



# Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 44



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

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



November 2, 2025

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### Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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 10/26

General Fund: 7,968.00

Walther Theological Seminary: 300.00

Christian Sharing: 8.00

Sunday School: 1.00

Misc: 10,960.00

Donuts: 138.00

Total: 19,375.00

### ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- 11/3 3:30 Bell Choir  
4:30 Chancel Choir
- 11/5 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
- 11/6 8:00 Braille at Unity  
8:00 Quilters
- 12/7 Sunday School Christmas Program

### ATTENDANCE

- 10/26 Sun 8:00 service: 99  
Sun 10:45 service: 104  
Adult Bible class: 98  
Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 17
- 10/29 Wed 10:30 Bible class: 35  
Wed 12:00 service: 50

**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** will go to Lutheran World Relief.



## SERVING THE LORD

**Communion Assistants** 11/5 Wed Gary Quandt

11/9 Sunday 8:00 Allen Kilzer **10:45** Greg Collingwood

**Ushers** 11/9 Sunday 8:00 Joe Marsaglia; Grant Abbott; 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

**Communion Set up & Clean Up** 11/9 Sunday Ted & Linda Sue Workman; Jane Martin; Nancy Quandt; Carrie Thompson

**Coffee Servers** 11/5 Wed Paul & Patti Zeck  
11/9 Sunday Harvey & Ruth Ann Thompson; Smitha Jeyaseelan & Ivan Jayakar

**Financial Counters** 11/9 Sunday Rich Lanier; Rick Leach; Steve Musgrove; Gary Schueller

**Greeters** 11/9 Sunday 8:00 Allen, Kathy & Parker Kilzer **10:45** Ted & Theresa Lyons

**Trustees** Week of 11/2 Larry Wolf; Pete Williams; Brad Roberts; Gene & Linda Wise-Litter control



- 11/1 Dick Bailey; Royce Stenger  
Chuck & Dian Centers (61 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 (32 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
- 11/12 Kay Sutherland  
Orville & Kathy Fulk (42 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 Rich Carlson; Marvin Jensen
- 11/19 Robert Black
- 11/20 David Binder  
Paul & Becky Basil (55 years)
- 11/22 Gary Driskell; Stan Lange
- 11/23 Stacey Apel
- 11/24 Peyton Ruwe
- 11/25 Gene & Linda Wise (58 years)
- 11/26 Bryce Turner  
Dick & Judy Arnold (71 years)
- 11/27 Megan Wooters
- 11/28 Dona Bailey  
Tim & Lynette White (44 years)
- 11/29 Bill Bork

11.2.2025

Unit 1

Lesson 9



As we gather today, we will study "A Loving Law." Months into their wilderness wanderings, the Israelites arrive in the wilderness of Sinai. God comes to the mountain in clouds and thunder-fire and smoke-as He establishes His covenant with His people through Moses, His chosen intermediary. There on the mountain, God gives Moses His Ten Commandments. Discuss why the Ten Commandments are still important in our lives today.

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*Brothers and Sisters,*

*I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your love, support, and kindness toward me in my first year of ministry. Through your encouragement, prayers, conversation, and generosity, you have made my vocation here at Pilgrim a joy in every way.*

*Thank you for all the ways you show care and love toward your lowly church servant.*

*I also want to express special thanks to those who have given me furniture and other household items, to those who recently pooled together to provide me with a parsonage gift, and to the generous anonymous donor who gave a parsonage gift last week. Your kindness and thoughtfulness mean more than I can say. I'd like to give it back, but you'd all argue with me one way or another! So, I'll save my breath and repeat what my neighbor across the street once told me when I helped her move a grill. She tried to give me \$20, and I protested that I didn't need it. I was just happy to help! She looked me square in the eye and said, "When someone gives you something, all you need to say is 'thank you'."*

*So, from the bottom of my heart, thank you. Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and partnership in the Gospel. It is truly a blessing to serve among you and to proclaim Christ in our congregation steadfast in His Word and overflowing in His love.*

*God's Blessings,*

*Pastor Lucas Abbott*

**PILGRIM  
YOUNG ADULTS  
FOR CHRIST  
(PAC)**

**GROW IN FAITH  
TOGETHER**



**Ages 18–35**

**Thursdays  
at 5:30 PM**



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