

# Pilgrim's Progress

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## Monthly Newsletter

June 2022

**Happy Father's Day**  
Today we honor all the fathers in our life...  
**June 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Grandfathers  
Dads New Dads  
Step-Dads Godfathers  
Adoptive Dads Dads in Heaven  
Dads-In-Law Expecting Dads  
Honorary Dads

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### Introducing Vicar Dante and Reagan

Vicar Dante and Mrs. Reagan Pronsati will be joining Pilgrim for 2022-23. Mrs. Pronsati will be teaching one of our kindergarten classes. This is an introduction done in interview style.

**Q:** Welcome to Pilgrim! Tell us a bit about yourselves.

**A:** *We are both graduates from Concordia University - Texas. We got married in June, 2020 and moved to the Seminary soon after. Dante is from Philadelphia, and is a big Philly sports fan, but has lived in Minnesota, Louisiana, North Carolina, New York, and Texas. Reagan was born and raised in Houston.*

**Q:** What excites you the most about coming to Pilgrim?

**A:** *Pilgrim's former Vicar, Colby Howell, is a good friend, and Dante's brother was a Seminary classmate of another former Vicar, Lee Hopf, so we have heard a lot about Pilgrim. It seems to be a church that is very energetic and focused on evangelism. Reagan is excited to start her teaching career with such an experienced, energetic, and excellent staff as we hear you have.*

**Q:** Dante - how will you handle being so close to Lambeau Field, being that you're a Philly guy?

**A:** *While it will feel unnatural to root for a different team, I think there is enough room in my heart to also root for the Packers as long as they are not playing the Eagles.*

**Q:** Reagan - how will you handle the snow and cold, since from what we know, Houston doesn't get a lot of that?

**A:** *That's a good question. I guess I need to upgrade my wardrobe! I'm thankful for our time in St. Louis as it has given me a small insight into "seasons."*

**Q:** What hobbies do you two enjoy together?

**A:** *We love playing board games and card games! Marvel movies are a big thing that we enjoy, and we love cooking together. When we don't cook we love going to Chick-fil-a!*



# What's Happening

## Inquirer's Class Session 1 Conference Rm #144

**Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 am - 12 noon**

Inquirer's Class introduces new members to the basic beliefs of the Bible and our Church and provides an excellent opportunity for Pilgrim members to stay firm in their faith by a regular review of the foundations of our faith.

You are also encouraged to attend Inquirer's Class with a friend or family member. You do not have to take them in any order. They are all on a four month rotation. This class will be covering the **Session 1 materials which include: The Ten Commandments.**

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## Acts 1:8 Ministry Volunteers Needed

**Acts 1:8 Ministry** is currently looking for volunteers to help in a few different areas. Some include: Outside Cleaning/painting, Online Fundraiser, Social Media Promoter, and many more opportunities, which you can find on our website: <https://www.acts18.org/volunteer> For more information, please contact Vickie Nell at 920-494-2289 or at [vickienell@acts18.org](mailto:vickienell@acts18.org) We look forward to meeting you. God Bless!



*Pilgrim's Progress*

## Sleep in Heavenly Peace Update



First, a big thank you goes to the many Pilgrim members who have donated bedding to **SHP** during the past month. I would also like to thank the Cover Girls Quilters for the donation of 15 quilts! A final thanks goes to Pilgrim members who donated money to purchase the wood for the beds and mattresses.

On May 9th, the local chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace volunteers were able to build over 100 beds! This is the largest build to date. It is great to have these many beds available but it is also heart breaking that there is a need for so many beds to "keep children from sleeping on the floor in our town." However, the wooden beds are just the beginning of the need. Without further donations of **new, twin-size water proof mattress pads, new sheet sets (fitted bottom sheet, top sheet and pillow case) and pillows**, the child only has a portion of the bed to sleep on. Due to so many donations, at this time **SHP** does NOT need any blankets or comforters. Cash donations are also needed to purchase the mattresses (at a reduced price from area stores). So, if you have been thinking about making a donation of bedding or check (payable to: Sleep in Heavenly Peace and placed in Pilgrim box 844) there is still a need. Please help keep kids in our town off the floor and in their own bed.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us, Carolyn or Randy Zielinski at 715-573-6018 or [rnczielins@gmail.com](mailto:rnczielins@gmail.com).



