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SHARED MINISTRY. . .THE WAY WE WORK TOGETHER

What's your ministry? Where do you practice your ministry? Maybe it sounds like a strange question because for so many years "ministry" was considered to be the province of those specially "called and trained." Ministry happens wherever people are acting out of their faith commitments. Ministry takes place at home, on the job, in the neighborhood and at church.

When Pilgrim embarked on a new governance structure a few years ago, one of the concerns was to create a structure where members and friends of Pilgrim could tailor their individual ministries to fit their interests, talents, and availability. We have eight small Ministry Committees charged with planning for the congregation's work. The ministry committees set priorities, develop needed policies, request budget support, and provide training for various aspects of Pilgrim's ministries. But the ministry itself—from setting tables to delivering meals; from ushering to teaching Sunday school, is carried out by volunteers who may or may not be a member of a ministry committee.

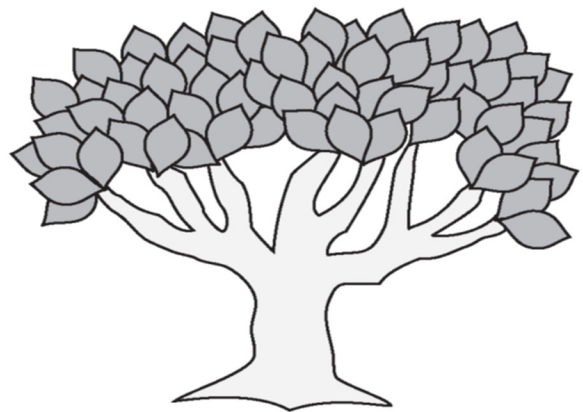
Our Shared Ministry forms are key to connecting ministry opportunities with your interests and preferences for ministry. We try to update these forms each year—giving you the chance to try something new, or continue doing something you enjoy. This is also the opportunity to exit a ministry when you feel you've given what you can and need to make room for some other commitments.

Later this month you will receive a new Shared Ministry form. Please fill it out and return it no later than the night of the congregation's Annual Meeting. Just as you are asked in the fall to think about your financial commitment to Pilgrim, we are asking you in the spring to think about your commitment of time and effort.

The more people who indicate an interest in a particular ministry, the less responsibility falls to a single person or small group. For example, a larger pool of ushers or coffee hosts means fewer Sundays assigned to each person. When more people are willing to take a turn setting tables for a church dinner, we don't need to depend on the same small group for hospitality.

Life is busy and scheduling is sometimes difficult—but your willingness to pitch in helps us be the church we are.

In the tree logo designed by Tammy Hensley, the leaves represent the ministries carried out by Pilgrims. They are supported by the branches, our governance structure.. There are many different ministries—they are what people see and experience at Pilgrim. When you receive your Shared Ministry form, please fill it out thoughtfully. It is a crucial part of our planning for this coming year. Thank you. Charlotte Frantz, Minister



REUNION SUNDAY MAY 4—WORSHIP AND BRUNCH

Worship with us on Sunday, May 4th, and enjoy this opportunity to reconnect with each other after a long, cold winter. Stay for brunch following worship—we'll make time for conversation and catching up.

If you are among the snowbirds who have just returned from a winter away, we'd like to welcome you back. If health has kept you away, we hope you'll be able to be here, even if it requires some extra assistance from us. Please let us know if we can give you a ride to church, help you get into the building, or whatever. If you've just been busy, or gotten out of the habit of coming to Pilgrim, use this Sunday as the excuse to come back! We'd love to see you!

Pilgrim Membership and Growth Ministry Committee

P.S. If you are willing to help with hospitality, rides, or kitchen duties, please let us know through the church office!

NEWS FROM THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

In the very near future Pilgrim Church will celebrate a very BIG accomplishment! The roof project debt will be paid off. (1 million dollars) This project began in 2005! We will celebrate! This is a good time to re-examine our financial, physical, and program ministries. The Church Council appointed an ad hoc comprehensive budget working group to do just that several months ago. In March the committee heard from Church members during a second hour discussion. That discussion focused on what members of Pilgrim see as priorities. The discussion was wide ranging. Since that March 2nd meeting the ad hoc working group has been meeting weekly.

We took the March suggestions and divided those by subject. Next we decided which were central to our charge, and which were to be forwarded to the appropriate Pilgrim ministry. (Worship & Arts, Christian Education, etc.). As those tasks were engaged, we began to discuss how we might build multi-year budget scenarios that reflect Pilgrim members' priorities.

As we approach the May annual meeting we are beginning to build budget scenarios (multi-year) that vary in their assumptions and outcomes. The purpose of these budget exercises is to better grow understanding as the first goal.

