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PILGRIM NEWS

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In the next month I will wrap up my 21 months of interim service with Pilgrim Church. In that time, you took a significant leap of faith when you engaged the **New Beginnings** process. A thorough assessment report revealed both the tremendous gifts that Pilgrim holds, and the enormous challenges of being faithful church in the twenty-first century. But even more significant than the report is the way in which the Spirit moved through prayer and discussion to shift this congregation's shared life.

The challenges facing Pilgrim Church are genuine: financial needs that presently outrun financial resources and giving; limited parking in this location; "fuzzy vision"; and anxiety over change and loss. The gifts of Pilgrim's legacy and identity – both as received and as offered or to be offered – are just as genuine: a love and quality of music that stirs the soul in faithful worship and growth; active commitment to issues of justice and compassion in the world; an ethos of questioning and seeking; community capital for transformative partnerships; a spirit of service that leads many to commit time, effort, knowledge and abilities to the tending of Pilgrim and its greater purpose.

Participants finished six intensive sessions with stronger relationships, growing commitment, and deeper spirituality, and their experience has leavened the whole loaf of Pilgrim Church. New opportunities for continued spiritual growth are launching. A youth group has begun its own ventures in service. Children are taking new worship roles, and new adults are taking teachings and mentoring roles. Social Justice Ministry is exploring additional ways to enable Gospel transformation. Music ministries engage more and more people, continuing to offer a prophetic voice along with jubilant and meditative tones.

The Council is presently forming a **Coordinating Team** which will work with your new pastor and with your coach (Ray Schulte of the Center for Parish Development) to design and implement a visioning process. The process will include opportunities for all to deepen spiritually, to participate in genuine conversations, and to begin to discover what God has for you in this next season, as you serve the world with the best of who you most truly are.

Also newly formed is an **Anniversary Team** to guide the 2017 observance of a century of Pilgrim worship, ministry and mission from this location. Already discoveries are being made of how God has worked in this church and, most importantly, through it, to bring the Reign of God in lives, community and world. Creative ideas abound to celebrate the past in ways that will guide and energize your journey into God's future!

In the midst of recalling the past and envisioning the future, remember that you are the church now, in the present moment. This is where God's Spirit is active, right where life is lived. A great venture is unfolding – scary at times, but full of promise. So let me bless you in this way:

*God grant you not a smooth and easy path,
for that would not be the Way of Jesus.
But God grant you the true needs of a Pilgrim:
clear vision drawing you forward;
stamina when the road is rough, trust when it is long;
every day a reason to laugh;
and each other to make real the presence of the Living Christ.
Amen.*

NEIGHBORS IN NEED SPECIAL MISSION OFFERING

On October 2nd, we will be collecting the Neighbors in Need offering. Two thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries. Justice and Witness continues its strong policy advocacy work on issues such as the federal budget, voting rights, immigration, health care, hate crimes, civil liberties, and environmental justice.

One third of the offering supports the UCC's Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM). Today, there are 20 UCC congregations on reservations and one urban, multi-tribal UCC congregation in Minneapolis. These churches and their pastors are supported by CAIM.

The work of Neighbors in Need aligns well with the Social Justice Ministry of Pilgrim. Please consider donating to this fund on October 2. Special envelopes will be available on October 2. Melanie Grune, Social Justice Ministry

CHILDREN'S SPACE/NURSERY VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY MORNING NEEDED

We have our amazing Annika Nielson who cares for our little ones 4 and under on Sunday mornings in the children space, but we always have an adult volunteer in the children's space with her on Sunday mornings. A sign up sheet is on the door of the children's space, or contact Jonathan Kresha if you are interested in volunteering, jonkresha@gmail.com.

