

# Progress

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## Pilgrim Lutheran Church

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### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAYS

In-Person and  
Zoomed Online

9:00 am

#### THURSDAYS

6:30 pm

### Office Hours

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

Friday  
Closed

Summer is here! The warm weather, flowers blooming, children and their parents outside, and the birds singing for us. The glorious sound of God's creation. Many of us have graduations, weddings, camping adventures, and other places we encounter. Pilgrim will be celebrating with three young men on June 2<sup>nd</sup> who recently graduated from high school and will be moving into new adventures in their lives.

We will be meeting people that we have never met before or have not seen for a while. How will you strike up a conversation with them? Think of all the disciples Jesus met in his life for the first time and how he ate with them, prayed with them, and healed them.

In Isaiah 41:10 God tells us: "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand." If you attend church at a different location, bring back a bulletin with you and we will post it on the bulletin board for others to look at.

As we are meeting with other congregations to discuss ways we can work together, please keep all the congregations in your prayers. This is God's way of pulling us out of our comfort zone to share our faith stories with others and share love with our neighbors.

As we enjoy picnics, weddings, graduations, camping, and other places we may travel to remember those around us and those that may not have the opportunity to enjoy the summer for various reasons. Remember, share God's love with your neighbors.

May your summer be filled with the fruit of the spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Peace,

Shirley Ecker  
Church Council President

## BABY CARE KITS AND SCHOOL KITS

We are now collecting the following items for Lutheran World Relief baby care kits and school kits:

### School Kits:

- \* **Four 70-80 sheet spiral notebooks, appr. 8" x 10.5"**
- \* Rulers
- \* Scissors (blunt end)
- \* Pencil sharpeners
- \* Black or blue ball point pens (no gel ink)
- \* Boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
- \* 2.5" erasers
- \* sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bags, approx. 14" x 17" (sturdy cotton, canvas, denim, and twill)

### Baby Care Kits:

- \* T-shirts
- \* Gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- \* Blankets—36" to 52" square (cotton or flannel, crocheted or knitted)
- \* Cloth diapers
- \* Jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts
- \* Socks
- \* Bath-size bars of soap

Items can be left in the collection boxes in the narthex. Call Charlene Buttner at 715-842-7683 for more information. Thank you!



## Pilgrim Recycling and Bake Sale

Thursday, June 20th, 8:00 — 3:00

Friday, June 21st, 8:00 — 3:00

Saturday, June 22nd, 8:00 — Noon

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, June 16, 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, June 2nd.

- ☐ I have items to donate and need someone to pick them up.
- ☐ I can help set up and mark items during the week of June 16th.
- ☐ 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.

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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.

## Election-Day Bake Sale(s) We Need Your Recommendations

We will be holding two more Election Day bake sales this year, Aug. 13 and Nov. 5. Because we will be donating proceeds from these bake sales to various places in need, please help us to decide where those funds should go. Let Janet Williams or Fred know your preferences.

Bakers and Bake sale volunteers are always needed, and sign-up sheets will be available as we get closer to elections.

## Make a joyful noise!

“Grace means there is nothing we can do to make God love us more...  
And grace means there is nothing we can do to make God love us less...”

Grace means that God already loves us  
as much as an infinite God can possibly love.”

~ Phillip Yancey

This summer four ELCA congregations—Pilgrim, St. Stephen, Good Shepherd, and Immanuel—are joining together for a “round robin” of services. The dates are July 21 and 28 along with August 4 and 11. There will be more publicity about these services as the time for them gets closer. I hope many of you will be able to attend.

I’m going to talk about the themes for the services and the theme song for all of them. The theme for the whole series is “I’ve Been Meaning to Ask”. Each week asks a different question: Where are you from? Where does it hurt? What do you need? Where do we go from here? These are topics that seem especially timely since our four congregations are in conversation with each other about our possible futures.

The theme song for these services called “A Covenant of Grace” sings about each of these questions and it concludes with a message of hope about God’s “boundless” love.

