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PILGRIM NEWS

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As we rapidly approach the end of 2015 (how did that happen??), I pause to take stock of where Pilgrim Church is in its journey, and where you are heading....

Trust in the Promise has been our theme as we seek our own financial commitments for the ministry and mission of Pilgrim Church in 2016. From CHUM to the global ministries of Rev. Tom and Dr. Monica Liddle, from providing a safe space for AA to nurturing our children in faith and music, we've recalled some of the ways we change lives and transform the world around us. Remember the story of the pastor asking the farmer what he would do if he had a million dollars, or ten thousand acres? Of course he would tithe the money; of course he would sell a few acres and give the money to his financially-strapped church. "And Joe, if you had pigs, wouldn't you sell a few of them and give that money to the church?" After a long pause, Joe responded, "Now pastor, that's not a fair question. You know I've got pigs."

If you love Pilgrim Church, if you believe God has a purpose and a future beyond what we can see, if you trust in the promise, then I'm asking you to sell a few pigs. Have you looked at last year's 1040 and computed what percentage of your income you give to Pilgrim? Will you take the challenge to try to raise it by one percent of income, one more penny from every dollar you receive? Will you aim for a "modern tithe" of at least 5% to Pilgrim and 5% to other causes that build God's reign on earth? What step can you take at this time, and what goals will you set going forward?

Thanksgiving isn't part of the church calendar; it is core to what we do every week, so we celebrate this holiday fully as people of faith. I encourage your participation in the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday, November 24, 7:00 p.m. at Temple Israel. Given the violence done in the name of religion, this embodiment of respect and solidarity is a powerful blessing for the community, the world, and all who take the time to make it a priority. Offerings for CHUM and for Syrian refugees are ways you may choose to make your gratitude concrete, and to multiply it beyond yourself.

We enter Advent with a "gentle" *Hanging of the Greens* service on November 29. *This service is designed especially for those who find the holiday season difficult due to loss, grief, financial strain, personal or social stress of any kind.* Coming at the end of the weekend that ushers in frenetic holiday activity, this service is one to center us all, and is especially appropriate to invite family or friends who could use special kindness and gentleness at this time. *If you can assist in any small way with the placing of decorations, please let Holly Beaster or the church office know and plan to arrive about 9:30 that morning.* The Advent and Christmas seasons continue with rich offerings of music by all ages, including services of lessons and carols on Christmas Eve and a carol sing the Sunday after Christmas day; see the worship schedule inside for more information.

And then, it's 2016 – time for our *New Beginnings* to start! In January, an assessor from the New Beginnings program of the UCC, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and Presbyterian Church USA will visit with us, meet with leadership, review financials, tour our neighborhood and building, and spend an evening with as many Pilgrims as will come to share about the gifts, calling, history, and dreams of this church. As soon as we have that date, you will know about it; please plan to make this a priority for first steps in discerning Pilgrim's vision for a new time.

The next phase of New Beginnings comes in the spring, as Pilgrims meet in committed small groups to discuss the report generated by the assessor and to work together to discern a sense of Pilgrim's calling. Participation in these groups is vital for the process to be successful. Please remember that your leadership believes in the New Beginnings program enough to have paid for it out of their own pockets, raising nearly \$2000. All that is needed is your commitment to participate. With that, the Spirit can lead to a new vision of faithfulness for a new time.

Whew! Pilgrim life is full and rich! Breathe; let Grace saturate you, and guide all your commitments in life. And then join in this courageous journey of abundant life, together.

2015 STEWARDSHIP RESULTS

As of November 17, 59 pledges to the operating budget have totaled \$159,997 and 30 pledges to the capital budget totaling \$39, 380. Thank you to everyone who pledged.

It is not too late to return your pledge by mail, drop it in the offering plate or bring it to the office. TRUST IN THE PROMISE and GIVE HOPE TO THE FUTURE!

