



Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 48



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

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



November 26, 2023

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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 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Fridays.

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

OUR RESPONSE TO CALVARY- 11/19

General Fund: 51,897.00

Christian Sharing: 80.00

Altar Flowers: 25.00

Sunday School: 1.00

Memorials: 1,615.00

CDs: 43.00

Thanksgiving Food: 530.00

Donuts: 79.09

Ulma: 200.00

Total: 54,470.09

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

11/29 10:30 Bible Class

12:00 Wednesday Worship

4:15-6:00 Midweek Grades 1-6

7th Grade Confirmation

11/30 8:00 Quilters

12/8 Ladies' Guild Christmas Luncheon

12/10 12:15-3:00 Sunday School Christmas Program and Brunch Event

ATTENDANCE

11/19 Sunday 8:00 service: 119

Sunday 10:45 service: 89

Adult Bible Class: 106

11/19 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 10

11/23 Thanksgiving 9:00 service: 58

MITE OFFERINGS... ALL Pilgrim members

are encouraged to use a mite offering box to collect their coins. Return your mite box at your convenience.

NOVEMBER mites will go to New Life Pregnancy

Center. **DECEMBER** mites will go to United Lutheran Mission Association. Thank you!



SERVING THE LORD

Communion Assistant/Acolyte 12/3 Sunday 8:00

Allen Kilzer **10:45** Doug Ward

Ushers 12/3 Sunday 8:00 Tim White; Derek Ames; Mark Ames; Scott Perry; Cory Ritter; Ron Kelm **10:45** Stan Lange; Craig Goepfing; Bob Meadows; Steve Musgrove; Dave Pressley; John Wainwright; Gary Winchester

Coffee Servers 11/29 Wed Dave & Vicki

Schroeder 12/3 Sunday Dick & Dona Bailey

Financial Counters 12/3 Sunday John Mickler; Ellis V. Buth; Dain Friend; Paul Zeck

Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up

12/3 Sunday Shirley McMillen; Dian Centers; Bev Myrvold; Linda Ripple; Tim & Lynn Block; Amanda Block

Greeters 12/3 Sunday 8:00 Dick & Dona Bailey **10:45** Ray & Linda Beals



Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 11/26 Bryce Turner
Dick & Judy Arnold (69 years)
11/27 Megan Wooters
11/28 Dona Bailey
Tim & Lynette White (42 years)
11/29 Bill Bork
11/30 Betty Potrafka

DECEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 12/1 John Mickler
12/5 Grant Abbott
Derek & Samantha Ames (14 years)
12/6 Michelle O'Bryan; Scott Perry
12/7 Drew Gensler; Tim White
12/8 Kevin Ripple
12/9 Drake Gensler
12/10 Sandy Norris; Stan Roberts; Gary Winchester
12/11 Eva Snow
Bob & Erica Meadows (2 years)
12/13 Jeff Cotner; Steve Goebel; Harvey Thompson
12/14 Razjada Brown; Marsha Crowe
Mark & Carla Luka (27 years)
12/15 Marvin Rau

- 12/19 Suzie Beltz
12/20 Greg Whisnant
12/22 Jennifer Gensler; Joe Wisner
12/24 David Pangrac; Donna Phillips
Wayne & Barbara Buesking (69 years)
12/26 Gloria Parton
12/28 Jim & Carrie Snow (27 years)
12/29 Greg & Lesa Mills (39 years)
12/30 Mark Thompson; Ted Workman
12/31 Carol Allen; Mike Bunch; Ashley Lofland;
Marilyn Mills

Offering Envelopes



2024 Offering Envelopes are available on the tables in the narthex. Please begin using them in January 2024. Pick yours up today!

