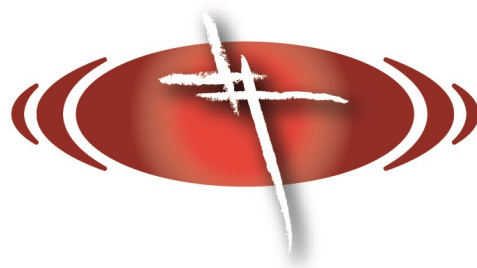


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GRAB A STICKER AND HELP SPREAD COMMUNITY AWARENESS

Help spread the word about Pilgrim in your community with a bumper sticker or car window cling. You can pick up your sticker or cling in the narthex after service on May 3rd, May 10th or May 17th. Stickers and clings are FREE and everyone is encouraged to take one for their vehicle. Free-will donations are also appreciated. Questions? Contact Mark Tisdale at 440.479.4783 or markrtisdale@msn.com.

Congregational Life Events

Please join us on Saturday, June 20 as our Women's Chorus will be singing the National Anthem prior to Indiana Fever game. Game time is 7pm. Tickets are \$19.80 and include hot dog, chips, drink, t-shirt. Order tickets now at fevergroups.com/tickets/912 password: PILGRIM

31st Annual Lutherwood Golf Outing

The Lutherwood Golf Outing is set for Tuesday, June 9, 2015, at 12:00 pm at Old Oakland Golf Club at 75th and Oaklandon Road in Indianapolis. This Outing is hosted by The Foundation for Lutheran Child and Family Services.

- ◆ Church Foursome—\$400
- ◆ Corporate Foursome—\$500
- ◆ Individual—\$125

To register, please call 317-860-1807 or email at cwilmot@lutheranfamily.org.

WELCA TO STREAM CLIFF HERB FARM

WELCA Committee is taking a trip to Stream Cliff Herb Farm in Commisky, Indiana. All ladies and their guests are welcome to join the WELCA Committee on a trip to a beautiful Herb Farm on May 16th, 2015.

- *Have you ever smelled a chocolate geranium*
 - *Want to start a container garden?*

Come and enjoy seeing the large display of herbs and plants. You will be visiting one of the most photographic places in Indiana! Sign up on the information sheet in the Narthex.

WELCA NEWBORN KIT SERVICE PROJECT

It is once again time for the annual WELCA Newborn Kit Service Project. Ladies, we will meet in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, May 19th at 6:00 p.m. for a pitch-in salad supper (and desserts, of course). After supper we will assemble the newborn kits for Global Health Ministries. If you wish to donate items for our project, here is a list of items needed:

- regular size bath towels
- 36" squares of muslin
- wash cloth
- newborn stocking cap
- cotton-blend baby shirt (to waist only, no onesies)
- receiving blanket
- bath size Ivory soap
- 2 gallon ziploc bags

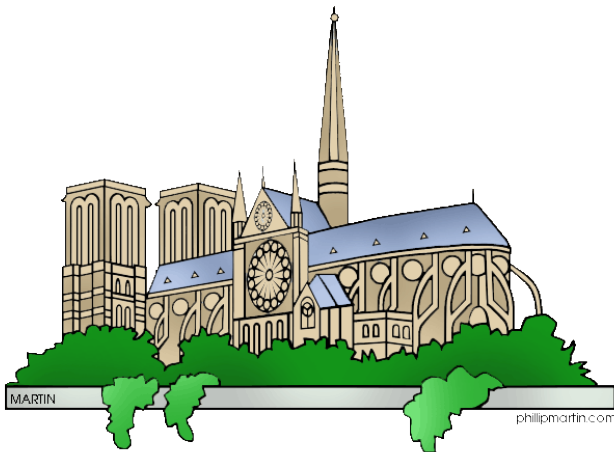
There will be a box in the narthex to collect donated items. ~Thank you in advance, Judy Hunden

Dear Pilgrim members and friends,

You might expect this article to be about the ten-day Netherlands and Belgium “Tulips and Windmills” Viking River Cruise which Pat and I recently completed (April 5-15), and it will be – but only very partially so. (You’ll have to wait until June for a fuller Sunday morning “Travelogue Brunch” – information about that will come later, but I do hope you will be able to attend!)

