



# 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.

**PASTORS:** Brock Abbott  
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### Staff

Patti Newlin, Office Manager  
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**Newsletter Editor:** Patti Newlin  
**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)

## APRIL 1, 2018

### SUNDAY 4/1

8:00 Worship/Communion  
9:00 WSOY Broadcast  
9:30 Bible Study All Ages  
10:45 Worship/Communion

### MONDAY 4/2

### TUESDAY 4/3

### WEDNESDAY 4/4

6:00 Adult Bible study  
9:30 Adult Bible study  
4:15 MW School Grade 1-8  
7:00 Worship/Communion

### THURSDAY 4/5

8:00 Braille  
8:00 Quilting  
11:00 Library reserved

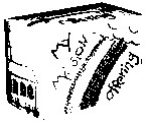
### FRIDAY 4/6

### SATURDAY 4/7



## ATTENDANCE

3/25 Sunday Services: 311  
3/25 Sunday Bible Classes: 154  
Adults 119; High School 7; Children 28



**MITE OFFERINGS** go to missions Pilgrim Lutheran supports. **APRIL mites** will be used **Lutheran World Relief**. 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!

**UPCOMING PILGRIM EVENTS**

- 4/16 6:30 Council
- 4/19 10:30 Shut-In Service
- 4/22 Noon to 2:00 Safety Presentation. Sign up by April 18.
- 4/29 Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmands pick up robes and stoles in the library
- 4/29 12:30 Congregation Potluck (see details in the next column)
- 5/2 4:15 8<sup>th</sup> Grand Confirmands meet for last class and official class picture
- 5/4 7:00 Junior Confirmation Question Night and Reception
- 5/6 10:45 Junior Confirmands confirmed
- 5/10 Motorcoach trip to the Fox Theatre for those who signed up.
- 6/4-6/8 Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to Noon

**SUMMER BABYSITTER NEEDED**

Andrew and Luke need a high school age sitter for the summer. Contact Jay Scott at 855-9644 if you're interested in hanging out in our pool for the summer.



**CONGREGATION POTLUCK**

**SUNDAY APRIL 29 12:30 P.M.**

Sponsored by the Ladies Guild. The Guild will furnish: FRIED CHICKEN, TEA, LEMONADE and WATER and TABLE SERVICE.

**What to bring?** Bring a hot or cold dish or dessert or both.

Please join us for food and fellowship.

**SERVING THE LORD**

- Acolyte** Sunday 4/8 Peyton Ruwe 10:45 Greg Collingwood
- Coffee Set-up** 4/6 Vicki Schroeder
- Coffee Servers** Sun 4/8 Vicki & Gabi Wegmann
- Communion Set-Up/Clean-up** Wed 4/4 Loren & Melinda Hiser; Jo Ames Sun 4/8 Linda Sue Workman; Jane Martin; Nancy Quandt; Betty & Eldred Budde; Cathy Spengler
- Trustees** 4/1 - 4/14 Don Mast; Eric Mast; Paul Phillips; Cory Ritter; Jim Snow; Dave Schroeder
- Flower Delivery** Sun 4/8 Terry Propst
- Communion Assistants** Wed 4/4 Ray Beals Sun 4/8 Tom Greenwood 10:45 Greg Collingwood
- Financial Secretaries** Sun 4/8 Mike O'Bryan; Steve Myrvold; Kevin Ripple; Mike Williams
- Greeters** Sun 4/8 Pete & Sue Williams 10:45: Gehrig & Bonnie Engel
- Nursery** Sun 4/8 Janet Foster 9:30 Stacey Apel 10:45 Mary Jo Wrigley



**NEW LIFE PREGNANCY CENTER ANNUAL AUCTION**

The Center is gearing up for their annual auction to take place at the end of April. They are accepting donations of items for the auction. Ideas for donations are limited only by your imagination. Consider pooling resources and creating a gift basket along with other church members, co-workers, civic group or family members. Donations may be delivered to New Life Pregnancy Center at 1698 E. Pershing Rd by April 13. Thank you!



**JEAN MUELLER NEEDS SOME SUBSTITUTE HELPERS FOR BRAILLE.**

You do not need to know anything about Braille. It comes already typed out. We just put paper in the folder and press the dots onto it and then put them in a binder ready to mail. We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month from 8:00 to about 10:00 a.m. at the Lutheran School. If you can help occasionally when needed call Jean at 877-4060.