Ultimately we will add to the multi-year budget scenarios, key priorities. They could include; building a reserve fund, and a capital needs priority list. The March 2nd discussion revealed strong interest in expanding our youth ministry. How will we meet the needs of the children who share our service every Sunday as they grow into young adults. Seeking ways to better serve our members also ranks as a high interest, as does interest in serving our neighbors including the United Church of Christ. Using technology to better serve programs, and build membership is another example. Support for our staff is another key investment in a growing Pilgrim ministry.

Our investment reserves are integral to every ministry we have at Pilgrim. A number of our members feel the need to better understand the history of each of the funds. How they are managed? What are their historic impact on our ministries?

What better time to engage these conversations than now? An old challenge is about to be history. New challenges await us. Check in with any of us if you have questions or suggestions and were not able to be at the March 2nd meeting. These are good times at Pilgrim.

Ad hoc members: Ruth Ann Eaton, Denny Falk, Robert Reichert, Char Taylor, Kane Tewes, Dave Zentner

**CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING
MAY 28TH**

The annual meeting will be Wednesday, May 28th. There will be a social hour followed by a meal and then the agenda for the meeting will include election of Ministry Committees and Council members and volunteer commitments for the 2014-2015 program year.

**ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE
MAY 12**

If you are the chair or convener of a Ministry Committee or Team or another group within Pilgrim, please note that annual reports are due in the office by May 12. If you would like to submit a report for your group or interest, please email or drop one off at the church office.

PACT TV REGULAR BROADCAST

Pilgrim's regular broadcasts on Channel 7 are Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm and Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 am. repeated at 8:30-9:30 pm.

April 30 and May 1 "Practice Resurrection" by the Rev. Charlotte Frantz from April 20, 2014-Easter

May 7 and 8 "By Faith" by the Rev. Charlotte Frantz from March 16, 2014

May 14 and 15 "In God's Heart" by the Rev. Charlotte Frantz from March 23, 2014

May 21 and 22 "To the Kingdom Borne" by the Rev. Charlotte Frantz from March 30, 2014

May 28 and 29 "For Whatever Ails Us" by the Rev. Charlotte Frantz from April 6, 2014

There are also loaner DVD's of these services available in the office.

Please note: This is the series of sermons based on Marcus Borg's Heart of Christianity. Copies of the sermon manuscripts are also available through the office.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 27

Second Sunday of Easter

“Living Hope”

Texts: 1 Peter 1:3-9 and John 20:19-31

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

The Rev. Charlotte Frantz

11:00 am Coffee Hour

11:20 am 2nd Hours:

Pilgrim Energy Retrofit Review

Hands Free CPR

Childcare available 8:45-12:30 pm

May 4

Third Sunday of Easter

Reunion Sunday

“In the Breaking of Bread”

Texts: 1 Peter 1:17-23 and Luke 24:13-35

9:00 am Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am Worship, Holy Communion and

Sunday School

The Rev. Charlotte Frantz

11:00 am Congregational Meal

Childcare available 8:45-12:30 pm

May 11

Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

Text: Psalm 104:10-13

“Guest” Preacher Dave Zentner

11:00 am Coffee Hour

11:20 am 2nd Hour-Mining Concerns

Childcare available 8:45-12:30 pm

May 18

Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Pilgrim Choir/Joyful Voices Rehearsal

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

Texts: 1 Peter 2:2-10 and John 14:1-14

The Rev. Charlotte Frantz

11:00 am Coffee Hour

11:20 am 2nd Hour-Orientation to Pilgrim

Childcare available 8:45-12:30 pm

May 25

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am Worship (no Sunday School)

Texts: 1 Peter 3:13-22 and John 14:15-21

The Rev. Charlotte Frantz

11:00 am Coffee Hour

Childcare available 8:45-11:30 am

2ND HOURS THIS SUNDAY

There will be two 2nd Hours offered this Sunday: a session on “hands only CPR” in the parlor and an update from Bret Pence on energy efficiency at Pilgrim. Come learn what the “green team” has been doing!

HOLY WATER!

DAVE ZENTNER PREACHING

David Zentner, president of the Isaac Walton League, will be our “guest” in the pulpit May 11. The theme for the service is “Holy Water”, this year’s ecumenical earth day emphasis. Dave will talk with us about stewardship of waterways and wetlands. Following the service, he will present a 2nd hour on mining issues—one of which is the impact of mining on water. Thank you, Dave, for sharing your passion with us. Please bring a container of water that morning to the service: it can be tap water, water from Tischer Creek, rain water or water from Lake Superior.

