

#### **WEEK OF March 10, 2019**

Today

Sunday—Youth Sunday

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion

w/Confirmand Bible Presentation

9:00a Youth Bells 9:30a Sunday School

10:45a Worship and Holy Communion

w/Confirmand Bible Presentation

<u>Monday</u>

9:00a Preschool 6:00p Jazzercise

**Tuesday** 

9:00a Preschool 9:30a Large Print 6:00p Jazzercise

Wednes<u>day</u>

9:00a Preschool

12:15p CCPL Mobile Library

5:30p Parent/Child Dinner for First Communion

5:30p Lenten Dinner—WELCA

6:30p Lenten Midweek Worship w/Communion

Thursday

9:00a Preschool 9:15a MOMs Group 9:30a Large Print 6:00p Jazzercise

6:00p Handbell Rehearsal

7:00p Choir Rehearsal

**Friday** 

9:00a Preschool 6:30p Kids in Christ

6:30p Confirmation Kids w/Pastor Heidi

Saturday

8:00a Jazzercise

12:00p United Church of God

Sunday

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion

9:00a Youth Bells 9:30a Sunday School

9:45a Noah's Ark Milestone for Kindergarten

10:45a Worship and Holy Communion

w/Faith Milestone for Kindergarten

12:15p Holy Communion Workshop

# WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, March 3, 2019—188 Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019 Drive Through Ashes—45 12:00p Noon Worship—35 6:30p Worship—78

### PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS WEEK OF: March 10—17, 2019

CONFIRMAND **BIBLE PRESENTATION**—Today, at both the 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services our Confirmation students will receive their study bibles. These bibles traveled into the hands of parents, grandparents, close friends and baptism sponsors who were to highlight their favorite scripture verses and initial the verse. In this very special way their bible becomes a window for them into the faith of those persons near and dear to them. We are excited to present these bibles to: Noah Berg, Caleb Elser, Derek Fedorcha, Charlotte Konow, William Abbey, Aaron Donley, Nate Gordon, Nathan High, Ellie Kelleher, Andrew Rexing, Trinity Dorn, Nolan Elser, Kyle Fedorcha, Tess Hawkins-Wilding, Zachary Johnsey, Sierra Roach, and J.D. Slivinski.

Another Faith Milestone is just around the corner. On Sunday, March 17 our kindergarteners and their parents will attend a very special class with Pastor Heidi and two surprise guests. Once they have completed their class they will be honored with a certificate of completion and a gift which will help them remember and recall a very special day all wrapped up in God's Promises!

Recently our children in grades K-5 have embarked on a new Blanket Ministry. They are marking beautiful Blessing Blankets for Pastor Heidi to take along with her when she makes a visit to a hospital or nursing home for one of our own. On, Sunday, March 24, you will get to see these beautiful blankets as they are on display in the sanctuary. Pastor Heidi will bless the blankets and the hands who have lovingly made them.

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP—The season of Lent begins! Some of us will groan, hoping we won't sing too many dirge-like hymns (we won't!) and have a little joy every Sunday as the Sundays in Lent are technically not counted in the 40 days and are considered "mini Easters" (and yes, we will have joy and hope!) Some of us will hope for a simple liturgy with words and music allowing space for reflection (yes indeed!) but hopefully all of us will be open to hear the gospel message this season brings us-that God's love and mercy accompany us all our days regardless of how good or bad we are or whether we give up chocolate for Lent or not. Today our worship at 10:45 is led by our youth--thank you to them, Gloria Worth, and Gail Powell for their preparation and offering of worship today. ~ Sarah Williams

#### NEW ADULT CLASS LOOKS AT JESUS' TEACHING STYLE

Adult learners have a new teacher! Tim Shurr is looking forward to leading a three-week class on the teaching style of Jesus. Tim will look at Jesus' teaching and preaching methods and show how complete and timeless they were, which makes Jesus' words truly everlasting. We are inspired, blessed, encouraged and challenged by the words of Jesus. Come to class with Tim to explore his modern perspective on

the words of Our Lord and Savior. Tim will be upstairs in the adult Sunday school classroom beginning at 9:30 a.m. today, March 10. (Gloria Worth)

#### **CONSIDERING THE KENYA MISSION TRIP?**

The deadline for the Kenya Mission Trip sign up is Today! Financial assistance is available. Contact Noel Shilling at nshilling1@att.net.