*We all come from the dusty earth  
And from the places of our birth  
Ancestral stories, who we’ll be  
We bring it all to “come and see”*

*We all have wounds that no one sees  
Oppression, trauma, and disease  
When we bear witness to the pain  
It can begin to heal again*

*We all need people who will be  
With us in solidarity  
No explanation, no defense  
Just ministry of their presence*

*Surprised by God’s boundless love  
From many walks of life we come  
To build a covenant of grace  
And in our differences embrace*

The song acknowledges we all have stories, we all have different kinds of wounds, we need each other, and with the help of God’s infinite love we can build a covenant of grace; we can embrace our differences. **We need each other.** YOU are invited to join in as we get to know our brothers and sisters from other congregations.

With thanks for opportunities to reflect on our histories and hope for our future,

Delores Kessel

# COME WORSHIP WITH US!

I've been  
meaning  
to ask...

a series for curiosity,  
courage, & connection

where are you from?

**Sunday, July 21, 2024 at 9:00 am**  
**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
**930 Edgewood Road, Wausau, WI 54403**

where does it hurt?

**Sunday, July 28, 2024 at 9:00 am**  
**Pilgrim Lutheran Church**  
**709 Weston Avenue, Wausau, WI 54403**

what do you need?

**Sunday, August 4, 2024 at 9:00 am**  
**Immanuel Lutheran Church**  
**630 Adams Street, Wausau, WI 54403**

where do we  
go from here?

**Sunday, August 11, 2024 at 9:00 am**  
**St. Stephen Lutheran Church**  
**512 McClellan Street, Wausau, WI 54403**

For four weeks this summer, worshipers from  
Good Shepherd, Pilgrim, Immanuel, and St. Stephen  
Lutheran Churches will be traveling to each other's buildings  
to worship each Sunday!

That means, there will be no worship services at three of the  
churches that are not hosting on a given week during this  
timeframe  
(July 21-August 11).

Regardless of which congregation you are from (even when it's  
not the listed ones!), you are invited to sing in a pick-up choir  
that will meet at 8:00 am each Sunday  
at the host church.

## Report of the 2024 Synod Assembly

The 2024 Synod Assembly of the East Central Synod of Wisconsin of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gathered May 17-18th at the Oshkosh Waterfront Convention Center in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. In attendance, 240 voting members registered for the assembly, 63% of whom were lay and 37% were pastors and deacons. There were 15 ministry partner tables and 20 visitors to the assembly.

Gathered under the promise made in baptism, the Assembly theme was, "To Proclaim the Good News of God in Christ through Word and Deed." Several "proclamation moments" were shared throughout the assembly from people of all ages and vocations. The assembly processed to Peace Lutheran Church in Oshkosh for a celebration eucharist. The Rev. Dr. Niveen Ibrahim Sarra was the preacher of the day, sharing words of proclamation based on the Pentecost texts. A dancer and assembly choir enriched worship.

The Rev. Kerri Parker, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Council of Churches shared with us reflections on the intersection of proclamation and public faith. The ELCA churchwide representative to the Assembly was The Rev. Dr. Phil Hirsch, Executive Director, Christian Community and Leadership at Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The service project was designated for Crossways Camping Ministries and the Assembly Offering was designated toward ELCA World Hunger and the Bishop's Resource Fund.

Business of the Assembly included:

- Approval of 2025 Compensation Guidelines
- Adoption of the 2025 Budget
- Election of Synod Council: Adam Clifford and The Rev. Maggie Westaby
- Election of Consultation Committee: Mary Vandenberg and Bob Wiederfoeft
- Election of Committee on Discipline: Natasha Beestman
- Election of 2025 Churchwide Voting Members and Alternates
- The passing of five resolutions:
  1. East Central Synod Members "50 Committed to \$50"
  2. Resolution to Encourage Participation in "Now is the Time" Study to Further the Work of Racial Equity
  3. Action Encouraging the ECSW to Promote Education and Advocacy for Peace in the Holy Land
  4. T.E.E.M Candidate Voting Status at the ECSW Synod Assembly
  5. Resolution to Support a U.S. Constitution Amendment to Limit Money in Politics

Next year's one day synod assembly will gather at Calvary Lutheran Church in Green Bay on June 7th, 2025 under the theme of the baptismal promise, "To Serve All People Following the Example of Jesus."

