need grace, forgiveness, understanding, and mutual respect.

9. We can't hold together a church that you are determined to re-make to suit yourself.

We work very hard to discern the will of God, that is what led us to dedicate our lives in service, but no one knows the will of God in the absolute sense of the word. Along the way, we will feel theologically bound to make a decision you don't approve. Wait long enough and we will make one that others don't like either. If we offer transparent, sound reasons for making a choice, we hope you will remember that we are doing the best we can to hear God and to hear you. Please remember that we journey with you because you asked us to be your spiritual leader, let us serve as the shepherds you called us to be.

10. We don't like talking about money any more than you do.

We might even like it less. But we live in a world in which many good things can only be accomplished by raising money and spending it. We will try to avoid asking for the wrong thing. We focus on vision, not vanity. We hope that you will remember that the money you give is for something far larger than any of us, it is for

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HOLY WEEK

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God's mission in the world that through all of our gifts, the presence of God's love can be seen, heard, and felt.

11. Bring your gifts to the table.

Jesus called many to be around him, filled them with the Holy Spirit, and sent them out. He called twelve people who were asked to find twelve more, who—over the centuries—have called billions of others. You are God's gift to the world and there are contributions that only you can make. We encourage those gifts because we see them in you. Please offer those gifts to others. No one can speak your story except for you. Our lives will be enriched and yours will become more of what God created you to be.

This list, when created many years ago and at the time, addressed real concerns for the whole church not just a congregation. At that time, no one knew what this past year was going to be for us. This last point is the most critical point of all.

12. Pray for us.

These are challenging days for the church. They are also days filled with potential. We wake up every morning with you in our prayers and you are loved by God and us daily. On many days, we carry the weight of the world as we discern God's voice and yours. You nurture us in this vocation. Please pray for us. We continue to pray for you.

Mitakuye Oyasin and Peace,
Vicar Will

Palm Sunday Drive-In Worship Service
March 28th

In Community with Voice
Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a, Mark 11:1-11
Lesson...Psalm 31:9-16
Gospel Reading...Mark 14:1-42

Maundy Thursday Zoom Worship Service
April 1st

In Community with Sacrament and Service
6th Petition: "and lead us not into temptation"
Lesson...Exodus 12:1-4,11-14
Gospel Reading...John 13:1-17,31b-35

Good Friday Zoom Worship Service
April 2nd

In Community at the Cross
7th Petition: "but deliver us from evil."
Lesson...Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9
Gospel Reading...John 18:1-19:42

Easter Sunday Drive-In Worship Service
April 4th

In Community with God
Conclusion: "For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen."
Lesson...Isaiah 25:6-9
Gospel Reading...John 20:1-18



SAVE A LIFE

The Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin will be conducting a blood drive here at Pilgrim:

Thursday
April 15
3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Call 715-842-0761 to make an appointment. Drop-ins are also welcome.

Make a joyful noise!

“Love has come again, like wheat arising green.”

~John McLeod Campbell Crum

I was lucky enough to be in the first class of people who attended the East Central Synod Lay School of Ministry. One of the things I learned during my time at lay school is that many of our best-known Easter hymns are written in a style that is very similar to military music; the composers and lyricists took a victory lap because Jesus’s resurrection won the battle over sin. And an epic battle it was—Jesus had to die, and he did die, to rescue us from having to pay the price for our sins. And then he arose!!!

While that theme of victory in battle is certainly present in many of our Easter songs, there are other themes in our Easter music as well. As with all our hymns, they are meant to help us know God, bear witness to God, and to sing of our love of God and our faith in him to others.

“Now the Green Blade Rises” is an Easter song that is a metaphor for Jesus rising from the dead just as a seed that generates a new plant dies in order for the germ of the seed to grow. It is a hymn that takes a very personal look at what Easter means for us. It helps us know that **Jesus is risen. Today. For us.** The last verse of the hymn focuses on our need to have a Resurrection that is current.

*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.*

Another hymn that we Pilgrims often sing at Easter is “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee.” This hymn, filled with hope, is one of the most joyous hymns ever written in the English language.

*Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow’rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav’n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow’ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.*

Some people may see this hymn as overly romantic, but it seems to me to be perfect for the Easter season. It reminds us of almost every image of beauty that our minds can imagine. It offers hope at a time when we need hope. We have our God to lean on. After a typically long Wisconsin winter, spring is almost here. And in 2021, we are hopeful that the COVID pandemic will soon end.

*With gratitude for the creative hymn writers who help us express
the meaning of Easter along with our Easter joy in many different ways,*

—Delores Kessel

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee!

PILGRIM'S WAY FORWARD—STANDING OUTSIDE THE GATE

It has been a long year! It was last March that we discontinued in person services at Pilgrim. Some will remember our sloppy, slushy Easter Sunday with only a parade of cars and a recorded service to mark the Resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ. We have put up with recorded services, communion out of plastic disposable containers, and sub-zero temperatures to hear the good news of Jesus' birth and hear some of our favorite hymns at Christmas. Here we are, a year later.

The COVID-19 Pandemic has wreaked havoc with our every day lives, including our Church community. There is light at the end of this dark tunnel, and it is not a freight train! Cases of COVID 19 continue to decline on a daily basis, with some days here locally with no cases. More businesses and other institutions are beginning to open. There are fewer people being hospitalized and far fewer deaths in recent weeks. Miracle vaccines are rapidly being deployed. Some of our church community has been vaccinated, with most of those who wish to be vaccinated in line to get their shot by the end of the second quarter.

Pilgrim's Church Council, with the recommendations of our COVID-19 Task Force, took action at our March 9 Council meeting to inch forward, toward re-opening the Church for in-person worship.

- Lenten services will continue to be held via Zoom services which will be recorded and available on the Pilgrim website, after the services as usual.
- Holy week services, Maundy Thursday and Friday will be Zoom services as well.
- **Drive-ins are back!**
 - **Palm Sunday will be a drive-in service**, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
 - **Easter Sunday will be a drive-in service** with a car parade to follow immediately after the service. Services begin at 9:00 a.m. Communion will be provided for those choosing to partake.
 - Pre-recorded services will be available for these two services on Pilgrim's website.
 - In case of inclement weather, drive-in's will be cancelled.
 - Drive-In Services will continue on Sunday's at 9:00 a.m., weather permitting.
- The next meeting of the COVID Task Force and Worship Committee is April 6, 2021. At that time new recommendations will be made based on current information. The Church Council will meet the following week to take up the recommendations. **If you have opinions regarding this matter, you are encouraged to contact a member of the council or committee members.**

Our goal is to open the Church's doors to in-person worship and other activities as soon as reasonably possible. Safety of our Pilgrim family is at the center of these decisions. Given the safety measures already in place, and God willing, it will not be long before we are able to meet in person once again.

I stumbled on this poetic verse, "*I Stood Outside the Gate*," written in 1870 by an American poet, Josephine Pollard (1834-1892), musical score for a hymn was written by Hubert Main. It is fitting for today's trials and our yearning to enter the Church once again.

God's Blessings To All,
Jean Trempe, Council President

I Stood Outside the Gate

I stood outside the gate,
A poor, wayfaring child;
Within my heart there beat
A tempest loud and wild;
A fear oppressed my soul,
That I may be too late;
And oh, I trembled sore,
And prayed outside the gate,
And prayed outside the gate.

Oh, "Mercy!" loud I cried,
"Now give me rest from sin!"
"I will," a voice replied;
And Mercy let me in;
She bound my bleeding wounds,
And soothed my heart oppressed;
She washed away my guilt,
And gave me peace and rest,
And gave me peace and rest.

In Mercy's guise I knew
The Savior long abused,
Who often sought my heart,
And wept when I refused;
Oh! What a blest return
For all my years of sin!
I stood outside the gate,
And Jesus let me in,
And Jesus let me in.

Happy Easter!

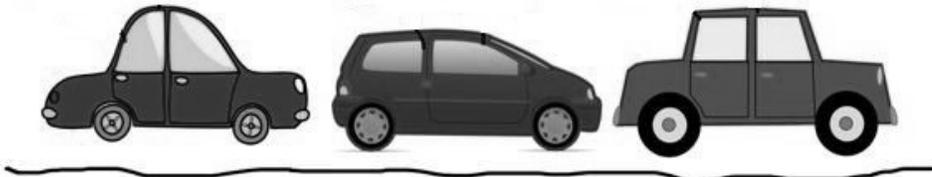
We all need a break from the current situation we find ourselves in. We cannot celebrate Easter in our usual fashion due to the COVID 19 pandemic, but perhaps we can share the good news of Jesus' resurrection a bit differently this year.

