



PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: November 11—18, 2018

HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
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Sunday—Commitment Sunday/Veterans' Day

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
9:00a Youth Bells
9:30a Sunday School
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
w/Sacrament of Holy Baptism
12:00p Congregational Celebration Luncheon
1:00p Youth Group to Zionsville Meadows

Monday

9:00a Preschool
6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

9:00a Preschool
9:30a Large Print
5:00p American Guild of Organist—Indy Chapter
7:00p Board of Directors

Wednesday

9:00a Preschool
12:15p CCPL Mobile Library
6:00p Jazzercise
7:00p Evening Prayer w/Holy Communion

Thursday

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

Friday

9:00a Preschool
5:30p Robeson/Cable Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday

12:45p Choir Warm Up
1:30p Robeson/Cable Wedding

Sunday—Thanksgiving Sunday

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

TODAY IS STEWARDSHIP/COMMITMENT SUNDAY
Please join us today following our 10:45 a.m. worship service for our **Congregational Celebration luncheon featuring WTHR news anchor Scott Swan** who will share his personal testimony and how his experience with Lamplighter Ministries has made him a better steward. Following our family friendly luncheon, there will be activities for youth during the presentation by Scott Swan. Children Pre-K through Grade 2 will have crafts and play time; children in Grades 3-5 will watch a movie in the youth room. Youth in Grades 6 and up are encouraged to attend the presentation.

BAPTISM TODAY—Today at the 10:45 a.m. worship service we will have the Rite of Holy Baptism for Bailee Marie Baum, infant daughter of Matthew and Melissa Baum. Bailee's Baptismal Sponsors are Megan Daniels and William Baum. Bailee's Guardian Angel is Olivia Longmire. We rejoice today as we welcome Bailee as a child of the kingdom of God!

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP

TODAY is Commitment Sunday - the time we consider what we will pledge to give to Pilgrim for 2019. We will have a special liturgy of dedication and committal in worship. Please consider ways you can give of your time and talents, and prayerfully consider how you may give more to pay for Pilgrim's missions and programs in 2019.

Next Sunday, November 18th, is the last "low" Sunday in Pentecost - Pentecost #26 to be exact. But we will also be looking forward to Thanksgiving and incorporating Thanksgiving hymns and themes into our worship.

There will be no evening prayer worship on Wednesday Nov. 21. (Sarah Williams)

A SPECIAL NOTE FROM ANNALEA ROBESON AND JON CABLE: We will be celebrating our marriage on November 17, at 1:30 p.m. at Pilgrim. Annalea has been blessed by the Pilgrim family for many years, and you have welcomed Jon like an old friend. We would love to have you join us in the celebration, so if you are free, come for the ceremony and stay for cake!

GAGA BALL PIT FUNDRAISER—Help Pilgrim's Youth Group raise funds for their Gaga Ball Pit by visiting Panera Bread at 2902 W. 86th Street from 4-8 p.m. on Nov. 30. Panera will donate 20% of sales during that time back to Pilgrim's Youth Group. You just need to show them the flyer (a print or electronic copy is acceptable...the electronic version is in *This Week at Pilgrim*). This is the Panera between Michigan Road and Township Line Road, across the street from Brebeuf High School.

Make plans to enjoy a dinner out with Pilgrim friends, and support our Youth Group in its effort to raise funds for the Gaga Ball Pit at the same time! If

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, November 4, 2018—213
Wednesday, November 7, 2018—20

you have younger children, this is a Kids in Christ night, so you could feed the kids at Panera before dropping them off, and contribute to something that we think will be lots of fun for Pilgrim youth for years to come! (Jenny Pitts)

NOVEMBER SUPER SENIORS IS POSTPONED. Stay tuned for more information as we have several things planned for December!

ADULT BIBLE CLASS—Wisdom, Reality and Erotica continues today at 9:30 a.m. Lynn Willis will continue with week 2 of his 5 week study of Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and the Song of Solomon, the so-called “Wisdom Books” of the Bible. The authorship of all three books has traditionally been ascribed to King Solomon, and the rabbis of old said, undoubtedly with a twinkle in their eyes, that Solomon wrote the Song of Solomon in amorous youth, Proverbs in seasoned middle age, and Ecclesiastes in disillusioned old age. None of these books gets much attention in our weekly lectionary or preaching, but Martin Luther spoke of Ecclesiastes, for example, as “this very beautiful and useful book,” which “on many counts deserves to be in everyone’s hands and to be familiar to everyone.” It is said, as well, that in the 12th Century, Bernard of Clairvaux wrote 86 sermons on the Song of Solomon and never got past the third chapter! Indeed, the erotic poetry of the Song of Solomon, at first reading, seems more suited to a steamy romance novel than to Holy Writ. But, Luther and Bernard, among others, saw what modern interpreters and preachers do not: that these three books can provide the careful reader training in the daily life of faith and can stir the human heart to devotion. Come and find out for yourself what these amazing books of poetry say to you about life’s realities, illusions, and promises.