### 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.

*If you find yourself  
struggling, use these  
few words as your mantra:*

*"It's still sacred.  
It's still a gift.  
It's still life."*

# shout OUT!

- ☺ To Scott and Janet Williams for recently donating the Cub Cadet riding lawnmower to Pilgrim
- ☺ To the pastors (Natalie Bassett, Tryphine Schrub; and Bill Schrub), and lay minister Shirley Ecker, for leading worship services in May.
- ☺ To all of our Pilgrim ladies who helped with the Spring regional Women of the ELCA event that was held at Pilgrim.
- ☺ To Randy and Shirley Ecker, our representatives at this year's annual Synod Assembly.

### Book Study "He Chose the Nails" —Max Lucado

This study group will meet the second Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m.

#### Next Sessions

**June 8th  
July 13th**

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

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

The next gatherings for food, faith, and fellowship are **June 12th (Wednesday) and July 11th (Thursday)**. If you are interested in joining, contact Eugene Viegut (715-359-9895).



## PILGRIM HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

*Go out into the world in peace;  
Be of good courage;  
Hold to what is good;  
Return no one evil for evil;  
Strengthen the faint-hearted;  
Support the weak;  
Help the suffering;  
Honor all people;  
Love and serve our God,  
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.\**

### Jackson Robert Brown

Son of Jason and Norah Brown  
Graduate of Wausau Area Virtual Education (WAVE)  
Will attend UW Stevens Point with an undeclared major.

### Taylor Carl Lemanski

Son of Chad and Melani Lemanski  
Graduate of Wausau East High School  
Will attend UW La Crosse, with a baseball scholarship,  
and major in psychology.

### Caden James Werth

Son of Aaron and Sarah Werth  
Graduate of Wausau East High School  
Will attend UW Stout, major in Business, and play football

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## MINUTES

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 14th, 2024  
Unapproved

**PRESENT IN PERSON:**  
Shirley Ecker (President), Jeanette Carlson (Vice President), Charlie Freiberg (Treasurer), Jean Trempe (Secretary), Linda Konkel (Evangelism Chair), Charlene Buttner (Church and Society Chair), Terra Ecker (Children and Youth Chair), Janet Williams (Life and Growth Chair)

**EXCUSED:** Jim Lenselink (Stewardship Chair), Kay Palmer (Buildings & Grounds Chair), Sue Koerten (Worship Chair)

**GUESTS:** Delores Kessel representing the Worship Committee.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Shirley Ecker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Devotions were led by Terra Ecker.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** (Jean Trempe) Review of minutes from April 9, 2024 regular council meeting. A motion to accept minutes by Jeanette Carlson and seconded by Terra Ecker. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** (Charlie Freiberg) Reviewed financial reports for April 2024. Cash on hand once again exceeds the Church's debts. Receipts are on par with prior periods. There was a gain from general operations of \$3,225 for the month. This number excludes restricted expenses and income. Cash in banks totals \$72,647. Of that, \$27,212 are restricted funds with \$17,643 of that restricted for Blessings that Give Hope. The mortgage debt stands at \$65,915. Charlene Buttner made a motion

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*Action is the  
antidote to despair.*

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to accept the Treasurer's report and it was seconded by Terra Ecker. Motion carried.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** (Jeanette Carlson) No Report

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** (Shirley Ecker) Family Day at the Woodchucks will be Sunday July 7. Churches in the area have been invited to attend. Cost will be \$15.50 per person. Drew Berkland, grandson of former long-time members Patti and Merv Berkland is the catcher for the team. A sign up sheet will be made available to determine interest.

The annual rental agreement for Christian Fellowship Church was reviewed. No changes were made to the prior agreement. A motion was made by Charlene Buttner and seconded by Terra Ecker to approve the agreement. Shirley will ask Eugene Viegut to present the agreement to CFC's leadership for signature.

**Task Force Update:** Progress is slow, but we are moving. Our task force met with St. Stephen's task force on April 29 as a meet and greet session. The results of the meeting were communicated via a press release shared with the congregation via email as well as in a recorded townhall meeting held at Pilgrim. Contact Fred if you would like the link to view the townhall meeting. We agreed to continue to look for areas for the churches to work together, realizing that it will be some time before any major decisions are made. We have shared Pilgrim's Ministry Site Profile document and the last three annual reports with St. Stephen's task force. It was brought up that Pastor Karoline at St Stephen is open to the idea of merger/collaboration.

However, she is reluctant to preach at more than one church and prefers to stay with St. Stephen. This may be a consideration as we map a path forward.