11.26.2023
Unit 4
Lesson 12

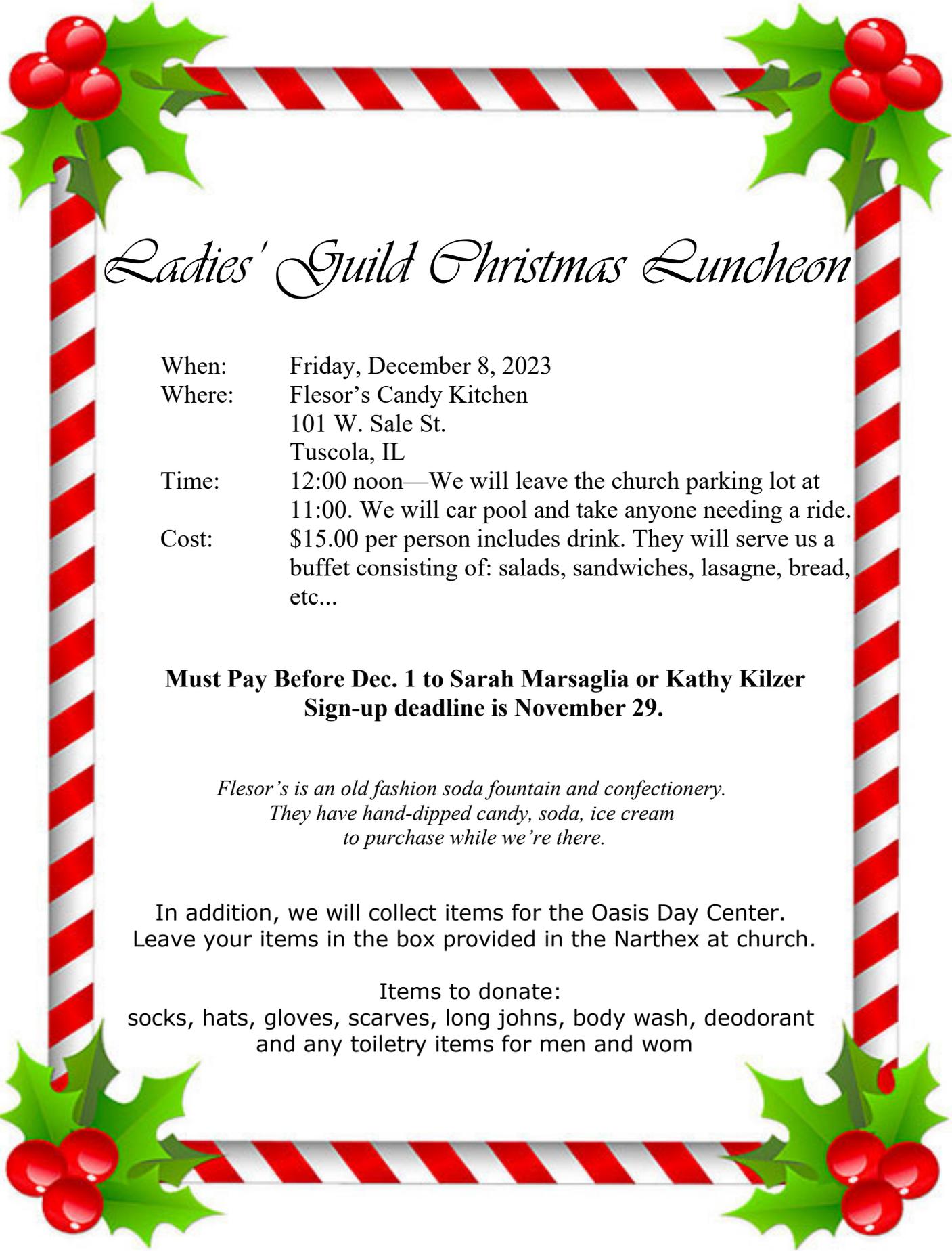


“The Passover Promise” is this week’s lesson about God’s establishment of the Passover. God, through Moses, threatens one final plague—worse than any previously experienced. Following God’s instructions, the Israelites make careful preparations for the Passover, marking their doorposts with the blood of a lamb prepared for the feast. The final plague takes place at midnight as all the firstborn throughout Egypt die. The Egyptians hand over their valuables, hastening the Israelites away.

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FREE KITTENS TO GOOD HOME
Three were born September 10, and another three were born about two weeks later.
They are garage kitties and at a playful stage.
If you are interested,
call Lynette White at 217-794-5028.



Ladies' Guild Christmas Luncheon

When: Friday, December 8, 2023
Where: Flesor's Candy Kitchen
101 W. Sale St.
Tuscola, IL
Time: 12:00 noon—We will leave the church parking lot at 11:00. We will car pool and take anyone needing a ride.
Cost: \$15.00 per person includes drink. They will serve us a buffet consisting of: salads, sandwiches, lasagne, bread, etc...

**Must Pay Before Dec. 1 to Sarah Marsaglia or Kathy Kilzer
Sign-up deadline is November 29.**

*Flesor's is an old fashion soda fountain and confectionery.
They have hand-dipped candy, soda, ice cream
to purchase while we're there.*

In addition, we will collect items for the Oasis Day Center.
Leave your items in the box provided in the Narthex at church.