CHOIR APPRECIATION

The Coffee Hour on May 18 will be our opportunity to thank the choirs and music staff for their faithful and amazing service to Pilgrim this past program year. Mingle with the choir during this time of fellowship and thank our singers and ringers, Bret, Rachael and Sam.

JOIN PILGRIM!

If you’ve found yourself feeling at home here at Pilgrim, maybe it’s time to consider church membership! Pilgrim will receive new members on May 11 and June 8. If you are interested, contact Charlotte or the church office for membership forms. There’s a blue form (mostly contact and demographic information) that needs to be returned once you’ve selected the date that works for you. There are a few preparations we need to make, so the forms should be back to Charlotte a week ahead of time. On May 18, there will be a 2nd hour Introduction to Pilgrim for newer members, visitors and guests interested in learning more about us.

HAVE CHILDREN? PLEASE NOTE

We will not hold Sunday school classes on May 25, the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. Children are encouraged to worship through the service and child care will be available for children 8 and younger. On June 1, children and youth will be presenting the musical “Are we There Yet?” as part of our School’s Out! Sunday celebration.

THANK YOU S

Dear Friends at Pilgrim,
 God bless you this Holy Week and Easter. Thank you for blessing us again with your quarterly gift of \$25.00. The support of your congregation to the **Seafarers Center** over the years-I/we really appreciate. May the new season bring you courage and joy as you share and witness to Christ's presence.
 The Rev. Tom Anderson

Dear folks at Pilgrim,
 Thank you for the many ways in which you sustained my mother over the past 3+ years, and thanks as well for a lovely memorial service.
 My best, Ruth Allard

Dear Friends,
 Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers—We all love them and especially the roses! We want to thank you for the visits from Pilgrim!
 Clark is slowly getting back his strength—It will be great to have him back home again.
 Again, thank you all for your many kindnesses!
 Jean and Clark Dohm

Dear Charlotte,
 Thank you for your congregational gift of \$628 and 235 pounds of food to CHUM. Your gifts to the food shelf will be included in the amount to be proportionally matched by the Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign and by the Feinstein Foundation.
 Lee Stuart, Executive Director

We have had 2 generous donation last month. One is a lock on the unisex bathroom that shows whether it is occupied or not, and a new, modern faucet in the kitchen upstairs. Thank you so much for these useful items.

Thank you to everyone who participated in Holy Week here at Pilgrim: The Choirs and musicians, the Seder meal staff and everyone who helped with the services. It was a rich Holy Week. For pictures and some video clips, check out Pilgrim's Facebook page.

PARISH PERSONALS

Congratulations to **Bret Pence** who has been invited to accompany a Duluth contingent to Washington, D.C. for the kickoff of the Georgetown University Energy Prize. Forty cities were invited to participate in this effort which highlights community initiatives and efforts related to rethinking energy efficiency and the development of renewable energy resources. Bret was invited to be part of the Duluth delegation based on his work here at Pilgrim and his leadership in developing community partnerships.

Our prayers and good wishes are for **Luanne Kaspszak and Kim Mathias**. They will be united in marriage on May 3 at the Duluth Women's Club.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME!

The Turkey softball season is almost here. If you and or someone in your family would like to be on the team, please contact David Braun at dbraun1980@gmail.com. This is a family league, so bring the gang and help the Turkeys try for another trophy. We need women players as well as men and a few 16 and younger, 60 and older players, too. (Check out the trophies in Salter Hall!) Games are at the UMD field.

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP: GUEST AUTHOR

June 23 is the evening to discuss So Many Lovely Days by Mara Hart. Mara is going to join us that evening! If you would like a copy of the book, Mara has them available for \$10. I will place an order May 1 so please let me know if you would like a copy by then.

Our upcoming dates and titles:

April 28 is Zookeeper's Wife by Diane Ackerman. Karen is the facilitator. Is there anyone who would like to bring treats?

May 19 is Painted Drum by Louise Erdrich. Kitty is the facilitator .

Our book group is open to women who are members of Pilgrim or their friends, so feel free to invite a friend to come with you.

Joan Setterlund
 728-4986

JOYFUL VOICES

Attention singers! Joyful Voices will be meeting again to sing an anthem with the Pilgrim Choir:

Rehearsals:

Wednesday, May 7th, 7:15-8:00 pm

Wednesday, May 14th 7:15-8:00 pm

Sunday, May 18th, 9:00-9:45 am, singing in Church for 10 am worship.

Joyful Noises is for people who love to sing!

OCCASIONAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There's more to a book sale than just the sale! Don Bjoralt is willing to once again chair Pilgrim's book sale, but he is asking for assistance. Can you help in one of the following ways?

Printing—The signs Don puts out around town are in need of refurbishing. If you have access to large print facilities or know somewhere where the signs could be printed at low cost, talk with Don.

Advertising—We need Pilgrims to put up and then remove the yard signs around the neighborhood and on street corners. This job requires about an hour or two on the Tuesday before the Sale and on Saturday after the sale. This could be a good family project!

Sorting—We're trying to weed through the backlog of books that have accumulated over the years. Don and Jeanne Kogl have already begun. They could use help an afternoon at a time between now and the sale as well as more hands and eyes Wednesday and Thursday, June 5 and 6.

Set up for the sale will be Friday, June 6 and the sale itself, June 7. As always, we can use a crew of helpers. You can volunteer for any of the above tasks by contacting Don directly (724-0026 or jeffersonbooks@gmail.com) or through the church office, pilgrimdlh@msn.com or 218-724-8503.

THE FENSKE LAKE TRIP

by Brooke Hanlon

Last summer I went on the Fenske Lake camping trip with Peace Church and it was so fun! We stayed at a campsite for two nights and during that time we got to do stuff like cooking food by the camp fire, meeting new friends, canoeing in the boundary waters, and of course the fishing. When I got there, the only person I knew was Jackie Falk, but I made new friends and I hope others can experience the things I did last year at the Annual youth group Fenske Lake camping trip.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPING TRIP:

Sunday - Tuesday, August 17-19 Join Pastor Kathy Nelson and Mark Hakes for a trip into the BWCA! Stay at Fenske Lake Campground on the Echo Trail. Activities include swimming, hiking, S'more making/eating, sleeping in tents, and just getting to know each other better. They have a wonderful swimming beach, fishing pier and camp sites. We will venture into the BWCA to see the pictographs on Hegman Lake and take time for swimming and fishing. We will also visit the Wolf Center in Ely.

We will leave after worship on Sunday August 18 and return on Tuesday afternoon. Cost is \$30, scholarships available. Ask Jackie Falk (724-7407) for more information if you are interested.

2014 ANNUAL PROGRESSIVE DINNER MAY 31

What better way to celebrate spring, strengthen friendships and build a stronger sense of community than sharing fellowship and food? Pilgrim Congregational Church (UCC) will host its annual progressive dinner Saturday, May 31. Pilgrim has been hosting progressive dinners for years and it has always been a great time!

Progressive dinners generally start at one home for appetizers and commence to different homes for the main course. These courses are smaller, more intimate groups with different guests at each. The whole group will then gather together once again for dessert.

Please join us for this fun dinner party, where you are guaranteed to meet some new friends and enjoy delicious food! All adults are welcome, couples and singles alike!

Participants will either host a small group for the main course, provide food for the main course or provide an appetizer, beverage or dessert. We need hosts for the appetizer and dessert homes. A sign up sheet will be on the table in Salter Hall. Please call Cary at 724-9129 if you have any questions. Or you can email me at ggilb25277@aol.com to sign up for this event.

Main course hosts are asked to let us know the number of guests they can accommodate when they sign up. As far as menu and degree of formality goes???

...Whether it's pulling out the china and having a formal sit-down dinner...or a relaxed picnic on the patio. It's completely up to you! That's part of the fun.

GRADUATES!

We are assembling a list of students who will be graduating this spring. If you are soon to be a grad or you know of someone who is graduating this spring, please call the church office at 724-8503 or email at pilgrimdlh@msn.com.

Pilgrim graduates will be honored during the worship service in June 1 and their names will be listed in the bulletin that morning. We want to include high school, college, and technical school graduates and persons receiving advanced degrees. Thanks!



CONSIDER PILGRIM IN ESTATE PLANNING

Dear Pilgrims;
The Stewardship Ministry at Pilgrim has been an active group. We've held several estate and financial seminars for the mix of generations at Church. We've had very good feed-back from those attending that the time was well spent, and, in fact, in some cases revealed the need for additional work on their personal estate planning. We were very purposeful in avoiding bringing in a "sales-team" for a particular firm, company or product.

We have a request to make in this short letter. As you consider your estate and your financial plans, please consider Pilgrim.

Pilgrim Church is well known in the Duluth area for serving this community in many ways. Much of the ability to do that work is a result of the legacy left by those who have gone before us. Your gifts to Pilgrim are needed to continue the ministry to our congregation, and, the greater community.

Please consider including Pilgrim church in your long range financial plans. Pilgrim Stewardship is ready to help answer your questions.