BABY NOOK AT PILGRIM

Do you ever wonder where parents take their distressed infant during the worship service? Well, now we have a special space set aside for families with non-mobile infants in the Parlor during the worship service. Thanks to the hard and thoughtful work of Jim Drake, Harlan Stech, and Mary Sopoci, we now have a live feed of the service broadcasted onto the TV in the parlor so parents while feeding, comforting, and snuggling their infants, can still watch the service even though their little one no longer wants to be in the Sanctuary. We have a tummy time mat, rocking chair, baby swing, and some sensory toys too so parents don't have to bring the whole "kitchen sink" every time they come to church. If you would like to see additional items in this space, please let Jonathan Kresha know, jonkresha@gmail.com.

EVERY DAY SAMARITANS

Pilgrim youth and leaders will join youth and leaders from Peace UCC and First Lutheran for all-day leadership training in the peer ministry program, *Every Day Samaritans*. Samaritan-style leadership is caring, welcoming, and affirming others in caring conversations, listening well, asking questions and welcoming others of any age. Our trainer and program author, Lyle Griner, originally with the SEARCH Institute, has been successfully training youth and adult leaders in peer ministry for more than 15 years. Save the date: **Saturday November 12, 2016, 8:00 -4:30 at Peace Church**. We can bring 3 adults and up to 6 youth. We are grateful to a \$500.00 grant from the Minnesota UCC Conference Ashley Endowment Fund to be able to take advantage of this opportunity.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

**Friday, October 14th 5:30-6:30 pm:
Swing Dance and Pizza!**

Come learn how to Jitterbug, swing, groove, and jive in Fellowship Hall! Rebecca Harwood, dance professor at UMD (Robert's Mom) will be teaching us how to shake, rattle, and roll! Youth, bring a friend, but save one dance for Mom or Dad! Parents, this is almost like a date night? Pilgrims, it's time to show the young ones your moves!
\$5 suggested donation per person for pizza!

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.

- October 5 and 6-"Parable and Prayer in a Political Time" by the Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler from September 18, 2016
- October 12 and 13-"Really Life" by the Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler from September 25, 2016
- October 19 and 20-"Making Room at the Table" by Rev. Dr. Karen Schuder from October 2, 2016

Do you want to view a past worship from Pilgrim? Please email the office, office@pilgrimduluth.org and we will send you a link on YouTube to view on your computer.

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
- Jackie Falk-Children and Family Ministries Coordinator
- Annika Nielsen, Childcare Assistant

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

October 2

**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday
Rev. Dr. Karen Schuder,
Pastoral Candidate**

“Making More Room at the Table”

10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion

11:00 am Congregational Meeting

Luncheon following

October 9

**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
Stewardship I**

“Unleashing Potential”

(Jeremiah 29:1, 4-9; Luke 18:1-8)

Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

11:00 am Coffee Fellowship

October 16

**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Stewardship II**

“Written on the Heart”

(Jeremiah 31:27-34; Luke 18:1-8)

Rev. Jennifer Amy-Dressler

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Coffee Hour

11:15 TED Talk Discussion in Parlor

October 23

**Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
Stewardship III**

Rev. Kirstin Batchelor

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

11:00 am Coffee Hour

October 30

**Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Stewardship IV**

Rev. Dr. Karen Schuder

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

11:00 am Coffee Hour

11:15 am TED Talk Discussion in Parlor

11:15 am Transgender Issues, Session I

“One Woman’s Story: Carri Hoagland”

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Hosted by the Pilgrim Youth Group the Breakfast on September 25 was a great success. \$693 was raised for Kids Closet. Thank you to Cindy Grindy and everyone who helped the youth.

**ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH
OPPORTUNITIES**

Four pilot programs are being offered this fall, in response to overwhelming requests through the New Beginnings process. These four are in addition to occasional Second Hour educational opportunities. Please contact the coordinator to learn more (contact the church office for phone numbers or email addresses).

TED Talk Discussions: Jack & Joan Setterlund, facilitators

Meeting in the Parlor at 11:15 on selected Sundays, this program views a TED Talk video for 20 minutes and shares in discussion following. If you know TED Talks, you know they are rich in ideas. If you don’t know them, come try!

“Bad Girls of the Bible”: Carri Hoagland, facilitator

A daytime and an evening group are forming, both studying Barbara Essex’s book to learn the real story behind Biblical women of “ill repute.” Please order your own book through uccresources.com or Amazon.com, or ask the office for assistance. Groups will meet twice monthly.

