

Progress

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE



SUNDAYS

In-Person and
Zoomed Online

9:00 am

THURSDAYS

6:30 pm

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday
Closed

Greetings Pilgrims,

As we celebrate Reformation Day on Sunday, October 27, we hear the story of Martin Luther nailing the 95 theses to the door of the church in Wittenberg, Germany on October 31, 1517. We commemorate the conversation Martin Luther started and the transformation that came with it.

On Sunday, November 3, we celebrate All Saints Day. We are invited to come forward to the baptismal font to light a candle in memory of those who have gone before us and to celebrate the new saints who come forward to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

What do we mean when we say we are reformed? We affirm the authority of scripture through prayer, meditation, reading the Bible, and that salvation is by grace through faith in Christ alone.

What is Jesus' story? It's about prayer, listening, teaching, preaching, healing, loving, and forgiveness. Some of the stories we have heard are how Jesus gave Bartimaeus his sight back, healing the woman who bled for many years, and raising Lazarus from the dead after he was in the tomb for four days. Jesus has healed many people.

With Thanksgiving approaching we give special thanks to Jesus for the hands of the people who provide us with food and water to sustain our bodies and for family and friends who love us and for us loving them. The Holy Spirit is within us, among us, and through us as we gather. Wishing you and your family a Happy and blessed Thanksgiving.

Peace,
Shirley Ecker
Church Council President

The Spirit of Thanksgiving

Tuesday, Nov. 26th

5:30 FELLOWSHIP MEAL / 6:30 SERVICE OF GRATITUDE



Join us in giving thanks for the abundant harvest (our own blessings), a celebration of one another, and a recognition of our God, who wants everyone brought to the table. The choir will sing at this special service; plus, we will gather with our extended faith family in fellowship hall for a chili supper prior to the worship service.

No sign up is necessary for the worship service, but side dishes and helpers are needed. Please take a look at the list of needs on the sign-up sheet located on the information table in the lounge. Thank you!

Please bring a non-perishable food item (to be determined) for a local food pantry.

Blessings That Give Hope Update

The food pantries at both John Marshall Elementary and Horace Mann Middle Schools need various food items. Most of them are for single-serving foods; and two items that appear on both schools' lists are:

Granola Bars and Mac & Cheese. Mac and Cheese is available in single-serve snack cups and pouches. Low prices on these items can be found at many of the area grocery stores.

Other items needed include:

- Oatmeal packets
- Cereal (single serve or boxes)
- Canned fruit
- Muffin mix – packages
- Chef Boyardee (Beefaroni, Spaghetti, Ravioli, etc.)
- Tuna/chicken packs or single-serve containers (lunch to go/lunch on the run)
- Lipton or Knorr Rice or Noodle packs - different flavors
- Cans of chicken noodle soup
- Ramen Noodles
- Creamy peanut butter
- Noodles - (example shells, spaghetti)

You can leave these items in the bins in the Pilgrim narthex, Monetary donations are also accepted. If you have any questions, or need help, call Jeff Kessel at 715-675-4271.

Make a joyful noise!

"Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the LORD! Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds! Young men and women alike, old and young together! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven."

— Psalm 148:1-4, 7-10, 12-13

November is the time for Thanksgiving and what a perfect time it is for giving thanks. We are in the midst of what I consider the most beautiful time of the year when the trees on the hills surrounding Wausau look like huge bouquets with their leaves of many colors. It brings to my mind one of my favorite hymns of praise—"All Creatures of Our God and King" which appears in our hymn book (#835) with the title "All Creatures, Worship God Most High!". The hymn was based on "The Canticle of the Sun", a poem written by St. Francis of Assisi in 1224 or 1225. Psalm 148 was his inspiration for the poem written 800 years ago. The poem's message is as important for us today as it was for people during the time of St. Francis.

Both the psalm and the hymn command all creation to praise God!