Sincerely;
Marge Fraser, Bob Lindquist, Steve Therrien and Dave Zentner

PILGRIM BOOK SALE—SAVE THE DATE!

Pilgrim Church will hold its annual used book sale on Saturday, June 7th, from 9:00 to 4:00. We need many gently used books of all kinds: Children's, fiction, non-fiction, history, art, biography, nature, etc...

Books can be dropped off in the basement coat room just to the right of the parking lot side door. Sign-up sheets for volunteers will be on the table in Salter Hall. We need people to help set up on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, June 4, 5 and 6, and people to help on sale day, Saturday, June 7th.



SHINY PAPER DRIVE!

Our church has collected over 100,000 pounds of paper in the last two years for our shiny paper drive. As you get ready for the end of the school year, don't forget to bring in your used notebook paper, anything printed on white printer and copier paper, and also your shiny paper! All funds raised from the Shiny paper drive are used for the music program. The June 1st children's musical, "Are We There Yet?" was made possible because of funds raised from the Shiny paper drive.



ARE WE THERE YET? PILGRIM'S SUNDAY SCHOOL YOUTH MUSICAL!

The chorus and speaking parts will be rehearsing every Sunday from 11:00-11:20 am after worship on Sunday mornings either in the chapel or the sanctuary.

May Musical Rehearsal Schedule:

Thursday, May 1st, 6:00-7:15 pm, Speaking Parts only
Friday, May 2nd, 6:00-7:15 pm, Speaking Parts only

Thursday, May 8, 6:00-7:15 pm, Speaking Parts only
Friday, May 9, 6:00-7:15 pm, Speaking Parts only

Thursday, May 15, 6:00-7:15 pm, ENTIRE CAST!
Friday, May 16, 6:00-7:15 pm, Speaking Parts only

Wednesday, May 21st, 6:00-7:15 pm, Speaking Parts
Thursday, May 22, ENTIRE CAST!
Friday, May 23, 6:00-7:15 pm, Speaking Parts only

Wednesday, May 28th: 6:00-7:15 pm, ENTIRE CAST!
Thursday, May 29, ENTIRE CAST!
Friday, May 30, 6:00-7:15 pm, ENTIRE CAST
Sat, May 31st: 9:00-12:00 Entire Cast
Sunday, June 1st, call time 8:30-9:45 am rehearsal
Entire Cast
10:00 am performance/Worship

NEXT ALL MINISTRY NIGHT
May 13
All Ministries are asked to attend a 6:15 meeting, hosted by the Comprehensive Budget Working Group

CONFIRMATION

Confirm not Conform – Pilgrims packing their backpacks for the spiritual journey.

“Please direct questions to Jackie Falk, 724-7407.
THE NICENE CREED

Theology is developed and expressed by people facing real-world forces as well as searching the Scriptures and the wisdom of their own hearts. The Nicene Creed didn't drop out of heaven complete and perfect from God. It was developed by people struggling to figure out what they believed about God, just as your confirmation students are trying to figure out what they believe. Sometimes it is easier not to know about the conflicts that lie behind our statements of faith because the conflict challenges our image of things being right and true and perfect. But we live in a world that is imperfect. People are a mix of good and bad—saints, yes, but also sinners who are saved by grace rather than by perfection.

We don't need to be perfect. God will use us as we are, as people limited by time and circumstance, just as God has always done. So we will begin the process of recording our own explorations of who God is, who Jesus is, who the Holy Spirit is.

May is a busy month. We will consult as a group as to choose our date and time.

Kids Against Hunger®

FEEDING FAMILIES AND CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD

With gratitude to the Sunday School class and Pilgrims who supported them, we met the goal of raising \$2500 for the Kids Against Hunger project. Later this month or in June, we will sponsor a day for packing meals to be used in refugee camps and other places where food is needed. Our goal is to pack 10,000 individual meals! Watch for further information on the date. Gifts to the project included memorials honoring the lives of Leonard Anderson and Sarah Allard.



We welcome all members of the gay and lesbian community to join us in a sane, smoke/alcohol/drug free environment.

Please join us in the Parlor at Pilgrim Congregational Church on Thursday, 22 May, at 7:00 PM for our first meeting.

Let's leave attitude, hang-ups, and preconceived notions at the door as we discuss what's really on our minds and in our hearts through uncensored, free and open expression of our honest views, of who and what we each are.

We are all individuals, and have and have had myriad types of relationships and worldviews. Whether or not we fit into one of the letters of the mainstream gay movement does not really matter. We are individuals, not categories. Our relationships, be they of the mainstream garden variety or not, may be loving and supportive or exploitive and destructive. There are great and lousy relationships of all types. It is the individual relationship that counts, not the type of relationship it may be.

