



## PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: January 14-21, 2017

**HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM**  
**#532**  
**#737**  
**#308 and #462**  
**#511**

### WEEK OF January 14, 2017

#### Sunday

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion  
 9:00a Youth Bells  
 9:30a Sunday School  
 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion  
           w/Baptism  
 12:00p Un-Decorating the Church

#### Monday—OFFICE CLOSED

6:00p Jazzercise  
 7:00p Outreach and Communications

#### Tuesday

9:00a Preschool  
 9:30a Large Print  
 7:00p Board of Directors

#### 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 @ Kathy Hatfield's  
 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 Brunch with Candidate—Pitch-in  
 9:30a Sunday School  
 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion  
 12:15p Special Voter Meeting—Call Candidate

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY**—Pilgrim Adults are invited to a special Reformation Class hosted and led by Sven Schumacher.

**UNDECORATING THE CHURCH** will take place today following the 10:45 AM service. The chili luncheon that was to follow has been cancelled. Thank you to all of you for your willingness to help with the undecorating.

**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

#### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Sunday, January 7, 2018—124  
 Wednesday, January 10, 2018—11

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."

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** in January and February led by Pastor Paul Schumacher: *Our Forefathers in the Faith*. A 5-week study on this topic begins for all adult Pilgrims on January 28, 2018. Pastor Paul Schumacher, long-time member of Pilgrim and moreover a faithful servant to Pilgrim as he has served in the Interim Pastor capacity for us many, many times. Pastor Paul will begin the classes with a discussion of St. Augustine (354-430 A.D.) drawing from his books *Confessions* and *City of God*. Continuing on Pastor Paul will focus on Martin Luther, a young Augustinian monk (1483-1546) with his 95 Theses (1517) and The Augsburg Confession (1530) with colleague Philip Melancthon. The last three classes will be devoted to Our American Experience of Lutheranism, with references to Soren Kierkegaard (1813-1855) and Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945). Coming to each session will give you a broad view of Lutheran history but even attending several sessions will be enriching if you are unable to attend all five. Please mark your calendars for January 28-February 25.

**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.

**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.

**CELEBRATE FAT TUESDAY WITH SARAH WILLIAMS AND AN ORGAN RECITAL!** On Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at Pilgrim Sarah will play a concert entitled "The King of Instruments" with music fit for royalty and also some fun music in the spirit of Mardi Gras. Music includes works by Bach, Widor, and Albright (a piece entitled "the King of Instruments" that combines humorous poetry with rather playful -maybe goofy- music). Sarah will pull out all the stops so this is an event you don't want to miss! Bring a friend and stay for a dessert reception afterwards. A free-will offering will be taken for the scholarship fund at Lutheran Summer Music, which is a multi-week summer music camp program for

teenagers (Sarah is an alumna of the 1994 camp.) Mardi Gras beads will be handed out as long as supplies last!

**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 [markrtisdale@msn.com](mailto:markrtisdale@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.

**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