*All creatures, worship God most high! Sound ev'ry voice in earth and sky:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing, brother sun, in splendor bright; sing, sister moon and stars of night:
Sing, brother wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and grain:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Dear sister water, useful, clear, make music for your Lord to hear;
Sing, brother fire, so mirthful, strong; drive far the shadows, join the throng;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Dear mother earth, so rich in care, praise God in colors bright and rare;
O sisters, brothers, take your part, and worship God with humble heart:
Alleluia! Alleluia! All creatures, bless the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

St. Francis, who was born in 1181, gave up a life of leisure and spent the last 18 years of his life voluntarily living in poverty in order that he could live more like Jesus lived. He continues to be very well known as a lover of nature, including animals. There is even a legend that says he preached to the birds; the birds heard his voice and stayed with him as he preached.

I love the concept that not just people, but all creation can praise God. Some people consider St. Francis a champion for taking care of the environment. They believe his love for nature teaches us to assume responsibility for it, to care for it so it stays healthy, not just for ourselves, but also for the people who follow us. I love that concept, also. We owe a great debt of gratitude and care to the natural world around us.

May we remember our debt of gratitude to God
for the amazing world around us as we celebrate Thanksgiving,

—Delores Kessel



QUILT/KIT SUNDAY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

On Sunday, September 29th, quilts and kits were on display. A reception followed the worship service where congregation members gathered in fellowship and then helped pack up the quilts. Later in the week, friends at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church delivered the boxes to the Lutheran World Relief drop-off site across town.

Thank you for the support that enabled the quilters to make the quilts (56) for Lutheran World Relief and other local needs in our community. In addition to the quilts, we thank you for your support in helping put together school kits (23), personal care kits (33), and baby care kits (4).

Thank you to our quilters: Connie Brandenburg, Kathy Brown, Charlene Buttner, June Champagne, Ruth Geurink, Deanna Kelly, Grace Klopotek, Sue Koerten, Linda Konkel, Jill Myers, Ramona Schmitz, Marion Schultz, Mary Swanson, Lila Viegut.

When you make LWR Quilts and Kits, you join countless others across the country who reach out to people in need around the world through this ministry. LWR spends around \$1.9 million to operate this program, distributing about \$18 million worth of quilts and kits each year. Those funds, combined with the generosity of donors, ensure LWR has the resources needed to move these items around the world. You can help by donating to LWR's Quilt & Kit Shipping Fund to ensure that LWR can continue working with partners around the world to deliver your gifts.

(The estimated shipping cost for the quilts and kits prepared this year at Pilgrim is \$284.)

Pilgrim Day of Prayer Thursday, December 5th

9:00 – 6:30 pm Sanctuary Open for Prayer
6:30 – 7:15 Thursday Worship

*“I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.” —Ps. 121:1-2*

Why is Pilgrim having a Day of Prayer?

Recognizing that our help does, indeed, come from the Lord, as the Psalm above reminds us, we wish to humble our hearts before God and seek God’s guidance in an intentional way.

What will be the focus of this prayer time?

1. To pray for the ministries of Pilgrim Lutheran Church and other local churches, our community, and the world.
2. To bring before the Lord our personal needs and the needs of those we love, especially as we enter the Advent Season, and prepare our hearts for Christmas.

How can I participate?

1. Be in the church sanctuary, where there will be soft lighting and contemplative music. The church will be open for prayer from 9:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. Come at your convenience, for as long as you like. (Note that Thursday worship will take place as usual at 6:30 pm.)
2. If you are not able to come to the church, be in prayer at home or work at a dedicated time during that day.
3. Fill out this prayer request form for specific concerns you have and others will join in prayer for these concerns on the Day of Prayer.

Please drop this form in an offering plate, the prayer request box, or mail to the church office by Sunday, November 24th.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR LSS Conditional Release Clients

Once again we will be collecting Christmas gifts for Lutheran Social Services clients. There are 21 males and 5 females this year.

These gifts are sometimes the only presents they will receive and they are always so appreciative!!

Items needed...

- Socks
- Hats
- Mittens/Gloves
- Small planners/journals/pens
- Chocolate
- \$10 Kwik Trip Gift Cards

There’s a box in the Narthex for your donations.

We are also accepting monetary donations, to help purchase the gifts, which can be placed in the special offering envelopes.

