



# Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 45



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

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



November 9, 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 11/2

General Fund: 23,930.23  
Walther Theological Seminary: 100.00  
Christian Sharing: 700.00  
Sunday School: 10.00  
CDs: 2.00  
Thanksgiving Food: 256.00  
Donuts: 75.00  
Total: 25,073.23

## ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

11/10 3:00 Bell Choir  
4:30 Chancel Choir  
11/12 10:30 Bible Class  
12:00 Wednesday Worship  
4:15-6:00 Midweek Grades 1-6  
7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
11/13 8:00 Quilters  
12/7 Sunday School Christmas Program Event  
12:15 Luncheon  
2:00 Sunday School Christmas Program

## ATTENDANCE

11/2 Sun 8:00 service: 108  
Sun 10:45 service: 87  
Adult Bible class: 90  
Sunday School N3-Gr. 12: 12  
11/5 Wed 10:30 Bible class: 47  
Wed 12:00 service: 55

**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** 11/16 Sunday 8:00 Tom Greenwood **10:45** Greg Collingwood

**Ushers** 11/16 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** 11/16 Sunday Steve & Jennifer Gensler; Don & Jo-Anne Mast; Patti Zeck; Jane Martin

**Coffee Servers** 11/12 Wed Steve & Bev Myrvold 11/16 Sunday Ron & Carolyn Wagner

**Financial Counters** 11/16 Sunday Mark Ames; John Crowe; Tim Ellison; Paul Giesler

**Greeters** 11/16 Sunday 8:00 Allen, Kathy & Parker Kilzer **10:45** Steve & Bev Myrvold

**Trustees** Week of 11/9 Paul Zeck; Harvey Thompson; Byron Brown; Bob Ellis; Doug Lueck; 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 M. 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

11.9.2025

Unit 1

Lesson 10



"The Land at Last" is the title for today's lesson. For forty years, the Israelites wandered on sandals that didn't wear out and ate daily doses of manna. Following Moses' death, Joshua prepares to lead a new generation into the Promised Land. This time, the floodwaters of the Jordan River stand in the way; but, hearkening back to the Red Sea crossing, the people pass through on dry land as they gather twelve stones for a memorial to God's faithful care for His people. As a family, discuss how God leads us today.

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# Ladies' Guild Annual Christmas Luncheon

**When:** *Thursday, Dec. 4, 2025*

**Time:** *Noon*

**Where:** *Flesor's Candy Kitchen  
Tuscola*

We will car pool from the church at 10:30 for all going who need a ride.

We will be ordering from the menu, so no need to pay ahead this time. We just need a head count.

*Please sign up before Nov. 30!*

## PILGRIM YOUNG ADULTS FOR CHRIST

(PAC)

GROW IN FAITH  
TOGETHER



Ages 18–35

Thursdays  
at 5:30 PM



Join our GroupMe

**WE LOVE HAVING YOU AS  
a part of our  
Pilgrim Flock!**



Help us communicate important info to you by signing up NOW or UPDATING YOUR CELL OR EMAIL!



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# *Christmas Program*

Sunday, December 7, 2025  
Luncheon Served at 12:15 p.m.

Free will offering

Program at 2:00 p.m.

Cake & Punch after the program

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 November 30**

**No sign up is necessary to attend the program at 2:00**



*Every Heart Prepare*