



Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 47



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

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



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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 11/17

General Fund: 13,049.50
Christian Sharing: 250.00
Altar Flowers: 25.00
Sunday School: 11.00
Memorials: 125.00
CDs: 11.00
Thanksgiving Food Gifts: 285.00
Donuts: 76.00
Total: 13,832.50

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

11/25 4:30 Chancel Choir
11/27 All Classes and Worship Services are Canceled
11/28 9:00 Thanksgiving Day Worship Service
12/5 Ladies' Guild Christmas Luncheon
12/8 12:15-3:00 Sunday School Christmas Program and Lunch Event

ATTENDANCE

11/17 Sun 8:00 service: 105
Sun 10:45 service: 89
Adult Bible Class: 110
11/17 Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 12
11/20 Wednesday 10:30 Bible Class: 40
11/20 Wednesday 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. **NOVEMBER** mites will go to Braille Workers. **DECEMBER** mites will go to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you!



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



SERVING THE LORD

Communion Assistant/Acolyte 12/1 Sunday

8:00 Gary Quandt **10:45** Doug Ward

Ushers 12/1 Sunday **8:00** Tim White; Derek Ames; Mark Ames; Scott Perry; Cory Ritter; Ron Kelm **10:45** Stan Lange; Craig Goepfinger; Bob Meadows; Steve Musgrove; Dave Pressley; Gary Winchester

Coffee Servers 12/1 Sunday Tim & Lesley Ellison

Financial Counters 12/1 Sunday John Mickler; Ellis V. Buth; Dain Friend; Paul Zeck

Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up 12/1 Sunday

Shirley McMillen; Dian Centers; Bev Myrvold; Linda Ripple; Tim & Lynn Block; Amanda Block

Greeters 12/1 Sunday **8:00** Jim & Linda Snow **10:45** Kurt & Wendy Bickes

NOVEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 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

DECEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 12/1 John Mickler
12/5 Grant Abbott
Derek & Samantha Ames (15 years)
12/6 Michelle O'Bryan; Scott Perry
12/7 Drew Gensler; Tim White
12/8 Kevin Ripple
12/9 Drake Gensler
12/10 Sandy Norris; Stan Roberts; Gary Winchester
12/11 Eva Snow
Bob & Erica Meadows (3 years)
12/13 Jeff Cotner; Steve Goebel; Asa Hutchins;
Harvey Thompson
12/14 Razjada Brown; Marsha Crowe
Mark & Carla Luka (28 years)
12/15 Marvin Rau

- 12/19 Suzie Beltz
12/20 Greg Whisnant
12/22 Jennifer Gensler; Joe Wisner
12/24 Dave Pangrac; Donna Phillips
Wayne & Barbara Buesking (70 years)
12/26 Gloria Parton
12/28 Jim & Carrie Snow (28 years)
12/29 Greg & Lesa Mills (40 years)
12/30 Mark Thompson; Ted Workman
12/31 Carol Allen; Mike Bunch; Ashley Lofland;
Marilyn Mills

11.24.2024 Lesson 12



"A Confident Confession" is the title of today's lesson. Jesus asks His disciples two very direct questions: "Who do people say I am?" and "Who do you say I am?" (Matthew 16:13, 15). Peter's bold confession, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (v. 16), prompts Jesus to commend his words and proclaim this truth as the rock upon which the Church will be built. When Jesus foretells His death and resurrection, Peter objects and becomes a hindrance to Jesus' mission. Jesus rebukes Peter and keeps His focus on the cross.

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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.



**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 personSingle 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, 20251/2 balance (Final payment) due March 15, 2025

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

🌸 December 2024 🌸

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>6:30 Elders' Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <p>10:30 Bible Class 12:00 Advent Wed Worship Communion 4:15-6 Midweek Grades 1-6 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 7:00 Advent Wed Worship Communion</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p>8:00 Braille at LSA 8:00 Quilters</p> <p>12:00 (Leave PLC at 10:30) Ladies' Guild Christmas Luncheon at Flesor's Candy Kitchen in Tuscola</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">6</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>9:00 SS Christmas Program Rehearsal</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School 12:15-3:00 Lunch/Sunday School Christmas Program</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">11</p> <p>10:30 Bible Class 12:00 Advent Wed Worship Communion 4:15-6 Midweek Grades 1-6 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 7:00 Advent Wed Worship Communion</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">12</p> <p>8:00 Quilters</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">13</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">14</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p>8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>6:30 Council Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>6:00 WTS Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>10:30 Bible Class 12:00 Advent Wed Worship Communion 4:15-6 Midweek Grades 1-6 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 7:00 Advent Wed Worship Communion</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p>8:00 Quilters</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">20</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">21</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p>8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>7:00 Christmas Eve Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>9:00 Christmas Day Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>8:00 Quilters</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">27</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">28</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>8:00 & 10:45 Worship Communion 9:30 Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">31</p> <p>7:00 New Year's Eve Worship Communion</p>				