the pastor’s page

Here I wish to share about two of the churches – cathedrals, really – that we visited: Eusebius Church in Arnhem, Netherlands, and Saint Bavo’s Cathedral in Ghent, Belgium. The former church, Eusebius, is named for an early Christian theologian and historian, Eusebius of Caesarea (263-339 a. d.). The latter church, St. Bavo’s, is named for a wealthy Belgian nobleman of the seventh century, Bavo (622-659 A. D.), who was canonized after he gave away all of his possessions to the poor and entered a monastery.



Like many other buildings in Arnhem, Eusebius Church was severely damaged by bombardment during World War II. But Eusebius Church was gradually rebuilt, with its re-dedication coming in 1964. British troops liberated Arnhem from the Nazis in April, 1945, and two concerts commemorating that were scheduled at the church on the Sunday following our visit (April 12th; we were there on Thursday afternoon April 9th). Though it is certainly a huge, impressive building with a great, tall tower

dominating the skyline of Arnhem even today, Eusebius Church is now a church in name only.

It is a church building, but there is no worshipping congregation. In fact, the building now belongs to the city government of Arnhem, and it is used for public and civic events only, and not for any religious observances! In fact, the altar has been removed from the chancel (though the pulpit remains), and the two spacious transepts on either side of the chancel now have large wet bars positioned along the outside walls (Belgians do like their beer!)! I very much enjoyed visiting the Eusebius Church, but I’ll also admit I was saddened to see such a beautiful church building no longer used for worship to honor and praise God.

I had a much different feeling when we visited St. Bavo’s Cathedral in Ghent! We entered to hear a choir, that of the Handel Society of Amsterdam (though they didn’t sing Handel!) rehearsing in front of the chancel, and they would give a free concert later that afternoon, a portion of which we enjoyed. There were many tourists in the building, whereas at Eusebius Church there were very few. An elderly woman at an information table near the church entrance assured us in her broken English that there was indeed a congregation worshipping in Saint Bavo’s every Sunday morning!

Pat and I crowded into a small room at the rear of the church, with 40 to 60 of our closest friends – strangers, actually, but we were crammed in so closely you would have thought we were already well-acquainted (!) – and listened through headsets as we looked at a projected image of St. Bavo’s most famous painting, the “Ghent Altarpiece,” a triptych of Jan van Eyck, completed in 1432 A. D. Amazing artwork in an amazing church building! Given the choice, I’ll chose the church with a worshipping congregation every time!

Sincerely, in Christ,

Alan Goertemiller
Pastor



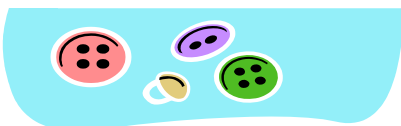
Pilgrim Lutheran Preschool And Parents Time Out

What a great month April was at the preschool. (One would wonder if having Spring Break helped to make it so wonderful!) Mrs. Worth (Gloria) had a fabulous story for us this month. She told all about the real Easter story. She brought bread and wine and told us all about the last supper and about the great sacrifice Jesus made for all of us. Both the staff and the children were in awe.



It is with amazement that we approach the month of May! Our school year ends on May 20 . . . August seems like only yesterday! It is amazing how all of our children have grown – spiritually, physically, emotionally, socially, cognitively, and creatively. Many of our students will be making the big move to kindergarten in the fall; we will miss them dearly since many have been with us since they were toddlers. We are so grateful that our families have shared their children with us.

We won't be taking a break before we begin our summer program on May 26 – where we will learn about all of the workings of a farm and it's animals. Our second week holds reading excitement for us as we talk about our favorite stories. On the third week of camp we will dive in 'Under the Sea' and learn about all of God's creatures who live there! Next we are off on a Safari – with lots of Jungle Animals. The last week will be a week featuring everything red, white and blue (God Bless America is our theme) as we prepare for the July 4th holiday! Our last day of day camp is on Friday, June 26. Exciting times await us!