WELCA WILL SPONSOR THE FIRST LENTEN DINNER AT 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13. Please note the time has changed to 5:30 p.m. this year to accommodate families with younger children. The dinner will be followed by our Lenten midweek service at 6:30 p.m. The main course for dinner will be various soups. Any ladies of the congregation who would like to donate a pot of soup for this meal, please contact Judy Hunden (jahunden@hotmail.com). Last year we had many wonderful selections. Volunteers are needed for set-up at 4 p.m. Congregation members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. See the sign-up sheet on the credenza in the narthex to sign up for dinner.

MARCH MADNESS—March Madness is rapidly approaching, and the Youth Group will be organizing an NCAA basketball tournament bracket contest at Pilgrim as our final fundraiser for our Gaga ball pit. Because there will be a short timeframe (Sunday evening 3/17 when they select the tournament teams to Thursday morning 3/21 when the games start) for entering the contest, we wanted to alert you that it's coming, and to remind you to watch the bulletin and your email for more instructions on how to join in the fun and support our youth group. We will run the challenge online at <u>cbssports.com</u> but will also accept hardcopy entries. The entry fee will be \$5 per bracket. Our prize is yet to be determined, but we think bragging rights and something to talk about with your fellow congregation members are good incentives to join our contest! (Jenny Pitts)

ATTENTION SUPER SENIORS—Join us on Tuesday, March 19, for fellowship, a lunch of Guinness Irish Stew, Irish Soda Bread, Green Salad, and pie for dessert. We will be taking a free will offering. The program will be presented by Bob Pyburn. Many of us have poor computer security skills. Bob will be here to help us with a presentation on "3 Fundamentals of Computer Security." These fundamentals are phishing, patching and passwords. Please sign up on the sheet under the TV.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**—On Thursday, March 21, the Women's Bible Study will meet in the adult Sunday school room on the second floor to watch "The Gospel of John" narrated by Christopher Plummer. The video begins at 1 p.m. Anyone who is interested is welcome to come watch the movie.

**LIBRARY SUNDAYS**—If your child has library books or DVDs at home that were checked out during the fall Sunday School semester, please remember to return them. The following dates have been set aside for the

children to check out books, but may be changed as needs arise: March 24, April 14, May 5 and May 12 ~ Return all books or DVDs on these Sundays

~ Carol Hatfield and Barb Lamb

#### **DIRECTORY UPDATE—Check Your Contact Info**

We are updating contact information for all members of the congregation. There is an office copy of the directory on a table in the narthex. Please take a moment and check your information. Write any updates or changes, then please initial in the space next to your photo. Contact Debbie at DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org if you have any other updates.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP—From Sunday, June 23 to Saturday, June 29, youth are invited to participate in an Indiana-Kentucky Synod Mission Trip where they will work alongside local ministries and non-profit organizations in Louisville, KY. The schedule will be packed with practical acts of love and service as participants engage people with Christ-like empathy and compassion. More information is at <a href="https://www.iksynod.org/ikymt">www.iksynod.org/ikymt</a>.

## OKTOBERFEST/OLD-FASHIONED BASEBALL GAME October 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 until . . .

We're tentatively planning on Saturday, Oct. 5, for our fourth-annual Oktoberfest extravaganza! Each year this event has grown, and we need to start planning now to make it happen. Please consider lending a hand so we can keep this amazing outreach opportunity going. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex, and right now we just need to know you're willing to help out. Unfortunately, if we don't have enough help, we'll have to cancel the event!

Get Ready to ROAR at VBS! It may be winter in Indiana, but we are thinking summer at Pilgrim. Specifically, VBS is coming in July! Please, mark your calendars for the week of July 22-26 for five mornings of fun from 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Click the link below for the registration form, then fill this out at your earliest convenience and return to the church office or to my Narthex mailbox.

Our theme this year is ROAR! Life is Wild, God is Good! We are blessed with many of our past leaders eager to return to help out. However, the more the merrier. If you wish to help please contact Gloria Worth, and we will get you plugged in. We will certainly be sending out notices for donations for snacks and supplies as we draw closer to the date. We need everyone's help to make this a success. Stay tuned, the fun has just begun! (Gloria Worth)

**SACRED THREADS** group could use any of your leftover fabrics for some upcoming projects they are working on. If you are a fabric buyer, fabric stasher or fabric collector and would like to share some of your pieces that you no longer need or don't think you will use, please bring them to church at your earliest convenience. Put fabric in a bag marked "Sacred Threads" and leave in the marked container in the narthex. Thank you for sharing! (Evelyn Kramer)