Pilgrim's task force is slated to have a similar meeting with Good Shepard's task force on May 29. It is not clear if Immanuel will join in the process as this point. At some point it will be appropriate to have all parties meet together. This will require clear objectives and agenda items. The format for such a meeting is being determined.

A board has been set up at Pilgrim for members to provide feedback on what we think is unique to Pilgrim. There is also a box for suggestions, questions and concerns that can be submitted. Feel free to contact members of the task force as well. The next Townhall meeting is June 8.

**President's Meeting Update:** President's meeting was held on Tuesday April 30 at St. Stephen. Next meeting is May 28 at St. John's and next month on June 25 at Immanuel.

There will be a community dinner held on Oct. 27 at First Presbyterian Church.

A gift and holiday show is planned for Nov. 2. A bake sale and silent auction may be planned during this event. A possible lunch was discussed. More information will be provided as plans evolve. Information about how to participate as a vendor or volunteer will follow as the event draws near.

A date of January 26, 2025 was established for the annual meeting.

Shirley indicated that she would like to revive the Seeds for Growth program which helped to develop some strategic direction for Pilgrim and offered an oppor-

tunity to work with other ELCA churches in the area. The Blessings that Give Hope evolved from this program.

Trunk or Treat was mentioned. This event was for the children in the community and was well attended in the past. A number of members are interested in supporting and volunteering for this event. If there is interest, it will be revived this fall.

**WORSHIP REPORT:** (Sue Koerten, presented by Delores Kessel) Four shared services are planned for the summer:

July 21 at Good Shepard (no service at Pilgrim)

July 28 at Pilgrim with Pastor Natalie

August 4 at Immanuel (no service at Pilgrim)

August 11 at St. Stephen (no service at Pilgrim)

All services will be held at 9:00 a.m. Pilgrims are encouraged to attend the services held at our sister churches. The Thursday evening service will be held these weeks.

A special service is planned for June 2 to honor Pilgrim's three high school graduates in the congregation who choose to participate. The plan may change depending on the response to the invitations. Hymns have been picked through August. The next worship committee meeting is Monday June 3 at 2:45 p.m.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** (Kay Palmer) Spring clean up is in progress. The new (used) lawn mower should be ready next week. It is getting a tune up and having the mower deck installed. A huge thank you to Randy Ecker for his work mowing the lawn for the first time this season. He also

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cleaned up the back corner and cleared away pine debris along the parking lot. A thank you to John and Jean Trempe for picking up the new lawn mower and getting it in for servicing. Thank you to our generous donors, Scott and Janet Williams. Dead branches were cut from a tree near the Fellowship Hall entrance. It may need to be taken down.

**EVANGELISM:** (Linda Konkel) No report

**BLESSINGS THAT GIVE HOPE:** (Molly Augustine) A large donation of snacks went to John Marshall this week to finish out the school year. We also made a large end of the school year donation of food, personal items, clothing, jackets, shoes and gift cards for Horace Mann Middle School.

Planning is not yet underway for the next school year.

**CHURCH AND SOCIETY:** (Charlene Buttner) The Little Library needs children's books. Food and books were added recently. An anonymous thank you for food was recently found among the books. We are collecting supplies for Lutheran World Relief school kits and ba-

by care kits. Details will be in The Progress and bulletins. These kits are sent along with the personal care kits and quilts in the fall.

**LIFE AND GROWTH:** (Janet Williams) The April Election Day bake sale was held on Tuesday, April 2. A total of \$955 was raised. The proceeds were evenly divided among the Women's Community, Salvation Army and Neighbor's Place. Thank you to Marathon County for allowing us to continue to hold bake sales during elections. It allows us to continue to serve those in need in our community (and the buying voters are very happy!) A reminder that a condition of holding these sales at a County facility is that we support other non-church affiliated charities in the community with the proceeds. The next election is the primary on August 13. Prior to that election we ask for congregational input on which non-profit organizations should be supported with the proceeds.

The Scrip card program is ongoing. Cards are ordered about every two weeks. Orders can be placed with Fred at the church office or Janet Williams (715) 573-3310. It has been taking about five days to receive the cards once the order has been

placed. Current cash balance from Scrip proceeds is \$7,138.

