



PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: February 3—10, 2019

HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
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WEEK OF February 3, 2019

Today

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
9:00a Youth Bells
9:30a Sunday School
9:30a Worship Leader Training
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
12:15p Fine Arts Practice and Set Up
4:00p Fine Arts Organ Recital

Monday

9:00a Preschool
6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

9:00a Preschool
9:30a Large Print
6:00p Jazzercise

Wednesday

9:00a Preschool
12:15p CCPL Mobile Library
6:00p Jazzercise
7:00p Evening Prayer w/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
6:30p Kids in Christ

Saturday

8:30a Jazzercise
11:00a Pilgrim Mens Choir @ Butler Game
12:00p United Church of God

Sunday

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
9:00a Youth Bells
9:30a Sunday School
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion

BAKE SALE TODAY—Pilgrim's Youth Group will be holding a bake sale all morning today to raise funds for our Gaga Ball pit. Please stop by before or after both services to pick up some homemade treats and help our youth with their project to install a Gaga Ball pit at Pilgrim by the beginning of this summer. Thank you for your support.

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP—By now you may have noticed that during this season of Epiphany our sending hymn has remained the same – a rather unusual practice! However, you may have also noticed that the hymn is the Nunc Dimittis – the song Simeon sang when he saw Jesus as recorded in Luke 2:29-32. Epiphany is the season where we have many references to “light” – Jesus the Light of the World, a light in the darkness, and so forth. Count the number of references to light in the Nunc Dimittis and you can see why we are highLIGHTing this song in Epiphany!

DIRECTORY UPDATE—Check Your Contact Info

We are updating contact information for all members of the congregation. This Sunday there will be an office copy of the directory on a table in the narthex. Please take a moment and check your information. **Write any updates or changes, then please initial in the space next to your photo.** Contact Debbie at DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org if you have any other updates. You may also be contacted by your elder to help in this effort.

SUPER SENIORS—Our February Luncheon will be Tuesday, February 19. We have invited Frank Grunwald to return and speak with us about his experience in a Nazi Concentration Camp. This is about a 45-minute presentation complete with some visual aids. We were all so moved by his story of his and his father's escape from Communist Czechoslovakia that the Seniors decided that they wanted to hear "The Rest of the Story." The sign-up sheet is on the credenza under the TV. This luncheon will be a pitch-in. Please check on the sign-up sheet what you will be bringing--think serving ten to twelve. FYI--a special thank you shout out to Tim Shurr who came and recorded Frank's talk. He has made it available on <https://vimeo.com/312636003> which is like UTube.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE—CLC will host a luncheon on Sunday, February 24 after the 10:45 a.m. service to welcome the new people who have joined the Pilgrim Family since August. The sign-up sheet is on the credenza under the TV. We hope you will join us to celebrate these new members. Members that we will be recognizing are: Kristen Abbey, Anthony, Dominic, Elizabeth, Jane, and Sebastian; Vain and Priya Dantam; John and Paula Nordsterom; Tom and Char Raines; Brandon and Taylor Brown, Davis and Owen; Keith and Cathy Baumgarn; and Pr. Heidi, Robert and

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, January 27, 2019—161

Ainsley Schwerdtfeger-Jones.

CLC is looking into the possibility of inviting Frank Grunwald to do a consolidation of his experiences in a Nazi concentration camp and his escape from Communist Czechoslovakia on a Sunday after second service, as we've had a number of members express an interest in this. This would be a very interesting and informative presentation for both our teenagers and their families, as Frank, who is now 86, was the age of some of our high school students when he escaped. We'll keep you informed about this possibility.

BISHOP'S DAY AT PILGRIM—On Saturday, February 23, 2019, Pilgrim Youth will participate in Bishop's Day for Youth at Pilgrim Lutheran Church. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. (a continental breakfast will be available) and the day begins at 10 a.m. Students in grades 8-12, along with their chaperones, are invited to join Bishop Bill Gafkjen for conversation, worship, games, workshops, a service project, Bible study, lunch, and lots of fun. The day will finish by 3 p.m. The cost is \$5/person. To register, email Pastor Dan Fugate at dfugate@iksynod.org.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP—From Sunday, June 23 to Saturday, June 29, youth are invited to participate in an Indiana-Kentucky Synod Mission Trip where they will work alongside local ministries and non-profit organizations in Louisville, KY. The schedule will be packed with practical acts of love and service as participants engage people with Christ-like empathy and compassion. Evening activities will include a backside tour of Churchill Downs, a private tour of the Muhammed Ali Center, and a community cookout. More information is at www.iksynod.org/ikymt.

INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDER WRTV-Channel 6 or WTHR-Channel 13

When inclement weather is in the forecast, you can find out about cancellations at Pilgrim on channels 6 or 13. We'll also get the word out via an iContact email.

THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2019 is ready, but we have a few changes this year. When you sign up on the chart, also please take an envelope for payment and return your cash or check to Debbie, or place in the church office mailbox. *Payment is due when you sign up.* The cost remains the same at \$40.50 per vase. If a Sunday does not have anyone signed up to provide the flowers, the flowers will be cancelled for that Sunday as a cost savings to the church. **The following Sundays are available: February 10, 17 and 24, March 3, 17, 24 and 31. Please sign up today.**

LIBRARY SUNDAYS—We are ready to resume Library Sundays for the Winter/Spring semester. If your child has library books or DVDs at home that were checked out during the fall Sunday School semester, please remember to return them. Thanks!

The following dates have been set aside for the children to check out books, but may be changed

as needs arise: February 17, March 3, March 24, April 14,

May 5 and May 12 ~ Return all books or DVDs on these Sundays

We look forward to lots of happy readers in the New Year!! ~ Carol Hatfield and Barb Lamb

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, 2019. All grant requests must be sponsored by a member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church.

PILGRIM GARDEN UPDATE—Even though winter is now upon us with snow on the ground, plans for Pilgrim's second gardening season are already underway. We're pleased that over 850 pounds of produce was donated to the Marion County and Hamilton County food banks during the 2018 growing season!

As with any new project, we're learning as we go. Many of the veggies that we grew last summer were real "hits" with the food banks (e.g. lettuce, peppers, eggplant, broccoli, tomatoes, summer and winter squash, and green beans) whereas some were not as readily received, or over supplied by other donors when in season (e.g. sweet corn). With this in mind, we'll focus more on the winners, and plan to stagger planting so that we get steadier production over the summer. Also, we're excited that some perennials (rhubarb and asparagus) planted last year will begin to come into limited production in Year 2.

We were lucky this past season to have very limited activity from four-legged marauders, but those of you who are gardeners know that this honeymoon only lasts one year. So, plans are underway to place a fence around the garden this coming year. Modular fencing is now available that will keep out rabbits, raccoons, possums, groundhogs and the like, and can be easily moved as garden dimensions change or expand in the future. We've identified a product that comes in 3 foot sections, and combined with pavers will encircle the garden while allowing easy access for gardeners and equipment. To this end, we're looking for some financial help. Those of you who are Thrivent members may be aware of a program that provides funds for designated church projects.

Thrivent members may receive up to \$250 (\$500 for couples) and we're thinking this proposed project would be a good match. Let me know if this would be of interest to you, and I can provide details on the project scope and cost.

We're looking forward to our 2019 season, but could really use some more workers in the vineyard!

Look forward to more communications as to planting, cultivating, weeding and harvesting as spring arrives. We now have a refrigerator more conveniently located in the food pantry. Thanks also to Evelyn Kramer, as we have a rototiller! Thanks! ~Paul Swanson, biocatswanson@att.net