Parenting and Faith: Dana Lindaman, facilitator
Parents will explore their own faith questions and understandings, and how to address the questions our children may raise to us on the same teachings, beliefs, or Bible stories. Building relationships is as important as discussing content as we all journey together in faith. Details about when and how often to meet are currently being worked out; contact Dana to learn more and add your thoughts.

Faith and Film: Nate Stumme, facilitator
In medieval Europe, the faith was taught through miracle plays, mystery plays, and the statues and stained glass of cathedrals. With the printing press came Bibles and other books. Today we have films that tell all kinds of human stories, many of which are rich for exploration through the eyes of faith. Titles are being selected. Both family-friendly and more mature films may be offered, with an advanced-reading option plus pizza and popcorn!



PILGRIM POSTS

Many thanks to Karl Beaster, Steve Cushing, Jim & Julie Drake, and Steve & Cindy Grindy for their assistance with our cross-city move on Labor Day weekend! Gifts in their honor have been made to the Youth Group at Pilgrim Church and to the "Together for Youth" program for LGBTQ youth at Lutheran Social Services. ~ Jennifer Amy-Dressler

The Kitchen Committee wishes to thank all those who gave so generously to the Kitchen Tree project. We have replaced many badly needed items in the main kitchen.



WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

Women's Book Group-October 10, 2016, 6:30 in the Parlor

We are reading A Fighting Chance, by Elizabeth Warren. Please join us.

Coming from a family of modest means, Warren's dream is to become a teacher. She could never imagine herself becoming a distinguished law professor, eventually an advisor to Congress, then a senator herself....yet she does. In this passionate, funny, rabble-rousing book, Warren shows us why she has become a hero to all those who believe America's working families deserve a fighting chance.

MONTHLY TEACHER AND PARENT MEETING

about our Sunday School program and families. 9:30 in the Library on Sunday, October 16, 2016. Come find out about the changing understanding of faith formation for children and families and our curriculum, The Joyful Path.

Planned Sunday School lessons for October:

10/9 - "A pocket full of coins" - Discovering Divine Energy

10/16 - "Worms, Snails, and Fairies" - God in Nature

10/23 - Nathan Leaves Home - Remembering God's Presence

10/30 - The Monkey and the Well - Concentrating our Energy

SHINY TRASH?

One of the most universal sayings is "One man's trash is another man's treasure". In this time of environmental consciousness the ability to reduce, re-use or recycle has, for many of us, taken root in our lives. When faced with a choice we are moving toward seeking how we can accomplish these goals in our homes and workplaces.

For the past 5 years we at Pilgrim have offered a place for members to rid themselves of their shiny paper abundance by bringing it to church for recycling for cash. Thanks to many Pilgrims, we have from the beginning, gathered more than 65,000 lbs. of paper which at \$.10/ a lb. which translates to \$6500.00

Many of you have been quite pleased by the opportunities our children have been given to learn, use and share their musical and artistic skills with the congregation as a whole. The presence of kids in our worship life enriches us all, young and old alike.

All the funds raised from shiny paper recycling have gone to pay for this ministry to purchase music, instruments and other programming materials used throughout the music ministry. Without this support, it would be very difficult to pay for these programs.

Soon the church will be beginning the annual stewardship campaign to ask members to at least continue or better yet increase pledges for the coming year. This however is not that kind of a request. We just want what you may throw away in your recycling now. Just bring it to us rather than to the trash hauler.

Now of course we can't take all of it but we can take that portion that is printed on glossy paper surfaces such as magazines, periodicals, catalogs, professional journals and the shiny paper inserts you find in your newspaper as well as white office paper.

There are two drop off points in the church, the coat room in the basement and near the elevator on the 1st floor. In advance, thanks for your trashy contributions.

"You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try."
 - Beverly Sills
www.instituteforcivility.org

PRAYER ~ PICNIC ~ PARABLE ~ PROMISE

That evening the disciples came to Jesus and said, “This place is **like a desert**, and it is already late. *Let the crowds leave*, so they can go to the farms and villages near here and buy something to eat.”