**STEWARDSHIP:** (Jim Lenselink) No Report

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH:** (Terra Ecker) No Report

**Progress Articles are due May 24, 2024.**

**ADJOURN:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. via a motion made by Charlie Freiberg and seconded by Terra Ecker. Motion carried. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

**Next Council Meeting: June 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.** Kay Palmer is slated to provide a devotion.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Trempe, Secretary

### Monthly Town Hall Meetings

2nd Sunday of each month  
following worship service

The next monthly meetings are scheduled for **June 8th and July 14th.**



## Transition Task Force

If you have a question or comment for the Transition Task Force, drop a written note in the box on the information table in the lounge or talk to a team member. They are:

Mollie Augustine

Charles Freiberg

Jeff Kessel (Communications)

Frank Koerten

Karen Larson

Stephen Moede

Kay Palmer (Chairperson)

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| <b>2 BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:15 Reception | <b>3</b><br>2:45 Worship Team Meeting | <b>4</b><br>11:30 Prayer Circle<br>6:30 Task Force Meeting       | <b>5</b>                            | <b>6</b><br>6:30 Worship  | <b>7</b>   | <b>8</b><br>9-11He Chose the Nails Study Group<br>10-3 Olivia Lenselink Fell. Hall Baby Shower |
| <b>9</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:15 Town Hall Meeting              | <b>10</b>                             | <b>11</b><br>11:45 Prayer Circle<br>6:30 Council Mtg.            | <b>12</b><br>9:00 Busy Bee Quilters | <b>13</b><br>7:30 Men's Bible Study at Eagle's Nest<br>6:30 Worship                                   | <b>14</b>  | <b>15</b>  |
| <b>16</b><br>9:00 Worship  | <b>17</b>                             | <b>18</b><br>11:45 Prayer Circle<br>6:00 GWCS Meeting at Pilgrim | <b>19</b>                           | <b>20</b><br>8:00 - 3:00 Pilgrim Recycle and Bake Sale<br>3:00 Joint Worship Group Meeting at Pilgrim | <b>21</b><br>8:00 - 3:00 Pilgrim Recycle and Bake Sale | <b>22</b><br>8:00 - Noon Pilgrim Recycle and Bake Sale   |
| <b>23</b><br>9:00 Worship  | <b>24</b>                             | <b>25</b><br>11:45 Prayer Circle                                 | <b>26</b>                           | <b>27</b><br>6:30 Worship   | <b>28</b>  | <b>29</b>  |
| <b>30</b><br>9:00 Worship  | <b>31</b>                             |  |                                     |   |  |  |

# july

*Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday*

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|  | <b>1</b>                   | <b>2</b><br>11:45 Prayer Circle<br>6:30 Task Force Meeting       | <b>3</b>                            | <b>4 INDEPENDENCE DAY</b><br>Office Closed<br>NO Worship Service    | <b>5</b>                                  | <b>6</b>  |
| <b>7</b><br>9:00 Worship   | <b>8</b>                   | <b>9</b><br>11:45 Prayer Circle<br>6:30 Council Mtg.             | <b>10</b><br>9:00 Busy Bee Quilters | <b>11</b><br>7:30 Men's Bible Study at Eagle's Nest<br>6:30 Worship | <b>12</b>                                 | <b>13</b><br>9-11He Chose the Nails Study Group |
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| <b>21</b><br>9:00 Joint Worship at Good Shepherd (no worship at Pilgrim) | <b>22</b>                  | <b>23</b><br>11:45 Prayer Circle                                 | <b>24</b>                           | <b>25</b><br>6:30 Worship   | <b>26</b>                                 | <b>27</b>                                       |
| <b>28</b><br>9:00 Joint Worship at Pilgrim                               | <b>29</b><br>Office Closed | <b>30</b><br>11:45 Prayer Circle                                 | <b>31</b>                           |   |   |   |



### Happy Birthday from your Pilgrim family!

Please contact the church office with any updates.

