

WEEK OF October 6, 2019

<u>Sunday</u>

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion

9:00a Youth Bells

9:30a Sunday School

9:30a Communion Assistant Training 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion

1:00p CROP Walk

4:00p Pilgrim Youth In The House @ Kraabel's home

Monday

9:00a Preschool 6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

9:00a Preschool

12:15p CCPL Mobile Library

6:00p Jazzercise

6:30p Evening Prayer w/Holy Communion

7:15p Combo Group

Thursday

9:30a Large Print 6:00p Jazzercise

6:00p Handbell Rehearsal 7:00p Choir Rehearsal

<u>Friday</u>

<u>Saturday</u>

8:30a Jazzercise

<u>Sunday</u>

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion

9:00a Youth Bells9:30a Sunday School

9:30a Lay Assistant Training

10:45a Worship and Holy Communion

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, September 29, 2019—205 Wednesday, October 2, 2019—17

PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF: October 6, 2019 HYMNS: 526, 705, 493, 796

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP? Regarding this Sunday's gospel, Luke 17:5-10. Sundays and Seasons (the ELCA's worship planning resource), comments "A little faith goes a long way is our Lord's point in the gospel. A mustard seed's worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the word...bread and wine...the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Receive them with thanksgiving." I find this commentary fitting as we continue singing ELW setting 7, the Hispanic liturgy. One Pilgrim told me she felt this liturgy seemed especially "holy" and I share that feeling with her. I think about the lives of Latin American Christians, and how many of them struggle daily - living with scant resources in countries that are often corrupt, dictatorial, warring, and economically ruined. Yet those Christians demonstrate patience, tenacity, and endurance and still have faith that they will receive God's blessings in word and sacrament and so turn around and praise God. May we do the same whatever challenges we face! ~ Sarah Williams

WORSHIP ASSISTANT TRAINING for communion assistants and lay assistants are taking place in October and each lasts about 15 minutes. Communion assistant training is at 9:30 a.m. today; The lay assistant training is 9:30 a.m. next Sunday, Oct. 13. Training for ushers will be scheduled at a later date. This is for current worship assistants as well as anyone interesting in becoming a worship assistant. There have been some changes made that need to be covered. Contact Sherilyn Kindig with any questions at sherilynck@gmail.com.

CONGRATULATIONS to proud grandparents, Laura and Kevin Fischer at the birth of their granddaughter, Mave Claire Fischer, born on Friday, September 20. Proud parents are Caleb and Kristina Fischer.

The rosebud that is on the Altar was placed there in their honor. May God be praised for this special gifts of new life!

PHOTO DIRECTORY—We are working to get a new photo directory ready for the congregation. These directories are ways to help us familiarize ourselves with our Pilgrim family. They are especially useful to our newer members. For that reason we will be holding three Sundays for all members to get an updated photo taken – today, October 13, and 20. Photos will be taken at the back of the Sanctuary on these dates just prior to, between, and after our worship services. The Elders also will be contacting all members in the next couple weeks to verify your contact information. We appreciate everyone's help and participation in ensuring that we compile an accurate and updated Pilgrim directory.

CHANGE TO WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICES—On October 16, 23 and 30 we will meet from 6:00-6:30 p.m. for worship in order to caravan to the Interfaith Alliance program for its 7:00 p.m. start. Join us for worship and travel with us, or meet us at the Library!

CARMEL INTERFAITH ALLIANCE—Meet Your Neighbor!

Panelists from various faith traditions will provide a window into their beliefs by sharing their perspectives on three thought-provoking topics. Learn more about the faith traditions within our community while uncovering misconceptions and building understanding. This is a free event and open to the public offered at the Carmel Public Library 55 4th Ave SE, Carmel, IN 46032.

Exploring Viewpoints on Free Will and Evil in the World Wednesday, October 16 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the program room

Exploring Perspectives on the Nature of God and the Purpose of Life Wednesday, October 23 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the program room

Exploring Perceptions of Heaven and Hell Wednesday, October 30 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the program room

Carmel Interfaith Alliance is a coalition of Jewish, Muslim, Bahah'I, Sikh, Hindu, Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, and Protestant faith communities. Rev. Jerry Zehr is president of the Alliance, if you have any questions, you can email him at jerryzehr1@gmail.com.

