



WEEK OF September 25, 2016

Sunday

- 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion with First Communion
- 9:00a Youth Bells
- 9:30a Sunday School
- 9:30a Lay Assistant Training
- 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion with First Communion

Monday

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

Tuesday

- 8:45a Exercise
- 9:00a Preschool
- 9:30p Large Print
- 5:30p Christian Youth Theatre

Wednesday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 11:00a CCPL Program
- 2:30p CCPL Mobile Library
- 6:00p Jazzercise
- 7:00p Wednesday Evening Prayer

Thursday

- 8:45a Exercise
- 9:00a Preschool
- 9:30a Large Print
- 11:30a Bible Study
- 6:00p Handbell Rehearsal
- 6:00p Jazzercise
- 7:00p Choir Rehearsal

Friday

- 9:00a Preschool
- 6:00p Kids in Christ

Saturday

- 8:30a Jazzercise
- 12:00p United Church of God

Sunday

- 8:00a Worship and Holy Communion
- 8:00a Youth Carwash
- 9:00a Youth Bells
- 9:30a Sunday School
- 10:45a Worship and Holy Communion
- 1:30p CROP Walk
- 4:00p Fine Arts Event—Piano Concert

PILGRIM ANNOUNCEMENTS
WEEK OF: September 25—October 2, 2016

HYMNS FOR TODAY: 8:00am & 10:45am
#641, #723, #523, #705

TODAY IS FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY for our 5th grade kids. Five of our youth: **Aaron Donley, Nate Gordon, Nathan High, Elizabeth Kelleher and Andrew Rexing** participated in a Holy Communion Workshop on Sunday, August 28. They will commune at the 8:00 AM or 10:45 AM worship services today using their very own hand made chalices as the common cup for their family. Please join us and congratulate them on this wonderful next step in their faith formation. May they be richly blessed as they come to the Lord's Table with their Pilgrim family.

TODAY is a special day for all of Pilgrim. Sunday school is back in session beginning at 9:30 AM. Our preschool-K classes (children age 4-Kindergarten) meet downstairs in the nursery wing; the rest of our classrooms are on the second floor. If you are visiting us today please help us help you by asking us for directions and how you may enroll your children. We are delighted you are here and we are happy to help.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE is looking for individuals to serve for the following open positions: **Vice President, Director of Administration, Financial Secretary, and Youth.** Each of the positions is a two-year term that would start on January 1, 2017. The health of our church and congregation rests with our volunteers. Faithfully consider serving your church and your congregation in one of the roles. Please contact Greg Rexing at (317.431.3337 or gregrexing@sbcglobal.net) for more information. Additionally we have three Elders positions open beginning January 1, 2017. Those are three-year terms. Our Elders are responsible for worship and the spiritual care of our members. Please contact Bob Schumacher for more information at (robertwschumacher@yahoo.com)."

DON'T HAVE A NAME TAG? - Our database records are incomplete and we need YOUR help to bring them up-to-date! **We want EVERYONE who worships at Pilgrim to have a name tag, regardless of membership.** So if you do not have a name tag, or if you need to request a change to your name tag, please contact the church office at 317.846.2221 or pilgrim@pilgrimindy.org OR contact our Evangelism and Communications Director, Mark Tisdale at 440.479.4783 or marktisdale@msn.com. Name tags are a helpful aid in getting to know each other and they make it easier for new members and guests to put names with faces. Name tags are located in alphabetized trays in the church narthex on the center table. Your choice of a clip or lanyard is also provided.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE
Wednesday, 9/21/2016—27
Sunday, 9/18/2016—133

Worshippers are encouraged to wear their name tag for each service and return their name tag to the appropriate alphabetized tray after each service.

FIRST SUNDAY! FOOD SUNDAY! Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the month so, please remember to bring your contributions to either service: **Food contributions** may be placed outside the Food Pantry door or near the sanctuary entrance (there will be a sign). **Monetary gifts** may be placed in the offering plates during the service (please designate "Food Pantry").

SACRED THREADS will meet Tuesday, October 4th at 10:00 AM at the church!

