



Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 17



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

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



April 28, 2024

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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- 4/21

General Fund: 11,481.00

Christian Sharing: 60.00

Sunday School: 11.00

Memorials: 50.00

Loose: 80.00

CDs: 2.00

Donuts: 70.00

Higher Things Youth Conference: 100.00

Total: 11,854.00

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

4/28 12:15 Ladies' Guild Annual Spring Luncheon

5/1 12:00 Wednesday Worship-Communion

5/2 8:00 Braille at LSA

Quilters

6/10 9:00-12:00 VBS (Monday-Friday)

ATTENDANCE

4/21 Sun 8:00 service: 129

Sun 10:45 service: 71

Adult Bible Class: 102

Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 6

4/24 Wednesday 10:30 Bible Class: 34

Wednesday 12:00 service: 52

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 New Life Pregnancy Center. **MAY** mites will go to United Lutheran Mission Association. Thank you!



SERVING THE LORD

Communion Assistant/Acolyte 5/1 Wed Allen

Kilzer 5/5 Sunday 8:00 Allen Kilzer; Tom

Greenwood 10:45 Greg Collingwood; Doug Ward

Ushers 5/5 Sunday 8:00 Don Mast; Eric Mast;

John Mickler; Jim M. Snow; Jim R. Snow; Ron

Kelm 10:45 Joe Marsaglia; Bruce Gifford; Paul

Giesler; Loren Hiser; Dave Schroeder; Chad

Wooters

Coffee Servers 5/5 Sunday Harvey & Ruth Ann

Thompson; Smitha Jeyaseelan

Financial Counters 5/5 Sunday Rich Lanier; Rick

Leach; Steve Musgrove; Gary Schueller

Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up 5/5 Sunday Shirley

McMillen; Dian Centers; Bev Myrvold; Linda

Ripple; Tim & Lynn Block; Amanda Block

Greeters 5/5 Sunday 8:00 Allen, Kathy & Parker

Kilzer 10:45 Ray & Linda Beals

Trustees Week of 4/28 Larry Wolf; Pete Williams;

Brad Roberts; Gene & Linda Wise-Litter control



Birthdays and Anniversaries

4/29 Warren & Benita Leevy (1 year)

4/30 Lynn Block; Gary Schueller;

Mary Jo Wrigley



Birthdays and Anniversaries

5/1 Bob Larson

5/2 Wayne Buesking; Carol Goebel

5/3 Dylan Duzan; Mike Norris

5/4 Brian & Amy Cassell (23 years)

5/5 Larry Sutherland

Terry & Bonnie Propst (46 years)

Gary & Brenda Workman (45 years)

5/6 Larry Henrichsmeyer

5/9 Rich Lanier; Vicki Schroeder; Emily Scott

5/11 Rick & RaeAnn Campbell (51 years)

5/12 Jerry Ellis; Debra Perkins

5/13 Tim Block; Cheryl Friend; Vicky Lueck;

Richard Rotz

5/14 Gary & Bev Winchester (57 years)

5/15 Landon Wise

5/16 Violet Bean

5/17 Doris Teala

Mike & Robin Williams (38 years)

5/18 Doug & Vicky Lueck (5 years)

5/19 RaeAnn Campbell

Ben & Julie Jedlicka (46 years)

5/20 Tim & Lesley Ellison (29 years)

5/21 Norma Cooper

5/22 Amy Carlen

5/25 Scarlett Moore

5/27 Kim Letterly; Debbie Ripple; Davis

Wegmann; Lynette White

5/30 Ruth Ann Thompson

John & Rita Mickler (54 years)

5/31 Parker Kilzer; Brenda Workman

4.28.2024

Unit 6

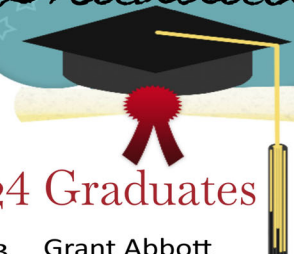
LESSON 6



The account of Isaiah serves as today's lesson, "Promising Prophet." In an amazing vision of the Lord in glory upon His throne in heaven, God asks Isaiah, "Whom shall I send?" Isaiah responds, "Here I am! Send me." (Isaiah 6:8). Isaiah's prophecies extend beyond the destruction and captivity of Judah to the extensive details concerning the coming of the Messiah and His sacrifice for the salvation of His people.