## Church Pictorial

This month of June kicks off the signups for photo sessions for our 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition Picture Directory. Watch for our post card in the mail containing information about this upcoming event.

Thank you in advance to the Christian Life and Growth committee who will be supplying pie for you to take home on the weekend of June 25 and 26 at both church sites. On top of the container will be a QR code or web address for you to go to sign up for your family's photo session.

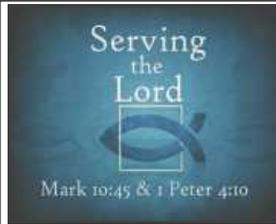
In addition to that, you can go to Pilgrim's website and sign up any time in June or July for the August and September sitting dates. (Aug. 2-6, 15-17 and Sept. 6-10, 20-24)

If you have difficulty or no computer at home, there will be people to help you at the Green Bay site to sign up after weekend services and on Wednesdays. Because of no WIFI at the Suamico site, if you need assistance with sign up, please contact Cindy Muther at 920-609-8982.

We still need hosts to help with guiding families at the photo sessions in August and September so please contact Cindy via cell above. We will need your email address so you can be sent the sign-up genius to choose when you can help.



# What's Happening



## Pilgrim Lutheran School Celebrates Teacher Anniversaries

On Sunday, June 5th, we will celebrate the anniversaries of some very special people at Pilgrim Lutheran School. We are so thankful and blessed by the many years of service and ministry at the feet of these individuals:

**Lynnette Hansen - 15 years**

**Erin Schaefer - 25 years**

**Patti Giovanetti - 30 years**

**John Schultz - 45 years**

## Truth or Lies

*by Dale Bartel, Parish Education*

The February issue of the Lutheran Witness contrasts the "Truth" with other belief systems. Jesus said, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32 Rev. Harrison, president of the Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod, advocates the preaching of the Law and Gospel in times of trial. "When he (Satan) lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and father of lies." John 8:44

Following are some of the false belief systems highlighted in the Lutheran Witness:

**Nones:** 20% of the U.S. population's key beliefs - diversity, pluralism, experiences, feelings

**Atheism:** No god

**Agnosticism:** Use human reason

**Scientism:** Science is the source of knowledge

**Islam:** Denies Jesus' divinity and his crucifixion for sinners. A Mosque is located on Velp Ave.

**Hinduism:** Brahman - supreme being. A Hindu temple is located in Kaukauna.

**Buddhism:** Reincarnation, Karma and nirvana. Many temples are located in the United States.

**Judaism:** Old Testament, Talmud, monotheistic, repentance

**Paganism:** Belief in false gods, nature, individual experience, astrology and horoscopes.

**Seventh-day Adventists:** the Holy Scripture, and 28 other Fundamental beliefs

**Mormonism:** Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants

A summary of the beliefs of the above belief systems is provided in the Lutheran Witness. Peter states in Acts 4:12: "Salvation is found in no one else (Jesus), for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

Over the years we will encounter people from different belief systems that differ from our belief in the Gospel message. It's an opportunity for us to share the Gospel message.

Source: *The Lutheran Witness* - February 2022

## Using God's Gifts to Bless Others...

**"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew. 11:28)**

Have you noticed we are living in a very stressful time? Even though we are finally approaching the end of the worldwide pandemic, now we are being bombarded by daily news about Russia's attack on Ukraine, worldwide economic & food shortage concerns, and rapidly declining morals in our own nation that are leading to increased conflict.

As Christians, we can remain hopeful because our faith in Christ means our citizenship is not of this world. We know regardless of how dark things become, God remains in charge, and we have the promise of spending eternity with Him in heaven. Praise God for his grace!

