



# Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 46



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

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



November 17, 2024

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Rev. Bill Abbott

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[www.pilgrimlutherandecatur.org](http://www.pilgrimlutherandecatur.org)

[www.unitedlutheranmission.org](http://www.unitedlutheranmission.org)

[www.waltherseminary.org](http://www.waltherseminary.org)

### 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 11/10

General Fund: 11,222.00

Sunday School: 2.00

Memorials: 950.00

Misc: 1,364.00

CDs: 4.00

Thanksgiving Food Gifts: 295.00

Donuts: 97.00

ULMA: 800.00

Total: 14,734.00

### ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

11/17 12:00 PYC-only Activity

11/18 4:30 Chancel Choir

6:30 Council Meeting

7:00 Voters' Meeting

11/19 6:00 WTS Board Meeting

11/20 10:30 Bible Class

12:00 Wednesday Worship-Communion

4:15-6:00 Midweek Grades 1-6

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation

11/21 8:00 Quilters

### ATTENDANCE

11/10 Sun 8:00 service: 104

Sun 10:45 service: 74

Adult Bible Class: 106

11/10 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 10

11/13 Wednesday 10:30 Bible Class: 49

11/13 Wednesday 12:00 service: 55



Offering  
Envelopes

2025 Offering Envelopes  
are available on the tables  
in the narthex. Please begin using  
them in January 2025.  
Pick yours up today!

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

**GIVE**  
THANKS To The  
**LORD**  
FOR HE IS GOOD  
PSALM 107:1

## SERVING THE LORD

**Communion Assistant/Acolyte** 11/20 Wed Gary Quandt 11/24 Sunday **8:00** Tom Greenwood **10:45** Don Mast

**Ushers** 11/24 Sunday **8:00** Joe Marsaglia; Paul Giesler; Bruce Gifford; Loren Hiser; Dave Schroeder; Chad Wooters **10:45** Don Mast; Eric Mast; John Mickler; Jim M. Snow; Jim R. Snow; Mark Thompson

**Coffee Servers** 11/20 Wed Dave & Vicki Schroeder 11/24 Sunday Bob & Erica Meadows

**Financial Counters** 11/24 Sunday Mark Ames; John Crowe; Tim Ellison; Paul Giesler

**Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up** 11/24 Sunday Jane Martin; Sarah Marsaglia; Carrie Thompson

**Greeters** 11/24 Sunday **8:00** Loren & Melinda Hiser **10:45** Steve & Bev Myrvold

**Trustees** Week of 11/17 Don Mast; Cory Ritter; Eric Mast; Jim Snow; Paul Phillips; Ted Workman; Gene & Linda Wise-Litter control

## NOVEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 11/1 Dick Bailey; Royce Stenger  
Chuck & Dian Centers (60 years)
- 11/2 Michelle Gensler; Lavona McKinney
- 11/3 Kathy Kilzer
- 11/4 Kelly Barnes; Scott Easterling;  
Julie Jedlicka
- 11/5 John Anderson  
Larry & Angee Baker (31 years)
- 11/6 Beth Abbott; Sam Greenwood;  
Chuck McKinney
- 11/7 Caden Saul; Mark Scott
- 11/10 Mark Kopetz; Bob McQuality;  
Erica Meadows
- 11/11 Travis Buth; Byron Hayes
- 11/12 Kay Sutherland  
Orville & Kathy Fulk (41 years)
- 11/13 Christy Harding; Benita Leevy; Greg Mills
- 11/14 Melinda Hiser; Zach Mills
- 11/15 Jana Thrasher; Linda Workman
- 11/16 Brenda Bunch; Stephanie Whisnant
- 11/17 Dain Friend; Stephanie Leevy
- 11/18 Richard Carlson; Marvin Jensen

- 11/19 Robert Black
- 11/20 David Binder  
Paul & Becky Basil (54 years)
- 11/22 Gary Driskell; Stan Lange
- 11/23 Stacey Apel
- 11/24 Peyton Ruwe
- 11/25 Gene & Linda Wise (57 years)
- 11/26 Bryce Turner  
Dick & Judy Arnold (70 years)
- 11/27 Megan Wooters
- 11/28 Dona Bailey  
Tim & Lynette White (43 years)
- 11/29 Bill Bork

11.17.2024

Lesson 11



"A Water Wonder" is the title of this week's lesson. Jesus sends His disciples before Him in the boat while He goes to pray. Late in the night, Jesus appears to them, walking on the water. Thinking they see a ghost, the disciples first react in fear until Jesus identifies Himself to them. Peter, seeking further proof, asks to come to Jesus on the water. Despite initial success, Peter allows fear to enter his heart and begins sinking. Peter cries out for rescue, and Jesus takes him by the hand, stills the storm, and brings him safely into the boat.