How about an Easter Parade to share our joy with our Southeast side neighbors?

If you are interested in joining the parade, come to the drive-in service at Pilgrim Lutheran Church on Sunday morning April 4, Easter Sunday. The parade of cars will begin immediately after the worship service. We will form a caravan of vehicles in the parking lot and start our parade from there. You and your family can stay in the safety of your vehicle. Decorate your vehicle, wear your Easter bonnet if you like, but it is not required.

If you are interested in participating or need more information, call Pilgrim at 715-842-4544 or contact Jean Trempe at 715-845-4611.

Let your neighbors know we will be parading through the neighborhood in honor of Jesus' great gift of hope this Easter Sunday!



Congratulations to Wausau West Warrior student athletes taking their sports talents to college next year. Wes Schneider, son of John Schneider (top row, third person from left) playing football at Ripon College. Robyn Kirsch, granddaughter of Gigs and Ginny Kirsch (bottom row, center) playing volleyball for UW Oshkosh.



shout OUT!

- ☺ To all who have contributed to the Lutheran World Relief Season of Hope personal care kits. We collected more than double the amount from last year. Congratulations to all!
- ☺ To our note writers, mailing out some Easter cheer, including: Kathy Brown, Cathy Gottschalk, Sue Koerten, Delores Kessel, and Mary Swanson. And, to Jean Trempe for supplying the cards.
- ☺ To all those who attend the Sunday and Lenten worship services via Zoom, watch the recorded services online, or join with other worshippers at the outdoor drive-in services held in the parking lot; to those who participate in the services—including the singers, accompanists, worship assistants, and ushers; and, to those who are unable to participate but are committed to Christ and to this congregation.
- ☺ To Jeff Kessel for his spirited conversation during the coffee hours following our Sunday Zoom worship services.
- ☺ To our altar guild, for all that they do to care for the needs of the altar and our worship services



Help a Pilgrim Family

This past year has been very difficult for many people, including some of our family members, neighbors, and people within our own congregation.

One of our Pilgrim families has come across some very hard times and could use our prayers and assistance. The Evangelism Team has been discussing possible ways to help the family and have decided to reach out to our members to ask for your help in making a difference in their lives, in whatever way you can.

We will be collecting new or gently used clothes: boy's size 6; girl's size 4T; girl's size 6-9 months; diapers size 2; and, outside toys for kids ages 6 and under. Monetary donations would help with other essential items the family needs such as food, gas, etc. The family is also in need of a stackable washer and dryer, so if you know of anyone that is getting rid of one, let one of the Evangelism Team members know what the measurements are and we will check with the family to see if it will fit.

We will be collecting until Sunday, April 11th. Drop off the items at church and place under the coat rack in the lounge. Mark you monetary donations as "Help a Pilgrim Family." If you have any questions please contact one of the team members.

Thank you.

The Evangelism Team (*Mollie Augustine, Shirley Ecker,
Jeanette Carlson, Jeanne Wunsch, Vicar Will*)

FIRST COMMUNION—SHARE YOUR STORIES

One of the cornerstones of our faith within the ELCA is the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This is a time when we gather as the Body of Christ and share at the Lord's table the gifts that God has given us. We celebrate this in the community with all the saints that have come before us and with all that will come after. We join together with the breaking of bread and sharing in the cup, the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

In celebrating this, we have the opportunity to not only remember our own faith and the receiving of these gifts, but we also welcome all to the table. In the coming weeks, we, as the children of God will be celebrating with **Easton Augustine**, his First Communion on Sunday, April 18th. In remembrance of this milestone, I want to gather messages, letters, or cards that can be collected together and given to him on that day. Some message idea starters would be:

- *I want you to know that Holy Communion means to me ...*
- *Some of my earliest memories of receiving Holy Communion include ...*
- *The first time I received Holy Communion, I ...*
- *When I receive the bread and wine at Holy Communion, I often think ...*
- *I am glad to join at Holy Communion because ...*

This is an opportunity for you to share your faith story with **Easton** and celebrate with him on this glorious and wonderful day. Please consider taking this opportunity to be able to share with **Easton** and his family. **Please send them to:**

Eaglespride@tds.net or to the Pilgrim office,
c/o **Easton Augustine** by, Monday, APRIL 12th, 2020.



