



PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: November 18—25, 2018

HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

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WEEK OF November 18, 2018

Sunday—Thanksgiving Sunday

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

Monday

9:00a Preschool
6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

9:00a Preschool
6:00p Jazzercise

Wednesday—Office Closed

9:00a NO Preschool
12:15p NO CCPL Mobile Library
6:00p Jazzercise
7:00p NO WORSHIP SERVICE

Thursday—Office Closed

Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday—Office Closed

Happy Thanksgiving!

Saturday

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

Sunday—Christ the King

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

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP

TODAY is the last "low" Sunday in Pentecost -- Pentecost #26 to be exact. But we also will be looking forward to Thanksgiving and incorporating Thanksgiving hymns and themes into our worship. Our Pilgrim bakers have been busy making loaves of Thanksgiving pumpkin bread, and each family will receive a loaf this Sunday to take home and enjoy. *If you are able to, snap a photo of whom you enjoy the pumpkin bread with, and email it to DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org and we'll share them in a display at church. Be sure to include names of the people pictured and where the breaking of the bread took place.* You also will have an opportunity to share what you are thankful for by writing it on a beautiful leaf crafted by the Pilgrim Preschoolers. Those leaves will be displayed in the narthex.

There will be no evening prayer worship on Wednesday Nov. 21.

Next Sunday, November 25th, is the last Sunday in the year. Yes, you read that right, although I am referring to the liturgical year and not the calendar year. Christ the King Sunday marks the end of the liturgical cycle. We will remember that Christ's kingdom is no earthly kingdom but a reign of God's peace and blessing. (Sarah Williams)

GAGA BALL PIT FUNDRAISER—Copies of the flyer for the Panera fundraiser to benefit the Youth Group's Gaga Ball Pit are in the narthex under the table by the TV screen. Youth also will be handing them out after church today. Remember, you can show a paper copy or an electronic copy when you dine at Panera (2902 W. 86th Street location only) from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 30.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS—*Wisdom, Reality and Erotica*
Pastor Jon Roberts will teach the adult Bible study, "Wisdom, Reality and Erotica," today so Lynn and Fran Willis can attend the baptism of their new granddaughter, Anya Luella, at Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church in downtown Indianapolis. The adult Bible study looks at the Bible's "wisdom" books, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Job and Song of Solomon. It will NOT meet on Nov. 25 (Thanksgiving weekend). Class will resume on Dec. 2 and conclude on Dec. 9. There is no class scheduled for Dec. 16 due to the Voters' Meeting.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE—On behalf of the Stewardship Committee we want to thank you for making last Sunday's ***Celebration Luncheon*** a success. The presentation by our guest speaker, Scott Swan, was captivating and inspirational and the meal from RackzBBQ was delicious and fulfilling. At the conclusion of Sunday's second service, we received 57 pledge cards and are grateful for those who made a commitment for 2019. If you did not have an opportunity to submit a pledge it is not too late. Please return your completed pledge card to the church office or place in Kyle Fedorchak's mailbox in the narthex. As a reminder,

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, November 11, 2018—213
Wednesday, November 14, 2018—17

pledging not only helps Pilgrim plan our resources to support our many ministries but also allows you to reflect on the gifts God has given to you and to show your thanks by giving back through the church.

~ Blessings, PLC Stewardship Committee

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 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.

SUPER SENIORS—Christmas is just around the corner and we've got two fantastic events planned for Super Seniors. **At 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6**, join us for a trip back to the Indiana Historical Society Museum to view the 80 Christmas trees on display. We'll have lunch at the Museum Café and participate in the "You Are There" discussion with reenactors talking about "Religion and the Divided Frontier" in 1839. If you want to join us, please sign up as soon as possible so we can arrange for transportation downtown. The cost to enter the museum is \$10, and you will pay for your own lunch. Menus will be provided ahead of time. There may or may not be additional costs for transportation, depending on whether we need to rent a vehicle. Watch for more information. **At noon on Tuesday, Dec. 18**, join us for a Christmas Luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Wear your festive Christmas garb! We're still deciding on lunch, but we will be learning about the history of some of our favorite Christmas hymns, singing some of our favorites, and watching the movie "White Christmas." Sign up sheets for both events are in the narthex. Remember, you don't have to be a "senior" to join us in our fun!

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.

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.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RELIEF—You can help our brothers and sisters in California who have been affected by the wildfires that have killed more than 40 people, left more than 200 missing, and forced hundreds of thousands to flee their homes under evacuation orders. Lutheran Disaster Response is on the ground and working to address immediate needs of those affected, while planning for long-term needs for the survivors. You can read more about their work on the [ELCA website](#). To help, make a donation to Lutheran Disaster Relief by writing a check to Pilgrim and designating "fires" in the memo line.

CANCELLATION NOTIFICATION PROCESS—Thursday's ice and snow are a reminder that Indiana weather is anything but predictable. Once in a while we do need to close the office or cancel services. In general, during the week we will follow Carmel Clay Schools. When they are delayed or closed, we are delayed or closed. On the weekends, any decision to delay or close will be made by Pastor Heidi, Jim Williams (head elder), Greg Rexing (BOD president) and Sarah Williams (Cantor). When there is a cancellation, we will send out an email and contact local media (Channel 6 and Channel 13).