



## PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: January 7-14, 2017

**HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM**  
**#673**  
**#305**  
**#490 and #460**  
**#322**

### WEEK OF January 7, 2017

#### Sunday

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion  
9:30a Fine Arts Committee  
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion  
12:00p Un-Decorating the Church and Chili

#### Monday

6:00p Jazzercise

#### Tuesday

9:00a Preschool  
9:30a Large Print  
10:00a Sacred Threads @ Susan Maul's

#### Wednesday

9:00a Preschool  
12:30p 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  
1:00p Ladies Bible Study  
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  
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion  
w/Baptism

**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.

**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.** 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."

#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, December 31, 2017—59  
Wednesday, January 3, 2018—5

**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.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**—Pilgrim Adults are invited to a special Reformation Class hosted and led by Sven Schumacher on Sunday, January 14.

**BENEFACTION GRANT REQUEST FORMS** are available upon request from the church office. Please call 846-2221 or email [DebbieColins@pilgrimindy.org](mailto:DebbieColins@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.

**MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN**—Make a New Year's Resolution and join the monthly Bible Study for women! We meet on a Thursday once per month at one of the ladies home. This semester we are going to continue a study on Simon Peter. The January study will be held at the home of Kathy Hatfield on Thursday, January 18th at 1:00 pm. Questions please contact Kathy at 317.577.8305.

**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 great-

er 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

**SAVE THE DATE!** - On Saturday, January 27, Beth Lewis will be leading two workshops at St. John's Lutheran Church in Anderson, IN, titled "*Congregational Hospitality: How to Really Welcome the Stranger*" and "*Strategic Thinking for Missional Congregations.*" There is no cost to attend these workshops. Lewis is the CEO of 1517 Media (Augsburg Fortress) and was one of the keynote speakers at last summer's Indiana-Kentucky Synod Assembly. What a great opportunity to learn ways you can strengthen your local congregation's ministry! The time of this event will be announced in a future newsletter.

**Schedule Information**—St. John's is thrilled at the opportunity to host this event and would like to offer a meal to all participants. If possible, they would find it helpful to have a general idea of the number of folks planning to attend. Please email Matthew Manning at [manning6923@gmail.com](mailto:manning6923@gmail.com).

**9:30am** - Registration & coffee provided by St. John's

**9:45-10am** - Welcome, opening prayer & introduction by Matt Manning

**10-11:30am** - Strategic Thinking presentation followed by discussion/Q&A - Beth Lewis

**11:30am-noon** Lunch provided by St. John's  
**noon-1:30pm** Congregational Hospitality presentation followed by discussion/Q&A - Beth Lewis

**1:30-1:45pm** Closing prayer-Matt Manning