Jesus replied, “*You give them something to eat.*”

But they asked him, “Don’t you know that it would take almost a year’s wages to buy all of these people something to eat?”

Then Jesus said, “How much bread do you have? Go and see!”

They found out and answered, “We have five small loaves of bread and two fish.” Jesus told his disciples to have the people sit down on **the green grass**. They sat down in groups of a hundred and groups of fifty. Jesus took the five loaves and the two fish. He looked up toward heaven and blessed the food. Then he broke the bread and handed it to his disciples to give to the people. He also divided the two fish, so that everyone could have some. After everyone had eaten all they wanted, Jesus’ disciples picked up twelve large baskets of leftover bread and fish. There were five thousand men who ate the food.

– Mark 6:35-44 (CEV)

Our Christian Education Committee met early in August to begin preparing for the coming year and it is such a gift and blessing to be among these people doing the work of making memories of love and faith for the children who worship among us. But you know how committees do; we pushed and pulled, working the ideas and possibilities like they were taffy, pushing and pulling at them one by one until in a certain moment it would set, become shiny, and ready to wrap. Then we set it aside and went on to the next.

We felt confident about the growing list of our plans – times to start, times to end, class lists, classrooms, how to invite children to participate in worship. These plans were workable. We could imagine them being successful. That is until we reached the topic of “snack.” Isn’t it so often about food? Enough or not enough? Likes or dislikes? Who cooks and serves? Who cleans up? From the very beginning, our sacred stories, like this one from the Gospel of Mark, tell us, it is so often about food. Snack had not always gone smoothly in the Sunday School program last year; it was a need to be addressed. We began working this one, pushing and pulling at it, but it was not taking shape, not until Rebekka Stumme asked the **PARABLE** question, “What if...?” “What if we invite the children into full community and ask them to help serve?” Of course. We had been talking all evening about drawing the children in. Seen through new eyes, the eyes of Rebekka’s suggestion, new arrangements for snack sorted easily into place.

When opening a meeting, in CE, we often invite one another to share where each person recently noticed the Divine in their lives. Mark’s Jesus exhorts his disciples relentlessly to develop “eyes to see” and “ears to hear” that Divine Presence. I looked back at that CE meeting and saw and heard movements of the Spirit in our meeting that the writer of the Gospel of Mark traces in this beloved story of Jesus picnicking and praying. The disciples saw desert; Jesus saw green grass. The disciples wanted to send the crowd away not knowing whether each family had resources to provide for themselves; Jesus feeling compassion for the crowd, wanted to invite them in to become community, to share and to care for one another. The disciples feared their own resources would be diminished; Jesus sent the disciples into the crowd to inventory abundance already present, but not yet seen. Jesus and the disciples helped the crowd become ordered into groups of 50 and 100—groups small enough “the crowd” could enter relationship and become known to one another.

Through the eyes of Rebekka’s suggestion, CE prepared to invite our children into our Pilgrim community in yet another way to receive and to serve among us to the fullness of their ability, like Jesus taught the disciples to see and to hear the Divine presence moving to build communities of ministry and mission where all feed and are fed. You have seen others this month – the community garden harvest meal made with our children’s help and Rachel Kresha’s care and leading, and the pancake breakfast hosted by the youth group with Cindy Grindy’s coaching and leadership to fund the Kid’s Closet.

It is so often about food, isn’t it, where we find the promise of God’s love fulfilled.

Jackie Falk, Children and Family Ministries Coordinator

TRANSGENER ISSUES:

A Three-Week Series to Expand
Our “Open and Affirming” Commitment

sponsored by Social Justice Ministry

In 2001, when Pilgrim Church voted to be Open and Affirming (ONA) of LGBT persons, our society was just beginning to understand sexual orientation. Recent research, testimonies, and public figures and incidents have finally brought transgender to the fore. Despite having transgender members, Pilgrim Church as a whole still has catching up to do to truly understand the breadth of gender identity and the very real issues faced by the transgender community, in order to fulfill our ONA commitment to support and advocacy.

