

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)

March 13, 2016

SUN 3/13

8:00 Worship/Communion

9:00 WSOY Broadcast

9:30 Sunday School All Ages

10:45 Worship/Communion

MON 3/14

6:00 BIC in the library

TUE 3/15

8:00 Quilting

WED 3/16

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 3/17

8:00 Quilting

10:30 Shut-In Service

6:00 Chancel Choir

FRI 3/18

SAT 3/19

IN THE WORD

Amos 8:11-12 *“Behold, the days are coming,” declares the Lord God, “when I will send a famine on the land— not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, to seek the word of the Lord, but they shall not find it.*

Hebrews 12:28-29 *Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.*

ATTENDANCE

Sunday Services 3/6: 340

Sunday Bible Classes: 151

Adults 121; High School 4; Children 26

Wed Bible Classes 3/9: 52

Wed Services: 102



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 . . . Paul Basil; Hailey Knor; Bob Teela; Gloria Beckett; Diane & Brittney Enos; Jason Enos; Doug & Stephanie Budde, Addison, Emma & Ethan; Erich Schwantz; Susie Peck

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 chooses to bless this project, we will 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!

THANK-YOU TO all those who sent anniversary cards, clipped newspaper articles, and wished us well on our recent 50th wedding anniversary. We are humbled by the outpouring of love and thoughtfulness from our Pilgrim family. We thank God for blessing us with all of these years of marriage. —Ted & Linda Sue Workman

THRIVENT MEMBERS ALERT...

Check on you “Choice Dollars.” Call 1-800-847-4836 and ask for Thrivent Choice, they can tell you if you have “Dollars” to direct to a place of your choice. Deadline is March 31. Act now!

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMORY VERSES 3/6

- N-K: He cares for you. I Peter 5:7
1-3: In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent His only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. I John 4:9
4-6: The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing. Psalm 145:15-16
7-8: And those who know Your name put their trust in You, for You, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You. Psalm 9:10

UPCOMING CONGREGATION EVENTS

- 3/17 10:30 a.m. Shut-In Service
3/21 6:30 p.m. Council
3/22 6:00 p.m. Choir
3/23 All Wednesday activities cancelled
3/24 10:00 a.m. Office Workers
3/24 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
3/25 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
3/29 10:45 a.m. VBS Committee Meeting
4/2 9:00 a.m. “Pretty Pockets” Service Project
4/23 11:30 a.m. Congregation Spring Banquet hosted by the Ladies Guild.

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@pilgrimplutherandecatur.org .

MY FAVORITE THINGS

Maalox and nose drops and needles for knitting, Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings, Bundles of magazines tied up in string, These are a few of my favorite things.

Cadillacs and cataracts and hearing aids and glasses,

Polident and Fixodent, and false teeth in glasses,

Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings, These are a few of my favorite things.

When the pipes leak, When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad.

Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,
No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
Bathrobes and heat pads and hot meals they bring,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Back pains, confused brains and the fear of sinner',

Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinin',
And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,
When we remember our favorite things.

When the joints ache, when the hips break,
When the eyes grow dim,
Then I remember the great life I've had,
And then I don't feel so bad.

[Thank-you Lois Ruwe for sharing.]

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 3/16 12:15 & 7:00 Usher

Sun 3/20 8:00 Mattias Wegmann

10:45 Will Bryan

Coffee Servers Sun 3/20 Marvin & Carolyn Rau

Communion Set-Up/Clean-up Wed 3/16

Ray & Linda Beals Shut-In 3/17 Melinda Hiser

Sun 3/20 Jennifer Gensler; Don & Jo-Anne

Mast; Gary & Mary Ann Driskell

Altar Flower Delivery 3/20 Nelda McCoy

Communion Assistant Wed 3/16

12:15 Ray Beals 7:00 Allen Kilzer

Sun 3/20 8:00 Allen Kilzer 10:45 Ron Kelm

Financial Secretaries Sun 3/20 Mark Ames;

Chad Clark; John Crowe; Tim Ellison

Greeters Sun 3/20 8:00 Paulette Browne;

Harold Tarr 10:45 Gehrig & Bonnie Engel

Nursery Sun 3/20 8:00 Ashley Lofland

9:30 BJ & Lindsey Rotz 10:45 Brett & Emily

Stenger

MARCH BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

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

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.

4/29 PYC post-Confirmation Questioning pizza party at Monicals for 8th Gr 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