THE CHRISTMAS FUND

Special Offering

Sunday, December 20

Being “between jobs” is a scary time. If you have experienced “slumps” as an independent business owner, or have found yourself without a job and without access to unemployment insurance or other sources of income, you know the feeling. And while it’s not quite as scary, being underemployed is still stressful. “Where else can I cut back?” is a constant, worrying refrain.

Sometimes angels visit us in such times. Not only might financial stresses be eased a bit, but worry and isolation are lifted by another’s compassion. Did you know you have been such an angel to me?

Twice in my ministry, the Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ have provided assistance. Once was during a time that Dee and I were both working for the UCC in a shared position for youth, young adult, and outdoor ministries, with two young children needing daycare. A check meant we could do Christmas gifts after all. The second time was just last year, when health insurance premiums were due. A grant provided three months of coverage. As it turned out, our savings were just barely enough to keep us insured until shortly before my arrival to serve Pilgrim Church.

The Christmas Fund offering supplements pensions for pastors who served smaller churches, and provides an Emergency Fund for clergy in difficult financial situations. *Because you participate in this offering, you helped me in my times of need, long before you ever met me.*

Know that you bear good news of hope to faithful servants of the church when you give to the Christmas Fund. **Pilgrim will accept the Christmas Fund special offering on Sunday, December 20th.** Thank you for what you did for me, and what you will do for others who will never meet.

~ Jennifer Amy-Dressler,
Interim Pastor

WORSHIP NOTES

November 29 will include a “gentle” Hanging of the Greens as we remember that the holiday season is also a difficult time for those who struggle in life. We will ease into Advent.

The Pilgrim Choir, with child sopranos and instrumentalists from our congregation, will present Bach’s cantata *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland* (“Savior of the Nation, Come”) on **December 6**.

December 13’s focus on joy and justice will include a litany of remembrance, peace and justice three years after the Sandy Hook school shooting. Note that communion will be celebrated this Sunday, not December 6.

Children and bell choir share the Christmas story from the angels’ perspective on **December 20**; it is through “the least” that God’s best work is done.

The Sunday after Christmas, **December 27**, we’ll sing more than a few extra carols, and consider why it’s important that Jesus had a childhood, even if we know nothing about it.

SEARCH COMMITTEE NEWS

The Search Committee is nearing the end of the process of creating our church profile. We will be adding photographs of Pilgrims and the church building to the final product. We expect to have it into the MN Conference office during the month of December to be posted around the 1st of the year.

Thanks to all who offered input in this process. We look forward to the next step of reviewing and meeting with candidates.

Steve Cushing

PACT TV REGULAR BROADCAST

Pilgrim’s regular broadcasts on Channel 180 are Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm and Thursdays, 7:00 to 8:00 am and 8:30-9:30 pm.

Nov.25 and 26th-AGO Spooktacular Recital by from Oct. 30, 2015

Dec. 2 and 3-”2015 All Saints Day Service” by the Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler from Nov. 2, 2015

Dec. 9 and 10th-”2015 Hanging of the Greens” from Nov. 29, 2015.

Dec. 16 and 17-Bach Cantata BWV 61 from December 5, 2015

WORSHIP SCHEDULE**November 22**

Thanksgiving and Reign of Christ Celebrations
 (Rev. 1;4b-8; John 18:33-37)
 Reign of Christ Sunday
 Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler
 11:00 am Coffee Hour
 11:20 am-2nd Hour-OWL/Our Whole Lives

November 29

1st Sunday of Advent—"Watchfulness"
 (Jeremiah 33:14-16; Luke 21:25-36)
 Hanging of the Greens
 Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler
 11:00 am Coffee Hour

December 6

2nd Sunday of Advent—"Preparation"
 (Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 3:1-6)
 Choral Cantata, J.S. Bach:
Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland
 Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler
 11:00 am Coffee and Advent Workshop and Arts
 and Crafts Sale

December 13

3rd Sunday of Advent - "Joy of Justice"
 (Zephaniah 3:14-20; Luke 3:7-18)
 Holy Communion
 Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler
 11:00 am Coffee Hour

December 20

4th Sunday of Advent - "In/Significance"
 (Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:39-55)
 Children's Pageant:
 Hark the Herald Angels Sing
 Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler
 11:00 am Coffee Hour