One outstanding show that's truly enjoyable to view is that of the high school student art exhibit currently on display at the Center For Visual Arts. Students for high schools of Assumption, Edgar, Marathon, Stratford, Prentice, Athens, Rib Lake, Phillips, and Abbotsford are represented. It's an eye-opening display of the talent these high school students have and the professional way in which their art is presented. It's certainly something to be admired and encouraged. Meanwhile, the Riverfront Arts Center in Stevens Point currently is hosting it's "Winter Garden Show" as mentioned last month. From March 26 through April 18th, this gallery will feature its annual "Peeps Show," displaying many clever adaptations of those tasty little marshmallow "Peeps" you see in the candy isle right now. It may sound boring, but don't sell the local artists short. There are some pretty clever adaptations of these yummy little "Easter Season" treats. Please check out the websites for details. —Patrick Plunkett

UPDATE: THE NEXT PASTOR IN THE MAKING

Most of you are aware that Vicar William will be graduating from his divinity program in May and begins the process of interviewing for his first full-time call. I am happy to report that progress has been made toward finding our next Pastor in training.

Over the past several weeks we worked with Associate Bishop Asher Callaghan of our Synod as well as Pastor Tim Coltvet, Director of Contextual Learning at Luther College in Minneapolis. I am convinced that God helped us in our timing.

After completing a lengthy site applications, during the week of February 22, we had the opportunity to interview four candidates interested in serving at Pilgrim. Pastor Erik Olson, long-time Pastor of First English here in Wausau assisted with the interviews. He has agreed to serve as our new trainee's Supervising Pastor. We are grateful to Pastor Erik for agreeing to help us. He will do a wonderful job. Thank you to Eugene Viegut and Delores Kessel for preparing questions and conducting the interviews.

All of these candidates are entering their internship year and have completed course work toward their master's degree in divinity at Luther Seminary. All of the candidates have differing personalities, skills, and life experiences that would serve Pilgrim's congregation well. After

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the interviews, the interview team completed a survey for each candidate aimed at finding the best fit. The candidates will complete a survey as well, helping them to determine which Church will be a good fit for them. The surveys will then be reviewed to determine the best match.

The next steps involve learning the results of the survey information and ultimately learning if one of these candidates is a good fit. This decision is made by the Seminary with our Synod ultimately making the decision for placement. The Seminary shared that the results will be available perhaps as early as mid-March but could run into early April. Assuming Pilgrim is one of the sites selected, the internship would begin in the fall, possibly earlier, depending on the candidate.

Frank Koerten, Mollie Augustine, Bob Windorski, Larry Brandenburg, and Delores Kessel have agreed to serve as our internship committee once our candidate is selected. Thank you all for your willingness to be part of this important part of process.

All Pilgrims can participate in this process by saying a few prayers, asking for God's guidance and support for the candidates and all those involved as we work through this process.

God's Blessings to All,
Jean Trempe, Council President

"For nothing will be impossible with God."

—Luke 1:37

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 9th, 2021
(Unapproved)

PRESENT VIA ZOOM AND IN PERSON: President Jean Trempe, Vice President Shirley Ecker, Treasurer Charles Freiberg, Secretary Jenni Zaitz, Jeanne Wunsch, Eugene Viegut, Vicar William Ostrem, Sue Koerten, Janet Williams, Charlene Buttner and Jeff Kessel.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Jean Trempe called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Sue Koerten had devotions.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Jean Trempe) We are thinking about spring! Motion by Koerten and second by Buttner to order new soil for the community gardens. The cost of the soil is \$225.00 for 5 yards. We need to come up with some ideas to renew interest in the gardens. Last year 5 or 6 plots were not used. A Rummage Sale is being planned for May 22nd but could be moved to August 21 depending on what the Covid 19 numbers are later this spring. The following council positions are still vacant: Children & Youth and Stewardship. We also need a Homme Home Representative. Progress Articles are due March 19, 2021.

