

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 through April] . . .

Wednesday Adult Bible Study 6 & 9:30 A.M.

Wednesday Midweek School Gr 1-8 at 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 Congregations

Listed are the names and addresses of the mission congregations, along with the mission pastors, of our United Lutheran Mission Association. The request was made to list them so that those of you who would like to write to our brothers and sisters and encourage them could do so. The mutual support and encouragement through such contact would truly be a blessing to all.

Agnus Dei Lutheran Church Rev James Shaw

(Physical location - Sunday mornings only): Germanna
Community College, Facility II (Workforce Development &
Technology Bldg) Room 105A, 10000 Germanna Point Dr.,
Fredericksburg VA 22408 (Mailing/Contact Address):
9820 Bartley Ct., Fredericksburg VA 22408-9226
(540) 446-0777

Christ the Rock Lutheran Church

Rev William Mack (cell 920-203-2544) Tamarack (North) &
College Blvds. Carlsbad CA (10:15 a.m. worship)

February 28, 2016

SUN 2/28

8:00 Worship/Communion

9:00 WSOY Broadcast

9:30 Sunday School All Ages

10:45 Worship/Communion

4:00 PYC Mystery Dinner

MON 2/29

6:00 Bible Investigation Class in the library

TUE 3/1

8:00 Quilting

WED 3/2

6:00 Adult Bible Class

9:30 Adult Bible Class

12:15 Midweek Lent Worship/Communion

4:15 Midweek School Grades 1-8

7:00 Midweek Worship/Communion

THU 3/3

8:00 Quilting

6:00 Chancel Choir

FRI 3/4

SAT 3/5

IN THE WORD *Isaiah 43:1-2*

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you."

ATTENDANCE

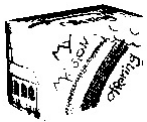
Sunday Services 2/21: 329

Sunday Bible Classes: 159

Adults 128; High School 4; Children 27

Shut-In Service 2/18: 7

Wednesday Bible Classes and Services were cancelled due to weather conditions.



MITE OFFERINGS go to various missions Pilgrim Lutheran supports. MARCH mites will be used for 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!

VISITORS . . .Matt Christoffersen; Susie Peck; Amy, Joey & Walker Roberts; Paul & Doris Giesler

IF YOU HAVE ITEMS YOU WISH TO DONATE TO OUR NURSERY please put them in the tub in the CRIB room where they can be sorted...not in with the other toys. Thank-you.



TO ALL THE LADIES AT PILGRIM AND OUR REDEEMER and any gentlemen who might like to sew, as well . . .

Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. will be our first combined Guild "Service Project" to make Pretty Pockets for those who have had breast surgery and have a drain from their incision.

A Pretty Pocket is a soft flannel "pocket" that fits over the drain bulb. It provides a softness against the skin and a secure place for the bulb to be attached.

YOU CANT' SEW? YOU CAN STILL HELP.

There will be sewing and non-sewing "jobs": Cut out simple patterns; sew the simple pocket; ironing; attach safety pins and any other small jobs that may need to be done.

IF YOU CHOOSE YOU CAN ALSO HELP BY purchasing a ½ yard of baby flannel and wash it in odor-free detergent. This removes the "sizing" and any other impurities from the material. We can get 5 pockets from ½ yard.

The pockets will be distributed to the Cancer Care Center and also to St. Mary's Hospital breast cancer surgery area.

If God so chooses to bless this project, we will then at a later date invite our West and East Coast Ladies Guilds to join us - perhaps via Skype. Everything we make at that time will be divided among those two guilds. Our goal is to eventually involve all of our Guilds, even our Australia Sisters-in-Christ to participate in this project.

Please come and join us April 2 at 9:00 a.m. If we have enough people and sewing machines, we will be able to make quite a few Pretty Pockets and be gone before Noon. There will be enough patterns available for each of you to take home to make if you choose.

If you have any questions or if you have a sewing machine you can bring, please call Linda Workman at 864-2405. We look forward to serving our Lord and glorifying His name through this project. Hope to see you there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMORY VERSES 2/28

- N-K: Jesus says, "Follow Me." John 1:43
1-3: Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. John 6:68
4-6: Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" John 1:49
7-8: Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9

UPCOMING CONGREGATION EVENTS

- 3/6 Trustee meeting in the library right after the first service.
3/7 6:30 p.m. Elders
3/8 6:30 p.m. Ladies Guild Business Meeting
3/17 10:30 a.m. Shut-In Service
3/21 6:30 p.m. Council
3/23 All Wednesday activities cancelled
3/24 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
3/25 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
4/23 11:30 a.m. Congregation Spring Banquet hosted by the Ladies Guild. Guest Speaker will be Kevin Chierik, WAND TV Weather Today Meteorologist.



event. Please put the boxes in the choir room.