December 27

"Jesus Was a Kid, Too"
 (I Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Luke 2:41-52)
 Carol Sing
 Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler
 11:00 am Coffee Hour

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

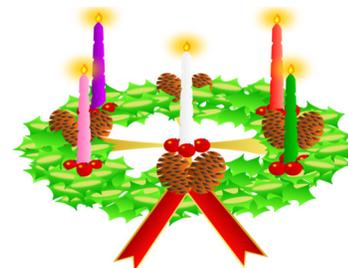
Good things are happening in Sunday School these days. We are still working on getting adjusted to the new format and schedule we're trying out, but the kids seem to be embracing the change. Christmas pageant preparation is starting to get into full swing, believe it or not, so that'll be what the bulk of our time will be spent working on. Aside from that, our oldest class, 5th through 8th grade, has been working on coming up with ideas for service projects and finding ways to help others, and have fun hanging out with each other. Lots of great thoughts and ideas coming from those kids.

A number of Sunday School kids went out and helped five church families out by raking their lawns on November 8th, thanks to all the youth who participated! It was greatly appreciated. We are always looking for teachers, anyone can teach, you don't need to have a child in the program. Also, you don't need to commit to teach for any amount of time, you can take a Sunday here and there. If you are at all interested in this, please contact me, Sophie Hillmeyer, sophiehillmeyer@gmail.com or (218) 269-6877. I am more than willing to help you plan your lesson if you have questions.

Sophie Hillmeyer, Children and Family Ministries
 Coordinator

ADVENT WORKSHOP AND ARTS AND CRAFT FAIR DECEMBER 6

The Holiday gift giving season is almost upon us! For the 3rd year, the Worship & Arts committee is organizing a small Art & Craft fair to be held in conjunction with the Advent Workshop on December 6th. This is a great opportunity for you artists and crafters among us to sell a few of your wares to supply your fellow Pilgrims with some fun, local Christmas shopping options! If you would like a space at the fair, please let Holly Beaster (hollyk.johnsonbeaster@gmail.com) know prior to Wednesday, December 2nd so we can prepare a place for you. This is also a great opportunity for kids to bring some money so they can purchase some of their own presents for their family members.



PARISH PERSONALS

You are invited to remember in your personal prayers those with ongoing health issues or personal struggles. If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone else, please contact the church office, or Marge Fraser at 525-5066.

PILGRIMS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP MEETS DECEMBER 1

Ten men gathered for breakfast on November 3 for a lively and far-reaching discussion. The first meeting involved a veteran group, with Jim Drake being part of our youth movement, and Jack Kemp noted that 80% of participants sported beards. The next meeting of the Pilgrim Men's Group will be 7:30 a.m. on December 1 at Chester Creek Cafe. All Pilgrim men are invited to attend, and we are particularly eager to welcome younger men without beards to diversify our group. As an added incentive, the youngest attendee under 60 will be provided with a free breakfast.

We hope to see you December 1 and on subsequent first Tuesdays of the month. Please let Denny Falk (dfalk@d.umn.edu) know if you would like to be a part of this group, or if 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday does not work for you.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL HOGWARTS HALLOWEEN PARTY

Over 500 people attended this year's event. With activities ranging from scientific to silly and spanning three floors, we were able to accommodate all who came to celebrate. Donations totaled \$949, less expenses of \$180 equals \$769, of which \$500 was donated to the Chester Bowl Improvement Club and \$269 went to Pilgrim fundraising. Thank you to Jenny Jensen and Caro Linn for once again taking the lead, and to all of you who volunteered your time and wizardly talents.

PILGRIM WOMEN FRIENDS

The first get-together of the Pilgrim Women Friends will meet at the New London Café, 4721 E. Superior St., December 9 at 10:30 am. Please join us on Wednesday for our socialization. Thank you to Bobbi Edwards and Jenny Ballew who initiated the group.