We are looking for donations of pastel colored flat buttons. If you have any, please drop them off in my church mailbox located in the narthex.

It has been an absolutely fabulous third year in our new building! We are almost full for the 2015-2016 school year ... we do have a few twos and threes openings for fall. Next school year, we are again starting the last week of August and we will finish on Wednesday, May 18th.



Thanks again to all of you who support our ministry to our young children and their families in our congregation and our community. Please continue to keep us all in your prayers.

In His Service,
Pat Goertemiller



CALENDAR FOR MAY:

May 3...Sunday school/Voter's Meeting for adults

May 6...Kids in Christ, 6:00-7:00 pm

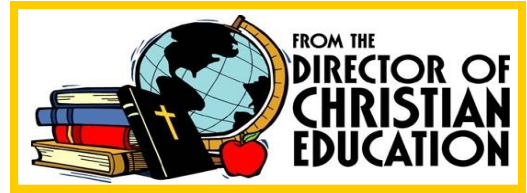
May 10...Sunday school/usual programming

May 13...Elder Interviews of Confirmation Candidates 7:30 PM

May 16...Confirmation Dinner for Confirmation Families 6:00PM

May 17...Confirmation Reception/class parties for pre-school and elementary/choir for grades 1-6

May 24...NO Sunday school



Confirmation Sunday is on May 17

Congratulations to our 5 Confirmands:

**Charlie Harriman, Josh Longmire, Alex Wade,
Nathan Wade and Molly Watson**

A reception in their honor begins in Fellowship Hall at 9:30. The students will present their statement of faith papers. We encourage all members to attend this important function. Your attendance lends support to them as they make this faith formative step. To build the church we ought to build up one another. Please join us.

Vacation Bible School

It is very exciting to be planning for Vacation Bible School in July, July 13-17 to be exact. We are so fortunate at Pilgrim to have a terrific team of helpers as well as so many families interested in participating. Pilgrim families please sign up soon and consider inviting neighbors and friends to join us. The form is on the website for your convenience. I am hoping all our Pilgrim kids will join us for a great week of fun. Any parents interested in helping please contact Gloria Worth at gloriaworth@pilgrimindy.org or 846-2221.

Kids' Corner: "The month of May is here! And for most of you summer vacation is coming to you this month. You are waiting for school to be over and easy summer days to begin. Do you ever think about what Jesus said to his disciples before he ascended into heaven? Jesus had spent 40 days on the earth after his resurrection from the dead. He appeared to his disciples many times over the 40 days and he spoke to them about the Kingdom of God. On the day he ascended into heaven right before their eyes he said to them, "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about" (Acts 1:4). Jesus was telling them about the gift of the Holy Spirit that he promised to leave to them. And the Holy Spirit came to them 10 days later on the feast of Pentecost. With the power of the Holy Spirit in them they could go out and make disciples of all nations. The disciples had to wait and trust what Jesus said would happen. If we continue to read in Acts we learn they spent their waiting time in prayer and praise. When we are waiting for something big (like summer vacation to begin) we can follow the example of Jesus' disciples. We can pray to God to be with us in school. For us to continue to work hard and not give up when we might want to because we are tired of all the learning. Pray for your teachers; they too may be tired! Also we can praise God for our opportunity to go to school and for the gift of learning. Know that the Holy Spirit is alive in all of us and helps us each day, even when we are waiting for the next BIG thing.

~ Happy Month of May, Mrs. Worth

Vacation Bible School Enrollment Form

July 13-17: 9:00 am-12:15 pm

Name of Parents _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____

In case of an emergency and parents are not available, please contact:

Name _____ Phone _____ Cell _____

Children must be 4 years of age by June 1, 2015 to attend VBS. All ages up through those children entering 6th grade are welcome to attend.

Students entering 7th grade and higher may volunteer to be camp counselors (Adults too)

Name	Gender	Age	Grade	Allergies/
		Entering in fall Preschoolers List birth date	Special Needs	

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Because of scheduling, it is impossible for us to promise to put certain children together.