Please join us in Fellowship Hall during Second Hour (11:15 am) for an important and informative series on transgender issues:

- October 30 Session I: “One Woman’s Story”
Presenter: Carri Hoagland of Pilgrim Church
- November 13 Session II: “Many Stories”
Presenters: Young transgender adult panel
- November 20 Session III: “A Long Way to Justice”
Presenters: Panelists representing education, medicine, law, and social services

YOUTH MUSIC SCHEDULES

All youth join on Saturday, October 1, 1:30-2:00 pm-Meet and greet Rev. Karen Schuder followed by rehearsal from 2:00-3:00 pm.

Youth Choir:

Rehearsals every Sunday from 9:30-9:55. We have a wonderful group of youth singing and working hard every Sunday. Thank you to these youth who so generously share their time and talents to create music for the worship services.

Youth Orchestra:

Sunday, October 30th 9:00-9:30 am

Youth Handbell/Percussion:

Sunday, October 2nd 9:00-9:30 am

Sunday, October 9th 9:00-9:30 am

HOST HOME PROGRAM

On any given night in Duluth, over 100 young adults ages 18-24 are housing-insecure – couch-surfing, homeless, or staying in unsafe conditions with unsafe people. Lutheran Social Services’ **Host Home Program** matches young adults with caring, consistent adults who have a spare bedroom to offer. Hosts receive training and ongoing support from LSS; young adults receive case management services in addition to attending school and/or working. A 6-12 month Host Home experience allows these young adults to stabilize, address immediate needs, and work on their personal goals as they transition into adulthood.

Consider being a Host! Good hosts not only have a spare bedroom that a young person could call their own. They also are open-minded, non-judgmental and self-aware. They provide a caring, stable home life. And they stay in regular contact with program staff, so the program can work for them as well as their young adult guest.

We were privileged to learn about this program from Program Manager Laura Blue in worship on September 18. **An Information Night will be held at Peace UCC, 1111 N 11th Ave E, at 6 pm on Monday, October 3.** Or contact Laura directly at Laura.Blue@lssmn.org or 734-223-1585.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

August 2016	Income	Expense
	17,739	<u>25,289</u>
		(5,550)
Year to Date	244,077	<u>251,916</u>
		(7,839)

PILGRIM MINISTRY MOMENTS

Many Pilgrims participating in last spring's New Beginnings Conversations asked for clarification about the church's organizational structure. Here is some information to help answer that request:

Christian Education Ministry

The Christian Education Ministry (CE) is charged with equipping our faith community to live out our lives in spirit and truth, and responsive to the call of our tradition to love and to grow in communion with God, to follow in the way of Jesus, and to be responsive to the nudges of the Holy Spirit. When we do our personal stories are both shaped by and shape the larger story of God's great love for our beautiful, but broken world.

Our charge is to foster faith formation through out our life spans. Our current goals are focused Sunday morning programming for children and families. Our intention is to grow Sunday morning programming for all Pilgrims, but especially at this time a Sunday school program for children and families that compliments and supports the Children's music program Rachel Kresha leads. Three concrete goals are to provide stable scheduling on Sunday morning, host three events for parents, and invite children and youth into meaningful participation in worship leadership.

Others are partnering with us. Cindy Grindy is leading a youth group that alternates on Sunday evening with confirmation. Jonathan Kresha is strengthening and expanding our care of parents and very young children, and Julie Johnson with Jennifer's help is organizing small groups in which relationships can grow. Second Hour programming provides opportunities to explore current concerns through the lens of our faith.

To support us – join us in whatever way works for you. Faith is a gift of the Holy Spirit most often experienced and formed when we gather in open, vulnerable, mutually caring relationships.

Stewardship Ministry Committee

In one sentence, the Stewardship Committee is charged with cultivating a mindset of generosity, develop policies related to church giving and give leadership to an annual pledge drive.