BOOK BUDDIES

We would like to find a few more Book Buddies to read once a week with Kindergarten, first, second or fifth grade students at Myers-Wilkins school. It is rewarding to develop a relationship with a child who needs a boost or who needs a friend to share a book with.

Can't commit to every week? Sign up as a substitute! It is always nice to have some names in case one of our regulars can't make it.

Contact Joan Setterlund to find out more about this intergenerational program.

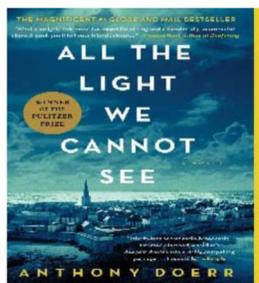
ALL MINISTRY NIGHT

December 8

Check the time of your Ministry meeting.

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

There will be no Women's Book Group in December. For January 18, All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr (leader Joan). This is the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. It is rather long so give yourself plenty of time to enjoy this one.



“True peace is not merely the absence of some negative force – tension, confusion, or war; It is the presence of some positive force – justice, good will and brotherhood.”

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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4 MUSIC MAKING OPPORTUNITIES IN DECEMBER!

1) Friday, December 4th: Youth Handbell Choir Ringing for the Salvation Army!

5:30: Meet at Pilgrim to carpool to Mall, set up Bells and Tables outside Applebee's

(Practice singing the Bach in the cars on the way to the mall)

6:00-6:30pm Ring (with Handbell tables, brass bells etc.) outside of Applebee's inside the Miller Hill Mall

6:30 pm carpool back to Pilgrim

(Practice singing the Bach on the way back to Pilgrim.)

6:45: Parents pick up kids

(Please note: I will be at the Mall until 8pm with the Adult Handbell choir finishing our volunteer shift for the Salvation Army.)

2) Sunday, December 6th: Youth Choir and Youth Orchestra

Wear all black dress clothes this Sunday

9:00-9:40 am: Youth Choir rehearses with Pilgrim Choir and professional Orchestra in Choir Balcony on 2nd floor!

9:40-9:50 am Youth Orchestra rehearses with Professional orchestra in Choir Balcony on 2nd floor!

** This is a very tight rehearsal schedule, there is no room for bathroom breaks, or if people are late we will rehearse without you. :(*

3) Sunday: December 13th :

9:30-9:55 am: Youth Choir rehearsal, practicing music for Hark the Herald Angels Sing.

(No Children's music during the Service)

Rehearsals for Hark the Herald Angels Sing:

Wednesday: December 16th 6:00-7:00pm, Speaking Parts only.

Saturday: December 19th: 10:00-11:30 am

Sunday: December 20th: 9:00 am for the service

HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING INFORMATION:

Most 4th graders and up will be the Shepherds and Kings for the Christmas Pageant and our special effects technicians! "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "Angels We have Heard on High", and Mozart's "Alleluia" will be performed during the Pageant. The youth choir will be singing, their piece, "Exultate Justi in Domino" during this service as well. Orchestra members will be playing also! (Recorders, viola, bass, etc.) This age group should wear dark clothing for the pageant.

We will be working on our music and practicing the scrip for *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* every Sunday after church from the 11:00-11:30 am time slot. We will try and get done as fast as possible! At this age, repetition is the key to participation so, please don't feel like you need to be there every Sunday, but the more chances they get to run through it the more comfortable they will be.

We had lots of kids that were very excited to have lines for the Christmas Pageant this year...this is a first! I know a couple kids walked away wishing they had a few more..... I will see what I can do!

Here is the cast of speaking lines:

Head Angel: Colin Pence

Recruitment Angel: Hannah Willemsen

Angel 1: Piper Lynn

Angel Gabriel: Robert Harwood

Hark: Camilla

Herald: Ofelia

Please don't hesitate to contact me for clarification on anything. Also, please let me know if there is anything I can do to better serve you and the needs of your family.