|                        |       |                      |       |
|------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| Janice Hayes           | 06/01 | Brianna Stromme      | 07/10 |
| Dana Weyer             | 06/02 | Betty Walters        | 07/11 |
| Diane Yunek            | 06/03 | Kathy Brown          | 07/12 |
| Caroline Randow        | 06/19 | Gabe Dins            | 07/13 |
| Adam Petersen          | 06/20 | Delores Kessel       | 07/15 |
| Brauley Schneider      | 06/21 | Lauren Zaitz         | 07/15 |
| Keith Woodward         | 06/21 | Ben Fandre           | 07/17 |
| Janie Kislow           | 06/22 | Kathy Kainz          | 07/19 |
| Michael Konkell        | 06/25 | Colton Lemanski      | 07/19 |
| David (Charlie) Behnke | 06/28 | Mary Williams        | 07/19 |
| June Champagne         | 07/01 | Ella Fehlhaber-Poppe | 07/22 |
| Kenneth Rueth          | 07/06 | Ramona Schmitz       | 07/26 |
| Rita Jones             | 07/07 | Jenna Brandenburg    | 07/27 |
| Megan Behnke           | 07/09 | Tianna Daniels       | 07/27 |
| Jason Brown            | 07/09 |                      |       |

*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.*



*"God gave Noah 100 years to build the ark. Can't I have at least a month to clean my room?"*

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

the following members of our  
Pilgrim family on their

### June and July

|                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Theresa Laughlin  | 1 Patricia Roberts  |
| 2 Chad Lemanski     | 2 Kenneth Rueth     |
| 3 Colton Lemanski   | 3 Lynn Rueth        |
| 4 Melani Lemanski   | 4 Jay Schlitz       |
| 5 Taylor Lemanski   | 5 Ruth Schlitz      |
| 6 Jamie Lemke       | 6 Ramona Schmitz    |
| 7 Angela Lenselink  | 7 Brauley Schneider |
| 8 Jim Lenselink     | 8 John A. Schneider |
| 9 William Marx      | 9 John R. Schneider |
| 10 Donald Mattke    | 10 Nancy Schneider  |
| 11 Preston Meyer    | 11 Wesley Schneider |
| 12 Layla Molling    | 12 Marion Schultz   |
| 13 Shylo Moon       | 13 Carol Shaw       |
| 14 Jill Myers       | 14 Linda Soenksen   |
| 15 Stan Myers       | 15 Steven Soenksen  |
| 16 Hannah Neumann   | 16 Bonnie Spangberg |
| 17 Burton Palmer    | 17 Alissa Strick    |
| 18 Kay Palmer       | 18 Ben Strick       |
| 19 Adam Petersen    | 19 Lucas Strick     |
| 20 Patti Petersen   | 20 Manda Strick     |
| 21 Ryan Petersen    | 21 Brianna Stromme  |
| 22 Walter Petersen  | 22 Nathan Stromme   |
| 23 Douglas Pittsley | 23 Tammy Stromme    |
| 24 Kim Pittsley     | 24 Brad Stubbe      |
| 25 Caroline Randow  | 25 Jeff Stubbe      |
| 26 Timothy Remley   | 26 Rebecca Stubbe   |
| 27 Debi Rhyner      | 27 Mary Swanson     |
| 28 Jean Rhyner      | 28 Rick Swanson     |
| 29 Joel Rhyner      | 29 David Theis      |
| 30 Brandon Roberts  | 30 Jean Trempe      |
|                     | 31 John Trempe      |

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION UPDATE

### May 30, 2024

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  |
| \$ 65,915 | Balance: 04/25/2024 |                      |             |
| \$ 709    | Principal Payment   | \$42,000             | \$40,563    |
| \$ 166    | Interest Payment    |                      |             |
| \$ 65,206 | Balance: 05/30/2024 |                      |             |
|           |                     | Outstanding Bills    |             |
|           |                     | \$1,111              | 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](https://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

## 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... 289

## 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!

# Pilgrim Recycling and Bake Sale

June 20th - 22nd

## “Round Robin” Worship Services

Beginning July 21st

## Items for School Kits and Baby Care Kits Needed

### Staff

Ministers  
Music Coordinator  
Choir Director  
Pianists  
Office Manager  
Custodian

All Pilgrims  
Delores Kessel  
Jim Lenselink  
Delores Kessel, Norah Brown  
Fred Patten  
Dennis Wunsch

If you wish to give a gift to Pilgrim electronically,  
please go to [www.pilgrimofwausau.org](http://www.pilgrimofwausau.org) and click  
on the DONATE button on the home page.

Thank you.



### Services

Sundays at 9:00 am / Thursdays at 6:30 pm

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June/July 2024

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