



Pilgrim's Progress Weekly

Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526

"Where the Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God"



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Worship Service and Bible Study Times:

Sunday Service at 8 and 10:45 A.M.

Sunday Bible Study Hour for All Ages 9:30 A.M.

Wednesday Service Year-Round 7 P.M.

[September-April Wednesdays]

Adult Bible Study 6 & 9:30 A.M. and Midweek

School Gr 1-8 4:15 P.M.

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Worship Folder Deadline: 9 A.M. Tuesday.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thurs: 7 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Fri: 7 a.m. to noon

ULMA Mission Congregation

Listed is the name and address of the mission congregation, along with the mission pastor, of our United Lutheran Mission Association.

Christ the Rock Lutheran Church 799 Pine Ave Carlsbad CA 92008 10:15 a.m. worship Tamarack (North)&College Blvds.

Rev William Mack (cell 920-203-2544)

MARCH 3, 2019

SUNDAY 3/3

8:00 Worship/Communion

9:00 WSOY Broadcast

9:30 Bible Study All Ages

10:45 Worship/Communion

MONDAY 3/4

10:00 Bible Investigation Class begins in the Library

TUESDAY 3/5

WEDNESDAY 3/6

4:15 Midweek School Gr 1-6 and 8th Gr Confirmation class

7:00 ASH WEDNESDAY Worship/Communion

THURSDAY 3/7

8:00 Quilting

6:00 Chancel Choir

FRIDAY 3/8

SATURDAY 3/9



ATTENDANCE

2/24 Sunday Services: 271

2/24 Sunday Bible Classes: 149

Adults 127; High School 4; Children 18

2/27 Wednesday Service: 34

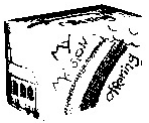
PILGRIM LIBRARY ... Please remember to sign your name and the date on the check-out card in the back of the book and put it in the box on the table. Books should be returned within 3 weeks of check-out. The FOLLOWING BOOKS ARE MISSING from Pilgrim's Library.

"Postmodern Times; A Christian Guide" by Gene Edward Veith

"Storm Warning" by Don McAlvany

"In Search of the Genesis World" by Erich Von Fange

"A Place to Rest Your Heart" - "The Vanishing Conscience" - "Affliction" - "Especially for a Woman" - "Growing in Christ" by Edith Schaeffer, Thomas Nelson Pub. Concordia



MITE OFFERINGS go to missions Pilgrim Lutheran supports. March mites will be used for Bethesda Home Communities. You can pick up a mite

offering box on the table in the narthex, in front of the Guild bulletin board. Pilgrim members, women AND men are encouraged to use a mite offering box to collect their coins. When your mite offering box is full, place it in the decorative box on the table and take an empty mite offering box home. Thank-you!

VISITORS...Carrie O'Dell; Pam Rhodes; Paul Basil

MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/1 Rebekah Christoffersen
- 3/2 Doris Giesler
W Chad & Beth Ruwe 6 yrs
- 3/3 Jewel Barr; Susan Hoem
W Eldred & Betty Budde 63 yrs
- 3/4 Daniel Helphrey; Kiersten Long
- 3/5 Nancy Brown; Rita Perry
W Ted & Linda Workman 53 yrs
- 3/6 Janie Lewis; Carrie Snow
- 3/8 Nicole Carlen; Matt Christoffersen;
Carrie Thompson
- 3/10 Joshua Scott
- 3/11 Rosemary Bolyard; Chris Massey
W Adam & Rachel Gensler 2 yrs
- 3/12 Jean Carter; Janice Dittus; Ron Kelm; Bev

Winchester

- 3/13 Chuck Barnes; Barbara Oyler
- 3/14 Glenn Farrar; Doris Pokey; Nathan Ripple
- 3/15 Jeanne Mears; Marcia Potrafka; Harper Ritter
- 3/19 Katie Buth
- 3/20 **W** Gary & Mary Ann Driskell 49 yrs
- 3/21 Edna Allen
W Gary & Teresa Schueller 10 yrs
- 3/22 Gabi Wegmann
- 3/23 Alan Ruwe
- 3/24 Cory Bickes; Barbara Buesking
- 3/25 Courtney Jacobs; Mark Luka; Doug Taylor
- 3/27 **W** Chuck & Lavona McKinney 64 yrs
- 3/28 Jo Ames; Robert Barr
- 3/29 Zach Luka; Aaron Purcell
- 3/31 Terry Massey
W Kenny & Linda Ripple 52 yrs

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/17 5:30-7:30 Roller Skating at George's, 3710 Greenswitch Rd. For PYC/PKC and Congregation. Pilgrim members only. Come watch, roller skate, have pizza and enjoy fellowship. Sign up by March 10.
- 3/18 6:30 Council Meeting Library
- 3/21 10:30 Shut-In Service
- 3/25 6:30 Guild Business Meeting Kitchen area
- 3/31 2:45 The Congregation is invited to the PKC/PYC Service Project. SEATING IS LIMITED! Please bring a finger-food to share. We will have food, drinks and fellowship at 3:00. Julie will play at 4:00. Sign up by March 24. Award-winning pianist Julie McClarey will entertain us. "The piano is an orchestra under your fingers," says Julie, a three-time World Championship Old-Time Piano Playing Contest Champion.
- 4/1 6:30 Elders Meeting Library

