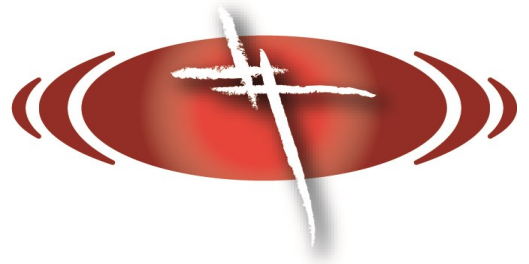


PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

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ADVENT DINNERS AND WORSHIP

Advent Dinners are December 2, 9, and 16 at 6:00 p.m.

Followed by

Advent Evening Prayer Service at 7:00 p.m.

Kids in Christ Rehearsal—December 23 at 6:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE—December 24, 2015

Christmas Eve Worship and Holy Communion 4:00 p.m.

Music for the Holy Night—9:00 p.m.

**Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship
and Holy Communion 9:30p.m.**



Voter's Meeting
Sunday,
December 20th
9:30 a.m.

We will be electing
new officers.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Join us after second service on Sunday, December 6th for the **HANGING OF THE GREENS!**

All ages are welcome as we decorate our sanctuary and narthex for the Christmas season. Once the work is done, stay and enjoy some pizza and fellowship to kick off our holiday season. Please sign up in the narthex by Wednesday, December 2nd so we are sure to have enough pizza!



WELCA COOKIE WALK

It is once again time for the WELCA annual Cookie Walk, December 12, 2015. As every year, the women of Pilgrim are asking each family to bake one batch of Christmas cookies (or more if you wish). Please, no chocolate chip cookies. If your cookies have nuts in them, label them as such. Then bring the cookies to Pilgrim's kitchen the week prior to the event: December 6-12. This is a fun and yummy event, and there is always a large variety of cookies. Then join us on Saturday, December 12 at 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall to purchase cookies for your holiday enjoyment. Funds raised will be used to support Pilgrim women's service projects.



“For all that has been, Thank you. For all that is to come, Yes!” – *Dag Hammarskjöld, Markings.*

Dear Pilgrim members and friends,

It was more than a month ago that I announced my retirement from pastoral ministry – with that new phase of my life (and Pilgrim’s, too!) commencing on Sunday, April 17, 2016. My announcement back then came with a notice that Indiana-Kentucky Synod Bishop Rev. Bill Gafkjen would meet with our elected leaders, our Directors and Elders – and that meeting did in fact occur as planned on Tuesday evening, November 17th.

the pastor’s page

I met with Bishop Gafkjen for thirty minutes prior to that larger meeting and our conversation included both personal (health and family) and Pilgrim matters (60th anniversary of the congregation; New Pipe Organ Fund-raising Campaign; and more).



Rev. William Gafkjen
Bishop, Indiana-Kentucky Synod, ELCA

Regarding the larger meeting, I attended only its opening devotion and prayer, both of which were

given by the Bishop. By the way, my “dismissal” from this meeting was entirely expected: conversation about the transition and Pilgrim’s future should and necessarily did take place without my participation! So, if you want to know about this meeting, you’ll have to speak with a member of the Board of Directors, or a member of the Board of Elders!

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:8-9, NRSV.

I can (and will!) tell you about the devotion and prayer: Bishop Gafkjen read from a portion of The Letter of Paul to the Philippians, which he called “the letter of joy” – and it is that.

His remarks about that text included comment on the short prayer at the top of this page, which he offered as one of his favorites. The entire devotion, like the Philippians text and the short prayer, was very much positive, most grateful, and joyfully future-oriented – and I appreciated that! I’m hopeful that my remaining months as pastor of Pilgrim will be consistent with the mood and tenor of that devotion! “For all that has been, Thank you! For all that is to come, Yes!”

Sincerely, in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alan Goertemiller".

Alan Goertemiller
Pastor

NEW ORGAN UPDATE!

The construction of John-Paul Buzard Organ Builders Opus 45 for Pilgrim Lutheran Church is underway! The metal pipes are being made in Germany. Here's a brief tutorial of what's been happening—these are photos of OUR pipes being made!



Metal shards (typically a combination of tin and lead) are melted in a vat.



