



## PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS WEEK OF: March 17—24, 2019

**HYMNS: #759, #769, #796**

### WEEK OF March 17, 2019

#### Today

- 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

#### Monday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 6:00p Jazzercise

#### Tuesday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 9:30a Large Print
- 12:00p Super Senior Luncheon
- 6:00p Jazzercise
- 7:00p Board of Directors

#### Wednesday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 12:15p CCPL Mobile Library
- 1:15p Preschool Board Meeting
- 5:30p Lenten Dinner—Choir
- 6:30p Lenten Midweek Worship w/Communion

#### Thursday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 9:15a MOMs Group
- 9:30a Large Print
- 1:00p Bible Study
- 6:00p Jazzercise
- 6:00p Handbell Rehearsal
- 7:00p Choir Rehearsal

#### Friday

- 9:00a Preschool

#### Saturday

- 8:00a Jazzercise
- 12:00p United Church of God

#### Sunday

- 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion  
w/Blessing of Prayer Bankets
- 9:00a Youth Bells
- 9:30a Sunday School
- 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion  
w/Blessing of Prayer Bankets
- 1:00p Chalice Making

**WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP**—Sunday, March 17, is both the second Sunday of Lent this year and also the commemoration of Patrick, bishop and missionary to Ireland—in other words, today is St. Patrick's day! You can look up the hymn St. Patrick composed, which is ELW #450 "I Bind Unto Myself Today." At 10:45 a.m. worship, see if you can spot the very Irish tune hiding in our music.

We welcome a guest musician to our worship; Byron Plexico will play the violin at both services. He will play some lovely pieces for this Lenten season. ~Sarah Williams

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to Kay Nowakowski at the death of her husband, Bob, this past Tuesday. A service Celebrating the Life of Bob Nowakowski will be held March 21 at 5 p.m. at the Flanner Buchanan Funeral Home in Carmel. Visitation will be from 2-5 p.m. May God bless all who mourn through the care of family members and friends, and through the work of the Great Comforter, the Holy Spirit.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED CLASSES CONTINUE**—Tim Schurr's class on Jesus' Teaching Style continues through March 24. On March 31, Pastor Paul Schumacher will begin a three-week study of Christian Faith and Everyday Life in the Image of God. Below is the description of his class.

Beginning with Scripture and the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds (180 and 325 A.D.), St. Augustine's brief work *On the Trinity* and Luther's three Articles on the meaning of the Creeds in his *Small Catechism*, we will discuss how best to bring together Christian identity with Modern Identity. The three Adult Bible Classes taught by Pastor Paul on March 31 and April 7 and 14 will address several of life's basic questions: ***What makes us individual Christians unique in our modern world? How can we modern believers make sense of our lives spiritually when we feel emptiness, lack of purpose, or loss of self-esteem?*** Christian Faith suggests that life's big questions already have been answered by a loving God who not only created us, but redeemed us, making us children of God. Our Christian Faith assures us that "Eternal Life" is not only life after death, but Eternal Life is a possibility right now. It is a quality of life, a blessedness and richness and abundance of life that begins now, later to be perfected in the mansions of heaven.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR MIDWEEK LENTEN DINNER AT 5:30 p.m.** on Wednesday, March 20. 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. These week's dinner is sponsored by our Choir members. 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.

**(GWOH) LENT OFFERINGS**—Support Family Health Lenten offerings this year will go towards the purchasing of feminine hygiene products and laundry detergent to be distributed through Grace Community Center and Good Samaritan Network. These items often are overlooked during food/supply drives, but are very important for a healthy family. You also may bring donations of these items directly to Pilgrim and place them in the box labeled "Lenten Donations" in the narthex. (Tammy Donley)

### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Sunday, March 10, 2019—198  
Wednesday, March 13—60

**MARCH MADNESS**—The Youth Group is hoping you will join in the last fundraiser we have planned for the Gaga ball pit. March Madness starts Sunday evening, and we are organizing an NCAA basketball tournament bracket contest at Pilgrim. We will run the challenge online at [cbssports.com](http://cbssports.com) but will also accept hard copy entries for those who do not want to join online. The entry fee will be \$5 per bracket, and each person can enter up to three brackets. We will send out an email to the entire congregation on Monday morning, March 18, with a link and instructions on how to join the online contest. You can submit any hardcopy entries (any printed copy will work) and your entry fee cash or checks at a designated box in the church narthex or Jenny Pitts' church mailbox. *All entries must be submitted by the start of the first game on Thursday, March 21.*

We will be awarding the winner a "traveling" trophy and a small collection of goodies to help the Pilgrim champion cheer on their favorite team in next year's basketball season. Bragging rights and something to talk about with your fellow congregation members are also good incentives to join our contest! (Jenny Pitts)

**KENYA CREW NEEDS YOUR HELP**—Pilgrim members Dee Pierson, Noel Shilling, and Gloria Worth are traveling to Kenya from April 27–May 12 to work with our mission partners at the Nazareth Hospital, Joy Children's Village, and Allamano School. They need everyone's help with prayers for success and donations of money to purchase soccer balls, as well as donations of small games/cards and double-sided weekly pill containers. Thanks to some generous donors, we have the luggage needed to transport these items to Kenya. Checks can be written to Pilgrim with "Kenya" written on memo line to purchase more of these items. Thank you all for your support of this incredible trip.

**SUPER SENIORS AND COMPUTER SECURITY**—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.

**MARCH LADIES NITE OUT IN CARMEL**—We will gather in Carmel at the Mi Hacienda Mexican Restaurant. We plan to arrive at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, (always the fourth Tuesday of the month). This restaurant is located at 819 West Carmel Drive. Since that will technically be spring, we should have a great turnout! All ladies are welcome!

**THE YOUTH GROUP NEEDS PLASTIC EASTER EGGS** for the egg hunt we are holding between services on Easter morning. If you have any extra plastic eggs at home that you'd like to donate, please leave them in the designated box in the narthex before April 10. We need about 300 plastic eggs, so all donations are much appreciated. In the next week or so, we will also be creating an online sign-up for donations of treats to fill the eggs. Watch for information on that to come. Thank you! (Jenny Pitts)

**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](mailto:DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org) if you have any 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 [www.iksynod.org/ikymt](http://www.iksynod.org/ikymt).

#### **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)

**DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS, "Christ in Our Home"** for April—June 2019, 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.