



# Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 8



Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

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

Home of



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**Newsletter Editor:** Contact office

**Newsletter Deadline:** 9 A.M. Wednesday

**Office is open: Mon-Thurs 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
and Friday 8 a.m. to Noon.**

**Fridays: 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. the Sanctuary is  
Reserved.**

### ATTENDANCE

2/12 Sun 8:00 service: 89  
Sun 10:45 service: 98  
2/12 Adult Bible Class: 107  
2/12 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 10  
2/15 Wed 10:30 Bible Class: 48  
2/15 Wed 12:00 service: 64

### Attention Diabetic Patients

A member recently received a new, three-month supply of Trulicity which they are unable to use. Please call 217-791-7892 if you are able to use it with your current Medical Treatment.

### OUR RESPONSE TO CALVARY 2/12

General Fund: 10,391.00  
Sunday School: 9.00  
MISC: 13,144.35  
Loose: 40.00  
CD's: 14.00  
Donuts: 66.00  
Total: 23,664.35

### ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2/20 6:30 Council Meeting  
2/21 6:00 WTS Board of Trustees Meeting  
2/22 10:30 Bible Class  
12:00 Ash Wed. Worship- Communion  
4:15-6:00 Midweek Grades 1-6  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
2/23 8:00 Quilters  
6/12 9:00-12:00 VBS (Mon.-Fri.)

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

**End-of-the-Year Offering Statements  
are available for pick up  
on a table in the narthex.  
Please pick up today.**

## SERVING THE LORD

### **Communion Assistant/Acolyte 2/22 Wed**

Gary Quandt 2/26 Sunday 8:00 Gary Quandt  
10:45 Doug Ward

**Ushers 2/26 Sunday 8:00** Stan Lange; Craig  
Goeppinger; Bob Meadows; Steve Musgrove;  
Dave Pressley; John Wainwright; Gary  
Winchester 10:45 Tim White; Derek Ames;  
Mark Ames; Scott Perry; Cory Ritter; Mark  
Thompson

**Coffee Servers 2/22 Wed** Ron Kelm

2/26 Sunday Ron & Carolyn Wagner

**Financial Counters 2/26 Sunday** John

Mickler; Ellis V. Buth; Dain Friend; Paul Zeck

**Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up**

2/26 Sunday Jane Martin; Sarah Marsaglia;  
Carrie Thompson

**Greeters 2/26 Sunday 8:00** Harvey & Ruth

Ann Thompson; Smitha Jeyaseelan & Ivan  
Jayakar 10:45 Paul Giesler; Megan Wooters



### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

- 2/19 Dorothy Klockenga; Josiah Ohlwine;  
Ripken Rotz; Aldon Ruwe
- 2/21 Peg Musgrove; Bonnie Propst; Connie  
Searl; Lois YaDeau
- 2/22 Chuck & Kelly Barnes (45 years)
- 2/23 Thomas Goeppinger
- 2/24 Shannon Lanier
- 2/27 Kathy Helphrey; Cambell Lanier  
Steve & Jennifer Gensler (35 years)
- 2/28 Sarah Guhl; Sarah Marsaglia
- 2/29 Andy & Stacey Apel (7 years)



### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

- 3/1 Rebekah Christoffersen  
Duane & Kaye Beals (9 years)
- 3/3 Jewel Barr; Susan Hoem  
Eldred & Betty Budde (67 years)
- 3/4 Kiersten Hill