We need all items by Tuesday, December 10, so we can pack and wrap the gifts for the party.

Thank you in advance
Social Concerns Committee



THE COMMUNITY
BLOOD CENTER

Blood Drive at Pilgrim
Thursday, Nov. 7th
3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Call 800-280-4102
to schedule an appointment
or drop in.

Christmas Poinsettias



Premium poinsettias in red, white and pink are available this year for \$10 per plant. These holiday plants come in a 6" pot.

*Please submit orders to the church office, along with payment, no later than **Sunday, November 24**. The poinsettias will decorate our altar for worship services on **Tuesday and Wednesday, December 24th and December 25th**. Poinsettias can be picked up after worship on **Christmas Day**. Thank you!*

Name _____

Quantity of plants:

____ Red ____ White ____ Pink

Total Plants: _____ x \$10 = \$ _____

In Memory of: _____

In Celebration of: _____

MITTEN SUNDAY, November 10th



We will begin collecting warm mittens, gloves, hats, socks, and scarves for all ages when the Mitten Tree goes up on November 10. Please bring your offerings to help our neighbors in need. Your donations will be delivered to local schools and other non-profit organizations.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

300 N. First Street, Wausau

Members Only Sale

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 5 - 7:30
(non-members can join at the door)

Also: there are members-only book sales on the third Saturday of every month!

Public Invited

Thursday, Nov. 7, 9:30 - 7:30

Friday, Nov. 8, 9:30 - 4:30

Bag Sale Day—\$6.00 a Bag

Saturday, Nov. 9, 9:30 - 3:30

Visit the library for great deals on books, movies, music, and more! All book sale proceeds are used to support library programs.



December 1st is the first Sunday in Advent

We wait for the coming of the Lord, two thousand years ago and the arrival yet to occur. What did they expect from the Messiah then and what do we long for today? We travel with holy anticipation to meet the newborn king in the manger as we wait in hope for today.

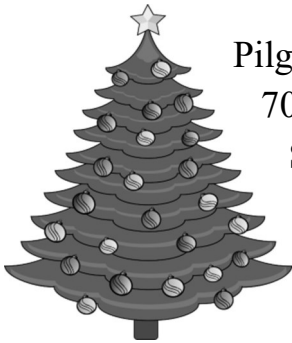
Some practical ways to prepare for Advent:

- Keep an Advent calendar **(available in the church lounge)**
- Put up an Advent wreath
- Set up a nativity scene
- Have an Advent tree

Christmas *Sing-along*

Traditional Christmas Carols

—open to all, bring your family & friends—



Pilgrim Lutheran Church
709 Weston Avenue, Wausau
Saturday, December 7th
2:00 pm, in the sanctuary

Light refreshments will follow.

*When we ask God to move a mountain,
God may respond by handing us a
shovel. Fortunately, God works through
us as a community of believers.*



Transition Task Force

If you have a question or comment for the Transition Task Force, drop a written note in the box on the information table in the lounge or talk to a team member.

Charles Freiberg	charlesfreiberg@icloud.com	715-574-4904
Jeff Kessel (Communications)	Kessel.jeffrey@gmail.com	715-573-4491
Frank Koerten	fmkoerten@gmail.com	715-301-3939
Karen Larson	klar5804@gmail.com	715-297-4945
Stephen Moede	klar5804@gmail.com	715-297-4945
Kay Palmer (Chairperson)	kaypalmer@42llc.com	302-983-6946
Jean Trempe	jtrempe@frontier.com	715-575-5592

shout **OUT!**

- ☺ To the pastors, Tryphine Schrubba and Natalie Bassett; and, to the lay ministers Shirley Ecker and Eugene Viegut, for leading worship services in October..
- ☺ To Randy and Shirley Ecker, who were recognized with a quilt from the Busy Bees for their volunteer work in many areas—especially at the annual recycling sale.

Men's Monthly Bible Study Breakfast at Eagle's Nest

2nd Thursday of the Month
7:30 a.m.