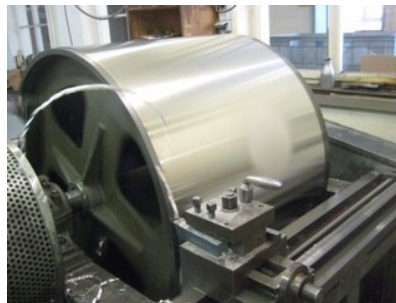
The molten metal is poured into a wooden box with a thin slit at the bottom.



Two craftsmen slide the box along a counter as the molten metal runs out the slit creating a thin layer of metal.



When the metal cools it can be carefully peeled up.



The metal sheet is planed to the proper dimensions.



The sheets are painted with a gum-like sizing on one side and after seasoning for three months are ready to be molded into pipes.



Using a mandrel, the sheets are formed into pipe shapes. Here the bottom half of an organ pipe is being formed.



These pipe bottoms are ready to be soldered to their tops. The indented part of the pipe (which is the bottom half of the pipe's mouth) has been formed by hand.



Each pipe is hand soldered. The pipe is painted with more sizing, and the sizing is scraped off in the exact area where the solder is to be applied. This way the solder does not run all over the pipe.



Here are pipes that have been soldered together. The bottoms of these pipes (the "toes") are made to make their characteristic shape—a tapered toe that will sit in its hole in the pipe rack.



These pipes have been soldered but will still need the "mouths" (the side openings) cut into them.



Of course, the pipes are polished. They shine up beautifully!

CAMPAIGN FOR A NEW PIPE ORGAN
Tax-efficient Ways to Support the Organ Campaign
Idea #1

In the coming weeks, each of us will prayerfully consider our abilities to support the acquisition of our new pipe organ (though some have already done so). Most people will write a check. However, depending on your situation, it may make sense for you to support the organ campaign with a *direct gift of stock* to Pilgrim. The benefits of this type of gift are explained below.

Suppose Julie has an investment account that was set up by Julie's dad for her benefit. In 1995, Julie's dad purchased for Julie's account 25 shares of Exxon Mobile Corporation (XOM) at \$40 each, for a total purchase price of \$1,000. The stock has remained in Julie's account. In 1997 and again in 2001, XOM stock split 2 for 1 and therefore Julie's account now owns 100 shares. The current market price per share is \$80 per share. So, an initial investment of \$1,000 now has a value of \$8,000. Each of Julie's shares of XOM has a basis of \$10.

Julie wants to give \$5,000 to the organ campaign, but she doesn't have that much cash. She could sell 63 shares of XOM at \$80 per share in order to raise cash; such a sale would generate cash of \$5,040. She could then write a check to Pilgrim. She would be eligible for an income tax charitable deduction of \$5,040. However, she would need to report capital gain of \$4,410 on her federal income tax return in the year of the sale. Capital gain is the difference between the sale price (\$5,040) and Julie's basis in the sold shares (\$630). Assuming that she pays a 20% capital gains rate, then such a sale will generate an income tax bill of \$882.00. Yuck.

Indeed, many people hesitate to sell shares of stock with a low basis because they do not want to get "hit" with capital gain tax.

A better idea is for Julie to transfer 63 shares of XOM directly to Pilgrim. This would be accomplished by the institutions where each of Julie and Pilgrim have brokerage accounts, at Julie's direction. 63 shares of XOM would disappear from Julie's account and appear in Pilgrim's account. Then, because Pilgrim is a tax-exempt entity, when Pilgrim sells the 63 shares of XOM in its account, it does not have to recognize any capital gain. Julie gets the same income tax charitable deduction of \$5,040, Pilgrim ends up with \$5,040 of cash for the organ, and the IRS ends up collecting ZERO. Hooray!

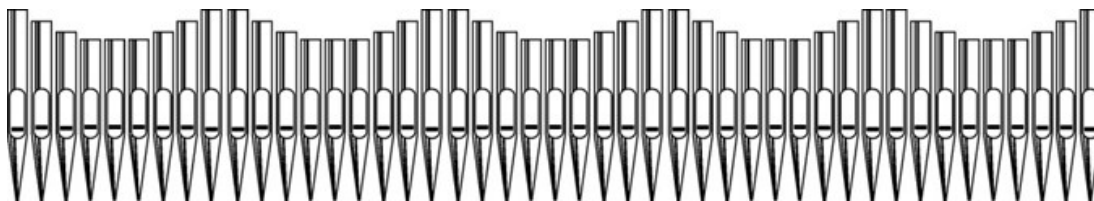
If you have any questions about this idea, I would be happy to answer them if I can. Importantly, however, I encourage you to discuss your objectives and the tax consequences of any transaction with your CPA in advance of the transaction. Thank you!