We ask for a supply fee at the time of registration: \$30.00 per child for non-members and \$20.00 per child for Pilgrim Lutheran Church members. Thank you.

MAIL REGISTRATION and CHECKS TO: Pilgrim Lutheran Church
3650 West 106th Street
Carmel, IN 46032

Or you may drop your payment and paperwork at the church office.

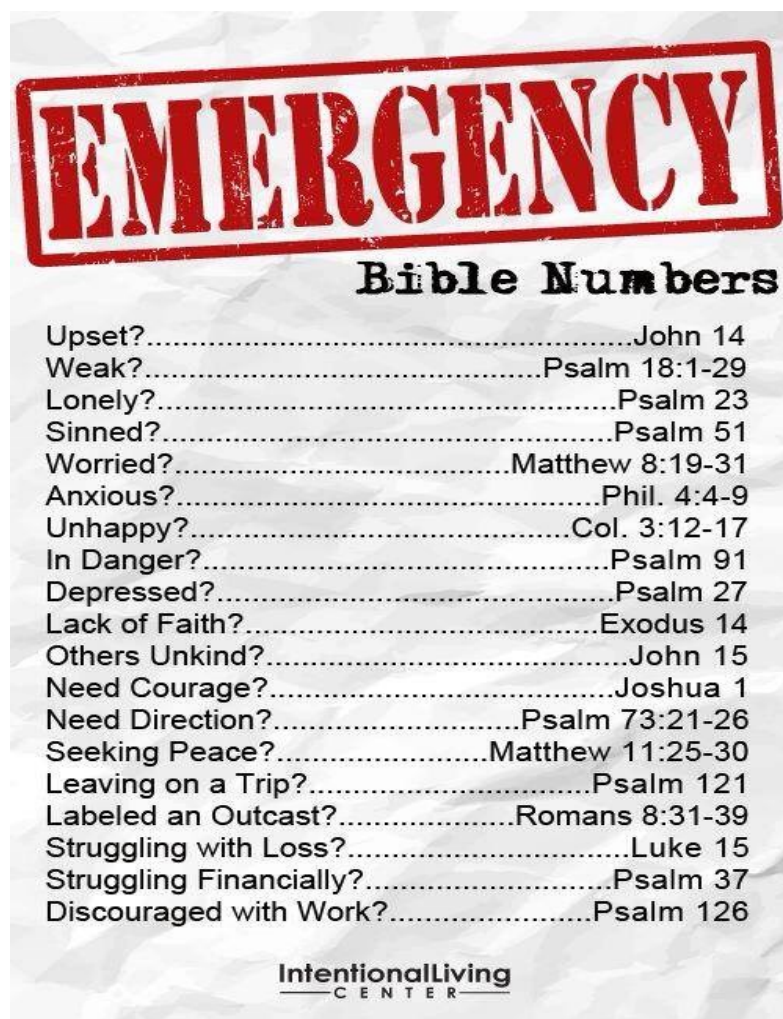
Please register no later than June 30, 2015. We need to be sure we have enough supplies to accommodate our campers! THANKS.

**Questions: Call Gloria Worth, Director of Christian Education, 846-2221 ext. 1226
or gloriaworth@pilgrimindy.org**

The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines the word emergency as: 1) an unexpected and usually dangerous situation that calls for immediate action; 2) an unforeseen combination of circumstances or the resulting state that calls for immediate action; and 3) an urgent need for assistance or relief. The common theme in these three different definitions is immediate/urgent. When we are badly injured or need immediate attention, we take a trip to the emergency room. When we can't get to the emergency room ourselves and need an ambulance immediately, we call the emergency number 911. We can even get emergency service when we have a plumbing disaster or our electrical service is interrupted from a storm.

What can we, as Christians, do when we have a personal crisis that can't be resolved by doctors, plumbers or electricians? Our emergency manual is the Bible. We know that just because we are facing a life emergency, God won't necessarily make things better immediately. However, we have comfort knowing that we have somewhere to go for immediate solace, courage and guidance. There are a multitude of verses that can be referenced when going through various crises in life. Some of these I found in a Facebook post a few days ago and wanted to share with all of you. I pray that none of you experience personal emergencies in your lives, but if you do, reference the appropriate passage from the list below. I pray it will help you be emotionally and spiritually healed.