A motion was made by Ecker, second by Koerten to move the meeting into closed session. Motion Carried. For this part of the meeting Vicar Will and non-council members were excused. Plans were discussed for our next intern, including responsibilities, salary and benefit guidance. Pastor Eric from First English has agreed to be our Internship Supervisor. An application with Luther Seminary has

been completed with the use of the MSP Document that was updated by the Mission Possible Team. A motion to approve this document was made by Freiberg, second by Koerten. Motion Carried. Updates to the Vicar Responsibility Document was discussed and a motion was made by Koerten, second by Ecker to accept the document. Motion Carried. Four Internship Candidates have been interviewed. Next, it is determined if there is a match between an intern and a congregation. Each candidate will be ranked as to how they will fit into our congregation and the intern goes through the same type of process to determine if a congregation is a good fit for them. We could get an intern for either one year or two years. An Internship Committee has been formed and members include Frank Koerten, Mollie Augustine, Delores Kessel, Larry Brandenburg, and Bob Windorski. A motion was made by Ecker, second by Buttner to approve the Internship Committee. Motion carried. A motion was made by Freiberg to return to open Session.

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT: (Shirley Ecker) The mission possible team has met in the past few weeks to update the Ministry Site Profile (MSP) for Pilgrim. The MSP provides a history of Pilgrims' involvement in the community. The MSP will be available to the call committee as they begin a search for a Spiritual Leader upon Vicar Will's graduation in May 2021.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Charlie Freiberg) Cash accounts payable, Expenses and Donations vs. Budget was reviewed, Motion by Buttner to accept the Treasurer's report, second by Ecker. Motion carried.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: (Jenni Zaitz) Minutes were reviewed. Motion by Koerten, second by Frieberg to accept the minutes of the February 9 meeting. Motion carried.

VICAR’S REPORT: (Vicar Will Ostrem) Vicar Will reported that he is working on school work and attending interviews for his call process. He is putting together the Holy Week services, working on how to re-initiate communion back into the Sunday worship services and has one month in with the bible study group.

WORSHIP MISSION TEAM: Jeff Kessel reported that the combined Covid Response Task Force and Worship Team met on 03/09/2021. The bulk of the meeting was spent discussing 7 options for specific worship services and worship services in general. Discussion was wide ranging and spirited. The following are their recommendations and notifications for Pilgrim council:

1. Pilgrim will have a drive-in worship on Palm Sunday and every Sunday that follows until this recommendation is reviewed at the next meeting of the combined task force and worship team on 4/6/2021. The goal is to transition to in-person worship in the sanctuary. This recommendation passed with 6 yes votes, there were no nays and 2 abstentions.

2. The second recommendation can be divided into three parts:

- We will continue to Zoom the remaining Lenten services along with the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services.

- All the remaining Lenten Services, the Maundy Thursday service, and the Good Friday service will start at 6:30 p.m.
- Given the fact that we do not have the capability to record drive-in worship services, we will pre-record the Palm Sunday and Easter services during the week. They will be uploaded to You Tube just as we did with services up to January 24.

This three-part recommendation passed unanimously.

Having one or two drive-in Easter Services was also discussed. The consensus was to have only one service. A motion was made by Freiberg to approve the recommendations of the Task Force, second by Wunsch. Motion Carried.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS TEAM: (Eugene Viegut) no report

EVANGELISM MISSION TEAM: (Jeanne Wunsch) Wunsch reported that the next meeting is Saturday 3/13. Anyone that would like to be part of the team should let Jeanne know.

BLESSINGS THAT GIVE HOPE: (Jeanne Wunsch) Wunsch reported that Pilgrim mem-

bers are continuing to pack and send meals to John Marshall. A few volunteers are still needed to pack in April and May. If you are interested Contact Mollie Augustine.