No matter where you are in life, share with us, make new friends, enrich your life and ours, in a loving and supportive atmosphere of honesty and openness. This invitation is extended by Will Burton and Kenne Bowers who are looking for others to start a GLBT+ group in Duluth.

KRISTI'S SENIOR VOCAL RECITAL

Kristi Beaver, our childcare assistant at Pilgrim, will be performing her senior vocal recital, Friday, May 2nd at 7:30 pm at Weber recital hall. She will be singing Faure, Debussy, Puccini, de Falla, and one of her own compositions. Come hear her sing!

WELCOME TIP OF THE MONTH

Help be part of Pilgrim’s extravagant welcome! Here’s what you can do to help the rest of us extend an extravagant welcome to guests and visitors.



1) Encourage folks to wear a temporary nametag. It helps tremendously if you are wearing yours! You could say something like, “Would you mind putting on a name tag? It will help others in the congregation to greet you.” You can locate name tags for guests in Salter Hall, on the table where the name tags are. There are also name tags in the inside pocket of the red friendship pads in the pews.

2) Ask a guest or visitor sitting near you to sign the red pad. “Would you mind signing our register?” Again, if you put in your name and address and then pass the pad, a visitor is more likely to sign.

Here’s why its so important—soon after we have contact information for a person, Charlotte tries to acknowledge that person’s visit to Pilgrim. Most often, it’s a postcard with the picture of the church and a short message, “Thanks for being with us. . .” The sooner we get that acknowledgement and thanks out, the better. After a 2nd or 3rd visit, Jim makes up name tags for folks. It’s a small way of saying, “Hey—we’re glad you’re here—and we expect that you’ll be back.” As one visitor recently told Charlotte, “Finding my own name tag made me feel like I was already part of this congregation.” And, as often as Charlotte can get around to it, or someone in the congregation offers, we try to deliver a package of homemade chocolate chip cookies as part of our signature welcome.

It all starts with a name and contact info on the red pad. Help us welcome our guests and visitors and know that at the same time you’ve helped that individual get to know at least one person here—you. And who knows? Maybe he or she will become your new best friend at Pilgrim!!!!

MATZO BRITTLE

From *Cook’s Country* | [April/May 2011](#)

This was served at the Seder meal last week and was so popular, the recipe is being reproduced here. Thanks to Carol Bacig for this taste treat.

Makes about 15 pieces

Ingredients:

- 3 (6 1/2-inch) squares matzo**
- 12 tablespoons (1 1/2 sticks) unsalted butter, cut into 12 pieces**
- 1 cup packed light brown sugar**
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract**
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips**
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt**
- 1 cup slivered almonds, toasted**

Instructions

1. Adjust oven rack to middle position and heat oven to 350 degrees. Line 13 by 9-inch metal baking pan with aluminum foil, allowing foil to hang over pan edges. Spray foil with cooking spray. Place 2 matzo squares in bottom of pan. Cut remaining matzo into two 6½ by 2½-inch rectangles and fit into empty space of pan.
2. Bring butter and brown sugar to boil in medium saucepan over medium heat and cook, stirring constantly, until thickened, 2 to 3 minutes. Turn off heat, stir in vanilla. Pour caramel over matzo, spreading to coat completely. Bake until deep golden brown, about 10 minutes.
3. Remove pan from oven and let cool 5 minutes. Sprinkle chocolate chips over caramel and let sit 5 minutes. Spread chocolate in even layer and sprinkle with salt and almonds. Refrigerate until firm, at least 30 minutes. Invert brittle onto cutting board, discard foil, and break into large pieces. Serve. (Brittle can be stored in airtight container at room temperature for up to 4 days.)

GRANDMA'S MARATHON JUNE 21

Running to Help Keep People on their Feet

Running the half or full? Put your name on the list of Pilgrim runners. (The list is in Salter Hall.) We'll be asking Pilgrims to support you with a gift to Gabriel Project. Encourage your friends and family as well as congregation members to pledge their support.

Non-runners—Look for a fundraising display and make your pledge on behalf of Pilgrim runners. All funds raised will go to the Gabriel Fund which helps folks in our community with bus passes, medication copays, utilities, etc.



Runners we know of include Jim, Miranda and Hannah Peterson and Krissy Falk Snyder.

