



WEEK OF January 19, 2020

Sunday

88:00a Worship and Holy Communion w/Installation of Officers
9:30a Youth Bell Rehearsal
9:30a Sunday School
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion w/Installation of Officers

Monday—Martin Luther King Day

OFFICE CLOSED

6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

9:00a Preschool
9:30a Large Print
12:00p Super Senior Luncheon
6:00p Jazzercise

Wednesday

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

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

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, January 12, 2020—152
Wednesday, January 15, 2020—14

PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HYMNS: #866, #574, #481, #815

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP? We continue in the season of Epiphany, where our scriptures and music have a *leitmotiv*—a recurring musical concept throughout a long piece. The *leitmotiv* for us is light, in the sense that Jesus comes to us to be a light in this dark world. We sing “We are Marching in the Light of God” and “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”. The organ prelude also reflects that light-motive. It is a bit unusual – I would be hard pressed to come up with another organ work that is dedicated to epiphany but is not an arrangement of a common epiphany hymn. This little-known organ piece, by twentieth-century French composer Maurice Duruflé, was written in the early 1960s and is based on the Gregorian chant Introit for the Mass of Epiphany. Duruflé takes the ancient irregular rhythm of the Gregorian chant and turns it into a rather modern sounding composition.

~Sarah Williams

ADULT EDUCATION continues today at 9:30 a.m. with our 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 317-954-1601 or liannacampos@pilgrimindy.org.

SUPER SENIORS REGULAR MONTHLY LUNCHEON: Tuesday, January 21 at 12:00 p.m. we will welcome Chris Mize, Museum Manager of the James Whitcomb Riley Museum Home. Chris has a Bachelor's Degree in History and English from the University of Dayton, and a Master's Degree in Public History from IUPUI. He also has a long-time enthusiasm for American History. The cost will be \$10. Our meal is being catered by Sahm's so please make sure to sign up on sheet on the credenza in the narthex.

SENIOR GAME DAY—Please join us on Tuesday, January 28 at 11:30 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. for our Senior Game Day. Please bring a sack lunch and we will play all sorts of games. Kathy Hatfield will call every one signed up if weather is uncooperative. Please sign up on the paper on the credenza

PILGRIM LADIES NITE OUT—Please join us for the first Pilgrim Ladies Nite Out for the year on Tuesday, January 28. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Burgerhaus in Carmel. This is located at 89 Veterans Way (aka 1st Avenue SW). It will be a great way to start the year with everyone. Hope to see you there!

NEW MEMBER CLASS COMING SOON. If you are interested in joining our Pilgrim family, please contact Pastor Heidi or the church office at (317) 846-2221 or by email to DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org.

ORGAN CONCERT AT PILGRIM! The American Guild of Organists Indianapolis Chapter presents the Indianapolis Pipe Organ Festival on Sunday, February 16, 3 p.m. at Pilgrim Lutheran Church. Tickets are \$10 for adults (\$5 for students) available at IndyAGO.org or at the door. Performing artists include Matt Gerhard, Luke Kessler, Tom Nichols, Hector Salcedo, Dawn Waddell and Mary Ragna Yetter. This is a special event for Pilgrim and our new organ – for many years this annual concert was held at St. Luke's United Methodist. This year it comes to us – don't miss this chance to hear our organ played by several excellent local organists and ticket sales support the local chapter of the AGO.

TOGETHER FOR KENYA - 2020 mission trip dates have been set (4/18 - 5/3). One of the greatest gifts you can give yourself AND those we are called to serve, is to participate in a pilgrimage to Kenya. Prayerfully consider this 'call' and watch for additional information coming soon.

2020 PLEDGE DRIVE UPDATE—The response to the 2020 Pledge Drive has been outstanding. Although we haven't quite reached our goal of 100% participation, we are truly blessed with the participation level so far. Your pledges are important because it helps Pilgrim plan our resources and participate and support the many ministries and programs within our community and around the world. By pledging we are making a commitment but we also understand that circumstances arise throughout the year that result in changes to one's financial situation. Please know, pledges are only used to help us plan and never used to judge. You can download a pledge card from the e-Blast announcement or by picking one up in the narthex. Please return your pledge directly to the church office or place it in Kyle Fedorcha's mailbox in the narthex. When we give to God we are able to discover what God gives to us. Thank you for your stewardship!

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.

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.

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 week-ends, 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).

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 continuing in February and March. The series will be held at Carmel Christian Church, 463 E. Main Street.

WHAT DO BUDDHISTS BELIEVE ABOUT ...

- **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.

THANK YOU TO THOSE THAT DONATED mattresses and blankets. Your generosity is most assuredly helping those in need.