However, sometimes the continual onslaught of negative news can cause us to lose our focus on God's promises, especially if a serious problem develops in our own lives or that of someone close to us. A cancer diagnosis, divorce, loss of a job, or death of someone we care about are just a few examples of life events that can overwhelm us.

If you are currently going through a difficult time, please don't "tough it out" alone. At Pilgrim, we have special caring ministries to help you through it. Prayer Ministry is available after 10:30 service every Sunday. Prayer is powerful! All prayers are kept confidential; simply join us in the front of church on the right-hand side.

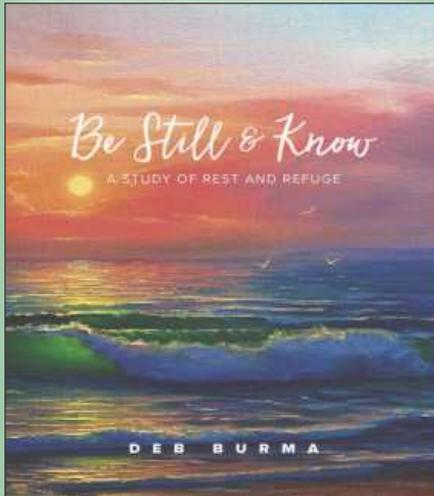
We also have specially trained Stephen Ministers available to provide one-on-one, Christ-centered care. If you, or someone you know would benefit from receiving confidential care, please contact a Pastor or a Stephen Leader: Barbara Hein @ 920/362-5035, Nancy Kraszewski @ 920/869-1818 or Bunnie Schunck @ 920/362-4794.

# What's Happening

## Women's Summer Bible Study

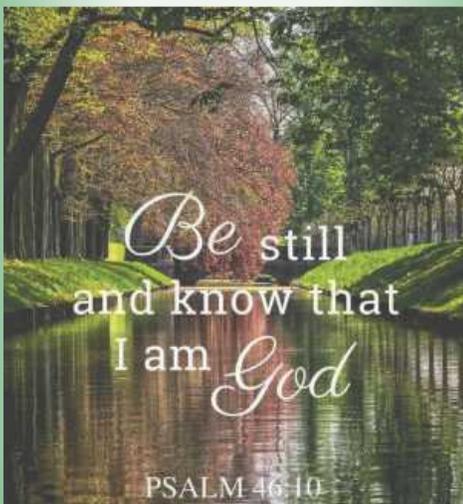
Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00am  
June 15<sup>th</sup> - August 3<sup>rd</sup>

Upper Room 244/245



An eight week summer Women's Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:30am. The group will be studying "Be Still and Know" by author, Deb Burma. It will be led by Jane Watermolen.

Please let Jane Watermolen know that you are interested by June 1<sup>st</sup> so she can order enough books for those who will be attending.



## Men's Ministry Breakfast and Bible Study Has a Changed Date

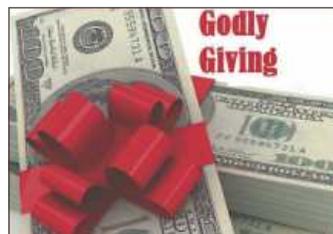
Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 am

All men are invited to join in the last breakfast and Bible study/discussion which follows at 7:30 am before the summer break. There is no cost for the program, but a free will offering is accepted. Please R.S.V.P. to Larry Seyferth at 920-366-9170.

## July 4th P.A.C.K. Event (Planned Acts of Christian Kindness)

We will be handing out cold bottles of water and our Connect Cards to those in the area for Fourth of July festivities. It's a celebration of our freedom to worship and share the love of Jesus with everyone. The cold water will serve as a reminder of how refreshing and renewing the Word of God is. Please come and help us in sharing the "Good News" and then stay to enjoy the rest of the day!

We will meet at the corner of Main St. and N. Washington St. just east of the river in downtown Green Bay, at 1 PM on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please contact Lee Larsen at 920-264-4159. God bless!