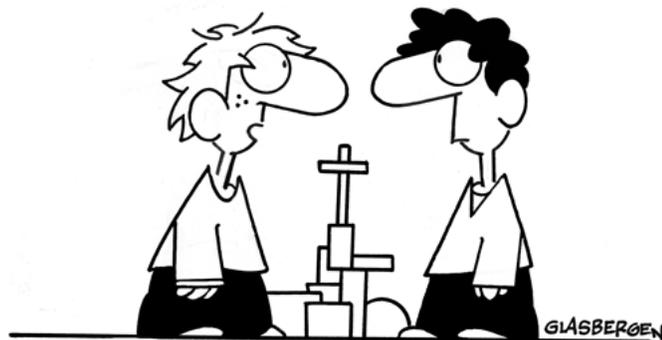
CHURCH AND SOCIETY MISSION TEAM: (Charlene Buttner) Buttner reported that the personal care kit collection is going very well. Thank you for the great response. Most needed items currently are sturdy combs and nail clippers.

With the return of warmer weather, we are again adding food items to the Little Library. Thank you to the person who straightened up the library recently.

NEW BUSINESS: Congratulations to the following winners of \$10 gift card drawing to Arby’s and Wendy’s from this years stewardship drive: Janet Williams, Lauren Zaitz, June Champagne, Gary Yeast, Frank Koerten, Nathan Stromme, and Maureen Kislow.

ADJOURN: Eugene Viegut has devotions at the April 13th council meeting. Wunsch made a motion, second by Koerten to adjourn the the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jenni Zaitz, Secretary





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

David Larsen	04/01	Dale Clark	04/22
Gregory Larson	04/02	Sharon Butterbrodt	04/24
David Theis	04/02	Lila Viegut	04/25
Timmy Bannister	04/06	Cailin Will	04/25
John A. Schneider	04/07	Steven Soenksen	04/26
Linda Soenksen	04/07	Arlette Hildebrandt	04/27
Karla Schneider	04/09	Mark Jones	04/28
Ben Strick	04/11	Charles Freiberg	04/30
Christine Freiberg	04/19		

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

April

1 Ruth Schlitz	16 Lucas Strick
2 Ramona Schmitz	17 Manda Strick
3 Brauley Schneider	18 Brianna Stromme
4 John A. Schneider	19 Nathan Stromme
5 John R. Schneider	20 Tammy Stromme
6 Karla Schneider	21 Brad Stubbe
7 Nancy Schneider	22 Jeff Stubbe
8 Wesley Schneider	23 Rebecca Stubbe
9 Marion Schultz	24 Mary Swanson
10 Carol Shaw	25 Rick Swanson
11 Linda Soenksen	26 David Theis
12 Steven Soenksen	27 Jean Trempe
13 Bonnie Spangberg	28 John Trempe
14 Alissa Strick	29 Mary Tucek
15 Ben Strick	30 Rheta Utech

April

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
				1 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6:30 Worship	2 GOOD FRIDAY 6:30 Worship	3
4 EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 Festival Worship followed by a car parade	5	6 10:30 Task Force/ Worship Mtg.	7 6:00 Confirmation Class	8 6:30 Worship	9	10
11 9:00 Worship 10:15 SS	12	13 6:30 Council Mtg.	14 6:00 Confirmation Class	15 3:00-7:00 Blood Drive at Pilgrim	16	17 Lay School
18 9:00 Worship; Easton Augustine's First communion	19 6:30 Southeast Side Neighborhood Meeting	20 6:00-7:30 GWCS meets at Pilgrim	21 6:00 Confirmation Class	22 6:30 Worship	23 Progress Article Deadline	24
25 9:00 Worship 10:15 SS	26	27	28 6:00 Confirmation Class	29 6:30 Worship	30	

FINANCIAL INFORMATION UPDATE

March 25, 2021

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
\$ 89,721 Balance: 02/25/2021	Budget vs. Actual
\$ 678 Principal Payment	\$29,940 \$29,857
\$ 277 Interest Payment	Outstanding Bills
\$ 89,043 Balance: 03/25/2021	\$1,791 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. Order cards on Sunday from a team member 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

PILGRIM PRAYER CIRCLE

The Pilgrim Prayer Circle meets each Tuesday at 11:45 a.m. Everyone is invited to join either at church or a more convenient personal location. Call the church office for details about participation or to place a prayer request.

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... 258

Easter Sunday

Outdoor Drive-In Worship Service

April 4th at 9:00 a.m.
followed by a neighborhood car parade

See page 4 for information about
Holy Week and upcoming worship services.

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Services

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

Education Hour

Ages 3 to Adult, Sundays at 10:15 a.m., September - May



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