

WEEK OF March 4, 2017

<u>Sunday</u>

- 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
 9:30a Voter's Meeting
 9:30a Sunday School
 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
- 12:15p Youth to Escape Room

<u>Monday</u>

9:00a	Preschool
6:30p	Preschool Dad's Night

<u>Tuesday</u>

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

<u>Wednesday</u>

9:00a	Preschool
10:00a	CCPL Program
12:30p	CCPL Mobile Library
6:00p	Lenten Dinner—Board of Directors
7:00p	Lenten Worship w/Holy Communion
7:30p	Combo Group

<u>Thursday</u>

9:00a	Preschool
9:15a	MOMs Group
9:30a	Large Print
1:00p	Ladies Bible Study
6:00p	Jazzercise
7.00p	Choir Rehearsal

Friday

9:00a Preschool

<u>Saturday</u>

8:00a	Jazzercise
12:00p	United Church of Christ

Sunday—YOUTH SUNDAY

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

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, February 25, 2018—132 Wednesday, February 28, 2018—26

PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: March 4—11, 2017

HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

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GUEST PASTOR—We welcome ELCA pastor John Roberts as guest preacher and presider today. A new member of Pilgrim, Pastor John is a graduate of Christ Seminary - Seminex. He has served congregations in CA, PA, SE MI and Metro Chicago before retiring from full-time pastoral ministry after 41 years of service. He looks forward to service opportunities here at Pilgrim and throughout the IN/ KY Synod. He lives with his family in Geist.

VOTER'S MEETING TODAY at 9:30 AM. All communicant members who are eighteen years of age or older are eligible and encouraged to attend! Agenda items will include the proposed Restated Constitution and Bylaws.

CALL UPDATE—On Sunday, January 21st, the Pilgrim congregation voted to extend a call to Pastor Heidi Schwerdtfeger-Jones who is currently serving in Dallas, Texas. We joyfully report that **Pastor Heidi has accepted God's call to serve as Pilgrim's pastor!** We are excited to welcome Pastor Heidi and her family, as they join us in sharing Christ's love with the world around us.

Pastor Heidi, her husband Robert and their daughter Ainsley will return to Carmel in mid-March for a home-hunting trip. We will provide further details as we know more. Pastor Heidi and her family will remain together in the Dallas area until the end of Robert's teaching contract in June. During this time, the family will put their current house on the market, and we join them in praying that their Dallas home sells quickly. If the Lord is willing, **Pastor Heidi hopes to relocate to Carmel no later than July.**

Interim Details: Pilgrim's Board of Directors and Call Committee will continue to update the congregation with further details as the Lord guides us through this process. Pastor Steve Albertin continues to serve as Pilgrim's vacancy pastor during this interim period. Worship services will continue to be led by pulpit supply pastors as scheduled by Pilgrim's Board of Elders. **Questions?** Contact Greg Rexing or Chris Konow.

EMERGENCY PASTORAL ASSISTANCE is available as needed. Please contact the church office during office hours (M – TH 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, and Fridays from 8:00 AM to noon), at 317.846.2221. At other times, please call Pastor Steve Albertin at 317-441-4469 or by email at <u>stevea@clczionsville.org</u>.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU— The nominating committee is in search of members to serve on this important committee as we identify people to serve on the Board of Directors and Board of Elders for 2019. Contact John Shilling for details. 317-908-3047 Jshill224@att.net

LENTEN **OPPORTUNITIES**—Join each us Wednesday in Lent for food, friendship and worship as we follow our Lenten Journey to the Easter Vigil. Dinner is at 6:00 PM, worship is at 7:00 PM. This series includes a total of 5 Wednesdays which began on February 21st and continues through March 21st. Each week the provided dinner entree will be various soups. Pilgrim members are asked to bring sides, salads and desserts. There is a sign-up sheet for each meal under the TV monitor in the church lobby. There is always plenty of food for everyone, and guests are most welcome! Donations and offerings contributed during Wednesdays in Lent meals or worship services benefit our local Gennesaret Clinics. Join us this season of Lent as we examine ourselves and seek new opportunities to heal those broken by life's circumstances. **Questions?** Contact the church office at (317) 846-2221 or pilgrim@pilgrimindy.org.

> March 7—Board of Directors (Soup) March 14—Congregational Life (Soup) March 21—Elders (Chili)

THE ANNUAL INDIANA-KENTUCKY SYNOD ASSEMBLY WANTED: VOTING MEMBERS, three individuals to attend the Annual Indiana-Kentucky Synod Assembly, on Thursday, May 31st through Saturday, June 2nd, 2018, at the Grand Wayne Convention Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana. (All voting members are eligible including youth who have been confirmed. The costs of registration, housing, and meals for those who attend are covered by a line item in our church budget. Any Pilgrim members interested should contact Greg Rexing or Jim Williams or call the church office at 317.846.2221.

NEW ADULT CLASS IN MARCH AND APRIL! Beginning on Sunday, March 11 and lasting for six weeks (not including Easter Sunday, April 1) the Sunday Adult Study will focus on the book, <u>Any</u> <u>Body There: Worship and Being Human in a Dig-</u> <u>ital Age.</u> Written by ELCA pastor and former Pilgrim Organist, Craig Mueller, the book looks at how corporate worship can be an antidote to the distraction, fragmentation and spiritual hunger in society today.

Any Body There? We may wonder as we watch people engage with their smart phones while being oblivious to what is going on around them. Any Body There? Is the question facing the church as it wrestles with declining religious

affiliation. Craig Mueller considers this contemporary context, and offers a response based in an incarnational spirituality accentuating the body and incarnational expression in corporate, multisensory liturgy.

Pastor John suggests those who will attend (and we hope many Pilgrims will take part in this class) may wish to purchase the Craig Mueller book. You may do this on your own of course through Amazon or please contact the church office or email me; gloriaworth@pilgirmindy.org with your request for a book. I am able to make a large purchase of books and have them available for you prior to the class. The cost of the book to you is \$20.00. If you order through me you will make the check out to Pilgrim Lutheran Church and in the memo line you will note: Adult Study Book. Your check can be put in my mailbox located in the Narthex (Gloria Worth). If you wish for me to order a book for you please issue your request to Debbie Collins or Gloria Worth TODAY.

Pastor John looks forward to leading this class; we are grateful for his willingness to share his teaching with us. Any questions feel free to contact me: Gloria Worth <u>gloriaworth@pilrimindy.org</u> or 317-846-2221 extension 1226

HELP KEEP YOUR NEIGHBOR WARM! - It's COLD living outside! Pilgrim is once again collecting cold weather items to create new "keep warm kits" for our local Gennesaret Free Clinics. Our goal is to collect enough items to create at least 100 kits! Please see the goldenrod bulletin insert for more details.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER—Once again the Congregational Life committee is planning a Progressive Dinner on Saturday, March 17, 4:30 PM. Happy St. Patrick's Day. There is a sign-up sheet on the credenza starting Feb. 14. We are looking for host homes for appetizers, dinners (6-8 people each), and dessert. And if you cannot host, then come and join us for dinner, bringing either an appetizer or a dessert to share. Please sign up by Mar. 11 so we can assign homes for dinner. Maps will be provided to the host homes.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES IN CHURCH OFFICE—If you did not pick up your copy of the new Pilgrim Lutheran Church Members & Friends Directory please see Debbie in the church office.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS, *"Christ in Our Home"* for April - June 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 stop by the church office.