



PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: April 30—May 7, 2017

HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

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WEEK OF April 30, 2017

Sunday

- 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
- 9:00a Youth Bells
- 9:30a Sunday School
- 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
- 12:00p Congregational Luncheon and Forum
w/Bishop On Same Gender Marriage

Monday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 9:30a Large Print
- 10:00a Sacred Threads
- 7:00p Board of Elders
- 7:30p Poetry Plus

Wednesday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 2:30p CCPL Mobile Library
- 6:00p Jazzercise
- 7:00p Evening Prayer with Holy Communion

Thursday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 9:15a MOMs Group
- 9:30a Large Print
- 6:00p Jazzercise
- 6:00p Handbell Rehearsal
- 7:00p Choir Rehearsal

Friday

- 9:00a Preschool

Saturday

- 8:00a Jazzercise
- 12:00p United Church of God

Sunday

- 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
- 9:00a Youth Bells
- 9:30a Sunday School
- 9:30a Voter's Meeting
- 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
- 4:00p Indianapolis Conference Assembly @
Roots of Life

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SAME-GENDER MARRIAGE CONVERSATION TODAY, as Bishop William O Gafkjen joins us **after the 10:45 AM liturgy for lunch and a forum**. His forum will mark the beginning of conversations we will have about same-gender marriages and the matters related to that topic. In the weeks following Bishop's Gafkjen's forum, we will gather in small groups for further conversation. The small groups will be led by Pastor Mueller and the elders. These conversations will give folks an opportunity to share with each other their own faith journey, as well as their thoughts and feelings about same-gender marriage. A full schedule of these conversations will be published soon.

SACRED THREADS will meet Tuesday, May 2nd at 10:00 AM in the Narthex. Please join us!

SPRING VOTER'S MEETING—Next Sunday, May 7th, at 9:30 AM. Please plan to attend as we will consider the Benefaction Fund Grant Review Committee's recommendations. Show your support for our leaders and staff, and your support for our mission and ministry as a congregation, by attending!

THE INDIANAPOLIS CONFERENCE SPRING ASSEMBLY will be held next **Sunday, May 7th**, at **Roots of Life Community**, 222 Lakeview Drive, Noblesville. It will be a time when we can talk together, pray together, sing together and of course eat together. The gathering will be from 4 to 6 PM, and all are welcome. Please speak to Pastor Mueller if you are interested in participating.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLEASE JOIN US FOR THESE FOUR SIGNIFICANT ORGAN EVENTS:

Sarah Williams presents an **ORGAN SHOW AND TELL HOUR** on **Sunday May 14th, 9:30 AM**. Everyone is invited to the choir loft for a kid friendly presentation on the new organ. The children will get to sit by the console for an up

close view AND try out the new instrument. Everyone can ask questions and hear Sarah attempt to explain how an organ works. You will hear the different sounds the organ makes and Sarah will play a few tunes.

*On **Wednesday, September 6th, at 7:00 PM** there will be a short **Service of Dedication** where we will dedicate the organ for its use in our church.

*On **Friday, September 8th, at 7:30 PM** there will be the **Organ Dedication Concert** with Todd Wilson, world renowned organist and professor at the Cleveland Institute of Music. This will be a gala affair with a wine and hors d'oeuvres reception afterward. This concert is when the community gets to hear this organ for the first time, and members of the local chapter of the American Guild of Organists, the workers and families of John-Paul Buzard Organ Builders, other area church musicians, and donors to the organ fund campaign will be in attendance. All Pilgrim members are invited and we hope you can attend this big event and proudly share our instrument with the community!

*On **Friday, October 13th, at 7:30 PM** a Pilgrim friend and renowned Lutheran organist/composer/hymn festival leader **David Cherwien** will present a **Hymn Festival for the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation**. We are promoting this with the I/K Synod and central IN Lutheran churches and we hope this will be a hallmark event for churches celebrating the Reformation this fall. For Pilgrim our Reformation celebrations this year are less historical re-enactment and more forward looking and celebrating where we are now, given our new organ and the music making potential it brings.

THANK YOU—Finally, I would like to thank several groups of people: Thank you to the people who have furnished lunch for the organ builders. They have appreciated Pilgrim's hospitality very much. Thank you to the many donors who gave to the organ fund – we have to date received 90% of pledged funds. Thank you to the donor whose generous major gift helped get this project underway and moving forward. Thank you to Darrell Pike, Steve Worth, and Noel Shilling who have all stepped forward to help in ways that only they could have done. And thank you in advance to Carol Dahoney and Margie Fougeron, and the Congregational Life committee who are partnering with the Fine Arts Series to coordinate the dedication concert reception.

WELCA LADIES, it is time for our **semi-annual SERVICE PROJECT**. On **Tuesday, May 23rd at 6:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall we will gather for a pitch-in salad supper or (dessert if you wish). After supper, we will assemble newborn kits for Global Health Ministries. Donations for the kits will be gratefully accepted. Supplies needed include: regular size bath towels, 36" square muslin, washcloths (thin), bath size Ivory soap bars, newborn stocking caps, newborn undershirts (no onesies), receiving blankets, boxes of 2 gallon ziploc bags. Look for box in the narthex to place items.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CONFIRMANDS—Coming to Pilgrim in the month of May, four of our 8th grade students will be confirmed in the church. Please remember to recall them in prayer as they begin their final preparations to Affirm their Baptism and seal their faith with the Holy Spirit. The candidates for confirmation are:

Ella Hatfield

Harrison Hawkins-Wilding

Claire Weems

Sarah Zetzi

Thank you for your prayers and support of these fine young people.

PEW ATTENDANCE FORMS! Please sign up on the attendance sheets as they are passed out. These sheets will help us better identify and follow-up with first-time and repeat guests. They are an important tool in helping us better connect with and serve Pilgrim guests each week. You can also use the attendance forms to update your official contact information such as change of address, new email, phone, etc. Changes will be updated in Pilgrim's member records. Thank you!

FRIENDLY REMINDER—The coffee/soft drink/donut fund is improving, but we are still not covering our expenses. Please remember coffee and soft drinks are \$1.00 and a half donut is 50 cents. We know how much you all rejoiced when the donuts came back after summer and Christmas vacations. Please help keep this part of our fellowship funded.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, April 23, 2017—134

Wednesday, April 26, 2017—10