Thank you,
Rachael Kresha

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	October 2015	Year to Date
Income	\$ 17,732	259,731
Expenses	\$ <u>32,380</u>	<u>320,415</u>
Difference	(14,648)	(60,684)

MEAL DRIVER WANTED

There is still a need for a driver on Mondays for Meals on Wheels. It is a rewarding volunteer opportunity and only takes about 1 1/2 hours. We have three subs so there is flexibility. Please contact Cindy Fochs, 728-2061 , for more information.

PILGRIM CHOIR AND BELLISSIMO SCHEDULES AND EVENTS

Choir

Tuesday, November 24th: Interfaith Thanksgiving Service:

Location: Temple Israel, 1602 E. 2nd St.

Rehearsal: 6:15pm

Service start time: 7 pm

Anthem: The Music of Living, singing with Peace Choir

Bellissimo

Wednesday, November 25th: No Rehearsal!

Choir

Wednesday, November 25th: Regular rehearsal time at 7:15 pm.

Bellissimo

Wednesday, December 2nd: Bell rehearsal time change! Only this night!

7:15-8:15 pm: Rehearsal in Chapel

Why? We had to flip flop rehearsals with the choir so that they could rehearse with the orchestra for the Cantata.

Choir

Wednesday, December 2nd: Choir rehearsal time change! Only this night!

6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

Friday: December 4th: Salvation Army Ringing outside Applebee's at Miller Hill Mall!

5:30 pm Youth Bells meeting at Pilgrim to car-pool to Applebee's and haul gear!

6:00-6:30 pm Youth bells ringing

6:30-8:00 pm Bellissimo rings!

8:00pm Help Rachael load her car to take back to Pilgrim if you have the energy!

Choir, Youth Choir and Youth Orchestra

Sunday, December 6th: Wear all black dress clothes this Sunday

9:00-9:40 am: Youth Choir rehearses with Pilgrim Choir and professional Orchestra in Choir Balcony on 2nd floor!

9:40-9:50 am Youth Orchestra rehearses with Professional orchestra in Choir Balcony on 2nd floor!

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Tuesday, November 24 at 7 pm

At Temple Israel, 1602 E. 2nd St.

Join the members and choirs from St. Paul's Episcopal, First Unitarian Church, First United Methodist Church, Glen Avon Presbyterian, Pilgrim Church, the Twin Ports Islamic Center, Gloria Dei Lutheran, and Temple Israel for our annual interfaith Thanksgiving service. The choirs from each congregation will be singing an anthem. The offering will benefit Chum and Syrian refugee relief.



DULUTH CLIMATE HIKE

Sunday, November 29, 2-4 pm

1st Lutheran Church / Lakewalk

March in fellowship and solidarity to encourage global leaders to take strong climate actions at the upcoming Paris Climate Change Conference (COP21).

Explore way that you can support your planet locally.

Meet at 2pm for refreshments, networking, and introductory speakers, then March for Climate Action along the Lakewalk and return to 1st Lutheran for more refreshments, speakers, networking, and assistance from community partners to identify actions you can take for a healthy planet.

More information: Sally Munger, 218-728-0711

(MNIPL Arrowhead Regional Network)

Organized by the ELCA NE Minnesota Synod Creation Care Team and Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light.

PILGRIM CHURCH STAFF

Jennifer Amy-Dressler, Pastor

Mary Sopoci, Business Manager

Jim Brower, Administrative Assistant

Rachael Kresha, Director of Music

Bret Amundson, Director of Choral Music

Sophie Hillmeyer, Children and Family Ministries Coordinator

Annika Nielsen, Childcare Assistant



From Duluth to East Timor: UCC Missionaries Rev. Tom and Dr. Monica Liddle

Dr. Monica Liddle spoke to Pilgrim Church on October 25, reflecting on the work she and her husband have done in East Timor. The Liddles have a powerful story of discovering their sense of call to this tiny island nation, selling their Duluth home and belongings to serve from 2009 – 2012. Our partner church, the Protestant Church of East Timor, has asked them to return; Monica will resume medical services in a small rural clinic, and Tom will continue working with local pastors and ministries.

