

# ilgrim's Progress Weekly

Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526 "Where the Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God"



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#### **Worship Service and Bible Study Times:**

Sunday Service at 8 and 10:45 A.M.

Sunday Bible Study Hour for All Ages 9:30 A.M. Wednesday Service Year-Round 7 P.M.

[September-April Wednesdays]

Adult Bible Study 6 & 9:30 A.M. and Midweek School Gr 1-8 4:15 P.M.

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**Newsletter Editor:** Patti Newlin

Newsletter Deadline: 9 A.M. Wednesday Worship Folder Deadline: 9 A.M. Tuesday.

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon-Thurs: 7 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Fri: 7 a.m. to noon

#### **ULMA Mission Congregation**

Listed is the name and address of the mission congregation, along with the mission pastor, of our United Lutheran Mission Association.

Christ the Rock Lutheran Church 799 Pine Ave Carlsbad CA 92008 10:15 a.m. worship Tamarack (North)&College Blvds. Rev William Mack (cell 920-203-2544)

## **APRIL 14, 2019**

**SUNDAY 4/14** 

8:00 Worship/Communion

9:00 WSOY Broadcast

9:30 Bible Study All Ages

10:45 Worship/Communion

#### **MONDAY 4/15**

10:00 BIC in Library

6:30 COUNCIL meet in Library

TUESDAY 4/16
WEDNESDAY 4/17

4:15 NO Midweek School or Services

6:00 Chancel Choir

THURSDAY 4/18

8:00 Quilting

10:30 Shut-In Service

7:00 MAUNDY THURSDAY

Worship/Communion

**FRIDAY 4/19** 

7:00 - GOOD FRIDAY Worship/Communion

**SUNDAY 4/21** 

8:00 & 10:45 EASTER Worship

9:00 Continental breakfast.

9:30 Bible study for all ages.

WORSHIP FOLDER HELP NEEDED: We can use several people to help put the folders together on Thursday, April 18 either at 10:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. Please call the church office tomorrow morning (April 15) if you are able to help.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

4/7 Sunday Services: 382 4/7 Sunday Bible Classes: 173 Adults 150; High School 7; Children 15 4/10 Wednesday Services: 12:15 75 7:00 42

#### **OUR RESPONSE TO CALVARY 4/7**

General: 18,706.00

Walther Theological Seminary: 130

Loose/Christian Sharing: 50

Easter Lilies: 143

Loose: 3 CDs: 10 Donuts: 66

Higher Things: 375 Total: 19,483.00





MITE OFFERINGS go to missions
Pilgrim Lutheran supports. April mites
will be used for New Life Pregnancy
Center. You can pick up a mite

offering box on the table in the narthex, in front of the Guild bulletin board. Pilgrim members, women AND men are encouraged to use a mite offering box to collect their coins. When your mite offering box is full, place it in the decorative box on the table and take an empty mite offering box home. Thank-you!

## VISITORS...Roger German, Bob Teela



LIFT CHAIR
Medium to
dark blue color.
Cloth, upholstered.
\$600

Call Vicki Wegmann 217.433.6466.

#### **HELP NEEDED PLEASE...**

Nursery sitters Wednesday nights for worship. Contact Kay Tolly if you can help. Thank you.

#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/14 Larry Grischow; Emett Stenger
  W John & Laurie Ellis 29 yrs
  W Frank & Doris Rozzell 63 yrs
- 4/15 Dorothy Dittus
- 4/16 Tom Greenwood; Lesa Mills; Megan Perry; Lindsey Rotz
- 4/17 Patti Zeck
- 4/19 Allen Kilzer
- 4/20 Jaimie Ford; Gayle Lange; Mike O'Bryan; Brett Stenger
- 4/21 Dana Embrey; Ron McCormick
- 4/22 Dorothy Price
- 4/23 Martha Bomball

  W Dave & Vicki Schroeder 42 yrs
- 4/24 Sue Kopetz
- 4/25 Linda Ripple; Cathy Spengler
- 4/26 Jim R. Snow; Alice Stathers
  W Jodi & David Pierceall 34 yrs
- 4/27 Shirley Bogacki
- 4/30 Lynn Block; Gary Schueller; Mary Jo Wrigley

### To the Youth and Kay,

What a wonderful way to spend a Sunday afternoon. Being pampered by the youth, sharing the devotion, enjoying the musical talents of Julie McClarey, having fellowship with our fellow Christians and partaking n the delicious snacks.