Blessings,

Karin Veatch

Steering Committee member
Campaign for a New Pipe Organ

PIPE ORGAN CAMPAIGN REPORT: As of November 29th, 26 pledges have been received totaling \$170,715.





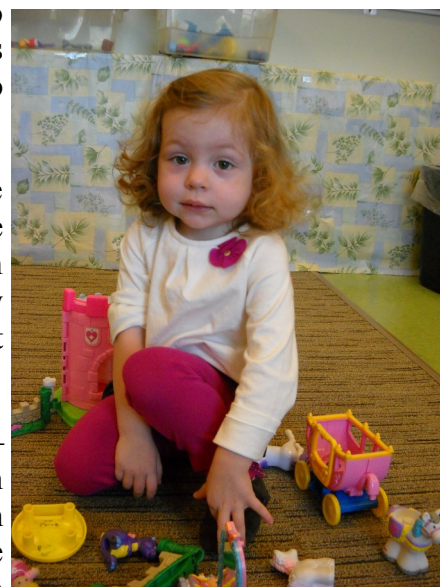
Pilgrim Lutheran Preschool and Parents Time Out



Oh, how busy we were in November! Many of us learned about coming to America on the Mayflower and then how it might have been to live as pioneers – without the modern conveniences. It was difficult for many to imagine walking to school instead of coming in mom’s mini-van or SUV!

We talked a lot about the things for which we are thankful. Our things to be thankful for ranged from yogurt, to Mom & Dad and our families! We are all very thankful for Gloria Worth who comes each month (for each individual class) to give us a story from the Bible. This month was a story was of the poor woman who gave her last two pennies ... to teach us about being grateful for what God gives us.

During the month of December, we will all focus on the birth of Christ—with art projects, songs and stories! Our Christmas programs will be on Monday, December 14 and Tuesday, December 15—both at 11:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. The program will be followed with a cookie reception in the



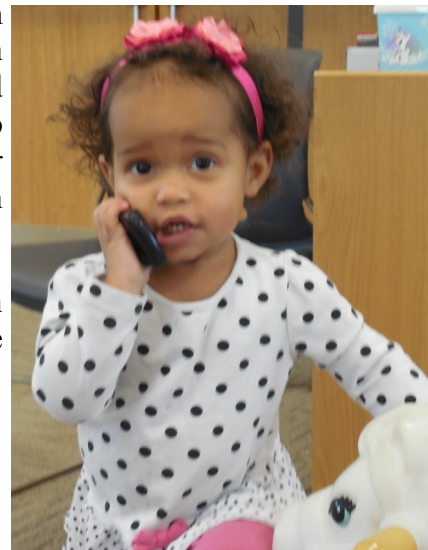
fellowship hall on Monday and in the Narthex on Tuesday. Sarah Williams and Gloria Worth have teamed together to be our music teachers again this year and we are already rockin’ on our Christmas songs!

Registration for Fall 2016 is just around the corner! It is so exciting to think of starting another year in our beautiful building! Our ‘Parents Time Out’ is for children who are twelve months old by September 1. ‘Preschool’ is for ages two through five. ‘In house’ registration (for those families who are currently enrolled in the program, but are not Pilgrim members) takes place during the first weeks after Christmas Vacation (Due January 15). Pilgrim members are given priority and pay no registration fee. If you are a Pilgrim member, please call Pat (846-6132--or email: patg@pilgrimindy.org) **before January 5** to priority register your child. For Open registration (those folks who are not currently in the program and not Pilgrim members), we will take registration forms through January 22. Starting on January 25, all of the open registration names will be placed in a ‘bowl’ and drawn out to fill the remaining openings and to build a waiting list. Please do not forget to call or

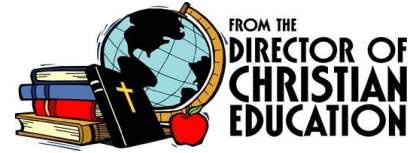
even better – email: patg@pilgrimindy.org to insure your priority registration **before January 5**.