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/1 Mary Jo Ward  
4/2 Will Bryan  
4/3 **W** Mike & Kathy O'Bryan 47 yrs  
4/4 Allison Ruwe; Brittany Williams  
**W** Paul & Doris Giesler 48 yrs  
4/5 **W** Chad & Megan Wooters 10 yrs  
4/6 Ellis V. Buth; Mary Ann Driskell; Linda Wise  
**W** Dick & Dona Bailey 45 yrs  
4/8 Byron Brown; Penny McBride; Susan Ruwe  
**W** Kevin & Debbie Ripple 23 yrs  
4/9 Cameron Letterly; Jesse McCormick  
4/11 Sherry Egan; Sara Laco; Jo-Anne Mast  
4/12 Paulette Browne; Erin Clark; Tim Ellison;  
Margo Lanier; Paula Scott  
4/14 Larry Grischow; Emmett Stenger  
**W** John & Laurie Ellis 28 yrs  
**W** Frank & Doris Rozzell 62 yrs  
4/15 Dorothy Dittus  
4/16 Tom Greenwood; Lesa Mills; Megan Perry;  
Lindsey Rotz  
4/17 Patti Zeck  
4/19 Allen Kilzer  
4/20 Gayle Lange; Mike O'Bryan; Brett Stenger  
4/21 Dana Embrey; Ron McCormick  
4/22 Dorothy Price  
4/23 Martha Bomball  
**W** David & Vicki Schroeder 41 yrs  
4/24 Sue Kopetz  
4/25 Linda Ripple; Cathy Spengler  
4/26 Jim R. Snow; Alice Stathers  
**W** Jodi & David Pierceall 33 yrs  
4/27 Shirley Bogacki  
4/30 Lynn Block; Gary Schueller; Mary Jo  
Wrigley

## DEAR PASTORS BROCK AND BILL AND MY DEAR PILGRIM FAMILY:

I'm so grateful for all the beautiful cards and also calls I received showing me your care and concern about my health problems.

Thanks be to God, I'm doing quite well now except that I'm mostly house-bound. I'm so blessed to have caring friends who are so helpful in bringing me to church.

I always knew our Pilgrims have caring hearts looking out for their brothers and sisters. Blessings to all of you and many thanks for the lovely carnations which brightened my days.

Blessings, prayers and thanks to all of you.

Your sister in Christ,  
Gerda Fields

## YOUTH GROUPS UPCOMING EVENTS

PKC Grades 1-6 and their Families and  
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](mailto: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.

- 4/15 PKC/PYC Roller Skating at Crazy Skate, 3710 Greenswitch Rd. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Pizza, skating, skate rental included. Pilgrims only please. Free-will offering will be taken. Sign up by April 8.  
4/27 6 to 8 p.m. PKC Frenzied Friday. More info to come.  
6/4-6/8 Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to Noon. PYC...volunteers needed. Watch this newsletter for information.

PKC/PYC Trip...dates and more info coming.  
PKC Summer Day Camps...more info coming.  
Volunteer opportunities for PYC.

7/10-13 2018 HIGHER THINGS YOUTH CONFERENCE SIU, Carbondale IL

### **Why do we attend?**

Youth need solid ground that will nurture lasting Christian faith. At Higher Things conferences, we hear the same pure doctrines of forgiveness, life, and salvation that we hear at Pilgrim every week. We will spend four amazing days worshiping and learning with Lutherans from all over the country, while getting a taste of college life. Every year, youth return home with a greater appreciation of what it means to be distinctly Lutheran. We "Dare to be Lutheran" and also join in the fun at a Higher Things Youth Conference!

### **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 \$355 per person which includes housing, meals, t-shirt, entertainment and conference and worship materials for three nights. Please let Kay Tolly know if you donate so we can write Thank-you cards while we are at the conference and in order to keep track of our costs.

We are blessed to have 25 of our Pilgrim youth and parents/chaperones attending this year.

### **What is this year's theme, "Sanctified" all about?**

"I'm the Lord God, Who brought you out of Egypt. I

have saved you. I've saved you from your sins. You will be holy to me. You are Holy to me because I'm holy."

We will take a close look at the Ten Commandments and how God has called us to be His own people in Christ.

"You'll have no other gods before my face. You will not misuse my Name or despise My Word. You'll keep my Sabbath Day holy. You will honor your father and your mother. You will not murder. You will not commit adultery. You will not steal. You will not bear false testimony against your neighbor. You will not covet - not your neighbor's house, nor his wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything, that belongs to your neighbor."

"You shall be holy to me for I the LORD am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine" (Leviticus 20:26)

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**WORSHIP FOLDERS** are now available if you have a need. You will find them on the tract rack on Sundays.

**VISITORS...**Andrew Honican; Bob Teela