THIS YEAR'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—JULY 21-JULY 25

*Welcome! Give and Receive God's Great Love
VBS will meet 9am 12noon,
Monday—Friday.*

4 year olds to kids entering 5th grade

VBS will be held at Peace UCC with help from Pilgrim. Cost: \$20 per child if you register early (\$50 max per family), or \$25 per child if you register on the first day of VBS (\$60 max per family). God loves each and every one of us. Through acts of hospitality we are able to share the gift of God's love with those around us. This year's VBS, **Welcome! Give and Receive God's Great Love**, highlights Bible stories about God's people who showed hospitality and welcome to others. We will learn how God calls us to love and serve.

PILGRIM POINT YOUTH CAMPS

6th-12th graders are invited to attend Pilgrim Point camp together for an unforgettable week of fun and community-building! Adult church leaders attend camp with their youth and serve as the camp staff/counselors for the week.

If you or your youth are interested in attending, contact Charlotte Frantz.

Youth Camp Week 1 | July 20-25, 2014

Youth Camp Week 2 | July 27-Aug 1, 2014

Youth cost: \$300; after May 1st - \$350

Adult Church Leader cost: \$100

THANKS PHIL AND ELSIE COOK

Phil and Elsie Cook will be honored May 7 by the Isaac Walton League. Phil and Elsie executed a conservation easement on their land through an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. It is a perpetual easement that protects the land from significant development. Whenever this land may be sold in the future, the covenants that comprise the Cook easement will transfer to any future owner. Perpetual easements are one of the most important land form conservation tools in our conservation community "tool box". Peace and Pilgrim Church members will be very welcome to join us in honoring Elsie and Phil Cook on Wednesday, May.7th at Hartley Nature Center.

GEN SILENT

Wednesday, May 7 at 6:30 pm in the Hillside Room at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.

Gen Silent is a documentary film which follows the lives of six LGBT seniors living in the Boston area who must choose if they will hide their sexuality in order to survive in the long-term health care system. The title of the film is a reference to the generations of older LGBT people who remain in the closet or re-enter the closet out of concern for their safety or quality of life.

Gen Silent is sponsored by Welcoming Ministries of Gloria Dei. Gloria Dei members and the public are invited to attend. The film is just over an hour long and will be followed by a short discussion time. Refreshments will be provided.

LAKE SUPERIOR YOUTH CHORUS CONCERT

The Lake Superior Youth Chorus will be performing their last concert of the 2013-2014 Season at Pilgrim Congregational Church, on Sunday, May 18th, 7 pm. Our very own Annika Nielson sings in this choir! Come hear her sing! Tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, check out their website: <http://www.lsyouthchorus.org/>

PILGRIM POINT-CALLING ALL QUILTERS

Quilting Service Weekend Retreat May 30-June 1
Come to Pilgrim Point Camp and help make 30 twin sized quilts for special events campers to use during their stay at Pilgrim Point!
For additional information see the bulletin board or email Zac Noreberg at zac@uccmn.org

CHUM EVENTS

A Multimedia Musical Dramatization

May 4

4:00 pm First Lutheran Church

Words of Albert Schweitzer and Music of Bach

Free will offering with proceeds to CHUM.

CHUM Spring Assembly

May 20

Social at 6:00 p.m.; Program 6:30-7:30

Update on Steve O'Neil Apartments

Procession to the apartments and blessing

St. Mary's Star of the Sea

325 E. Third Street Duluth, MN

ECHOES OF PEACE CONCERT

A Place to Call Home:

Song, story, and poetry on homelessness and the quest to find home.

Echoes of Peace Choir Concert

directed by Sara Thomsen.

4pm, April 27

Sacred Heart Music Center, 201 W 4th St.

Free Admission.

The concert is In memory of Steve O'Neil and will include an update on and ways to support the Steve O'Neil Apartments.

ART HOUSE OF GOD - ZINEMA 2

One Sunday a month at 2PM Zinema will be showing a favorite films of faith. Some of these are literal religious tales and some of them are simply focused on spiritual themes, but all of them are great films that lend themselves to further discussion.

Afterwards Pastor Lawrence Lee from the United Church of Two Harbors will lead a talk with a different local religious leader/thinker and the audience.

Shows scheduled so far are:

5/18 - Flowers of St. Francis

6/8 - Into Great Silence

7/13 - Au Hasard Balthazar

8/10 - Ordet

**SOCIAL JUSTICE FILM
AT TEATRO ZUCONNE**

April 30, 7 p.m.

American Winter

A film on the impact of the Great Recession

Part of CHUM's Social Justice Film Series

**CHUM'S 10TH ANNUAL RHUBARB
FESTIVAL NEEDS OUR HELP**

The festival itself is June 28th, but some of the help is in preparation.