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GOD BLESS YOU
Graduates



2023/2024 Graduates

12/17/2023

Grant Abbott
Concordia University Texas
Bachelor of Arts in Business

5/4/2024

Ella Abbott
Eastern Illinois University
Bachelor of Fine Arts
Graphic Design

5/4/2024

Will Bryan
Eastern Illinois University
Bachelor's in Computer Science

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give
you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11, NIV

Our youth and parents would appreciate your support...



12 PYC youth and parents are signed up and ready to go to the ***HIGHER THINGS YOUTH CONFERENCE*** at Concordia University in Mequon, WI from June 25-28.

We do not do any fundraising at Pilgrim so if you would like to help offset the cost with a free-will donation above and beyond your tithe it would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to contribute, please contact Kay Tolly.

What is this year's theme?

WHO AM I? “Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands.” Isaiah 49:16a

Identity. More than what do you want to be when you grow up. More than what's expected of you. What do you see when you look in the mirror? What gives you value? What makes you "you"?

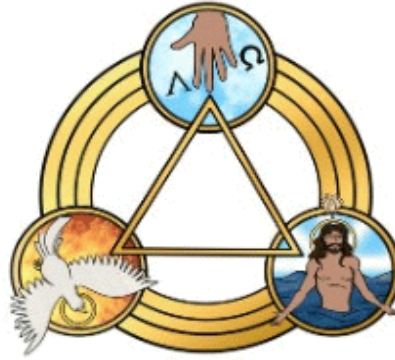
Dealing with insecurity, anxiety, and self-hate is hard enough before the pressures of the world, the pressures of your family, your own hopes and wants and dreams, and even the pressures of the church make this question debilitating. So Jesus baptizes you. Your identity is here. A child of God. It gives shape to the rest. It gives shape to your role as a man, a woman. It gives promise to your vocation. It even gives answer to your sin.

You don't identify by that anymore. Not by what you've done. By what's been done for you. Who am I? A Christian. You're found in the wounds of the Savior. Your identity starts there.

Why Higher Things conferences?

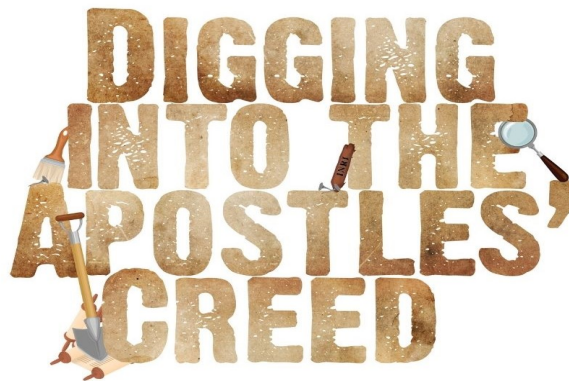
The mission of Higher Things is to make the Gifts of Christ Jesus known to youth and young adults. Since 2000, Higher Things has held a total of 55 Lutheran youth conferences! In 2024, they have added three more to that list.

We participate in these conferences because we are convinced that youth need solid teaching and experiences that will nurture a lasting Christian faith. Higher Things believes in challenging youth to learn the pure doctrine of the Christian faith. By teaching them the same message that they already hear at home and at Pilgrim, 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.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR VBS!
JUNE 10-14, 2024
9AM-NOON

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.
PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP.
SIGN-UPS AND STUDENT REGISTRATION
ARE IN THE WORSHIP FOLDERS!



**The Higher Things® Digging Into the
Apostles' Creed Vacation Bible School (VBS)
focuses on the Apostles' Creed.
Join us as we take our students on an
archeological dig to really examine how the
Trinity is shown in the Baptism of Jesus
and further teach about each
person of the Trinity.**

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 12:00 Wed Worship Communion	2 8:00 Braille at LSA 8:00 Quilters	3	4
5 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School	6	7	8 12:00 Wed Worship	9 8:00 Quilters	10	11
12 Mother's Day 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School	13	14	15 12:00 Wed Worship Communion	16 8:00 Quilters	17	18
19 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School	20 6:30 Council Meeting	21 6:00 WTS Board of Trustees Meeting	22 12:00 Wed Worship	23 8:00 Quilters	24	25
26 8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School	27 Memorial Day Church Office Closed	28	29 12:00 Wed Worship	30 8:00 Quilters	31	