Soli Deo Gloria – To God alone the Glory!



EMERGENCY

Bible Numbers

Upset?.....	John 14
Weak?.....	Psalm 18:1-29
Lonely?.....	Psalm 23
Sinned?.....	Psalm 51
Worried?.....	Matthew 8:19-31
Anxious?.....	Phil. 4:4-9
Unhappy?.....	Col. 3:12-17
In Danger?.....	Psalm 91
Depressed?.....	Psalm 27
Lack of Faith?.....	Exodus 14
Others Unkind?.....	John 15
Need Courage?.....	Joshua 1
Need Direction?.....	Psalm 73:21-26
Seeking Peace?.....	Matthew 11:25-30
Leaving on a Trip?.....	Psalm 121
Labeled an Outcast?.....	Romans 8:31-39
Struggling with Loss?.....	Luke 15
Struggling Financially?.....	Psalm 37
Discouraged with Work?.....	Psalm 126

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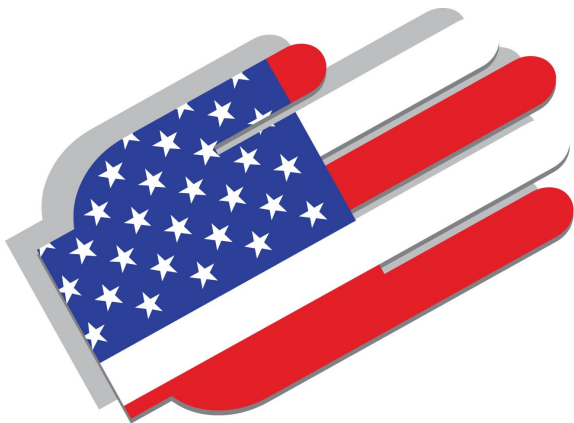
SOCIAL MINISTRY

The Missions We Support

Sonrise Ministries was founded in August, 2009 with the vision to assist organizations who are working to share the gospel of Jesus Christ and to help those in need. Our goal is to serve these organizations through fund raising and information sharing efforts - so they can better serve the people they are ministering to. For more information visit the website www.sonriseministriesinc.com.

Lutheran Child and Family Services of IN & KY (LCFS): LCFS operates Lutherwood, a campus Residential Treatment Center for emotionally troubled boys and girls. Additionally, community based services such as in-home family counseling, youth mentoring and the Sharing Place (a donation based thrift store carrying clothing and food) are also offerings of LCFS. Several Pilgrim families have adopted children through LCFS. See www.lutheranfamily.org for more information.

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN): The IHN was established to sustain a community-wide effort to provide shelter, meals and comprehensive assistance to homeless families through the use of church facilities and the volunteer efforts of their congregational members. The assistance offered to those families by IHN then extends to the help offered by social service agencies. See www.indyihn.org.



PRAY
for our
NATION



SACRED THREADS

Sacred Threads will
meet Tuesday, May
5th at 10:00 am

**YOU ARE
COMPLETE
in
HIM.**

COLOSSIANS 2:10, NKJV

MAY WORSHIP LEADERS

Sundays

8:00 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

May 3, 2015

May 6, 2015

Elder	Dave Runkel	Robert Schumacher	Elder	Susie Pike
Acolyte	Ella Hatfield	Anna Zetzel	Lay Assistant	Darrell Pike
Greeters	The Hatfield Family	The Zetzel Family		
Lay Assistant	Denny Licht	Caroline Martin/Barb Geraghty		
Nursery Worship	N/A	Sharon Rexing		
Nursery Sunday School		Marcia Runkel		

May 10, 2015

May 13, 2015

Elder	Dave Runkel	Robert Schumacher	Elder	Laura Peeters
Acolyte	Malik Dorn	Jack Kelleher	Lay Assistant	Maureen Jordan
Acolyte	N/A	Will Kelleher		
Greeters	The Dorn Family	The Kelleher Family		
Lay Assistant	Michael Przybylski	John Williams		
Communion Assistants	N/A	Red Ulreich / Tim Guedel		
Nursery Worship	N/A	Heather Zetzel		
Nursery Sunday School		Ron Peeters		

