



Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 16



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

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and Friday 8 a.m. to Noon.

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

ATTENDANCE

4/6 Maundy Thursday 7:00 service: 102
4/7 Good Friday 7:00 service: 218
4/9 Sun 8:00 service: 182
Sun 10:45 service: 112
4/9 Adult Bible Class: 78
4/9 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 6
4/12 Wed 12:00 service: 42

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

OUR RESPONSE TO CALVARY 4/9

General Fund: 38,436.54
Christian Sharing: 112.00
Altar Flowers/Lilies: 200.00
Sunday School: 10.00
Memorials: 2,620.00
CD's: 36.00
Donuts: 329.00
Total: 41,743.54

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

4/17 6:30 Council Meeting
4/18 6:00 WTS Board Meeting
4/19 **NO Wed Worship** due to renovation
(12:00 Wed Worship resumes 4/26)
4:15-6:00 Midweek Grades 1-6
8th Grade Confirmation
4/20 8:00 Quilters
4/23 12:00 PKC/PYC Paint Party
6/12 9:00-12:00 VBS (Mon.-Fri.)



Hospital
VISITS

The new computer system at Decatur Memorial Hospital is currently unable to give us a list of Pilgrims who are in the hospital. We kindly ask that if you are going to DMH, or find yourself there unexpectedly, please contact the church office at **(217) 877-2444** or email plc@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org to let us know so that a Pastor may come and visit you. Thanks!

SERVING THE LORD

Communion Assistant/Acolyte 4/23 Sunday

8:00 Gary Quandt 10:45 Doug Ward

Ushers 4/23 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 4/23 Sunday Cory & Jan Ritter, Celia & Harper

Financial Counters 4/23 Sunday John Mickler; Ellis V. Buth; Dain Friend; Paul Zeck

Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up

4/23 Sunday Jane Martin; Sarah Marsaglia; Carrie Thompson

Greeters 4/23 Sunday 8:00 Jim & Linda Snow 10:45 Paul Giesler; Megan Wooters

Trustees Week of 4/16 Larry Wolf; Ray Beals; Pete Williams; Brad Roberts; Gene Wise-Litter control



Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 4/1 Robin Breeden; Mary Jo Ward
4/2 Will Bryan; Warner Gensler
4/3 Hannah (Mills) Thomas
Mike & Kathy O'Bryan (52 years)
4/4 Allison Ruwe; Brittany Williams
4/5 Chad & Megan Wooters (15 years)
4/6 Ellis V. Buth; Mary Ann Driskell;
Bryant Taylor; Linda Wise
Dick & Dona Bailey (50 years)
4/8 Byron Brown; Penny McBride
Susan Ruwe
Kevin & Debbie Ripple (28 years)
4/9 Cameron Letterly
4/11 Sherry Egan; Jo-Anne Mast
4/12 Ziak Ireland
4/13 Paulette Browne; Tim Ellison; Paula Scott; Margo Tschetter
4/14 Larry Grischow; Emmett Stenger
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
4/22 Dorothy Price
4/23 Martha Bomball
Dave & Vicki Schroeder (46 years)
4/24 Sue Kopetz
4/25 Linda Ripple; Cathy Spengler
4/26 Jim R. Snow; Alice Stathers
4/30 Lynn Block; Gary Schueller;
Mary Jo Wrigley

Annual Congregational Spring Banquet Hosted by the Ladies Guild Sunday, May 7 at 12:15 after the 2nd Service

This year we are having a potluck. We would like everyone that wants to bring something to use a recipe from our past Pilgrim Lutheran Cookbook.

The Ladies Guild will furnish:
Meat (ham, fried chicken and meat loaf)
Rolls
Drinks
Tableware

Dish is not required to attend.

Please sign up and list what you intend to bring by
Wednesday, May 3.



Please list your child's name, graduation date, and name of the school on the back of your attendance card or email the Church Office at plc@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org.

PKC/PYC Calendar of Events

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 8th grade confirmands and their families.

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Lesson 4

Unit 3



In this week's lesson, "A Tree View," students learn about Zacchaeus, a wealthy tax collector, who anxiously awaits the arrival of Jesus. Short of stature, Zacchaeus climbs a tree to see the Savior. Despite criticism, Jesus invites Himself to the tax collector's home. Motivated by Christ's compassion, Zacchaeus confesses his sin and promises to make restitution. Families could discuss, "How does Jesus motivate you to make a difference in your world?"

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PYC/PKC Paint Party

(any other Pilgrim member may attend by signing up)

APRIL 23 AT 12 noon

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 AT NOON!
EVERYONE BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE

SIGN UP BY APRIL 16

YOU WILL CHOOSE FROM THE SAMPLES
THAT JENN PAINTED BELOW
OR DESIGN YOUR OWN!



Thank you for your cards and prayers of encouragement as Martha was called home to be with our Savior. Thank you as well to the Pastors for your visits and calls during her illness and afterwards and to Pastor Brock for the service celebrating her victory. The meal provided by the Ladies Guild was delicious and very much appreciated. We're so blessed to be surrounded by our Pilgrim family.

Yours in Christ,

Bryant and Jeff Bomball



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR VBS!

JUNE 12-16, 2023

9AM—NOON

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR VOLUNTEER SIGN UPS
AND STUDENT REGISTRATION IN THE
WORSHIP FOLDERS!

Online registration information
will be coming soon.

We are engaged in an epic battle for the hearts and minds of our youth. Every day, they're bombarded with lies about who they are, who their Creator is, and where their salvation comes from. Thankfully, God has given his children armor to wear in this battle between truth and lies, light and darkness, good and evil.

This year our children and youth will learn that through salvation in Jesus they are a part of God's Kingdom. They will discover how they can be equipped with the Armor of God to stand strong in today's battle for truth.

“Keepers of the Kingdom” VBS T-shirt orders Place orders by Sunday, May 14.

VBS T-shirts will be available for anyone who would like one.
T-shirts will be available free of charge to visitors during VBS.

If you can pay for the shirts the cost is listed below. If you are unable we will cover the cost. If anyone would like to make a donation to help offset the cost please designate “t-shirt” on your check and give to the office or to Kay Tolly.

DO NOT PUT T-SHIRT MONEY IN THE OFFERING BOX.

Please place your order by **Sunday, May 14.** You may place your order by signing up on the easel in the narthex, by calling 877-2444 or email me at kt2155@gmail.com

WE NEED TO KNOW THE QUANTITY AND SIZE (Youth or Adult)

WHEN ORDERING BY PHONE PLEASE INDICATE THE SIZES (Youth or Adult) AND THE QUANTITY OF EACH SIZE .

Youth sizes (XS =2-4; S=6-8; M=10-12; L=14-16)

\$7 for Y small—Adult XL

\$9 for XXL



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