The next gathering for food, faith, and fellowship is **November 14th**. If you are interested in joining, contact Eugene Viegut (715-359-9895).

Weekly Prayer Circle Tuesdays 11:45 a.m.

If you would like to join the group, drop in. Or, if you would like to receive the weekly prayer list, contact the office.

Monthly Town Hall Meetings

2nd Sunday of each month
following worship service

Next Meeting
November 10th



MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

October 8th, 2024
Unapproved

PRESENT IN PERSON: Shirley Ecker (President), Jeanette Carlson (Vice President), Charlie Freiberg (Treasurer), Jean Trempe (Secretary), Linda Konkel (Evangelism Chair), Charlene Buttner (Church & Society Chair), Sue Koerten (Worship Chair), Jim Linselink (Stewardship Chair), and Terra Ecker (Children & Youth Chair).

EXCUSED: Kay Palmer (Buildings & Grounds Chair), Janet Williams (Life & Growth Chair)

GUESTS: Jeff Kessel

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Shirley Ecker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Devotions were led by Jeanette Carlson, focused on Psalm 27, vs. 1-3 and dealing with fear and finding hope in the Lord.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: (Jean Trempe) Review of minutes from September 10, 2024, regular council meeting. A motion to accept minutes by Sue Koerten and seconded by Terra Ecker. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Charlie Freiberg) Reviewed financial reports for September 2024. Cash in banks totaled \$77,922, with \$23,392 held as restricted funds. The largest portion of restricted funds is for Blessings that Give Hope of \$14,169. Our long-term loan stands at \$62,580. Contributions are on par with previous periods. Charlene Buttner made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, and it was seconded by Terra Ecker. Motion carried.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Jeanette Carlson) No report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Shirley Ecker)

- Last month Shirley spoke with Pastor Tim Coltvet, Luther Seminary on availability of interns. At Pastor Colvelt's suggestion, we should complete applications for an intern from Luther Seminary, Wartburg Seminary, and the Lutheran Theological College in Chicago, IL and submit them. Shirley will also write a letter to Bishop Anne Albright-Edison indicating

Pilgrim's interest in an intern. It was suggested that a group work together to update the internship applications. One of our supply pastors expressed interest in learning more about becoming a supervising pastor which is required for the internship programs.

- A meeting needs to be called to convene the budget committee in November to develop a budget for 2025. The Vice President will lead this process as usual.
- A designation for the Thanksgiving Offering needs to be determined. A motion was made by Sue Koerten and seconded by Terra Ecker to designate ELCA World Hunger and The Women's Community as recipients of these donations. Motion carried.
- A bake sale is scheduled to coincide with the November 2 Holiday and Gift sale. Sign up sheets will be out shortly.
- St. Stephen is doing a coat drive
- First United Methodist Church is taking over the community meals as of January 1. A meet and greet for those interested in helping is scheduled for October 16.
- There was a fire in a Schofield motel this week, killing one individual and displacing a number of other people. Terra is going to check to see if there are folks who need clothing or other items that the congregation can donate. The Red Cross is assisting.

WORSHIP REPORT: (Sue Koerten)

- Thanksgiving worship service – Tuesday November 26 with a soup supper at 5:30 p.m. and worship service at 6:30 p.m. Sue will follow up with Janet on the supper. Sign up sheets will be out shortly. The choir is scheduled to sing. This will be a shared service with St. Stephen. Kathy Robinson will preach.
- Thursday December 5 will be a day of prayer.
- Day of Prayer – Thursday December 5, church will be open from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the Thursday midweek service at 6:30 p.m.
- December 7 will be a carol sing-a-

long. The other ELCA churches in the area will be invited to attend.