Thank you for all you do. It is much appreciated. God's continued blessings!,

Pam Rhodes

#### SERVING THE LORD

Acolyte Thurs 4/18 7 p.m. Usher Easter Sun 4/21 Usher

Coffee Set-up <u>4/21</u> Vicki Schroeder Coffee Servers <u>Sun 4/21</u> Barbara Buesking & Sue Kopetz

Communion Set-Up/Clean-up Thurs 4/18

7 p.m. Melinda & Loren Hiser; Jo Ames **Trustees** 4/14-4/27 Don Mast; Eric Mast; Paul

Phillips; Cory Ritter; Jim R. Snow; Ted Workman

Flower Delivery 4/14 Terry Propst

**Communion Assistants** Thur 4/18 Doug Ward **Financial Secretaries** Sun 4/21 John Mickler;

Ellis V. Buth; Dain Friend; Paul Zeck

Greeters  $\underline{4/21}$  Steve & Carol Goebel

10:45 Byron & Nancy Brown

Nursery <u>Sun 4/2</u>1 8:00 Chad Ruwe; 9:30

Lindsey Rotz; 10:45 Andi Gensler

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 4/24 4:15 <u>Last</u> Midweek Class <u>for Gr 1-6</u> 8<sup>th</sup> Gr Confirmands meet for class and again on 5/1
- 4/28 Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> grade Junior Confirmands, pick up robes in the library
- 5/1 4:15 8<sup>th</sup> grade Junior Confirmands bring robe and stole to class for group picture
- 5/3 7:00 Junior Confirmation 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Question Night and Reception. Family, friends and Congregation members are welcome to attend.
- 5/5 Junior Confirmation Sunday at the 10:45 service.
- 5/5 12:30 Catered Spring Banquet for the Congregation hosted by the Ladies Guild. Presentation by Paw Print Ministries.
- 6/3-7 Vacation Bible School Week

#### YOUTH GROUPS ACTIVITY

PKC Grades 1-6/Families & PYC Grades 7-12 Sign up for activities on the PKC or PYC bulletin boards or call 877-2430 to leave a message or email kaytolly@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org or call or text 358-4401. A parent or adult must attend PKC (Gr 1-6) activities with their children and everyone in the family is welcome to attend.

- 4/28 2:00 **PKC** Bowling at Sparetime Lanes. Sign up by April 21.
- 5/3 **PYC** Post-Confirmation Questioning pizza party at Monical's North after the reception. Sign up by May 1.
- 6/3-7 VBS. **PKC** mark your calendar and invite all of your friends. [**PYC** sign up to help at VBS!]

#### Coming up this summer:

**PKC** Summer Camp Days [**PYC** volunteer to help with one or many.] Family Camp Weekend in August or September.

St. Louis Ball Game

## 7/16-19 We will be attending in Mequon, Wisconsin. WHY HIGHER THINGS?

We live in a culture of blurry religious distinctions and do-it yourself spirituality, Youth, especially, need solid ground that will nurture lasting Christian faith. Rather than treating youth as an adolescent subculture and confusing them with religious experiences that cannot be replicated at home, Higher Things believes in challenging youth to learn the pure doctrine of the Christian faith, By teaching them the same

message that they hear at home, youth grow in the fullness of the Christian faith as they come to appreciate historic liturgical practice and its unique focus on God's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation for us delivered in Word and Sacrament.

#### How can you help?

We are signed up and ready to go and <u>we</u> <u>would appreciate your support</u>. We do not do any fund-raising at Pilgrim so it's important that we are able to send our youth and parents to these conferences.

If you can help in any way with a donation it would be greatly appreciated. The Conference cost is \$375 peer person which includes housing, meals, t-shirt, entertainment and conference/worship materials for three nights. We will also be using Peoria Charters bus this year. Please let Kay Tolly know if you donate so we can write Thank-you cards while we are at the conference and in order to keep track of our costs. Please make out any checks to Pilgrim Lutheran Church and put "Higher Things" in the memo portion. We are blessed to have 28 of our Pilgrim youth and parents/chaperones attending this year.

#### The Theme for 2019: Concordia

"The Word of the Lord endures forever," (1 Peter 1:25)

"Concordia." It literally means "with one heart" in Latin. The Church is united around the confession of Jesus as our Lord and Savior like a congregation singing together in many different parts but singing the same song together in perfect harmony.

Concordia Isn't just a feeling that we are one. It's not only something that we strive to have. We don't sacrifice what we believe in order to be united. True Concord is always centered around the confession of Christ and Him crucified!

God speaks. We receive His words into our ears. He gives our tongues the words to say to Him and to those around us. We repeat, together, His Words back to Him. We sing them, we confess them, all agreeing together, "with one heart and voice" our confession of Jesus! In a world where youth are tempted to compromise, Higher Things is excited to plan our 2019 Conferences centered on the theme of the Church and Unity.