



Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 32



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

“Where the Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God”



August 6, 2023

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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Sanctuary is reserved from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Fridays.

Newsletter Deadline: Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.

OUR RESPONSE TO CALVARY-7/23 & 7/30

7/23/2023

General Fund: 6,544.26

Christian Sharing: 21.00

Sunday School: 11.00

Memorials: 190.00

Misc: 93.48

Loose: 62.00

CDs: 10.00

Donuts: 65.00

Total: 6,996.74

7/30/2023

General Fund: 6,917.00

Christian Sharing: 208.00

Altar Flowers: 25.00

Sunday School: 2.00

Memorials: 2,600.00

Loose: 40.00

CDs: 16.00

Donuts: 40.90

Total: 9,848.90

ATTENDANCE

7/23 Sun 8:00 service: 134

Sun 10:45 service: 95

Adult Bible Class: 106

7/23 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 6

7/30 Sun 8:00 service: 117

Sun 10:45 service: 78

Adult Bible Class: 92

7/30 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 9

8/2 Wednesday 12:00 service: 52

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

8/9 12:00 Wednesday Worship

8/10 8:00 Quilters

9/10 12:15-4:00 Rally Day Picnic

MITE OFFERINGS... ALL Pilgrim members are encouraged to use a mite offering box to collect their coins. Return your mite box at your convenience. **AUGUST** mites will go to Braille Workers. Thanks!

SERVING THE LORD

Communion Assistant/Acolyte 8/13 Sunday

8:00 Gary Quandt **10:45** Greg Collingwood

Ushers 8/13 Sunday 8:00 Tim White; Derek

Ames; Mark Ames; Scott Perry; Cory Ritter;

Ron Kelm **10:45** Stan Lange; Craig

Goeppinger; Terry Massey; Bob Meadows;

Steve Musgrove; Dave Pressley; John

Wainwright; Gary Winchester

Coffee Servers 8/13 Sunday Jim & Linda Snow

Financial Counters 8/13 Sunday John Mickler;

Ellis V. Buth; Dain Friend; Paul Zeck

Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up

8/13 Sunday Ted & Linda Sue Workman; Jane

Martin; Nancy Quandt; Carrie Thompson

Greeters 8/13 Sunday 8:00 Allen, Kathy &

Parker Kilzer **10:45** Byron & Nancy Brown

Trustees Week of 8/6 Don Mast; Cory Ritter;

Eric Mast; Jim Snow; Paul Phillips; Ted

Workman; Gene & Linda Wise-Litter control

8/15 Kelly Holcomb; Chad Wooters

Greg & Barb Luka (36 years)

8/16 Kurt Bickes; Ruth Bork; Loren Hiser

8/17 Natalie Stout

8/18 Pam Rhodes

8/19 Ralph Kuhn

8/20 Sylvia Ohlwine

8/21 Joe & Donna Wisner (30 years)

8/22 Janet Foster

Harvey & Ruth Ann Thompson (53 years)

8/23 Roger German

8/24 Judy Arnold; Rick Campbell; Karen Easterling;

Kathy Fulk; Warren Leevy

8/26 Steve & Peg Musgrove (23 years)

8/29 Heather Spengler

8/31 Dian Centers; Leah Moore; Susie Schoon

Nelson & Merrilee Lock (4 years)



Birthdays and Anniversaries

8/1 Bob Jacobs

8/2 Larry Coers; Margaret Duncan;

Andi Gensler

David & Earlene Carlen (54 years)

Ron & Lois YaDeau (53 years)

8/3 Allen Hansen

Jeff & Valerie Cotner (27 years)

8/4 Tim & Lynn Block (50 years)

8/6 Allen & Kathy Kilzer (40 years)

Mark & Sue Kopetz (51 years)

8/7 Ellis & Karen Buth (41 years)

Mike & Heather Norris (19 years)

8/8 Wayne Gable; Linda Sue Workman

Kevin & Mila Coers (42 years)

Larry & Nancy Grischow (54 years)

8/9 Erin Svendsen

8/12 Palmer Gensler

8/13 Brock & Beth Abbott (35 years)

8/14 Mark Pokey

Home Health Care Equipment

Hoyer Lift with new sling...\$100.00

Pure Wick Collection System...\$100.00

Electric Floor Pedal Exerciser...\$50.00

(2) Porta Potties- FREE

(1) Bath Chair- FREE

(1) Walker- FREE

(1) Bedside Safety Rail- FREE

(1) Toilet Stool Handrail- FREE

Please contact Bob McQuality

at 217-864-6726.

(First come, First served)



Help is needed to take down Communion cups after 10:45 church service on the third Sunday of the month. Please contact Jane Martin at 217-917-0996, if able to help.



Dear Pilgrim congregation,

We are very grateful for the opportunity to have attended the Higher Things conference at Southern Illinois University Carbondale this past week. How amazing to be with so many other Lutherans participating in worship services and scripture-based educational sessions. It was such an uplifting four days, strengthening our faith and our walk with Jesus. Thank you for your support of the Higher Things conference!

Blessings,

Joe, Donna and Rachel Wisner

Dear Pilgrim Brothers and Sisters,

I just wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for making the trip to Higher Things at SIU Carbondale possible. Being able to hear and sing the Word alongside so many Lutheran brothers and sisters was truly an inspiring and uplifting experience. It was a powerful reminder that even in today's increasingly secular society, we are never truly alone in this race and that we always have the support and encouragement of our fellow believers within the body of Christ.

Throughout the four days of the event, I was consistently reminded of the importance of my baptism, the power of the gospel, and the need to stand firm in the Truth. These reminders were extremely valuable to me.

Once again, thank you. May God bless you all as you continue to walk in faith and serve Him in all that you do.

Sincerely,

Blaine Burns

Dear Pilgrim Family,

Josh and I give you our deepest thanks for your support that allowed us to attend this year's Higher Things conference. It was a much needed reset and refocus for both of us. I think I speak for all Pilgrim parents when I say thank you from the bottom of my heart for loving and praying for our children as well as for us as we try our best to raise them in today's world.

Thank you, again,

Erica and Josh



★ Sign up by **August 30!** ★

Mark your calendar for our annual

RALLY DAY PICNIC

in Pilgrim's wooded area!

Sunday, September 10

12:15–4:00 p.m.

★ Food catered by Kirby (IGA) Foods in Effingham

★ Mimi's Frosty Ice Cream Truck (formerly Mr. Softee)
Mr. Softee Ice Cream

(Each person will get one (1) Mimi's ticket worth \$4 to use on the ice cream treat of your choice. Depending on what treat you order you may need to have some extra cash so be prepared.)

★ Interactive games and inflatables:

Fun to Go Inflatables: Basketball & Roller Ball Games

25/8 Xtreme: Extreme Air Jumper, Wrecking Ball

★ Bring a lawn chair! ★

Sign-up sheet is in the Worship Folder-
Hand to an Usher or
email Kay at Kt2155@gmail.com

Sign up deadline is **August 30**

FREE-WILL OFFERING