



WEEK OF October 27, 2019

Sunday—REFORMATION SUNDAY

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
9:00a Youth Bells
9:30a Sunday School
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
12:00p Return from Confirmation Retreat

Monday

9:00a Preschool
4:00p Eugene Janson Visitation @ Washington Park North
6:00p Jazzercise

Tuesday

9:00a Preschool
9:30a Large Print
10:00a Eugene Janson Visitation @ Washington Park North
11:00a Eugene Janson Funeral @ Washington Park North
4:00p Confirmand Reviews with Pastor Heidi
6:00p Jazzercise

Wednesday

9:00a Preschool
12:15p CCPL Mobile Library
1:15p Preschool Board Meeting
6:00p Jazzercise
6:00p Evening Prayer w/Holy Communion
7:00p Carmel Interfaith Alliance

Thursday

9:00a Preschool
9:30a Large Print
6:00p Jazzercise
6:00p Handbell Rehearsal
7:00p Choir Rehearsal

Friday

9:00a Preschool

Saturday

9:00a Confirmand Breakfast
12:00p United Church of God
4:00p Sr High Youth to Topgolf

Sunday—ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
9:00a Youth Bells
9:30a Sunday School
9:30a Confirmand Reception
10:45a Worship and Holy Communion w/Rite of Confirmation
2:00p Willis Piano Recital

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, October 20, 2019—204
Wednesday, October 23, 2019—15

PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HYMNS: #504, #591, #488, #643, #652

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Carolyn Janson at the death of her husband, Gene, on Monday, October 21. Visitation will be Monday, October 28 from 4-8 p.m. and again from 10 a.m. until the Funeral service which starts at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 29 at Washington Park North—2706 Kessler Blvd. W. Dr. Indpls. IN 46228. A luncheon will follow the service. Thoughts and prayers for Carolyn and their family are much appreciated.

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 FAITH FORMATION—At the last ELCA Churchwide assembly it was voted that the ELCA become a Sanctuary Church. Come join us at 9:30 a.m. in the upstairs adult classroom as we learn what this term means and how it relates to scripture and discipleship. Pastor John Roberts will be leading the discussion.

“NOVEMBERING” SERVICE FOR ALL SAINTS DAY REMEMBRANCES

We are preparing slides for All Saints Remembrances to be shown on Nov. 3. If you have a loved one (friend or family, doesn't have to be a Pilgrim member) who has passed away since All Saints 2018, and you would like them included in our remembrances, please send their name, date of passing, a bible verse that gives testament to their faith life, and a photo to Debbie (DebbieCollins@pilgrimindy.org) or Lee Ann (leeann.roeder@me.com) by Monday, Oct. 28.

WHAT'S UP IN WORSHIP? Today we celebrate Martin Luther's reformation of the church in 1517. In commemorating the Reformation we are not remembering a dusty archaic event but rejoicing that Christ builds a house of living stones: we are his own habitation; he fills our hearts, his humble thrones, granting us life and salvation. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their midst will show his grace, blessings upon them bestowing. We know that God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever. And as for me, I've been kept by the grace of God – it's no goodness of my own that I am still here. If you wanna know how I made it, his goodness and mercy has brought me this far. I've been kept by the grace of God! (These are all lines from our hymns and special music today – see if you recognize them as you sing and listen!)

CHANGE TO WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP—Join us Wednesday, Oct. 30, for our 6 p.m. Wednesday worship at PLC, then caravan with us to the Carmel Clay Public Library for the Carmel Interfaith Alliance Meet Your Neighbor series at 7 p.m. (See insert for more information!).

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE DRIVE—Stewardship Sunday is Nov. 10! Pledge commitment letters have been mailed out to all members and we hope you are taking this time to prayerfully consider making a pledge for next year. Last year's response was truly amazing and we hope to exceed 2019's pledge total. During the services on Nov. 10 we will be collecting completed pledge cards; but, if you prefer, you can always return your pledge directly to the church office or place it

in Kyle Fedorcha's church mailbox located in the narthex. If you did not receive a pledge card or misplaced it you can pick one up at the church office or download one here. When we give to God we are able to discover what God gives to us. Thank you for your stewardship!

REMEMBER THAT CLOCKS FALL BACK one hour next Sunday, Nov. 3! Set your clocks back Saturday evening, and enjoy that extra hour of sleep.

YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES—This weekend the Pilgrim Youth are participating in the Confirmation Retreat at Lutheran Hills for grades 6th-9th along with high school mentors.

Nov. 2— Sr High Youth Pilgrim Senior High Youth members will go to Topgolf in Fishers from 4-6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov 2. The address is 9200 E. 116th Street.