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

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Please contact Kay Tolly if you need assistance or have questions.

# *Ladies' Guild*

## *Christmas Luncheon*

**Where:** Flesor's Candy Kitchen in Tuscola  
*We will be in the same room as last year.*

**When:** Thursday December 5th, 2024

**Time:** 12:00 p.m.

**Menu:** Chicken and Noodles  
Honey Roasted Tenderloin  
Mashed Potatoes  
Veggie  
Side Salad  
Dessert or Ice Cream  
Drink

**Cost:** \$25.00 per person.

*Must be paid to Kathy Kilzer or Linda Workman  
by Sunday December 1st.  
We will car pool from church at 10:30 a.m.*

There will be time to shop for candy  
either before or after.



# PYC/PKC UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER- DECEMBER  
2024

Contact Kay Tolly at 217-358-4401  
or 217-877-2444  
or Email at kt2155@gmail.com

**REGISTRATION  
BEGINS OCT. 2**

**PYC (ONLY) HIGHER THINGS JULY 29-AUGUST 1,  
ALL THINGS NEW CALVIN COLLEGE GRAND RAPIDS, MI**  
REGISTRATION BEGINS OCT. 20. MORE INFO WILL BE COMING!

**NOV. 10  
9:30 AM**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSALS  
BEGIN THROUGH DEC. 8**


**NOV. 17  
NOON**

**PYC (ONLY) ACTIVITY TO BE DETERMINED**

**DEC. 8  
3 PM**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**  
DRESS REHEARSAL DEC. 7 AT 9 AM.





*“His Name  
Shall Be  
Called”*

*Christmas Program*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8


12:15-3:00

You are invited to a special Christmas Program Event presented by our children and youth.

Lunch will be served followed by a special Christmas Program. Please plan on staying for the program when signing up for the lunch.

**DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR THE LUNCH IS  
DECEMBER 1**

**NO SIGN UP IS NECESSARY TO ATTEND THE PROGRAM  
AT 2:00**



# JOIN PILGRIM MEMBERS ON A TRIP TO YELLOWSTONE AND BEYOND...

———— June 18th to  
June 30th, ————  
2025

## HIGHLIGHTS

12 Nights Lodging  
12 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 7 Dinners  
Luxury Motorcoach by Timi's Tours  
Travel Insurance Included (may be additional  
Cost for certain pre-existing conditions)  
Gratuities for Guides and Bus Driver Included  
Hotel Luggage Handling where available  
Great Platte River Road Archway  
Golden Spike Tower  
National Museum of Military Vehicles  
Craig Thomas Discovery Center  
Grand Teton National Park with Guide  
Grand Teton Snake River Float Trip with Dinner  
Jackson Hole  
Yellowstone National Park with Guide

Badlands National Park  
Grizzly Discovery Center  
Buffalo Bill Center of the Wests  
Free Time in Downtown Cody, WY  
Old Train Town  
The Cody Cattle Company Dinner/Show  
Cody Night Rodeo  
Black Hill Touring with Guide  
Mt. Rushmore  
Custer State Park  
Buffalo Safari Jeep Tour  
Crazy Horse Memorial  
Tatanks: Story of the Bison  
Free Time in Deadwood, SD  
Trial of Jack McCall  
Wall Drug & Corn Palace

Double Occupancy \$4860.00 per person\*\*Triple Occupancy \$4309.00 per person.

\*\*Quad Occupancy \$2890.00 per person\*\*Single Occupancy \$7250.00 per person

A deposit of \$1000.00 per person is required to hold your spot. Payments must be made on time and in keeping with the payment plan.

\*\*Payments Per Person 1/2 balance due January 15, 2025\*\*1/2 balance (Final payment) due March 15, 2025

Contact Kay Tolly at 217-358-4401/ 217-877-2444 or email at [kt2155@gmail.com](mailto:kt2155@gmail.com) for the itinerary and registration form. There's complete brochures on the tract rack where the sermons are.