- December 9 is an advent service at St. Stephen featuring a cantata performed by the choir. The cantata will be performed by the choir at Pilgrim on December 15. There will be a coffee hour.
- Christmas Eve service will be held at 5:00 p.m. with Communion, Pastor Natalie Basset to preside.
- There will be no Thursday evening service on December 26.
- Christmas Day 9:00 a.m. no Communion. Kay Palmer preaching.
- Sunday December 29 9:00 a.m., no Communion. Kathy Robinson preaching.
- There is a sign up sheet by the coffee pot in the lounge for families, individuals and committees to sign up to help with coffee hour treats after Sunday services. We encourage people to help out.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH: (Terra Ecker) No report

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: (Kay Palmer) THANK YOU to the folks who have been mowing the grass and doing the outdoor maintenance – Randy Ecker, John Trempe, Bob Windorski, Jenni and Kevin Zaitz. You all have been great in helping to keep Pilgrim looking great.

The leaves are still hanging on to prolong the summer. Soon we will be raking. More to come.

Kay is going to research any grants that may be available to help with a roof replacement for the flat roofed lobby area. Though we bought some time with the last repair, plans and grants will take some time. More to come on this.

The fence at the back at Fellowship Hall is falling apart. This is not a difficult fix and a replacement plan will be presented next month.

The shrubs along the left side of the Sanctuary as you face the front of the church have exceeded their life expectancy. Over the winter months, a plan will be put together for replacement options. We may have another adopt a plant event in the spring.

The council had a brief discussion

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about the garage which houses the lawn mowers and other yard maintenance items. It needs cleaning as it is quite full.

TRANSITION TASK FORCE: (Kay Palmer, presented by Jeff Kessel) A second joint meeting with Good Shepherd and St. Stephen was held on September 17, 2024. Good Shepherd introduced their nonnegotiable points as that they will be an ELCA congregation and that they will be open to LBGTQ+ members and welcome all. They also noted that having a pastor is not an immediate priority. Good Shepherd spoke about their journey in identifying their core values. They encouraged the other churches to do the same and to “dream big.”

Based on the conversation, it was suggested that the three groups go through the 25 issues questions in the book *Better Together*. This was a homework assignment for the next meeting. The idea is that the issues will provide some insights into compatibility. Pilgrim's Transition Team reviewed the issues at our last meeting. The outcome was that we did not find any issues that we felt we could not work through. We did decide that having a more permanent Pastor was a priority for us. The 25 issues questions will be presented for discussion at our October 13 townhall meeting with the congregation. The issues will be sent out via email to the congregation prior to Sunday so that members can review them and come prepared for discussion.

There was limited discussion regarding creating a legal entity for the three churches whose primary purpose is to join the churches together. The conversation also included the idea of having three campuses. NO decisions have been made at this point. This move may be a bit premature.

St. Stephen and Good Shepherd have been working with a retired Pastor, Cath Mode. She is not a representative of the Synod. She is knowledgeable about the transition process. She has been recommended by both St. Stephen and Good Shepherd's transition teams. The plan would be for Pilgrim's Transition Team to meet with her. The first hour is free. The second meeting has a cost of approximately \$50/hr. plus travel expenses. If all goes well, the idea is for Pastor Cath to work jointly with all three churches. There is a member of Pil-

grim who has volunteered to cover the costs of the coaching services. The Church Council and congregation would be kept informed through Town Hall meetings and Transition Team updates.

A motion was made by Sue Koerten and seconded by Charlene Buttner to move forward with meeting with Pastor Mode. Motion carried.

EVANGELISM: (Linda Konkel) Trunk-Treat is set for Saturday October 26 from 4-7 p.m. with Pilgrim and St. Stephen's in Pilgrim's parking lot. Sign up sheets are in the lobby for those who want to decorate their vehicle and for donation of treats. The Mitten Tree will be set up soon. John Marshall has requested some water-proof mittens if possible.

BLESSINGS THAT GIVE HOPE (Jeff Kessel) Jeff has been in contact with Wausau East, Horace Mann and John Marshall regarding their needs. Staff is very excited to work with this program once again. All those involved are very appreciative of the gifts provided. Jeff will be calling a group of Pilgrims together shortly. He is working on getting a list of needs from the schools. The Southeast Side neighborhood group lead by Sue Nowak has also offered to convey information to the neighborhood via their meetings, newsletters and Facebook page. A number of folks from the neighborhood have donated items for the program in the past.