Thanks again to all of you who support our ministry to our young children and their families in our congregation and our community. Please continue to keep us all in your prayers.

In His service,
Pat Goertemiller



EDUCATION NEWS



EDUCATION CALENDAR

December 4...Kids in Christ, 6:30-8:30
December 6...Sunday school for all. Lynn Willis teaching Adult class
December 13...Sunday school for all. Lynn Willis teaching Adult class
December 18...Kids in Christ, 6:30-8:30
December 23...Final Rehearsal for all children in grades 1-6
December 24...Family Christmas Eve service at 4:00pm
December 27...**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY SERVICE AND PROGRAM DECEMBER 24 AT 4:00PM!

The children in grades 1-6 are working very hard to learn Christmas Carols in preparation for our annual Children's Christmas program. We accomplish this with rehearsals on Sunday morning during the Sunday school opening and on Kids in Christ night. All children in grades 1-6 may participate if they are in attendance at either choir rehearsals. On Christmas Eve the children report to the choir room, we will greet them there by 3:30.

Children's Corner

When December comes we usually think about Christmas! We are excited and begin to think about all the surprises we will find under the tree on Christmas morning. Yet Christmas is about Jesus being born. Jesus came so we could learn and know how much God loves us. If we would take the time before Christmas called Advent to wait for Jesus' birth we may begin to understand the true meaning of Christmas. This does not mean that you cannot look forward to Christmas surprises but you may wish for a little less this year and ask your parents if one or two of your presents could go to a child who will not have a Christmas without help from you. One way to celebrate Advent is to have a table Advent wreath.

The Advent wreath is often an evergreen wreath with four candles arranged around the wreath and one placed in the middle. The round wreath represents eternity because our God is eternal. One candle on the wreath is lit each Sunday as Advent unfolds.

On the first Sunday of Advent, the first purple candle is lit. This candle is typically called the "Prophets Candle." We recall that the prophets of old foretold Jesus' birth. This candle represents hope as we wait for Jesus to come.

On the second Sunday of Advent, the second purple candle is lit. This candle is called the "Bethlehem Candle," it reminds us Jesus was born in a poor stable in Bethlehem.

On the third Sunday of Advent the pink candle is lit. This pink candle is called the "Shepherds Candle" and it represents joy. Because the shepherds were full of joy when they heard the good news from the angels that Jesus, the Messiah was here!

The fourth and last purple candle, oftentimes called the "Angels Candle." This candle represents peace. The angels sang in the heavens..."Peace on earth and good will to all!"

In the center of the wreath sits a white candle. This candle is lit on Christmas Eve to tell us that Jesus is born and he is the Light of the World.

Maybe many of you have Advent wreaths at home and you practice this tradition. If not then why not give this old tradition a try in your home? Putting Jesus back into Christmas is truly the best Christmas gift of all.

Christmas ... Faith and Fun

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” (Isaiah 9:6)

This is Christmas. This is our faith. This is God entering the world, not via Facebook or Twitter, but through human flesh, like us but perfect, in the body of a baby named Jesus. Born to save us from ourselves, from our sin, and through His life, death and resurrection to give us life and everlasting peace. This is the Gospel we worship and celebrate at Christmas. The ultimate gift. Thanks be to God!

Christmas is also a time to have fun. The world is a mess right now. We need some fun. So, grab your favorite beverage, your favorite person, your favorite Christmas album, (Andy Williams) gather around your Christmas tree, and test your knowledge of Christmas music with the following quiz.

