



Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 49



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

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



December 3, 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 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Fridays.

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

OUR RESPONSE TO CALVARY-11/26

General Fund: 7,264.00

Christian Sharing: 25.00

Altar Flowers: 60.00

Sunday School: 1.00

Memorials: 175.00

Loose: 90.00

CDs: 8.00

Donuts: 64.00

Total: 7,687.00

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- 12/6 10:30 Bible Class
- 12:00 Wednesday Worship-Communion
- 4:15-6:00 Midweek Grades 1-6
7th Grade Confirmation
- 12/7 8:00 Braille at LSA
- 8:00 Quilters
- 12/8 Ladies' Guild Christmas Luncheon
- 12/9 9:00-11:00 Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 12/10 12:15-3:00 Sunday School Christmas Program and Brunch Event

ATTENDANCE

11/26 Sunday 8:00 service: 115
Sunday 10:45 service: 83
Adult Bible Class: 87

11/26 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 12

11/29 Wednesday 10:30 Bible Class: 35

11/29 Wednesday 12:00 service: 46

MITE OFFERINGS... ALL Pilgrim members are encouraged to use a mite offering box to collect their coins. Return your mite box at your convenience. **DECEMBER** mites will go to United Lutheran Mission Association. Thank you!



SERVING THE LORD

Communion Assistant/Acolyte 12/6 Wed Gary Quandt 12/10 Sunday 8:00 Tom Greenwood
10:45 Greg Collingwood

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

Coffee Servers 12/6 Wed Paul & Patti Zeck 12/10 Sunday Jim & Linda Snow

Financial Counters 12/10 Sunday Kevin Ripple; Bob Ellis; Drew Gensler; Steve Myrvold

Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up

12/10 Sunday Ted & Linda Sue Workman; Jane Martin; Nancy Quandt; Carrie Thompson

Greeters 12/10 Sunday 8:00 Paulette Browne; Jean Mueller; Linda M. Workman **10:45** Kurt & Wendy Bickes

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!

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)

12.3.2023
Unit 4
Lesson 13



In today's lesson, we learn about how God provides "Food from Heaven." The Israelites arrive in the wilderness with no food, grumbling against Moses and Aaron. God keeps His promise to provide for His people as He daily sends manna (bread) and quail (meat) from heaven for them to gather. The Lord teaches His people to trust as they gather only what they need for one day.

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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.

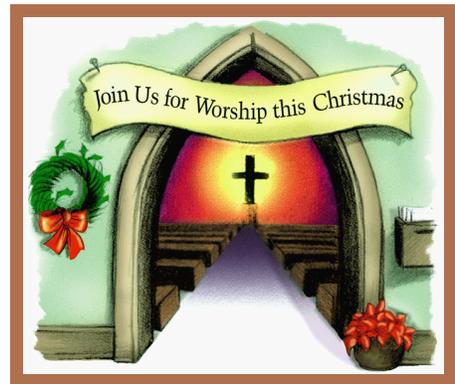


We have an opportunity during this Advent season to respond to God's gift ... His Son ... by giving a gift of love for those in our Faith Family who need our help and support.

In the narthex, at the north wall, is our *ANGEL TREE*. If you wish to participate, it's as easy as 1-2-3.

1. Take one of the "angel" envelopes and put your gift inside.
2. Write your name on the envelope and place it in a church offering box.
3. Select an angel ornament and put it on the tree.

Let's fill the tree with angels in response to our love for our Savior and our Pilgrim members in need.
God bless your Christmas and your giving!



If you would like an invitation to Christmas services sent to anyone, please give the complete name and address to the office. You can call the office at (217)877-2444 or email the information to plc@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org.

**Christmas Program
and Brunch** *Event*

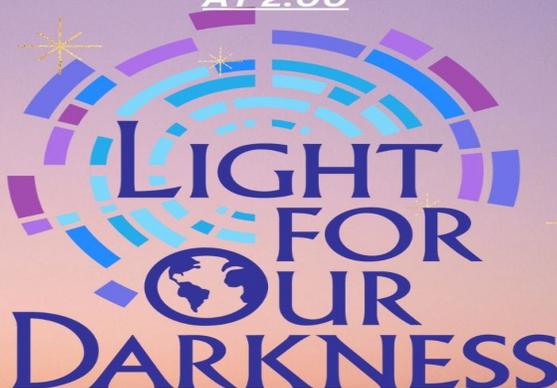
**Sunday, December 10
12:15-3:00**

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