NEW DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY TO START—A new daytime Bible study will be starting this coming **Thursday, September 29th**. This year's study will focus on prayer, starting with Jesus' own teachings and models of prayer, we will search the Scriptures to find Him there: the when, where, how, and source of Jesus' own prayer life. And, as a nod to the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, we will examine notable authors writings about prayer, from Martin Luther, to Dietrich Bonhoeffer, to more contemporary Christian bible scholars. The fall sessions will include the Priscilla Shirer six-week study entitled "The Armor of God," and will include DVD segments to watch that go along with the study questions. While we will use these authors as a point of departure, the **goal is to dig into the Word itself**, to find those "pearls of great value," and to share our own personal discoveries along the way.

We will have our organizational meeting at Pilgrim on **Thursday, September 29th, starting at 11:30 AM, in the downstairs Conference room**. During that meeting materials and calendars will be distributed, and additional resources for the yearlong study will be available to peruse. The plan is to meet on Thursdays, twice a month from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM, with participants bringing a sack lunch. We hope this study time will be convenient to those ladies who have enjoyed the Women's daytime Bible Studies, but if there are **men** who are interested and available, they are welcome to participate as well. **There will be a sign up sheet on the small table in the narthex for those who would like to order their student books ahead of the organizational meeting. The student books cost about \$12.00.** For further information please contact Susie Pike, at 317.710.6981, or by email: susan.p.pike@gmail.com. You can also contact Gloria Worth at the Church office 317.856.2221.

ATTENTION TO ALL PILGRIM ADULTS

Fred Niedner, Theology Professor from Valparaiso University will travel down I-65 once again to lead an adult study. It is not fall at Pilgrim unless Fred is here with us. Please plan on attending his class as is described here: **Heaven, Hell, and Eternal Life Overview:** People who have visited write books

about Heaven. We chuckle at cartoons depicting Hell's new arrivals. And millions long for immortality who don't know what to do with themselves on a rainy Sunday afternoon. What does the Bible teach about whatever lies beyond the bounds of space and time? And what is "the life eternal" that Jesus promises all who follow him?

Oct 2 – Death and Life in the Hebrew Bible, Sleeping with our ancestors, dwelling in God, a "new heaven and earth," and insisting on justice that doesn't come in the present.

Oct 9 – New Testament metaphors and teachings about ultimate reward and punishment.

Oct 16 – Jesus' teachings on eternal life, riches toward God, treasures in heaven, and abiding in him.

Oct 23 – Following Jesus straight to hell. "They can't keep us out," he promises.

Also mark your calendars for October 9, Fred will preach at both services on that particular Sunday.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER PIANO DUO IS COMING TO PILGRIM

next Sunday October 2, 2016 at 4:00 PM. Dr. Rebecca Sorley and her daughter, Allegra will present a program of music by women composers, and talk about the pieces they perform. They will play music by Fanny Mendelssohn, Amy Beach, Judith Lang, and Ellen Zwilich (the piece by her is called *Snoopy Does the Samba*). Our new Kawai baby grand piano will be the featured instrument. Dr. Sorley is on the piano faculty at IUPUI and her daughter concertizes throughout the United States. A free-will offering will be taken to defray expenses.

THE ANNUAL HAMILTON COUNTY CROP WALK

will be held next Sunday, October 2nd. Pilgrim has a proud tradition of participation in this Church World Service event, and once again we will be one of 20 local congregations of various faiths raising money and awareness for the problem of world hunger. The goal this year is \$36,000, with 25% of the money collected going directly to Hamilton County agencies. The walk (not a race) begins at 1:30 PM at the Carmel Gazebo and covers 3.7 miles, much of which is on the Monon Trail. Please contact John Shilling at 317.908.3047 or jshill224@att.net for registration materials to become a walker or more information on how you can become involved. The best way to either join Pilgrim's team or make a donation is to visit the Hamilton County CROP Walk web site at <http://www.hamiltoncountycropwalk.org/>.

NURSERY STAFF NEEDED

-Looking to hire a person to staff our nursery on Sunday mornings. The individual needs to be 18 years of age and available to staff the nursery each Sunday from 7:45 AM-12:00 PM. Pay would be \$50 per Sunday. The individual does not need to be a member of our congregation. Please contact Greg Rexing (gregrexing@sbcglobal.net, 317.431.3337) if you are interested or know someone who might be.