LARGE BOXES (especially appliance size) are NEEDED FOR the PKC DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT which is March 11. The children use the boxes to make their own "car" for this annual

TRUSTEE MEETING All trustees are encouraged to make every effort to attend. The upcoming mowing season will be discussed.
Sunday, March 6 - in the library - meet right after the first service.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thursday, March 24 at 10:00 a.m.

To put together the pages for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter worship folders. It should take about an hour. Contact Patti at 877-2444 or plc@pilgrimlutherandecatur.org.

NEW LIFE PREGNANCY CENTER . . .

New Life Pregnancy Center will hold its annual LIFE OF THE PARTY DINNER AND AUCTION on Friday, APRIL 29. The center is currently accepting donations of items to be auctioned during the event. Ideas for donations are limited only by your imagination. Consider pooling resources with family or friends, co-workers, church groups, etc. to create your own gift basket of goods or services. Maybe you have a time-share or access to tickets for events others could enjoy. Is your talent baking special desserts, computer service, marketing, whatever? Give it some thought. Donations should be delivered to NLPC at 1698 E. Pershing Road no later than April 11. All donations are tax deductible. (Tickets for the actual event will be available for purchase soon.)

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS:

Childcare Room: Mondays 6:15-7:45 p.m. or Thursdays 9:45-11:15 a.m.
Thrift Shoppe: Open Mon-Sat 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. You can help at any time during those hours. Call the Center 872-5556 if you have questions and to find out all the volunteer opportunities.

SERVING THE LORD

Acolyte Wed 3/2 12:15 & 7:00 Usher

Sun 3/6 8:00 Peyton Ruwe 10:45 Ron Kelm

Coffee Servers Sun 3/6 Loren & Melinda Hiser

Communion Set-Up/Clean-up Wed 3/2

Melinda Hiser; Phyllis Kunzeman; Jo Ames

Sun 3/6 Linda Beals; Dian Centers; Tim & Lynn Block

Altar Flower Delivery 3/6 Sherry Egan

Communion Assistant Sun 3/6 8:00 Allen

Kilzer 10:45 Ron Kelm

Financial Secretaries Sun 3/6 John Mickler; Ellis

V. Buth; Chuck McKinney

Greeters Sun 3/6 8:00 Nancy Wene & Joe

Scott 10:45 Eldred & Betty Budde

Nursery Sun 3/6 8:00 Janet Foster

9:30 Rich & Shannon Lanier 10:45 Michele

Collingwood

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

- 2/27 Kathy Helphrey; Cambell Lanier
W Steve & Jennifer Gensler 28 yrs
2/28 Art Atwood; Sarah Guhl; Sarah
Marsaglia

MARCH BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/1 Rebekah Carlson
W Duane & Kaye Beals 2 yrs
3/2 W Chad & Beth Ruwe 3 yrs
3/3 Jewel Barr; Susan Hoem; Olivia Rhode
W Eldred & Betty Budde 60 yrs
3/4 Daniel Helphrey; Kiersten Long
3/5 Nancy Brown; Rita Perry
W Jim & Susie Peck 23 yrs
W Ted & Linda Workman 50 yrs
3/6 Janie Lewis; Carrie Snow
3/8 Nicole Carlen; Carrie Fourez; Scott Hays
3/10 J.D. Luka; Hudson Phillips; Josh Scott;
David Thrasher
3/11 Rosemary Bolyard; Jennifer Hines;
Christine Massey
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
3/20 Bob Stine
W Gary & Mary Ann Driskell 46 yrs
3/21 Edna Allen; Sophie Rau
W Gary & Teresa Schueller 7 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 Kayla Simpson
W Chuck & Lavona McKinney 61 yrs
3/28 Jo Ames; Bob Barr; Carla Dempsey;
Sherri Hays
3/29 Zach Luka; Aaron Purcell
3/31 Terry Massey
W Kenny & Linda Ripple 49 yrs

HEADING TO THE

HOSPITAL? I call the hospitals each morning but I don't always get the correct information. Even if you tell them your church preference

that is no guarantee your name will be given to me so

PLEASE CALL the church office 877-2444. I will then pass on the information to our pastors.



YOUTH GROUPS UPCOMING EVENTS

PKC Grades 1-6 and their 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. Just a reminder that a parent or adult must attend PKC (Gr 1-6) activities with their children and everyone in the family is welcome to attend.

2/28 TODAY 4:00 PYC Mystery Dinner

3/11 6:00 PKC Drive-In Movie Night. Make your own car. Bring your sleeping bag pillow or blanket. Watch a movie on the "big screen." Car Hops will serve popcorn, hot dogs, cookies & soda. Boxes and some decoration will be available. Parents will need to attend to help their child make their car. Large boxes (especially appliance boxes) are needed. Sign up by March 6.

4/29 PYC post-Confirmation Questioning pizza party at Monicals for 8th grade Confirmands and families. After the questioning and reception we will go to Monicals North. PYC members and families are welcome as room allows. A free-will donation will be taken.

6/6 Vacation Bible School Week 9 a.m. to Noon