If you give it thought, the work that the Stewardship Committee provides has been and will continue to be somewhat critical to the future of this church. We are charged with raising revenues to promote and sustain Pilgrim's ministry and mission. Basically if we don't raise funds, as a church, our mission work becomes severely compromised.

We are in the planning stages of creating a narrative budget—a Mission Plan Book so to speak that more clearly defines what Pilgrim Congregational Church is in terms other than that of dollars and cents. Emphasis will be on key missions that we are doing and on hopes for other missions that we could support—again, a narrative, not just a worksheet

Membership and Growth Ministry

What we are in charge of:

M&G encourages the development of relationships among members of the congregation, with particular attention to welcoming visitors, guests and newer members.

We are the party ministry. Our intent is to do an event at least once a month but we do not have a specific agenda, keeping us versatile. We are free to try new events and/or redo successful ones.

Some of the programs that our group works on include:

- The Directory.

- Welcoming Packets that are found in the pews

- Chocolate Chip cookie deliveries to our visitor who have worshiped with us a number of times.

- Upcoming events/activities this fall:

- The Sunshine Corner

- Dinner event.

Currently we are a membership of 3 and we are looking for two more people to fill out our committee. If you would like to join please let one of us know, we would love to have you join us! We are a great ministry that is very important in the life our hour church.

Jenny Ballew

Bobbi Edwards

Kane Tewes



UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY BOLDLY ASKS FOR YOUR FINANCIAL HELP

Students go to college for all kinds of reasons. But a recent study shows that a lot of them leave God out of their campus life. (Pew Research Center, 2015)

Discouraging as that is, United Campus Ministry (UCM) sees this void as an opportunity to reach out and connect UMD students back to God -- just as it has for decades.

Supporting our campus minister and her work as in the past has come from many of the regional denominational offices. But that support has dwindled. Pilgrim itself contributes \$600 annually.

So we turn to you as individuals to help. Our goal for the annual appeal is \$19,000. Can you please join with the Methodists, Presbyterians and other UCC churches to let UMD students know that God's love for them is always present?

Send your tax-deductible contribution to United Campus Ministry, 301 W. St. Marie St., Duluth 55803. (Checks payable to UCM). More information is available in Salter Hall.

Thanks for your generosity.

DULUTH SUPPORT & EDUCATION GROUP FOR FAMILIES

NAMI Minnesota (National Alliance on Mental Illness) sponsors free support groups for families who have a relative with a mental illness. Led by trained facilitators who also have a family member with mental illness, the support groups help families develop better coping skills and find strength through sharing their experiences. A family support group meets in Duluth at 6:00 p.m., followed by an educational meeting from 7:00-8:00, on the last Tuesday of the month, at Miller Dwan Hospital, 502 E. 2nd St., in conference room 3. For information, call NAMI Duluth at 218-409-6566.

CHUM CHURCH

gathers Sunday October 9 at Peace UCC, 1111 11th Ave. E. CHUM Church is an inclusive community, welcoming all to worship God. Join us for worship at 4:30pm with a light supper following. Host congregations for October are Kenwood Lutheran and Concordia Lutheran. For more information contact Sue Anderson, CHUM Church Coordinator, 740-2498 or sanderson@chumduluth.org.

CHUM CORNER

Cracking the Shell of Whiteness--This six session series will be on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:00 p.m., October 5-November 9. Here's a summary of this wonderful opportunity: "It is an experience to build capacity for white people to understand white identity individually and collectively and so be able to stand in solidarity to address systemic injustice." Free of charge. RSVPs requested to Gloria Dei (722-3381). Location for series is former Faith Lutheran Church building, 1814 N. 51st Avenue East. Both Nan Hillmeyer and Anita Stech have attended this workshop and are willing to answer any questions you might have about participating.

Harvest for CHUM

If you have extra produce from your garden, you can donate it to CHUM to distribute to people in our community who deal with food insecurities. Drop off at 120 N. 1st Avenue West, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

SHARE Community Food Drive

Volunteers needed to collect food from various sites in Duluth. Saturday, October 29. Let Melanie know if you would like to learn more about it and she will share details.

