



Pilgrim's Progress Weekly

Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 2155 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, Illinois 62526
"Where the Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God"



Home of



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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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Newsletter Deadline: 9 A.M. Wednesday

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)

FEBRUARY 24, 2019

SUNDAY 2/24

8:00 Worship/Communion

9:00 WSOY Broadcast

9:30 Bible Study All Ages

10:45 Worship/Communion

MONDAY 2/25

TUESDAY 2/26

WEDNESDAY 2/27

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

7:00 Worship

THURSDAY 2/28

8:00 Quilting

6:00 Chancel Choir

FRIDAY 3/1

SATURDAY 3/2

ATTENDANCE

2/17 Sunday Services: 210

2/17 Sunday Bible Classes: 117

Adults 105; High School 0; Children 12

2/20 Wednesday Service: 50

2/21 Shut-In Service: 16

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...Art Ohlwine; Susie Peck; Leslie Johnson; Bill & Sherri Orr; Ryan & Kim Tarr

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

2/24 Shannon Lanier

2/27 Kathy Helphrey; Cambell Lanier
W Steve & Jennifer Gensler 31 yrs

2/28 Art Atwood; Sarah Guhl; Sarah Marsaglia

2/29 **W** Andy & Stacey Apel 3 yrs

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

MORE NEXT WEEK ...

THANK YOU TO ... our pastors and all our wonderful church family for their concern and prayers for Paul Giesler as he was hospitalized for a hip replacement and for our daughter, Megan Wooters, who was hospitalized for complications stemming from her chronic stomach problems. Paul was doing so well he came home the day after surgery. Megan was well enough to attend Wednesday worship. Your concerns on our behalf were appreciated so much. May God bless you all.

—Paul & Doris Giesler
Chad & Megan Wooters

UPCOMING EVENTS

3/6 Lent begins with 7 p.m. Ash Wednesday service

3/13 During the rest of the Lent Wednesdays we will have an additional 12:15 p.m. service

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

3/21 10:30 Shut-In Service

3/25 6:30 Guild Board

3/31 Time TBA. PYC & PKC host a program for our congregation members. Food and fun. Entertainment presented by Julie McClarey, a three-time World Champion for Old Time Piano playing. Julie will be playing a variety of music.

CERTIFIED EMT



Pilgrim members with EMT Certification . . . if you are willing to help in an emergency situation please give your name to Patti Newlin. Call the

Church Office 877-2444 or email me at plc@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org . Thank you!

SERVING THE LORD

Acolyte Sunday 3/3 Henry Ellison 10:45 TBA

Coffee Set-up 3/1 Linda Beals

Coffee Servers Sun 3/3 Kurt & Wendy Bickes

Communion Set-Up/Clean-up Sun 3/3 Linda Beals; Dian Centers; Linda Ripple; Tim & Lynn Block

Flower Delivery 3/3 Sherry Egan

Communion Assistants Sun 3/3 TBA

Financial Secretaries Sun 3/3 Mike O'Bryan; Kevin Ripple; Mike Williams

Greeters Sun 3/3 Loren & Melinda Hiser
10:45 Kurt & Wendy Bickes

Nursery Sun 3/3 TBA

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 Time TBA **PYC/PKC** Service Project for our Congregation. Food, Fun, Entertainment. More information to come. Sign up to help by March 17.
- 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

MARCH 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24 8:00 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 9:00 AM WSOY BROADCAST 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION	25 6:00 PM UPPER ROOM RESERVED	26	27 4:15 PM MIDWEEK SCHOOL GR 1-6 AND 8TH GR CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM MIDWEEK WORSHIP	28 8:00 AM QUILTING 6:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR	1	2
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 8:00 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 9:00 AM WSOY BROADCAST 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM PYC, PKC AND CONGREGATION ROLLER SKATING	18 10:00 AM BIC 6:30 PM COUNCIL MEETS IN LIBRARY	19	20 12:15 PM LENT WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION 4:15 PM MIDWEEK SCHOOL GR 1-6 AND 8TH GR CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM LENT WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION	 8:00 AM QUILTING 10:30 AM SHUT-IN SERVICE 6:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR	22	23
24 8:00 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 9:00 AM WSOY BROADCAST 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION	25 10:00 AM BIC 6:30 PM GUILD BOARD MEETS IN KITCHEN AREA	26	27 12:15 PM LENT WORSHIP 4:15 PM MIDWEEK SCHOOL GR 1-6 AND 8TH GR CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM LENT WORSHIP	28 8:00 AM QUILTING 6:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR	29	30
31 PYC, PKC AND CONGREGATION WITH JULIE MCCLAREY, OLD TIME PIANO PLAYING. TIME TBA 8:00 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 9:00 AM WSOY BROADCAST 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION	1 10:00 AM BIC 6:30 PM ELDERS MEET IN LIBRARY	2	3 12:15 PM LENT WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION 4:15 PM MIDWEEK SCHOOL GR 1-6 AND 8TH GR CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM LENT WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION	4 8:00 AM QUILTING 6:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR	5	6