CHURCH AND SOCIETY (Charlene Buttner) Charlene reported on donations for Lutheran World Relief: 56 Quilts, 36 Personal Care Kits, 23 School Kits, 5 Baby Care Kits. She also noted that Lutheran World Relief is now providing assistance in the United States and is currently helping hurricane victims. Ink cartridges and grocery bags were donated to the Salvation Army. A community dinner with St. Stephen is planned for November 24. There is a Make a Difference Leaf Raking Event October 23-26. If interested, register with Carly at United Way 715-298-5719. We will be collecting items for LSS Conditional Release Christmas gifts again this year.

LIFE AND GROWTH (Janet Williams) The bake sale at the Southeast Side Craft and Market Fair on Saturday, October 5 was a success with proceeds of \$435. Pilgrim is now a member of the Southeast Side Group. Pilgrim's silent auction basket at the

event earned \$50 for the Southeast Side group. We would like to donate the \$435 of proceeds to Lutheran Disaster Relief Response designating it for victims of the recent hurricanes. Charlene made a motion and Terra seconded it. Motion carried.

Thanks to all the Pilgrim bakers who helped make the sale a success: Ramona Schmitz, June Champagne, Jean Trempe, Sue Koerten, Charlene Buttner, Cathy Gottschalk, Jeni Zaitz, Chris Freiberg, Janet Williams, Linda Konkel, Kathy Brown and Kathy Kunzi. Thanks to all my helpers who helped set up, take down, and sell: Tom and Kathy Brown, John and Jean Trempe, Kathy Kunzi, Ramona Schmitz, June Champagne, Jean Trempe and Zack Billington.

The Southeast Side community was very appreciative of Pilgrim's presence at the show. Sue Nowak, the President of the group asked that we continue to share events going on at Pilgrim. Other neighbors stopped by and asked about the Blessings that Give Hope Program. We passed out a few church brochures as well.

A Holiday & Gift Show will be held at Pilgrim on Saturday November 2. A sign-up sheet for silent auction items is on the library table. We ask that committee chairs or other groups sign up to make baskets or provide other items for the silent auction.

The scrip card program is ongoing. Cards are ordered about every two weeks. Orders can be placed with Fred at the church office or by calling Janet Williams at 715-573-3310. It has been taking about five days to receive cards once ordered. The current balance in the scrip cash account is \$5,923 as of September 30.

STEWARDSHIP (Jim Linselink) No report

Progress articles are due October 25, 2024.

Next meeting: Tuesday November 12, 2024, 6:30 p.m. Shirley Ecker has devotions.

ADJOURN/LORD'S PRAYER: 8:15 p.m. Charlene Buttner made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Terra Ecker. Motion carried.



Happy Birthday from your Pilgrim family!
Please contact the church office with any updates.

Bruce Bartell	11/04	Joel Rhyner	11/14
Jill Myers	11/04	Norah Brown	11/17
Jackson Brown	11/08	Elise Laughlin	11/17
Linda Konkel	11/09	Kay Palmer	11/19
Steven Poppe	11/11	Debi Rhyner	11/20
Zackary Billington	11/12	Sarah Landeau	11/24
Sue Koerten	11/12	Rebecca Stubbe	11/27
David Clemment	11/13	Debra Kaetterhenry	11/30
Julian Brown	11/14		

On birthdays, we honor our beginnings and remember that in God's eyes, we have a place in this world that no one else has.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

the following members of our Pilgrim family on their

November

1 Randy Ecker	16 Mica Fehlhaber-Poppe
2 Shirley Ecker	17 Rachel Fehlhaber-Poppe
3 Deb Erickson	18 Fon Foreman
4 Richard Erickson	19 Charles Freiberg
5 Adam Fandre	20 Chris Freiberg
6 Alex Fandre	21 Deborah Glascock
7 Ben Fandre	22 Cathy Gottschalk
8 Michele Fandre	23 Willis Gresen
9 Ausstin Fehlhaber	24 Janice Hayes
10 Bo Fehlhaber	25 Kathleen Huebner
11 Harry Fehlhaber	26 Anlyss James
12 Nathan Fehlhaber	27 Brody James
13 Nicole Fehlhaber	28 Nina James
14 Anna Fehlhaber-Poppe	29 Mark Jones
15 Ella Fehlhaber-Poppe	30 Rita Jones