Food Shelf Items Needed

CHUM has requested specific personal hygiene items for clients. You can pick up a list of what is needed on the CHUM dresser in Salter Hall. Feel free to place your donations in the dresser and they will be taken to CHUM.

Thank you for your continued support of this important community partner.

Diane Desotelle and Melanie Grune

HIKE IT BABY

Tina Drexler has started a new **Hike it Baby** branch for Duluth! The group is open to families or caregivers with children of ALL ages to get outside in a safe and supported way. Hikes are outside in a safe and supported way. Hikes are always FREE and will vary in distance and difficulty. Our motto is "leave no hiker behind"! Along with her husband Joe and baby Rosie, Tina will be hosting weekly family friendly walks/hikes in and around Duluth. Find us on Facebook at "Hike it Baby Duluth" or visit www.hikeitbaby.com for more info! Tina can also be reached directly with questions or to host a hike at christina.md.drexler@gmail.com. See you on the trail!

SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 27

Saturday, October 1	1:30 pm	Reception for Rev. Dr. Karen Schuder
Sunday, October 2	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Youth Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 am	Congregational Meeting With Luncheon to Follow
	11:00 am	Joyful Noise
Tuesday, Oct. 4	7:30 am	Men' Fellowship Breakfast
	5:00 pm	Leadership Team
Wednesday, Oct. 5	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, Oct. 9	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Youth Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:00 am	Joyful Noise
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Monday, Oct. 10	6:30 pm	Women's Book Group
Tuesday, Oct 11		All Ministry Night
Wed., Oct. 12	10:30 am	Women's Fellowship
	3:00 pm	Communications Ministry
	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 14	5:30 pm	Family Fun Night
Sunday, Oct. 16	9:00 am	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Parent-Teacher Meeting
	9:30 am	Youth Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:00 am	Joyful Noise
	11:15 am	2nd Hour-TED
	7:00 pm	Confirmation
Tuesday, Oct 18	7:00 pm	BeFriends
Wed., Oct. 19	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, Oct. 20	5:30 am	Social Justice Ministry
Sunday, Oct 23	9:00 am	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Youth Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:00 am	Joyful Noise
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Monday, Oct. 24		Newsletter Deadline
	8:30 am	Cooking at Damiano Center
Tuesday, Oct. 25	6:00 pm	Church Council
Wed., Oct. 26	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal
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Wed., Oct. 26	6:00 pm	Bellissimo Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal

Next Newsletter Deadline is October 24

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

October 2-Ushers
 Tammy and Bob Hensley
Greeters-Coffee and Readers
 Search Committee
Counters
 George Killough and Mardi Bagley

October 9-Ushers
 Josie Olson
Greeters-Coffee
 Bret Pence, Laura Delaney-Pence, Colin and Davey
Reader
 Lois Heller
Counters
 Steve Cushing and Martin Grune

October 16-Ushers
 Tucker Hanlon
Greeters-Coffee
 Patty Polasky
Reader
 Patty Polasky and Parker Tewes
Counters
 Steve Grindy and Martin Grune

October 23-Ushers
 Gene Shull
Greeters-Coffee
 Jane and Gene Shull
Reader
 Bob Heller
Counters
 Denny Falk and George Killough

October 30-Ushers
 Stacey Achterhoff
Greeters-Coffee
 Andrew and Lindsey Snustad and family
Readers
 Margo Zentner
Counters
 Mardi Bagley and George Killough

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



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Upcoming Events

- October 1 Reception for Rev. Dr. Karen Schuder
- October 2 Worship with Holy Communion
 Congregational Meeting followed
 By a Catered Meal
- October 4 Men's Fellowship
 Leadership Team
- October 9 Worship and Sunday School
- October 10 Women's Book Group
- October 11 All Ministry Night
- October 12 Women's Fellowship
- October 16 Worship and Sunday School
 2nd Hour TED
- October 18 BeFrienders
- October 23 Worship and Sunday School
- October 25 Church Council
- October 30 Worship and Sunday School
 2nd Hour-Transgender Issues



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