Items to donate:
socks, hats, gloves, scarves, long johns, body wash, deodorant
and any toiletry items for men and wom

Christmas Program
and Brunch

Event

Sunday, December 10

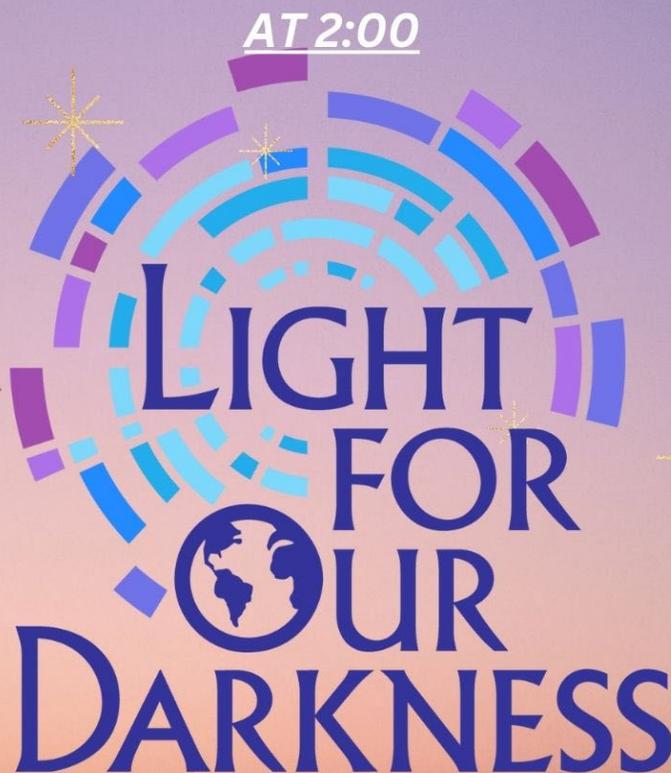
12:15-3:00

You are invited to a special Christmas Program Event
presented by our children and youth.

Brunch will be served followed by a special Christmas
Program. Please plan on staying for the program when
signing up for the brunch.

DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR THE BRUNCH IS
DECEMBER 3!

NO SIGN UP IS NECESSARY TO ATTEND THE PROGRAM
AT 2:00



THE PILGRIM LUTHERAN QUILT GUILD PRESENTS



“A VINTAGE CHRISTMAS”

66” x 74”

The Guild’s cost for the quilt was \$345.00.

Our Guild is making this quilt available to the congregation for purchase. The monies will go directly to our Christian Sharing Fund. The quilt could be used on a bed, as a blanket for cozying up on the couch, or a throw to decorate for the Christmas season. Each block was hand pieced and sewn by a guild member and then machine quilted.

If you are interested in purchasing this quilt, please fill out one of the forms with your name, phone number, and the amount you would like to offer. Then place your form in the “present box”. We will then select the highest offer and call that person to let them know their offer has been accepted.

The last day for putting an offer on this quilt will be December 5th.

IN HONOR OF

Pastor Donald Pritchard

For his many years of faithful service to the congregation
of Zion Lutheran Church and the Pleasant Plains community

Zion Lutheran Church

525 N. Cartwright St, Pleasant Plains, IL 62677

Sunday, December 17, 2023

Divine Service at 10:15. Everyone is welcome

Lunch will be served after the service.

(Appx 11:30)

RSVP by December 10, 2023 to:

stephaniegoebel@yahoo.com



DECEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School	4	5	6 10:30 Bible Class 12:00 Wed Worship Communion 4:15-6 Midweek Grades 1-6 7 th Grade Confirmation	7 8:00 Braille at LSA 8:00 Quilters	8 12:00 (Leave PLC at 11:00) Ladies' Guild Christmas Luncheon at Flesor's Candy Kitchen in Tuscola	9 9:00-11:00 SS Christmas Program Rehearsal
10 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School 12:15-3:00 Brunch/Sunday School Christmas Program	11	12	13 10:30 Bible Class 12:00 Wed Worship 4:15-6 Midweek Grades 1-6 7 th Grade Confirmation	14 8:00 Quilters	15	16
17 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School	18 6:30 Council Meeting	19 6:00 WTS Board of Trustees Meeting	20 10:30 Bible Class 12:00 Wed Worship Communion 4:15-6 Midweek Grades 1-6 7 th Grade Confirmation	21 8:00 Quilters	22	23
24 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School 7:00 Christmas Eve Worship	25 9:00 Christmas Day Worship	26	27 All Classes and Worship Services are canceled.	28 8:00 Quilters	29	30
31 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School 7:00 New Year's Eve Worship Communion						