1. Which song's second line begins with “Led by the night of faith serenely beaming?”
 - a. O Holy Night
 - b. Nuttin for Christmas
 - c. The Christmas Song
 - d. Silent Night
2. Which song begins with “Joy to the World, the Savior reigns?” (Even Willis will get this one)
 - a. Sleigh Ride
 - b. O Come All Ye Faithful
 - c. Joy to the World
 - d. Mary's Boy Child
3. Which hymn's second verse begins with “Christ by Highest Heav'n Adored?”
 - a. What Child is This?
 - b. O Holy Night
 - c. Away in the Manger
 - d. Hark the Herald Angels Sing
4. Which song's second verse begins with “Still through the cloven skies they come?”
 - a. It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
 - b. I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day
 - c. The Twelve Days of Christmas
 - d. O Christmas Tree
5. Which Christmas song second verse begins with “O sing choirs of angels?”
 - a. Home for the Holidays
 - b. O Come All Ye Faithful
 - c. Good King Wenceslas
 - d. Silent Night
6. Which song's second verse begins with “The Cattle are Lowing”
 - a. The Greatest Gift of All
 - b. O Little Town of Bethlehem
 - c. Away in the Manger
 - d. Jingle Bell Rock
7. Which song's second verse begins with “For Christ is born of Mary?”
 - a. O Little Town of Bethlehem
 - b. In Excelsis Gloria
 - c. Go Tell It on the Mountain
 - d. Frosty the Snowman
8. Which song's second verse begins with “See the blazing Yule before us?”
 - a. The Holly and the Ivy
 - b. Jingle Bells
 - c. Deck the Halls
 - d. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
9. Which song's second verse begins with “Born a king on Bethlehem's plain?”
 - a. O Little Town of Bethlehem
 - b. O Holy Night
 - c. Gentle Mary Laid Her Child
 - d. We Three Kings
10. Which song's second line begins with “They looked up and saw a star?”
 - a. The First Noel
 - b. Angels from the Realm of Glory
 - c. Good Christian Men Rejoice
 - d. I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

NOTE:
Answers can be found
on page 14 of this
newsletter!

MERRY CHRISTMAS to all, and to all a good night!!! ~ John Shilling

What's Happening

FIRST SUNDAY! FOOD SUNDAY!



Sunday, December 6th is the first Sunday of the month so, please remember to bring your contributions to either service. **Food contributions** may be placed outside the Food Pantry door or near the sanctuary entrance (there will be a sign). **Monetary gifts** may be placed in the offering plates during the service (please designate for "Pilgrim Food Pantry").

Food Pantry
Donations Needed



SACRED THREADS
will meet on
Tuesday,
December 8th!
at 10:00 am

DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS

"Christ in Our Home" devotional booklets for January through March, are now available. Please pick up a copy in the narthex.

PILGRIM MEN'S CHORUS TO SING AT BUTLER MEN'S BASKETBALL

GO DAWGS! On Saturday December 5th at 12pm the Pilgrim's Men's Chorus will sing the National Anthem at the Butler men's basketball home game. Seeing a Butler game in legendary Hinkle Fieldhouse is exciting enough, but our own men will take center court and sing the anthem prior to the start of the game. This is a sell out game versus Indiana State, and Pilgrim has been allotted 50 tickets. The tickets are first come, first served, so if you are interested don't hesitate to buy your tickets. Tickets are \$17, and you must order online (see link and code below.) If you have any questions, call Debbie at the church office 846-2221.

Link: <https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/butler/EN/link/promotion/home/79680d304a3fc87b59948679adc4112be6e96444>

Code: ANTHEM



POINSETTIAS SIGN-UP

Help beautify our church and chancel for Christmas by providing poinsettia plants for Christmas Eve. The cost is \$10.00 each; the plants may be taken after Christmas Eve worship to be given as gifts, or to decorate your own home. Sign up on the table in the narthex. Deadline to order is December 13th!

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET???

THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2016 is now available and on the table in the narthex. Please note that there are no flowers during the Lenten and Advent seasons. Cost is \$21.00 per vase, there are two vases.



What's Happening

BENEFACTION FUND

Benefaction Grant Request Forms are available upon request from the church office. Please call (846-2221) or email DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org if you would like a copy of the form. The Grant Request deadline is February 15, 2016. NOTE: All grant requests must be sponsored by a member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church.

Explore Trinity Event March 8-9, 2016

Is someone you know discerning God's call? Invite them to visit Trinity Lutheran Seminary in central Ohio during the spring "Explore Trinity" event, March 8 and 9. Participants will have the opportunity to experience Trinity up close and personal, to spend time with current students, professors, and staff, and to sample a seminary class. Prospective students also learn how to research scholarships, interact with local churches and other ministries, and to study abroad. Trinity ambassadors will lead a tour of the campus, the city of Bexley, and the greater Columbus, Ohio, metro area. For more information, contact the Admissions Office at admissions@tlsohio.edu or call 614-384-4615.