## 2022 Pilgrim Lutheran Debt Reduction Capital Campaign Completed

Pilgrim has undertaken several large projects in the past 15 years that incurred over \$7MM in expenses. Through the sacrificial giving of many people, we were happy to announce that our present plan was to eliminate the remaining \$222,350 by the end of 2022. Through your heartfelt generosity, we have now completed our goal!

Week	Total Debt Reduction	Contributions still needed to be debt free	% of Goal
1-8	\$222,350	\$0	100%

Watch the Bulletin Announcements for Details About the "FareWelcome" for the Vicars in July!

# Coins for Christ & More

## Ysleta Lutheran Mission

by Nannette Hoppe

**Good News on the Border!** “Changing lives every day through simple acts of kindness.” YSLETA Lutheran Mission (YLM) is the focus of “Coins for Christ” this month. Our US/Mexican border is often in the news with its heart- rending human care challenges. Ysleta staff and volunteers are thrilled to be generating and sharing Good News every day. **Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care** is a faith based, 501 c (3) non-profit organization that provides relief and human care service while planting missions on the US/Mexico border (El Paso and Juarez region). “People do not care what you know until they know that you care,” from Rev. Dr. Karl Heimer, Pastor and CEO of YLM, a Recognized Service Organization of the LCMS. YLM began its work in 1982 providing aid and ministry services that benefit the lives of thousands of people every year.



**Easter Baptisms** bring joy to an area where the pandemic brought more poverty to an already impoverished area. Every week Rev. Stephen Heimer, Senior Pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in El Paso, makes the drive across the border to bring God’s love through His Word and music

as he partners with YLM and La Santa Biblia, a mission-church, to reach out to people at Anapra, Mexico. The Wednesday after Easter he baptized nine children there. In addition to baptisms preceding Easter, much needed human resources are being provided to young families comprised of single mothers or grandparents with multiple children. Several more baptisms, of refugees, were provided at Cristo Rey, another mission-church partnering with YLM, which is also being helped with food and other necessary resources, including Bibles.

**Food Insecurity** has practically doubled in the Borderlands in the past two years, especially in the mountain range areas of Chihuahua, where little villages of indigenous people are experiencing the deadly results of no food. In partnership with Orphan Grain Train, semi loads of pallets with clothing, medical equipment and food have been provided where needed in the most desperate communities. Thanks to partnering mission churches of La Santa Biblia, Cristo Rey, and San Lucas, food is given to vulnerable families, single parent households, and the elderly. Food has been transported into the mountain ranges of Chihuahua and given out at orphanages, nursing homes, and outside of community centers. The desperation many indigenous people are experiencing is finding a bit of relief through these human care distributions.

**Raising up church workers** who have a calling to follow Christ into the ministry field are supported and encouraged by YLM. Four women have completed required courses and will be graduating in May as deaconesses. **Opportunities** for you to participate in Mission Trips/ Servant Events, Marking Bibles for Prison Ministry, gathering food and supplies and many more await your interest and participation. Much more information can be found at [www.ylm.org](http://www.ylm.org). Your prayers and donations of support are desperately needed to spread the Gospel and for human care to support this soul and lifesaving ministry. Thank you.

## Summer Scrip Hours

Starts June 3<sup>rd</sup>



Support our School!

You will be able to continue filling advanced orders with a deadline of 10:30am on Sundays. All families are encouraged to order their Scrip online when they can, which provides access to many hundreds of retailers’ e-certificates immediately upon payment of the order. **Pick up for “filled orders” will continue on Sundays at the Welcome Center between 9:45-10:30am and also during the “NEW” Friday hours between 11:30am-12:30pm.**



As a reminder you can download the RaiseRight app on your cell phone, and use Pilgrim’s enrollment code **LAA9LDDF913** to start using Scrip online today!

