



## PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: December 31—January 7, 2017

**HYMNS FOR TODAY: 10:45 AM**

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### WEEK OF December 31, 2017

#### Sunday

10:45a Worship and Holy Communion

#### Monday—Office Closed

**Happy New Year!**

6:00p Jazzercise

#### Tuesday

7:00p Board of Elders

7:30p Poetry Plus

#### Wednesday

12:30p CCPL Mobile Library

6:00p Jazzercise

7:00p Evening Prayer with Holy Communion

#### Thursday

9:15a MOMs Group

6:00p Jazzercise

6:00p Handbell Rehearsal

7:00p Choir Rehearsal

#### Friday

#### Saturday

8:00a Jazzercise

12:00p United Church of God

#### Sunday

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion

10:45a Worship and Holy Communion

12:00p Un-Decorate the Church and Chili

**SAVE THE DATE** -- On **January 21** we will have a **special Voters' Meeting to vote on a candidate for our new pastor**. The candidate was unanimously approved by the call committee and the board of directors. The candidate will preach that Sunday. We plan to have a pitch-in breakfast along with a question and answer session from 9:00-10:30 AM. A Voters' Meeting will follow the 10:45 AM service and start at 12:00 PM. It is very important that we have robust attendance at the meeting. More details to follow.

**COFFEE & DONUTS ARE ON CHRISTMAS BREAK TODAY**. They will return on Sunday, January 7. Remember, however, that the Keurig is always there if you would like a cup of coffee, either regular or decaf. Tea is also available and soft drinks are in the refrigerator.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**"UN-DECORATING PARTY"** following the 10:45 AM service on **Sunday, January 7**. Many hands make little work. Congregational Life will provide a chili luncheon when everything is tucked away upstairs.

**PITCH-IN BRUNCH** to meet the candidate on **January 21, 2018** we will have a pitch-in brunch from 9:00-10:30 AM to meet the pastoral candidate. The blue sign-up sheets are on the credenza under the TV. Please sign up if you plan to attend, and note how many are in your group. There are also sign up sheets by indicating what food item you will be bringing.

Because of the large expected attendance, **we will need help in setting up on Saturday evening, January 20 at 7:00 PM**, and cleanup after the brunch. So that everyone will have an opportunity to participate in a service with the candidate, we are looking for cleanup helpers who will have attended the 8:00 AM service. The congregational meeting/vote will take place after the 10:45 AM service. Congregational Life is very appreciative of your willingness to serve.

**PITCH-IN LUNCHEON TO SAY THANK YOU to Pastor Rudy on January 28, 2018.**

### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Sunday, December 24, 2017 10:45 AM— 65

Christmas Eve 4:00 PM — 189

Christmas Eve 9:30 PM—148

There will be a pitch-in luncheon to say thank you to Pastor Rudy for his very dedicated service to the Pilgrim family over the past year. That will be his last Sunday with us, as he is retiring. White sign-up sheets are on the credenza under the TV. Like the event on the 21st, please sign up if you plan to attend and note how many in your group. Congregational Life will provide the ham and we are asking that you please sign up to bring a food item. **Please also indicate if you are able to help set up on Saturday evening, January 27 at 7:00 or help with cleanup following the luncheon.** Many thanks from Congregational Life for your "helping hands."

**HAPPY NEW YEAR AND GOD'S BLESSINGS FROM THE CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE!**

**SACRED THREADS** will meet at the home of Susan Maul on Tuesday, January 9th. We will be displaying the "Little Dresses for Africa" on Thursday and Friday, January 11-12th.

**BENEFACTION GRANT REQUEST FORMS** are available upon request from the church office. Please call 846-2221 or email [DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org](mailto:DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org) if you would like a copy of the form. The grant request deadline is February 15, 2018. All grant requests must be sponsored by a member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church.

**ELCA GOOD GIFTS**—Each year, Americans spend over \$300 billion on Christmas shopping. Imagine what would happen if we could redirect that spending toward the things that really matter, like putting an end to hunger. With ELCA Good Gifts, you can do just that. Choose from more than 50 charitable gifts to give in honor of loved ones—from goats to water wells, school uniforms to food for refugees. All of these gifts can be given in honor of friends or loved ones and make great alternatives to traditional Christmas gifts. Shop now by visiting [ELCA.org/goodgifts](http://ELCA.org/goodgifts) or stop by the display table in the Narthex.

**NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE IN LOBBY**—Please pick up your copy of the new 2017 Pilgrim Lutheran Church Members & Friends Directory in the church lobby. The directories are labeled and alphabetized by household name. Please locate and take home your labeled copy today! Questions? Contact Mark Tisdale at [marktisdale@msn.com](mailto:marktisdale@msn.com).

**THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2018** is available in the Narthex for sign ups. Please note: **NO** flowers during the Lenten and Advent seasons. Cost is

\$40.50 per vase, there are two vases.

**2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are ready to be picked up in the narthex. Please call the church office at 317.846.2221 if you do not see your name.

**A CALL FOR MISSION AMBASSADORS**—You are encouraged to consider participating in the Mission Ambassador program of the IK Synod. A Mission Ambassador is a congregational member who shares stories of how lives are changed through members' contributions—stories about doing God's work using our hands. Through these stories, your congregation will gain an even greater connection with the work of the ELCA in all its expression—your congregation, the Indiana-Kentucky Synod and ELCA Churchwide Mission Ambassadors receive training and access to resources that make this story-telling possible. For more information on this program as well as to sign up for the training, please go to this website: <http://ikmissioninterpretation.weebly.com/> or contact Mission Interpretation Coordinators Phil and Susan Schmidt at 859.635.2006 or [philschmidt45@gmail.com](mailto:philschmidt45@gmail.com).

**DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS, "Christ in Our Home"** for January—March 2018, are available. Please pick up a copy in the narthex, or ask an usher to assist you in obtaining one.

**LARGE PRINT DAILY DEVOTIONALS** are now available! If you are interested, please see Pastor Mueller or stop by the church office