Library Programs

PILGRIM LIBRARY PROGRAM

Did you know that Pilgrim has a beautiful library full of books, magazines and DVDs for all ages? Come on up to the library, located on the 2nd floor (just outside of the choir loft) and check out a book or two! When you return the books, sign up to win a \$10 gift card in our monthly drawing! The more books you read, the more chances to win!

NW INDY JAZZERCISE CLASSES

NW Indy Jazzercise classes are held at Pilgrim Lutheran Church on Tuesday/Thursday at 4:30pm and Monday/Wednesday/Thursday at 6:00 pm. Additional classes are held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church (86th & Meridian) on Tuesday at 6:00 pm, Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday at 9:15 am and Saturday at 8:30 am. Pilgrim members receive a discounted rate of \$30 per month for a 12-month EFT, \$32 per month for 6-month or a 2-month pass for \$70 and no joining fee. First class is always free and you can sign up at any class!



2016 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes for 2016 will be available for pick up on December 6th and will be located on the table in the narthex by the office window. Please contact the church office, if you do not see your name. Call at 317-846-2221 or email at DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org



THE MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

Kids Against Hunger

Kids Against Hunger is a humanitarian food-aid organization whose mission is to: 1. Feed the hungry at home, 2. Feed the starving abroad, and 3. Teach our children the power of volunteerism. For more information, see the following website: www.kidsagainsthunger.net. Pilgrim has budgeted \$529.39 for this mission.



Lutheran Campus Ministry, Ball State Univ



As with the above described campus ministries, the group in Muncie, IN serves students at Ball State University providing a refuge from various aspects of campus life. Pilgrim supports this ministry with \$529.39 per year. For more information see www.bsutlc@comcast.net.

Good Samaritan Network

Good Samaritan Network brings together Christ-centered charitable organizations serving Hamilton County. They do this by coordinating the efforts of 64 service agencies, 34 food pantries, and nine township trustees to meet the needs for at-risk people in the county. This spectrum of services includes basic needs like housing, utility assistance, transportation, medical assistance, employment, counseling, and life-skills development. During the holidays, food, clothing and Christmas gifts are given to over 16,000 people. For more information see info@gsnlive.org. Pilgrim supports this ministry with \$1,497.62 per year.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 12:00 NOON

After the second service, we will help other Congregation members decorate the church for Advent and eat lunch. After lunch, the high schoolers will go shopping for our United Christmas Service adopted family.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 10:30 A.M.

We will have our Christmas "Giving Party." We will have brunch and wrap and deliver the gifts for our adopted family.

December 2015 Ministry Schedule

Sundays

December 6, 2015

Elder
Acolyte
Greeters
Lay Assistant
Chancel Volunteer
Nursery Worship
Nursery Sunday School

8:00 a.m.

Jim Durst
Cooper Sims
The Sims Family
Denny Licht
Pat Hanson
N/A

10:45 a.m.

Susie Pike
Elizabeth Rexing
The Rexing Family
Tammy Donley
Kathy Hatfield
Carrie Sailer

Karin Veatch

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

December 2, 2015

Elder Dave Runkel
Lay Assistant Maureen Jordan

December 13, 2015

Elder
Acolyte
Acolyte
Greeters
Lay Assistant
Communion Assistant
Communion Assistant
Chancel Volunteer
Nursery Worship
Nursery Sunday School

Jim Durst
Marla Murphy
N/A
The Murphy Family
Michael Przybylski
N/A
N/A
Judie Williams
N/A

Gwen Knipstein
Adam Longmire
William Pitts
The Longmire Family
Emma Williams
Jim Williams
Tim Guedel
Kathy Hatfield
Marla Murphy

Marcia Runkel

December 9, 2015

Elder Laura Peeters
Lay Assistant Joey Peeters

December 16, 2015

Elder Laura Fischer
Lay Assistant Eileen Hintz

December 20, 2015

Elder
Acolyte
Greeters
Lay Assistant
Chancel Volunteer
Nursery Worship
Nursery Sunday School