Pilgrim’s Women of the ELCA (WELCA) is planning their **ANNUAL COOKIE SALE**. By supporting this ONLY fundraiser of the year, you will help the women of Pilgrim to fund these service projects for our community and around the world:

- **NEWBORN KITS:** These kits containing items for newborns are created and sent to Global Health Ministries.
- **PERSONAL CARE KITS:** These kits go to Lutheran World Relief.
- **FREE THE GIRLS PROJECT:** Donate your gently used bras to this project that helps bring an end to human sex trafficking.

More information about these projects is on the credenza in the narthex.

This year’s Christmas Cookie Sale is from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 9, in Fellowship Hall. We invite all Pilgrim families to donate homemade Christmas cookies (one batch of 3-4 dozen cookies). The more cookies, the better the selection. We just ask that you do NOT send chocolate chip cookies. If your cookies have nuts in them, please label them “WITH NUTS.” Cover your cookies and bring them to the church kitchen between December 7 and the morning of December 9. Women wishing to help set up the Cookie Sale should meet in the kitchen at 8 a.m. on Sunday, December 9. Monetary donations also will be accepted in lieu of cookies. You may make checks out to WELCA. Questions, contact Judy Hunden at (317) 846-4373.

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS NEEDED—Pastor Heidi would like to amass a stash of white hand knit or crocheted baby blankets to be given to newborns upon their baptism, thus wrapping them in the prayers and love of Pilgrim. If you knit or crochet and need another project (knitters and crocheters get the humor behind that statement!) please consider crafting a 24- by 36-inch baby blanket in white (the pattern is up to you), and give it to Debbie or Pastor Heidi when finished. If possible, please include any washing instructions and the fiber (cotton, acrylic, wool blend, etc.).

STARRY NIGHT CAMPAIGN—The Christmas season is approaching and one of the activities at Pilgrim is the Starry Night Campaign. The stars will be suspended in the narthex each Sunday through Sunday, November 25. The last day to bring your gifts/donations will be Sunday, December 2. If you are not familiar with the Starry Night Campaign, the stars are labeled with an item. If you so choose, please take the star(s) you would like and purchase the item(s) listed. Please bring the gift(s) and the star(s) back to Pilgrim and place them all in the gift box in the narthex. Gift Cards should be put in an envelope and, along with the star, placed in the Gift Box. Gift Cards will be retrieved each week for security. If you would prefer to give money, please make a check payable to Pilgrim Lutheran Church and note it is for the Starry Night. Place the check in the offering plate.

Last year several Pilgrim members, in addition to providing gifts, assisted at the Christmas Store, which is located at Gethsemane Lutheran Church at 6810 E. 10th Street. Volunteers are always needed.

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM—Because family and travel commitments make it hard for all of our children to participate in our traditional program held on Christmas Eve, we are moving the children’s program to Sunday, Dec. 16, during the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Details still are being worked out, but we are very excited about this chance for all of our children to participate in sharing the good news of Jesus’ birth! (Gloria Worth)

KENYA MISSION TRIP UPDATE—We are again including in today’s bulletin an announcement of an exciting mission experience for Pilgrim members – journey to Kenya (4/27/19 – 5/12/19). Pilgrim has been a Mission Partner with Nazareth Hospital and Joy Children’s Village, both near Nairobi, Kenya, for the past ten years through prayer, multiple Benefaction Grants and yearly Sunday School projects. Pilgrim members now have the opportunity to participate in an actual ‘pilgrimage’ to Kenya, to co-labor within the multiple Christian programs and projects that we have supported over the years. As we approach a very busy time of year, please take time to prayerfully consider being part of Pilgrim’s mission team in 2019. For further trip information including a Kenya Mission Handbook, contact Noel Shilling. Sign-up deadline – 2/1/2019.

Young church member **AIDEN SHURR** will perform as “*Michael*,” *Buddy the Elf*’s little brother in **ELF the Musical** at Beef and Boards this Christmas! (There will be 50 performances)