May 20, 2015

May 17, 2015

Elder	Dave Runkel	Gwen Knipstein	Elder	Susie Pike
Acolyte	Harrison Hawkins-Wilding	Adam Longmire	Lay Assistant	Eileen Hintz
Greeters	The Hawkins-Wilding Family	The Longmire Family		
Lay Assistant	Karin Veatch	Tammy Donley		
Nursery Worship	N/A	Miki Ulreich		
Nursery Sunday School		Heather Moehl		

May 27, 2015

May 24, 2015

Elder	Doug Lippert	Jim Durst	Elder	Laura Peeters
Acolyte	Claire weems		Lay Assistant	Joey Peeters
Greeters	The Lippert Family			
Lay Assistant	Noel Shilling	Jim Williams		
Nursery Worship	N/A	Julie Williams		
Nursery Sunday School		Carey Kraabel		

May 31, 2015

Elder	Doug Lippert	Susie Pike	Elder	Laura Peeters
Acolyte	Anna Johnsey	Johannes Schadow	Lay Assistant	Joey Peeters
Greeters	The Johnsey Family	The Schadow Family		
Lay Assistant	Trenty Johnsey	Darrell Pike		
Nursery Worship	N/A	Jennifer Pitts		
Nursery Sunday School		Tammy Donley		

8:00 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

Altar Guild	Barb Bowen	Donna Follstad	Pat Goertemiller
Chancel Volunteers	Marcia Runkel		N/A
Coffee Set up	N/A		Judy and Dave Hunden
Coffee Clean up			
Ushers	Larry Shimer		David Blasé, Rich Knipstein
	Bob Harshbarger		Jim Shockey, Greg Rexing
			Ryan Watson

MAY CALENDAR

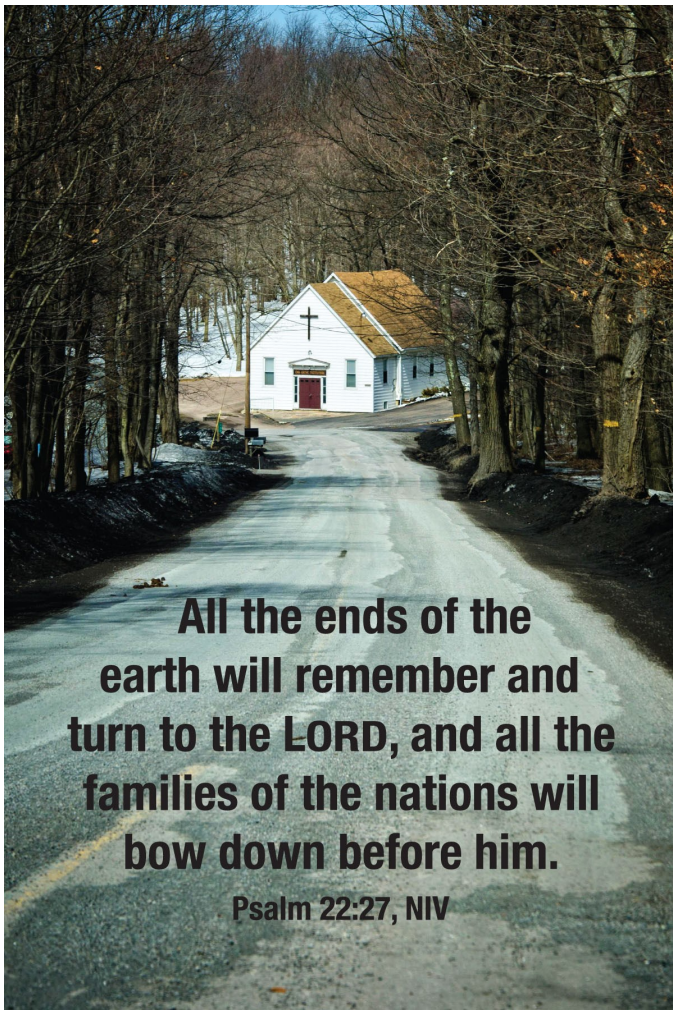
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3 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion 9:00a Youth Bell Practice 9:30a Voter's Meeting 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion	4 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool	5 9:00a Preschool 9:30a Large Print 10:00a Sacred Threads 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p CYT Tech Rehearsal 7:00p Elder's Mtg	6 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool 9:00a MOMs 6:00p Kids in Christ 7:00p Wednesday Evening Worship	7 9:00a Preschool 9:30a Large Print 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p Handbell Practice	8 9:00a Preschool	9
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17 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion 9:00a Youth Bell Practice 9:30a Sunday School 9:30a Confirmand Reception 9:45a Fine Arts Meeting 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion and Confirmation	18 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool 7:00 Evangelism Communications Meeting	19 8:45a Exercise 9:30a Large Print 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p WELCA Newborn Kit Service Project 7:00p Board of Directors	20 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool—Last Day of School! 9:00a MOMS 7:00p Wednesday Evening Worship	21 9:30a Large Print 12:00p Preschool Luncheon 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p Handbell Practice	22	23
24 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion 9:00a Youth Bell Practice 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion	25 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 	26 9:00a Preschool Summer Camp 9:30a Large Print 4:30p Jazzercise	27 8:45a Exercise 9:00a Preschool Summer Camp 9:00a MOMS 7:00p Wednesday Evening Worship	28 9:00a Preschool Summer Camp 9:30a Large Print 4:30p Jazzercise 6:00p Handbell Practice	29 9:00a Preschool Summer Camp	30
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Doug & Charlotte Lippert	5/1	8 years
Marvin & Kathi Brethauer	5/10	30 years
Taylor & Melissa Hatfield	5/15	16 years
Duane & Dee Pierson	5/22	34 years
Paul & Phyllis Swanson	5/22	33 years
Darrell & Susie Pike	5/26	42 years
Chris & Amy Jordan	5/30	7 years