Dave Runkel
Evan Veatch
The Veatch Family
Karin Veatch
Judie Williams
N/A

Laura Peeters
Kathy Hatfield
The Hatfield Family
Frank Bates
Kathy Hatfield
Sharon Rexing

Ron Peeters

December 24, 2015

4:00 PM

Elder Dave Runkel
Nursery Kathy Hatfield
Acolytes Jack and Will Kelleher

December 27, 2015

Elder
Acolyte
Greeters
Lay Assistant
Chancel Volunteer
Nursery Worship
Nursery Sunday School

Dave Runkel
Claire Weems
The Weems/Lippert Family
Trent Johnsey
Sally Shockey
N/A

Doug Lippert
Kathy Hatfield
The Hatfield Family
John Williams
Kathy Hatfield
Heather Zetzl

Heather Moehl

December 24, 2015

9:30 PM

Elder Doug Lippert
Nursery Sandy Hurford
Acolytes Malik Dorn
Acolytes Claire Weems

8:00 a.m.

Altar Guild
Coffee Set up
Coffee Clean up

Barb Bowen
N/A

10:45 a.m.

N/A
Heather Zetzl
Martin Hurford, Fred Baade,
John Williams, Don Newby,
Jim Williams

Marcia Runkel

Ushers

Bill Bowen, Vance Sauer

Pilgrim Lutheran Church Calendar—December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool 9:30a Large Print 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p CYT 7:30p Poetry Plus	2 9:00a Preschool 9:00a MOMs 1:07p Preschool Board 2:30p Carmel Library Bookmobile 4:00p Women's Bible Study 6:00p Advent Dinner 7:00p Advent Worship	3 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool 9:30a Large Print 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p Jazzercise 6:00p Handbells 7:00 Choir Reh 8:30p Men's Chorus	4 9:00a Preschool 6:30p Kids in Christ	5 12:00p Men's Chorus @ Butler 12:00p United Church of God
6 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion 9:00a Youth Handbells 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion 12:00p Hanging of the Greens	7 9:00a Preschool 6:00p Jazzercise	8 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool 9:30a Large Print 10:00a Sacred Threads 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p Board of Elders @ Pike's 6:00p CYT	9 9:00a Preschool 9:00a MOMs 2:30p Carmel Library Bookmobile 6:00p Advent Dinner 7:00p Advent Worship 7:30p Combo Group 7:30p Welcome Team Training	10 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool 9:30a Large Print 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p Jazzercise 6:00p Handbells 7:00 Choir Reh	11 9:00a Preschool	12 9:00a Cookie Walk 12:00p United Church of God 6:00p CYT Parent Fun Nite
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12/8 Jim & Leslie Durst 39 years
 12/15 Dick & Carol Dahoney 53 years
 12/23 Kelly & Katrina Brown 30 years
 12/26 Lynn & Fran Willis 49 years
 12/28 Kevin & Erica Harriman 24 years



12/1 Carol Hatfield
 12/2 Patricia Wiehe
 12/4 Vanija Dorn
 Jenny Pitts
 12/6 Peggy Forst
 12/7 Heather Moehl
 12/11 Marcia Runkel
 12/13 Mary Ellen Sullivan
 Alex Wade
 Nathan Wade
 Kyle Clemens
 12/14 Jo Leshner
 12/16 Noel Shilling
 Kristin Wagenhauser
 12/18 Anna Nelsen
 Ben Worth
 Matt Worth
 12/22 Jason Follstad
 Brady Johnsey
 12/24 Anna Zetzel
 12/26 Kyler Dorn
 Bristol Pabst
 Charles Harshbarger
 Richard Knipstein
 Elias Konow
 12/29 Darrell Pike
 12/30 Sherilyn Kindig
 R.J. McDuffey
 12/31 Ian Watson



Answers: 1 - a 6 - c
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 4 - a 9 - d
 5 - b 10 - a



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sending out to serve

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Preschool Director	Pat Goertemiller
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*We are a caring Community
 Called together in ministry by the Holy Spirit
 Through the Gospel and the Sacraments to:
 Believe in Jesus Christ as Savior,
 Worship the Triune God,
 and
 Serve God by
 Proclaiming the Gospel,
 Joyfully Celebrating our God-given gifts,
 and
 Loving and Serving our neighbors
 With Jesus as our example.*

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