CROP WALK—2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the walk, so Hamilton County is joining Indianapolis for one large event beginning today at 1 p.m. at Christian Theological Seminary on the campus of Butler University. Anyone wishing to walk or donate should complete the information found at *crophungerwalk.org* (Team: Pilgrim Lutheran Church). We also are collecting canned goods for the Good Samaritan Network in the bin located in the Narthex. Contact John Shilling with questions (jshill224@gmail.com)

TODAY– It's "*Pilgrim Youth In The House*" time again and we are meeting at the home of Hans and Carey Kraabel. The Kraabel's have generously offered up their home to us for our house meeting. The Kraabels wanted to remind everyone to bring their swimsuit and a towel to enjoy their heated swimming pool. Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship from 4-6:00 pm. Their home is located at 1883 Trowbridge High St., Carmel, 46032, (317)569-1945. Get ready for a splashin' good time..

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE TIME—It's time to start preparing for our 2020 Pledge Drive! In the next few weeks all PLC members will receive a letter in the mail containing your 2020 Pledge Card. We ask you to prayerfully consider submitting a pledge for 2020 to help us exceed last year's budget. During the services on Nov. 10 we will collect the completed pledge cards but, if you prefer, you can always return your pledge directly to the church office. By pledging we are better able to plan our resources to support our many ministries and help the church operate efficiently all year long. When we give to God we are able to discover what God gives to us. We are forever grateful for you and your yearlong support!

SUPER SENIORS LUNCHEON—On Tuesday, October 15, the Super Seniors will host Indy 500 Historian, Donald Davidson. We will also have an Indy 500 video presentation by Pilgrim's own Jim Hatfield who has photographed the 500 for many years. Mr. Davidson's presentation will be mostly Q & A so come with all your questions to have a lively discussion. Lunch will

be a German inspired meal. The cost will be \$10.00. Please sign up on the list on the credenza. Take a moment to read Donald Davidson's bio. Guests are always welcome!

SUPER SENIOR GAME DAY—Super Seniors Game Day will take place October 22 from 11:30 a.m.—2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Bring a sack lunch and join in the fun and fellowship. We will also meet on November 19 and December 18. Questions, please contact Kathy Hatfield at jimcabc@aol.com

SIMPLY GIVING PROGRAM—Forgetting your weekly giving envelope? Tired of hand writing checks each week? If so, we encourage you to consider signing up for the Simply Giving Program. Simply Giving is a convenient and secure way to have your regular giving electronically transferred from your bank account or credit card instead of hand writing checks. You can choose the amount and frequency to be electronically transferred. You should have received an email with a copy of the form, or contact the church office. Return completed forms to Kyle Fedorcha's mailbox or the church office.

LCFS CHRISTMAS STORE NEEDS YOU! The LCFS Christmas Store is a great chance to serve and see God's work during the coming holiday season.

WHERE: Gethsemane Lutheran 6810 East 10th Street, Indpls IN

WHEN: December 9-12 in a 3-4 hour volunteer shift

WHAT: Assist folks in selecting unwrapped presents from among many donated items (including PLC's Starry Night donations) at the Christmas Store. This mission program impacts the lives of many at-risk families in Indianapolis, allowing their Christmas dreams to become a reality. Contact Noel Shilling at nshilling1@att.net.

THANK YOU TO THE PILGRIM FAMILY—A heartfelt "THANK YOU" to the Pilgrim family for all their help in making the 40th Anniversary Celebration of our Preschool Ministry the success it was. Hats off to all those who prepared food; the kitchen crew who kept the food tables supplied; the setup, breakdown, and cleanup crews; those that hosted the vendors and kept the lines moving; the guys who set up outside, installed the fence to keep the children safe, and helped with parking and making adjustments to locations as the rains came; the outside music providers whose music was unfortunately not heard because of the rain; the youth who helped with the outside setup, staffed the nametag table and called Bingo; and to the Preschool Director and staff who helped in so many ways, especially the "40 Years of Memories" video. The list is endless. And a special "thank you" to Pr. Heidi for the beautiful service.

The Preschool has been such a blessing to the community and to Pilgrim, and the Pilgrim family has been as been a blessing to the Preschool. Seeing the joy on all those precious children's faces Sunday, we believe, blessed us all. Praise Be to Our Awesome God!

~ In Christ's Love, Congregational Life Committee