SERVING THE LORD

- Acolyte** Ash Wednesday 3/6 7 p.m. Usher Sunday 3/10 Nathan Ripple 10:45 Tom Greenwood
- Coffee Set-up** 3/8 Vicki Schroeder
- Coffee Servers** Sun 3/10 Orville & Kathy Fulk
- Communion Set-Up/Clean-up** Ash Wednesday

3/6 Melinda & Loren Hiser; Jo Ames

Sun 3/10 Ted & Linda Workman; Jane Martin;
Nancy Quandt; Marilyn Mills; Cathy Spengler
Trustees 3/17-3/30 Paul Zeck; Byron Brown;
Bob Ellis; Doug Lueck; Aaron Purcell; Harvey
Thompson

Flower Delivery 3/10 Terry Propst

Communion Assistants Ash Wednesday 3/6
7 p.m. Ron Kelm Sun 3/10 Gary Quandt
10:45 Tom Greenwood

Financial Secretaries Sun 3/10 Rich Lanier; Rick
Leach; Steve Musgrove; Gary Schueller

Greeters Sun 3/10 Nancy Wene & Joe Scott
10:45 Gehrig & Bonnie Engel

Nursery Sun 3/10 Janet Foster 9:30 Shannon
Lanier 10:45 Andi Gensler

YOUTH GROUPS ACTIVITY

PKC Grades 1-6/Families & PYC Grades 7-12
Sign up for activities on the PKC or PYC bulletin
boards or call 877-2430 to leave a message or
email kaytolly@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org or call or
text 358-4401. A parent or adult must attend PKC
(Gr 1-6) activities with their children and everyone in
the family is welcome to attend.

- 3/17 5:30-7:30 **PYC/PKC** and
CONGREGATION Roller Skating at
George's, 3710 Greenswitch Rd. Pizza,
Skating, skate rental included. Pilgrims
only. Free-will offering. Sign up by March
10.
- 3/31 **PKC/PYC** Service Project. Please sign up
by March 24 to help set up and serve. The
times are listed on the PKC/PYC boards
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entertain our guests. Please bring a
finger-food to share. We will have food,
drinks and fellowship at 3:00. Julie will
play at 4:00.
- 4/28 2:00 **PKC** Bowling at Sparetime Lanes.
Sign up by April 21.
- 5/3 **PYC** Post-Confirmation Questioning pizza
party at Monical's North after the
reception. Sign up by May 1.
- 6/3-7 9:00-Noon VBS. **PKC** mark your calendar
and invite all of your friends. [**PYC** sign
up to help at VBS!]

Coming up this summer:

PKC Summer Camp Days [**PYC** volunteer
to help with one or many.]

Family Camp Weekend in August or
September.

St. Louis Ball Game

- 7/16-19 Higher Things Youth Conference
at Concordia University Mequon,
Wisconsin for those who are registered.
Still room to register if interested.
Contact Kay Tolly for more information.



Why Higher Things?

We live in a culture of blurry religious distinctions and do-it-yourself spirituality. Youth, especially, need solid ground that will nurture lasting Christian faith. Rather than treating youth as an adolescent subculture and confusing them with religious experiences that cannot be replicated at home, Higher Things believes in challenging youth to learn the pure doctrine of the Christian faith. By teaching them the same message that they hear at home, youth grow in the fullness of the Christian faith as they come to appreciate historic liturgical practice and its unique focus on God's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation for us delivered in Word and Sacrament.

How can you help?

We are signed up and ready to go and **we would appreciate your support.** We do not do any fundraising at Pilgrim so it's important that we are able to send our youth and parents to these conferences.

If you can help in any way with a donation it would be greatly appreciated. The Conference cost is \$375 per person which includes housing, meals, t-shirt, entertainment and conference and worship materials for three nights. We will also be using Peoria Charters bus this year. **Please let Kay Tolly know if you donate so we can write Thank-you cards while we are the conference and in order to keep track of our costs. Please make out any checks to Pilgrim Lutheran Church and put "Higher Things" in the memo portion.** We are blessed to have 28 of our Pilgrim youth and parents/chaperones attending this year.

The Theme for 2019: Concordia

"The Word of the Lord endures forever." (1 Peter 1:25)

"Concordia." It literally means "with one heart" in Latin. The Church is united around the confession of Jesus as our Lord and Savior like a congregation singing together in many different parts but singing the same song together in perfect harmony.

Concordia isn't just a feeling that we are one. It's not only something that we strive to have. We don't sacrifice what we believe in order to be united. True Concord is always centered around the confession of Christ and Him crucified!

God speaks. We receive His words into our ears. He gives our tongues the words to say to Him and to those around us. We repeat, together, His Words back to Him. We sing them, we confess them, all agreeing together, "with one heart and voice" our confession of Jesus!

In a world where youth are tempted to compromise, Higher Things is excited to plan our 2019 Conferences centered on the theme of the Church and Unity.

We will be attending in Mequon, Wisconsin from July 16-19, 2019