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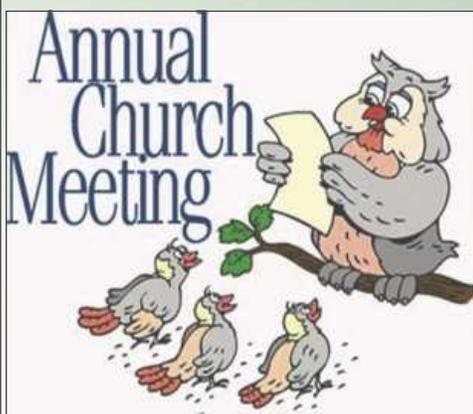
*With deepest  
sympathy  
& prayers*

## Condolences

We pray for God's comfort and peace for the following Pilgrim family members as they grieve the death of a loved one in their family:

**Joe and Terry Rosengarten & family** (former members) at the death of their daughter **Katy Rosengarten**.

**Joyce and Pastor Hal Toenjes & family** at the death of her father, **Don Thiemann**.



**Our Annual Budget Voters' Meeting** is scheduled for **June 26<sup>th</sup>** following the **10:30 am service** at the **Green Bay site**.



**Baptisms**  
*Welcome to  
God's forever  
family!*

**Adeline Rose Sievert**  
*daughter of  
Steven & Jill Sievert*

**Lucy Verlyn Kupsy**  
*daughter of  
Scott & Cassandra Kupsy*

**Savannah Grace Laha**  
*daughter of  
Emily & John Laha*

**Carter James Roskom**  
*son of  
Christopher Roskom &  
Jenna Boehne*

**Hadley Grae Roskom**  
*daughter of  
Jeremy & Kaylee Roskom*

*received the gifts of God's grace  
through baptism.*

## Summer Ministry Office Hours

**The Office will be closed  
for the Memorial Day  
holiday!**

**Starting May 31<sup>st</sup>, the school  
entrance, Door B, will be  
unlocked from 8:00am -  
3:00pm. No one will be at  
the Welcome Center.**



## Weekly/Monthly Bible Studies



## Grow in His Word!

Weekly/monthly Bible studies will resume in September after our summer break. Watch for important information coming in August and early September on start-up days, times, and frequency.

Remember that a break from "structured" Bible studies is not an encouragement to take a break from worship or studying His Word, but an excellent opportunity to begin or foster independent habits.

Looking for materials or books to use this summer? Feel free to go to our Church Library located down the hall from the mailboxes and PreSchool classroom at the Green Bay site. Follow the directions by the desk in the room for check out procedures (the "old" sign the card with your name and put it in the box routine). Return the book(s) or other materials in a timely manner for others to use. If you personally own Bible study books/materials find a Pilgrim friend to loan it to or better yet start a "small group study" with some friends/family.

## CHURCH LIBRARY

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."





# June 2022



## WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Green Bay Site: Worship: Wed. (W.o.W) 7 pm; Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 7:45, 9 & 10:30 am  
 Sunday School: 9 am & Bible Studies: 8 & 9 am (Sept.-May)  
 Hmong Bible Study: Sun. 1:00pm; Hmong Worship: Sun. 2:00 pm  
Suamico Site: Worship: Sunday 9 AM  
 Sunday School & Bible Study: following worship (Sept.-May)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p><b>Memory Verse of the Month</b>            "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (John 14:27)</p>		<b>1 Communion</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4 Communion-GB</b> 6:45 am Men's Basketball 8:00 am Inquirer's Class - Session 1
<b>5 Communion-GB</b> Teacher Anniversary Recognition	<b>6</b> 5:00, 6:00-6:30, 7:00 pm Board Meetings 7:00 pm High School girls' Bible study @ Starbucks on Lineville	<b>7</b>	<b>8 Communion</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 6:45 am Men's Basketball 2:30 pm Pilgrim Family Night
<b>12 Communion-S</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15 Communion</b> 9:30 am Women's Summer Bible study 7:00 pm Middle/H.S. Night	<b>16</b> 6:00 pm Stephen Ministry	<b>17</b>	<b>18 Communion-GB</b> 6:45 am Men's Basketball
<b>19 Communion-GB</b> Father's Day	<b>20</b> 7:00 pm High School girls Bible Study @ Starbucks on Lineville	<b>21</b>	<b>22 Communion</b> 9:30 am Women's Summer Bible study	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 6:45 am Men's Basketball 7:30 Men's Ministry Breakfast & Bible study 1:00 pm Visual Impaired Mission Outreach
<b>26 Communion-S</b> 11:30 am Annual Budget Voters' Meeting	<b>27</b> 6:30 pm Elders' Meeting	<b>28</b>	<b>29 Communion</b> 9:30 am Women's Summer Bible study	<b>30</b>		

