



WEEK OF January 5, 2020

Sunday

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
12:15p Un-decorating the Church

Monday

6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

9:00a Preschool
9:30a Large Print
10:00a Sacred Threads
6:00p Jazzercise
7:00p Board of Elders
7:30p Poetry Plus

Wednesday

9:00a Preschool
12:15p CCPL Mobile Library
6:00p Jazzercise
7:15p Combo Group

Thursday

9:00a Preschool
9:30a Large Print
6:00p Jazzercise
6:00p Adult Hand bell Rehearsal
7:00p Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday

9:00a Preschool

Saturday

8:00a Jazzercise
9:00a BOD, BOE and Staff Retreat

Sunday

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

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, December 22, 2019—241
4:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 24, 2019 —214
9:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 24, 2019 —186
Sunday, December 29, 2019—89

PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HYMNS: #302, #300, #294, #286

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP? Today we stray slightly from our liturgical calendar – but only with the aim of capturing as much of the season of Epiphany as possible. The actual day of Epiphany is always January 6. We will use the lectionary texts scheduled for Monday, January 6 in our worship today. The festival of Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of Christ in this world (or, as Pastor Fugate referenced on Christmas Eve, moving into the neighborhood”). This festival also commemorates the arrival of the Wise Men to the manger – so of course we will sing “We Three Kings of Orient Are.” If you would like to hear an alternate version of those hymn lyrics involving a rubber cigar, see me after church (and thanks to Pastor Kahlenberg for that bit of Epiphany humor.)
~Sarah Williams

ADULT EDUCATION will resume on Sunday, January 12 at 9:30 a.m. with an 8-week study called Amos & Hosea: Boundaries, Tough Love, Amazing Grace. Please consider being a discussion leader! For more information, please contact Lianna Campos at liannacampos@pilgrimindy.org or 317-954-1601.

HELP US TAKE DOWN THE GREENS today after the 10:45 a.m. service. We'll pack up our holiday finery for next year, and enjoy a little fellowship.

SACRED THREADS will meet at 10:00 a.m. this Tuesday, Jan. 7. Please join us!

2020 Pledge REMINDER—If you haven't yet submitted a pledge for our 2020 pledge drive, it isn't too late! Pick up a commitment card outside the church office, complete the information and return your pledge to the church office or put in Kyle Fedorcha's mailbox in the Narthex. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2020 is ready! Please remember when you sign up on the chart, also 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.

2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available for pick up in the Narthex. If you do not see a box with your name on it, please contact the church office at 317-846-2221.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS, “Christ in Our Home” for January—March 2020 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 stop by the church office.

CANCELLATION NOTIFICATION PROCESS—this week’s ice and snow are a reminder that Indiana weather is anything but predictable. Once in a while we do need to close the office or cancel services. In general, during the week we will follow Carmel Clay Schools. When they are delayed or closed, we are delayed or closed. On the weekends, any decision to delay or close will be made by Pastor Heidi, Jim Williams (head elder), Kathy Clark (BOD president) and Sarah Williams (Cantor). When there is a cancellation, we will send out an email and contact local media (Channel 6 and Channel 13).

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, 2020. All grant requests must be sponsored by a member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church.

NEEDED—Queen size mattress and blankets. If you have a queen size mattress and blankets that you are willing to donate, please contact Fran Willis @ (317) 690-427. Thank you.

PRAYERS—Please check the back of the bulletin cover to review the prayer petitions. If you need to add, update or delete any prayers, please contact Debbie in the church office.

NEW CARMEL INTERFAITH ALLIANCE SERIES

In a continuing effort to help spread understanding and awareness of the various religious practices in our community, Carmel Interfaith Alliance is holding a series on what Buddhists believe from 11 a.m.—12:30 p.m. on Saturday in January, February, and March. The series will be held at Carmel Christian Church, 463 E. Main Street.

WHAT DO BUDDHISTS BELIEVE ABOUT ...

- **January 11: Life and Beyond**
- **February 15: Where Suffering Comes From**
- **March 21: The True Nature of Things**

If we want to transform our life and be free from problems, we must learn to transform our minds. We have a precious human life with freedom and endowments. We must ask ourselves - do we use it and enjoy its full potential and how capable are we protecting ourselves from life’s difficulties? In this series of Saturday Talks and Guided Meditations, Gen Dorje will offer teaching based on Buddhist beliefs of topics that are of interest to everyone. The talk will include guided meditation with time for Q & A. Come and explore our life’s possibilities for real peace and happiness.

ABOUT THE TEACHER

The Resident Teacher at Kadampa Meditation Center Indianapolis is Buddhist monk Gen Kelsang Dorje. Gen Dorje has been studying and practicing Buddhism for over 20 years under the guidance of his teacher Venerable Geshe Kelsang Gyatso, the founder of the New Kadampa Tradition. Gen Dorje is admired for his warmth and humor in making Buddha’s teachings relevant to the modern world. He is an inspiring example of how to integrate Buddha’s teachings into a joyful life.

For more information, please contact Pastor Jerry Zehr, Carmel Christian Church, (317) 846-5033.

SIMPLY GIVING PROGRAM—Forgetting your weekly giving envelope? Tired of hand writing checks each week? If so, we encourage you to consider signing up for the Simply Giving Program. Simply Giving is a convenient and secure way to have your regular giving electronically transferred from your bank account or credit card instead of hand writing checks. You can choose the amount and frequency to be electronically transferred. You should have received an email with a copy of the form, or contact the church office. Return completed forms to Kyle Fedorcha’s mailbox or the church office.

Midweek worship will resume on
January 15 at noon. Please note new time.