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Elizabeth Kelleher	5/2
Georgia Kraabel	5/2
William Kelleher	5/3
Lynn Lorenz	5/3
Mary Kay Snyder	5/4
Landon Lehr	5/5
Lauren Kreigh	5/6
Evan Veatch	5/7
Samuel Kreigh	5/9
Ryker Kuechler	5/10
Ewell Thrasher	5/10
Kristen Clemens	5/11
Aaron Donley	5/12
Caroline Martin	5/14
Michael Euser	5/15
Mary Harshbarger	5/16
Marleen Thrasher	5/16
Mary Kroger	5/20
Joshua Rexing	5/20
Alan Maul	5/21
Ann Powell	5/21
Samuel Sailer	5/21
Kathy Clark	5/22
Ella Konow	5/22
Jimmy Pike	5/22
Ryan Hanson	5/23
Judie Williams	5/23
Kevin Harriman	5/27
Joni Huey	5/27
Dave Hunden	5/27
Tim Luekens	5/27
Mary Gigowski	5/28
Stephen Sullivan Sr.	5/28
Sally Shockey	5/30
Kevin Fischer	5/31
Patrick Murphy	5/31





gathering in to Christ,
sending out to serve

PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Alan Goertemiller
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Director of Music for Children & Youth	Gail Powell
Handbell Director	Kevin Donley
Assistant Treasurer	Donna Drew
Office Manager	Debbie Collins
Nursery Attendant	Annie Harriman
Set-up & Custodial Assistant	Matt Worth
Maintenance	Mark Wylie

Sunday Worship: 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

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Wednesday Worship: 7:00 p.m.

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Mission Statement:

We are a caring Community

Called together in ministry by the Holy Spirit

Through the Gospel and the Sacraments to:

Believe in Jesus Christ as Savior,

Worship the Triune God,

and

Serve God by

Proclaiming the Gospel,

Joyfully Celebrating our God-given gifts,

and

Loving and Serving our neighbors

With Jesus as our example.

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