**VBS (Pre K3 - 3rd Grade)**  
**June 13 - 16; 9:00 - 11:00 am**

# Liturgical Roles

## Welcome Center

**Saturday, June 4**

D Turckes

**Sunday, June 5**

L Miller

**Saturday, June 11**

L Lehman

**Sunday, June 12**

T Wahlen

**Saturday, June 18**

L Lehman

**Sunday, June 19**

Volunteer

**Saturday, June 25**

B VanSeveren

**Sunday, June 26**

C Novak

## Acolytes

**Wednesday, June 1**

7:00 pm Volunteer

**Saturday, June 4**

5:00 pm J Reineking

**Sunday, June 5**

7:45 am A Ruggles, L Powell

9:00 am K Adams-McIntosh, M Lemke-Scott

9:00 am **Suam** - Volunteer

10:30 am S Miles, L Stuelpner

**Wednesday, June 8**

7:00 pm Volunteer

**Saturday, June 11**

5:00 pm Volunteer

**Sunday, June 12**

7:45 am Volunteer

9:00 am K Adams-McIntosh, Z Brassfield

9:00 am **Suam** - Volunteer

10:30 am A Weis, B Schmidt

**Wednesday, June 15**

7:00 pm Volunteer

**Saturday, June 18**

5:00 pm J Reineking

**Sunday, June 19**

7:45 am Volunteer

9:00 am Volunteer

9:00 am **Suam** - Volunteer

10:30 am N Teske, E Belovoskey

**Wednesday, June 22**

7:00 pm Volunteer

**Saturday, June 25**

5:00 pm Volunteer

**Sunday, June 26**

7:45 am Volunteer

9:00 am A Hendricks, A Hendricks

9:00 am **Suam** - Volunteer

10:30 am H Schultz

**Wednesday, June 29**

7:00 pm Volunteer

## Elders

**Wednesday, June 1**

7:00 pm Schuettpelz

**Saturday, June 4**

5:00 pm Pedersen

**Sunday, June 5**

7:45 am Ruge

9:00 am Larsen

9:00 am **Suam** - Wittnebel

10:30 am Charles

**Wednesday, June 8**

7:00 pm Schuettpelz

**Saturday, June 11**

5:00 pm Cherveney

**Sunday, June 12**

7:45 am Ruggles

9:00 am Baumann

9:00 am **Suam** - Seyferth

10:30 am Kraszewski

**Wednesday, June 15**

7:00 pm Schuettpelz

**Saturday, June 18**

5:00 pm Kosman

**Sunday, June 19**

7:45 am Ruge

9:00 am D Olp

9:00 am **Suam** - Erickson

10:30 am Nier

**Wednesday, June 22**

7:00 pm Schuettpelz

**Saturday, June 25**

5:00 pm Pedersen

**Sunday, June 26**

7:45 am Ruggles

9:00 am Gipp

9:00 am **Suam** - Wittnebel

10:30 am Schelk

**Wednesday, June 29**

7:00 pm Schuettpelz

## Communion Assistant

**Saturday, June 4**

5:00 pm H Olp, Longmire

**Sunday, June 5**

7:45 am Heimerman

9:00 am Schumm, D Olp

10:30 am Zinkel, Vogt

**Sunday, June 12**

9:00 am **Suam** - Schlender/L. Hansen

**Saturday, June 18**

5:00 pm Cherveney, Kosman

**Sunday, June 19**

7:45 am Heimerman

9:00 am McClellan, Schultz

10:30 am Wiederhoeft, Korth

**Sunday, June 26**

9:00 am **Suam** - Bero/M Seyferth

## Usher Schedule

**Wednesday, June 1**

7:00 pm Volunteer

**Saturday, June 4**

5:00 pm Kosman

**Sunday, June 5**

7:45 am Burdey

9:00 am Loock

9:00 am **Suam** - Reinhold

10:30 am Schelk

**Wednesday, June 8**

7:00 pm Bordeleau

**Saturday, June 11**

5:00 pm Wanek

**Sunday, June 12**

7:45 am Rolefson

9:00 am Dommer

9:00 am **Suam** - Racine

10:30 am Tilken

**Wednesday, June 15**

7:00 pm Rolefson

**Saturday, June 18**

5:00 pm Raddant

**Sunday, June 19**

7:45 am Grosnick

9:00 am Powell

9:00 am **Suam** - Hansen

10:30 am Borst

**Wednesday, June 22**

7:00 pm Bordeleau

**Saturday, June 25**

5:00 pm Wanek

**Sunday, June 26**

7:45 am Burdey