Baking

Lauri Cushing will not be available to head up Pilgrim's baking team, but she has some organizational tips to pass on. If you'd be willing to spend a day in our kitchen baking rhubarb pies, please let us know in the church office. We'll put together a team and get Lauri's advice. Last year Pilgrim provided 40 pies for the festival.

Raffle

The festival committee is seeking buckets of items for "bucket raffles." Buckets should have a theme and be worth at least \$50. We're looking for a group (organized or informal) willing to donate a bucket in Pilgrim's name. Choose any theme you like, and get members of your group to donate various items. Let us know in the church office of your interest.

Silent Auction

There is also a silent auction at the festival. If you are interested in donating an item, contact Jean Esler directly, no later than May. 15th at jesler67@gmail.com or by calling her at 218-624-3539.

Volunteer

Three hundred volunteers worked over 4,000 hours to make the 2013 CHUM Rhubarb Festival a success! Watch for further information about how you can have fun and help make this year's festival a success.

Rhubarb

We are looking for rhubarb, lots of rhubarb! If you or your neighbor or your mother or someone has a rhubarb patch, contact Jeff Van Straaten at jeffvanstraaten@yahoo.com.

Sewing

CHUM will sell children's bonnets and knit hats at the festival. For a simple pattern please contact Holly Jorde at hollyjorde@gmail.com.

"The hardest job kids face today is learning good manners without seeing any."
 - Fred Astaire
 —www.instituteforcivility.org

HIGHLIGHTS APRIL 27-MAY 22

Sunday, April 27	9:00 am	Musical Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship, and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:20 am	2nd Hour-Hands only CPR Energy Update
	11:20 am	Ad Hoc Comprehensive Budget
Monday, April 28	8:30 am	Cooking at Damiano Center
	6:30 pm	Women's Book Group
Wednesday, April 30	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Youth at Peace
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, May 1	6:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Friday, May 2	6:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Sunday, May 4	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship, Holy Communion and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour and Meal
	11:00 am	Musical Rehearsal
Tuesday, May 6	6:30 pm	Leadership Team
Wednesday, May 7	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Youth at Peace
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir/Joyful Voices
Thursday, May 8	6:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Friday, May 9	6:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Sunday, May 11	9:00 am	Confirmation class
	9:00 am	Pilgrim Choir
	10:00 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:00 am	Musical Rehearsal
	11:20 am	2nd Hour-Mining Issues All Ministry Night
Tuesday, May 13		Youth at Peace
Wednesday, May 14	7:00 pm	Pilgrim Choir/ Joyful Noise
	7:15 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Thursday, May 15	6:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Friday, May 16	6:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Sunday, May 18	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee
	11:00 am	Musical Rehearsal
	11:20 am	2nd Hour-Orientation to Pilgrim Newsletter Deadline
Monday, May 19		Women's Book Club
	6:30 pm	CHUM Spring Assembly
Tuesday, May 20	6:00 pm	Church Council
	6:00 pm	BeFriends
	7:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
Wednesday, May 21	6:00 pm	Youth at Peace
	7:00 pm	Newsletter Assembly
Thursday, May 22	1:00 pm	Musical Rehearsal
	6:00 pm	GLBT+ Gathering
	7:00 pm	

Next Newsletter Deadline is Monday, May 19

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

April 27-Ushers

Carri Hoagland and Josie Olson

Greeters/Coffee

Don and Paula Bjoralt

Lay Reader

Don Bjoralt

May 4-Ushers

Marge Fraser, Jane Shull, Stacey

Achterhoff, Jenny Ballew

Greeters/Coffee

Bob and Tammy Hensley

Lay Reader

Nate Stumme

May 11-Ushers

Marge Fraser and Charles Walters

Greeters/Coffee

Carri Hoagland and Kitty Van Evera

Lay Reader

Andrew Streitz

May 18-Ushers

Marge Fraser and John Fochs

Greeters/Coffee

Karen and Huck Andresen

Lay Reader

Mary Olin

May 25-Ushers

Marge Fraser and Jane Shull

Greeters/Coffee

Margo and Dave Zentner

Lay Reader

Julie Johnson

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

PILGRIM CHURCH STAFF

Charlotte Frantz, Minister

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Upcoming Events

**April 27 Worship and Sunday School
2nd Hours: Hands Only CPR and
Energy Update
May 4 Worship with Holy Communion and
Sunday School
May 11 Worship and Sunday School
Guest Preacher Dave Zentner
2nd Hour-Mining Concerns
May 13 All Ministry Night
May 18 Worship and Sunday School
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May 28 Annual Congregational Meeting**



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