NOVEMBER SERVICE PROJECT FOR THE YOUTH COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Senior High youth members are asking for donations of any extra or unwanted Halloween candy to be donated for our November service project. The youth will be putting together care packages to be sent to our Pilgrim college members to wish them good luck on their upcoming finals. Besides the acceptance of any extra or unwanted candies the youth will also take donations of individualized packages of popcorn, pretzels, goldfish, Oreos, Chips Ahoy, microwavable ramen noodle bowls, or Kraft mac-n-cheese bowls. We will also accept donations of highlighters, sticky notes, and gift cards from \$5 - \$10 from Starbucks, or any basic fast food chain. Donations can be left in the collection box marked Pilgrim College Care Packages in the Narthex at church. The youth will take donations until Nov. 17. The Sr. High youth put together the care packages Nov. 17. The Pilgrim youth program kindly thanks you for your generous donations.

STARRY NIGHT PROGRAM: Starry Night begins next Sunday, Nov. 3. The stars will be laid out on one of the tables in the Narthex during the Confirmation Recognition and Celebration event. On the three following Sundays, the stars will be hung from above as you've seen them in past years. If you like, take one or more stars and purchase the items listed on the stars and bring them to Pilgrim by Sunday, Dec. 1. Items will be taken to Lutheran Child and Family Services (LCFS) near Community Hospital on E. 16th Street the next week. From there, all the items collected from all donors will be trucked to Gethsemane Lutheran Church near 10th and Shadeland Ave. for the Christmas Store sponsored by the LCFS Sharing Place.

HAPPY AUTUMN! In the spirit of this beautiful season we would like to create a harvest display in the Sanctuary and Chancel as a visual reminder of the bounty of blessings we receive from God. There is a way you can help create this display. When you are out shopping for your family pumpkins, gourds, and Indian corn, think about picking up an extra for Pilgrim. *Big orange pumpkins are grand but don't overlook all the other colors and styles out there in the market today.* The variety of shape and color will create a beautiful visual display. Bring your Pilgrim pumpkins, gourds (large, small and mini) and Indian corn to church and place them on a table in the Narthex labeled Pilgrim's Pumpkin Patch. Watch for the display to arrive later in the month. If you wish to help create the display please contact Gloria Worth.

The **PILGRIM FINE ARTS SERIES** presents The Ball State University Organ Studio will present a recital at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 17, at Pilgrim Lutheran Church. The program will feature works by François Couperin, Bach, Mendelssohn, Johann Matthias Michel, Vierne, and popular hymns. The students featured on the program are Cody Carson (Peru, IN), Noah Freeman (Richmond, IN), Wolff Von Roos (Indianapolis, IN), Peter T. Lehmann (Mishawaka, IN), Pimplo Promvech (Thailand), and Nina Lee Hecko (Taiwan). The program is free and open to the public. Come hear great music and sing along to familiar hymns presented by this young generation of organists! This concert is presented by the Pilgrim Fine Arts Series and will highlight Pilgrim's new 11/37 pipe organ built by Buzard Pipe Organ Builders of Champaign, IL.

PLEDGE CARDS—Just a reminder that 2020 Pledge Cards will be collected during both services on Sunday, Nov. 10. If you prefer, you can return your pledge directly to the church office. Thank you for prayerfully considering your pledges for 2020.

Pilgrim Garden Update—After a rough start this spring, the garden eventually came around with abundant harvests of cucumbers, beans, eggplant, tomatoes, and a few peppers late in the summer. Hopefully you've sampled some of the last of the tomato crop available in the narthex over the past few weeks. A special thanks to John and Noel Shilling and Jenny Pitts for handling many of the deliveries this year. We've been alternating between the Hamilton County Food Bank in Noblesville (Mondays) and The Sharing Place in Franklin (Thursdays). This biweekly schedule seems to work well with the volume of produce coming out of the garden. The produce is always well received, (especially the eggplant!). The time has come for fall cleanup and to complete installation of the fence. Beginning this Saturday for the next few Saturdays, we'd welcome help to get us ready for next spring. We'll plan to start at 8:00 a.m./ and work only for a couple of hours. We'd love to see the return of Pilgrim's "Stump Removal Squad" that was assembled the day of the Gaga Pit assembly ☐, as another stump needs to go before the fence can go up. As with any project we're making adjustments after each year. Although we can't control the weather, we can adjust the veggies we plant and the timing. Most importantly, communication can be improved. I'm thinking that a group texting (rather than the bulletin board and/or email) will be the most effective way to let volunteers know what tasks are most important as the summer progresses. We could really use more "workers in the vineyard", especially with picking and weeding. Other than certain scheduled events (eg. planting) your time in the garden would be on your own. Let me know if you'd like to be included on the group text and contribute to this important part of Pilgrim's Social Ministry.

~Thanks, Paul Swanson (317-605-7735) biocatswanson@att.net

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.