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 9-4 Holiday & Gift Show In Fellowship Hall
3 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY Daylight Savings Time Ends 9:00 Worship	4	5 ELECTION DAY 11:45 Prayer Circle 6:30 Task Force Meeting	6 6:30 Choir	7 3-7 Blood Drive at Pilgrim 6:30 Worship	8	9
10 MITTEN SUNDAY 9:00 Worship 10:15 Town Hall Meeting	11	12 11:45 Prayer Circle 6:30 Council Mtg.	13 9:00 Busy Bee Quilters 6:30 Choir	14 7:30 Men's Bible Study at Eagle's Nest 6:30 Worship	15 Lay School	16 Lay School 3:00 Wedding Zackary and Nicole
17 9:00 Worship 10:00 Mtg. with Cath Mode	18	19 11:45 Prayer Circle 6:00 GWCS Meeting at Pilgrim	20 Progress Newsletter Deadline 6:30 Choir	21 6:30 Worship	22	23
24 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY 9:00 Worship 2:00 Community Dinner at First Presbyterian	25	26 11:45 Prayer Circle 5:30 Chili Supper 6:30 Service of Gratitude	27 6:30 Choir	28 THANKSGIVING No Worship Office Closed	29	30

FINANCIAL INFORMATION UPDATE October 31st, 2024

A budget is a statement of faith. It is our way of saying this is what we believe God wants us to do. And we trust that God will provide.

Mortgage	Year-to-Date Revenue Budget vs. Actual
\$ 62,580 Balance: 09/26/2024	
\$ 662 Principal Payment	\$86,000 \$90,561
\$ 212 Interest Payment	
\$ 61,918 Balance: 10/31/2024	
	Outstanding Bills
	\$1,160 Total Bills

PARTICIPATE IN THE SCRIP PROGRAM AND SUPPORT PILGRIM

Put your regular household shopping dollars to work by purchasing gift cards at Pilgrim. Scrip-participating retailers sell gift cards to Pilgrim at a discount and you get the full face value of the gift card. Orders are taken periodically. For information, email or call the office at 715-842-4544

THRIVENT CHOICE PROGRAM

We are pleased to announce that Pilgrim Church receives funds through Thrivent Financial's Thrivent Choice program. By directing Choice Dollars, eligible Thrivent members can recommend which nonprofit organizations they feel should receive charitable grant funding from Thrivent. If you are an eligible member, please consider us when directing Choice Dollars. Call 800-847-4836 or visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

THOSE PILGRIMS UNABLE TO ATTEND SERVICES

Please remember the following Pilgrims who are not able to attend worship due to personal limitation. If you need their addresses, please contact the church office.

In Care Facilities

Kathleen Huebner.....Mount View

In Their Homes

Kathy Boehm John Schneider
Donald Mattke

PRAYER SHAWLS

Do you know someone who needs prayer and a special word of encouragement? Consider extending the love of Jesus through a Circle of Women prayer shawl.

A cabinet in the lounge holds a variety of prayer shawls. Choose one to deliver to a person who needs a special, tangible reminder of God's love and presence. Sign the book to show that you have taken one, and use a prayer request form to add this person to the Prayer Circle list, if that is appropriate.

A wicker basket sits next to the cabinet. If you have extra yarn to donate, you may place it there to be used for other handcrafted shawls. Thank You!

Shawls given to date... 298

CAN'T GET TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY?

**COME WORSHIP
THURSDAYS AT 6:30 PM!**

We gather for worship each week in a simple service of hymns, prayers, Scripture, sermon, and the Lord's Supper. We don't "dress up," and it only lasts 30 – 40 minutes. If your spirit needs food for the journey, please consider joining us. We promise you will be fed!

Blood Drive
Thursday, Nov. 7th

Mitten Sunday
Sunday, November 10th

Service of Gratitude and Chili Supper
Tuesday, November 26th



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