In order to serve again, funding must be secured in advance. The following information from Global Ministries details where efforts are presently and how you can give if you so choose; note that gifts from Minnesotans are matched by the Minnesota Conference UCC. ~ from Social Justice Ministries

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Dear Friends:

Global Ministries is happy to share a report on the personalized fundraising campaign to raise the support necessary for Reverend Tom and Dr. Monica Liddle to serve with the Protestant Church of East Timor. For each year, Global Ministries must raise \$127,500 in order for these appointments to be a reality.

Through October 31, over \$112,000 has arrived to Global Ministries for this purpose! Of this amount \$50,000 was provided by the Minnesota Conference of the United Church of Christ, Monica and Tom's home Conference! Gifts also have arrived from four local churches and 30 individuals.

Global Ministries is very grateful for these gifts and for the progress they represent in reaching the fundraising goal for these two appointments.

In addition to its first grant mentioned above, the Minnesota Conference has committed to match gifts given from local churches and individuals of the Conference in an amount up to a second \$50,000! This matching challenge is now covered up to over \$29,000 – so NOW would be a great time for Minnesota UCC churches and individuals to submit their gifts for the Liddles' support in order for these gifts to be matched by the Conference!

Monica and Tom have been working hard making connections with donors and potential donors. They have presented in eight local Minnesota churches since the campaign began. Thank you so much for these invitations! ...

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS about this personalized fundraising campaign in support of the Liddles' missionary appointments (mechanisms, logistics, timeframes, relationship Global Ministries-Conference, etc.) please contact me at janesd@dom.disciples.org or (317) 713-2558.

If you have not already (and even if you have!) Global Ministries invites you to [make a gift online or by check](#) to provide missionary support for the Liddles to serve with the Protestant Church of East Timor for four years. You may want to include such gifts in your [Alternative Christmas giving](#) this year. You also may [set up an automatic recurring gift](#) set up an automatic recurring gift to give for their missionary appointments monthly or quarterly.

Read interviews with [Tom](#) and [Monica](#) Liddle, more about the work of the [Protestant Church of East Timor](#), and a more complete description of [Global Ministries efforts to secure the funding needed for these two new missionary appointments.](#)

Looking forward as more progress is made, best greetings,

Reverend Jane Sullivan-Davis, CFRE
 Executive for Resource Development
 Global Ministries
 Tel: (317) 713-2558
 Email: janesd@dom.disciples.org

BELL RINGING FOR VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE

Monday, December 14, Noon

Lake Place Plaza

Dress warmly for this 30-minute vigil and bell-ringing on the third anniversary of the Sandy Hook school shootings.

This event is sponsored and supported by Newtown Action (formed in the wake of the shooting), Faiths United to Prevent Gun Violence, and the Northland Brady Protect Minnesota chapter.

Churches across the city will also be ringing bells at that hour. Churches, including Pilgrim, will also be remembering victims of gun violence in worship that Sunday.

A Duluth area Faith Summit on Gun Violence Prevention is being planned for the last weekend of February.

SPEAK YOUR PEACE THE CIVILITY PROJECT

This is the last in a series of free workshops on ensuring civility in our community and understanding how each of us can make a difference.

- What Hurt Was How You Said It-6:30 Wednesday, December 2. It's not just what you say but also how you say it.

This session is at First United Methodist Church, 230 E. Skyline Parkway, Duluth. For questions or to register, please call 218-726-0232 or email info@dsacommunityfoundation.com.

CHUM HOLIDAY CONCERT

Saturday, December 5

7:00 pm

St. Michael's Church

4901 E Superior St, Duluth, MN

COOKIES FOR THE JAIL

Each year the chaplains at the County Jail host a party for inmates and their families—if you are baking and could box up a dozen or so cookies, it would be greatly appreciated. Mark your cookies “for Jail” and leave them in the small kitchen Sunday or Monday December 13th or 14th. **Due to food allergies, please do not cook with any nuts or coconut.**



SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

November 22-Ushers

Stacey Achterhoff and Charles Walters

Greeters/coffee

Margo and Dave Zentner

Reader

Joseph Grant

Counters

Mardi Bagley and Steve Grindy

November 29-Ushers

Bob Hensley and Gene Shull

Greeters/coffee

Tucker Hanlon and Denny Falk

Reader

Steve Cushing

Counters

Greg Gilbert and Steve Grindy

December 6-Ushers

Jenny Jensen and Charles Walters

Greeters/Coffee

Martin and Melanie Grune

Reader

Mary Olin

Counters

Greg Gilbert and Mardi Bagley

December 13-Ushers

Jane Shull, Andrew Streitz and Josie Olson

Greeters/Coffee

Jenny Ballew and Cindy Grindy

Reader

Gene Shull

Counters

Denny Falk and Jack Setterlund

December 20-Ushers

Martin Grune and Tucker Hanlon

Greeters/Coffee

Jenny Ballew and Denny Falk

Reader

Steve Cushing

Counters

Denny Falk and Mardi Bagley

Please arrive at church between 9:15 and 9:30 to allow enough time to get ready for worship. Thank you!

NOVEMBER 22-DECEMBER 17

Sunday, Nov. 22	9:15 am	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:20 am	OWL-Our Whole Lives
Monday, Nov. 23	8:30 am	Cooking at Damiano Center
Tuesday, Nov. 24	7:00 pm	Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
Wednesday, Nov. 25	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, Nov. 26		Happy Thanksgiving
Friday, Nov. 27		Church Office Closed
Sunday, Nov. 29	9:15 am	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship-Hanging of the Greens
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
Tuesday, Dec. 1	7:30 am	Men's Fellowship Group
	6:00 pm	Church Council
Wednesday, Dec. 2	6:00 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Bellissimo
Friday, Dec. 4	5:30 pm	Youth Bells meet at Pilgrim
Saturday, Dec. 5	7:00 pm	CHUM Holiday Concert
Sunday, Dec. 6	9:00 am	Pilgrim Choir, Youth Choir and Youth Orchestra Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour and Advent Workshop and Arts and Crafts Fair
Tuesday, Dec. 8		All Ministry Night
Wednesday, Dec. 9	10:30 am	Pilgrim Women Friends
	3:00 pm	Communications Ministry
	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, Dec. 13	9:15 am	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
Monday, Dec. 14		Newsletter Deadline
Tuesday, Dec. 15	7:00 pm	BeFriends
Wed., Dec. 16	6:00 pm	Pageant Rehearsal
Thursday, Dec. 17	1:00 pm	Newsletter Assembly

Next Newsletter Deadline is Monday, December 14

Need more information on happenings, or a boost in the arm about how God has been working in and through Pilgrim Church? Remember to visit our website, pilgrimduluth.org, and our Facebook page!

When you visit the Pilgrim Church Facebook page, please click the "LIKE" button as well as the "SHARE" button. Also, you may "INVITE" your FRIENDS to any current "event" listed. Help us promote the viewing of our FB page!

Poinsettias

We are taking orders for poinsettias from Engwall's Nursery the first three Sundays in Advent. Orders placed will be delivered the following Sunday. The last chance to order poinsettias will be Sunday, December 13.

Order flowers to use in your home or donate them to Pilgrim to beautify our sanctuary. Cost is \$20.00. (The same plants retail for \$24.99) Proceeds from the flowers will help support Pilgrim Youth Programing.

Place your order at the table in Salter Hall or drop this form at the church office.

Name _____

Take home _____

Leave At Pilgrim _____

Number of Poinsettias _____

In Honor of _____

Or

In Memory of _____

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Upcoming Events

- November 22 Worship and Sunday School
Our Whole Lives (OWL) preview**
- November 24 Interfaith Thanksgiving Service**

- November 26 Happy Thanksgiving**
- November 27 Office Closed**
- November 29 Worship-1st Sunday of Advent**
- December 1 Church Council**
- December 6 Worship, Choral Cantata, J. S. Bach
Advent Workshop and Arts and
Craft Fair**
- December 8 All Ministry Night**
- December 13 Worship with Holy Communion**
- December 14 Newsletter deadline**
- December 15 BeFrienders**



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