



Pilgrim's Progress Keeping in Touch Issue 49



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.

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 11/30

11/30 Services were canceled.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- 12/8 3:00 Bell Choir
4:30 Chancel Choir
- 12/10 10:30 Bible Class
12:00 Advent Wednesday Worship
4:15 Midweek Grades 1-6
7th & 8th Grade Confirmation
7:00 Advent Wednesday Worship
- 12/11 8:00 Quilters

ATTENDANCE

11/30 Services were canceled.

- 12/3 Wednesday Bible Class: 36
- 12:00 Wednesday Advent Worship: 58
- 7:00 Wednesday Advent Worship: 30

MITE OFFERINGS...ALL Pilgrim members are encouraged to use a mite offering box to collect their coins. **DECEMBER** mites will go to Bethesda Lutheran Communities.

*The year-end cut-off for 2025 contributions is
Sunday, December 28, 2025.*

**2026 Offering Envelopes
are available on the tables
in the narthex.**

**Please begin using them
in January 2026.
Pick up yours today.**



SERVING THE LORD

Communion Assistants 12/14 Sunday

8:00 Gary Quandt **10:45** Greg Collingwood

Ushers 12/10 Wed 12:00 Stan Lange's Team

7:00 Tim White's Team 12/14 Sunday **8:00** Tim White; Derek Ames; Mark Ames; Scott Perry; Cory Ritter; Mark Thompson **10:45** Stan Lange; Will Bryan; Craig Goepfinger; Terry Massey; Steve Musgrove; Dave Pressley; Gary Winchester

Communion Set up & Clean Up 12/14 Sunday

Ted & Linda Sue Workman; Jane Martin; Nancy Quandt; Carrie Thompson

Coffee Servers 12/10 Wed Paul & Patti Zeck 12/14 Sunday Kathy Fulk; Linda Snow

Financial Counters 12/14 Sunday Mark Ames; John Crowe; Tim Ellison; Paul Giesler

Greeters 12/14 Sunday 8:00 Loren & Melinda Hiser **10:45** Byron & Nancy Brown



- 12/1 John Mickler
12/4 Andrew Hyden
12/5 Grant Abbott
Derek & Samantha Ames (16 years)
12/6 Michelle O'Bryan; Scott Perry
12/7 Tim White
12/8 Kevin Ripple
12/10 Sandy Norris; Gary Winchester
12/11 Eva Snow
Bob & Erica Meadows (4 years)
12/13 Jeff Cotner; Steve Goebel; Asa Hutchins;
Harvey Thompson
12/14 Razjada Brown; Marsha Crowe
Mark & Carla Luka (29 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 (71 years)
12/26 Gloria Parton
12/28 Jim & Carrie Snow (29 years)
12/29 Greg & Lesa Mills (41 years)
12/30 Mark Thompson; Ted Workman
12/31 Mike Bunch; Ashley Lofland;
Marilyn Mills

12.7.2025
Unit 1
Lesson 14



"The King's Table" is the title of today's lesson. Mephibosheth, Jonathan's son, suffered crippling injuries at age 5 while escaping Saul's enemies with his nurse. Once David established his kingdom, his thoughts turned to whether there were any survivors from Saul and Jonathan's line. Discovering Mephibosheth, David bestows on him Saul's land and fortune. Mephibosheth's family moves to Jerusalem, where he always eats at the king's table. Discuss how God provides for our daily needs today.

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If you would like an invitation to Christmas services sent to anyone, please give the office the complete name and address. You can call the office at 217-877-2444 or email plc@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org.

The family of Ron Kelm is looking for anyone who could use an All-In-One desktop computer and/or a standing walker.

If you or a loved one could use either of these, please contact Erica Meadows at 217-454-5202.



We have an opportunity during this Advent season to respond to God's gift ... His Son ... by giving a gift of love for those in our Faith Family who need our help and support.

In the narthex, at the north wall, is our **Angel Tree**. If you wish to participate:

1. Take one of the "angel" envelopes and put your gift inside.
2. Write your name on the envelope and place it in a church offering box.
3. Select an angel ornament and put it on the tree.

Let's fill the tree with angels in response to our love for our Savior and our Pilgrim members in need. God bless your Christmas and your giving!

**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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A Pilgrim member has the following items for sale:

- ◆ World's Best Kitty Litter
50 lb bag
- ◆ Electric cat water fountain
with filter
- ◆ Cat travel carrier
- ◆ Canon printer (Used one time)

Please call Barbara Buesking at
217-521-6814 if interested.

PILGRIM YOUNG ADULTS FOR CHRIST (PAC)

GROW IN FAITH
TOGETHER



Ages 18-35

Thursdays
at 5:30 PM



Join our GroupMe