- 3/5 Nancy Brown; Rita Perry  
Jim & Susie Peck (30 years)  
Ted & Linda Sue Workman (57 years)
- 3/6 Janie Lewis; Carrie Snow
- 3/8 Nicole Carlen; Matt Christoffersen;  
Carrie Thompson
- 3/10 Ivan Jayakar; Joshua Scott
- 3/11 Rosemary Bolyard; Christine Massey  
Adam & Rachel Gensler (6 years)
- 3/12 Jean Carter; Janice Dittus; Ron Kelm;  
Bev Winchester
- 3/13 Chuck Barnes; Barbara Oyler
- 3/14 Nathan Ripple
- 3/15 Marcia Potrafka; Harper Ritter
- 3/19 Katie Buth; Victor James Buth
- 3/20 Gary & Mary Ann Driskell (53 years)
- 3/21 Gary & Teresa Schueller (14 years)
- 3/22 Gabi Wegmann
- 3/23 Alan Ruwe
- 3/24 Barbara Buesking
- 3/25 Courtney Jacobs; Mark Luka;  
Doug Taylor
- 3/27 Chuck & Lavona McKinney (68 years)
- 3/28 Jo Ames; Robert Barr
- 3/29 Zach Luka; Aaron Purcell
- 3/31 Terry Massey  
Kenny & Linda Ripple (56 years)

### **PKC/PYC Calendar of Events**

#### **Sunday, March 12- 12:00-3:00 p.m.**

PKC/PYC Sunday Funday. Learn to cook with one of our own Pilgrim Members, Chef Jared Potrafka. Open gym after the meal and clean up. Sign up by March 1.

#### **Sunday, April 23-**

PKC/PYC Painting with Jenn. Jenn Killion will show us how to make a canvas painting in a fun and easy way. It will make a great gift or decoration for your room. Pizza lunch at Noon. (Anyone that would like to paint is also welcome to attend.) Please sign up by April 17.

#### **Friday, April 28-**

Post—Jr. Confirmation Questioning. Pizza Party at Monical's for 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmands and their families.



1/29/23  
LESSON 7  
UNIT 2

This week in our Christian education time, we discuss "Claimed and Tested." At Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan River, the heavens open, the Spirit descends, and the Father speaks: "You are My beloved Son" (Luke 3:22). Jesus goes from the waters of Baptism to the wilderness, where He faces a series of temptations from the devil. Jesus resists each one as He speaks the truth of God's Word against the lies of Satan. Ask one another, "How can we use God's Word as we defend our faith?"

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## HOW CAN WE COMMUNICATE WITH YOU?

For information and cancellations:



1. Sign up with **Flocknote by texting to this number 84576 and put PLC in the message area.**

Please only include the groups that you are a member of.

If you are not on the Council, trustees or PYC, for example, don't ask to be in that group. Make sure that you include your name and email address. If you need help please contact me, Kay Tolly. You can also sign up at

**[pilgrimplutheranchurch1.flocknote.com](https://pilgrimplutheranchurch1.flocknote.com).**



2. Kay posts a lot of announcements, pictures, and information on our

**PRIVATE MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK PAGE.**

**Please ask to join by going to**

**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/62157575041/>.**

That link should take you to Members of Pilgrim Lutheran Church Decatur Illinois. You will request to join and then the administrators will approve your request. We are being very cautious in approving due to so many hackers out there. Kay may call and verify that you made the request, or you can let her know by calling the church office.

We also have a PUBLIC Facebook page, but you will not receive the info on that page that you will receive on our PRIVATE page. That page is Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Confessional, Decatur, IL **<https://www.facebook.com/pilgrimplutherandecaturil>**. Since that page is public you can share videos and other items from that page.

Contact Kay Tolly if you have any questions.



### WE ARE ADOPTING AN ALL-CONGREGATION TEXTING/EMAIL COMMUNICATION SERVICE

- Closing & cancellation notifications, eliminating the need for individual phone calls
- Important updates
- Reminders and communication for specific groups
- Easy to sign up
- Sign up to receive texts or emails or both
- Your information is private
- No spam
- Unsubscribe at any time
- If you don't text or email NOTIFY us and you will still receive a phone call from the office
- There is no charge for this service but your carrier message and data rates may apply.

Help us to communicate important information to you by signing up NOW!

**TEXT**  
to this number  
**84576**  
the letters  
**PLC**  
and you will receive a welcome notification  
OR Sign up at  
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Please contact Kay Tolly if you need assistance or have questions.