9:00 am D Olp

9:00 am **Suam** - Stafford

10:30 am Kraszewski

**Wednesday, June 29**

7:00 pm Rolefson

**If you are unable to keep your assigned date/time, please call and make your own substitutions. Pilgrim thanks you for your service!**

# Youth News & Young Adults

**Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**



## High School Girls' Bible Study

Girls' Bible Study at Starbucks on Lineville 7-8:30pm  
Contact Rebekah with questions [rebekahspaulding@pilgrimluth.org](mailto:rebekahspaulding@pilgrimluth.org)

**Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**



## Middle/ High School Youth Night

(Church, bonfire, smores & hangout!)

Join us for WoW at 7pm & a bonfire after till 8:30pm. Bring your own lawn chair!

**Wednesday June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

## NYG Parent + Youth Meeting

Meet at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall for a NYG meeting.



## Contact Info

Director of Youth & Family Ministries  
Rebekah Spaulding

Email:

[Rebekahspaulding@pilgrimluth.org](mailto:Rebekahspaulding@pilgrimluth.org)

## PILGRIM FAMILY NIGHT

**\*Free Outdoor Family Event\***  
**For ALL families, ALL ages.**

Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:30-4:30  
Pilgrim Suamico Site  
2999 Lakeview Dr. Suamico, WI

Event will consist of Family Friendly Outdoor Games, Kickball family game, Devotion led by Pastor Malme, a free grill out and more!



Join us for...

# VBS 2022

JUNE 13-15

PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH

GREEN BAY SITE  
1731 ST. AGNES DR

### Details

- ▶ MUSIC, GAMES, JESUS TIME, FUN!
- ▶ 3k-3rd grade!
- ▶ Volunteers needed!
- ▶ \$15 per child by 6/1  
\$20 per child AFTER 6/1

Register at the Welcome center or online!



office@pilgrimluth.org

920-965-2242

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# The Principal's Epistle

## God's Grace for Us

*"The Lord your God has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He has watched over your journey through this vast wilderness. These forty years the Lord your God has been with you, and you have not lacked anything." Deuteronomy 2:7*

It is difficult to fathom this is the last Principal's Epistle I will write not just here at Pilgrim but at the end of my career. When I think about our Lord's Word in the Bible I think about all the times He spoke of the number 40. This number always related to a time of testing. The Israelites walked for 40 years in the desert. The rain fell for 40 days and 40 nights on Noah in the ark. Jesus was in the wilderness for 40 days without food and then was tested. The examples could go on and on.

As I look back on my ministry it has been a time of testing. When I started in the 70's we were flush with students. The 80's came and our numbers dwindled. We have been challenged to make sure we had enrollment numbers that would justify and support the school. When I look at Pilgrim, 7 years ago we had 189 children when I came. We also needed another funding source. The Lord in His infinite wisdom has blessed us with 290 children for next year 2022-23. He is bringing the mission field to us. As we look at our numbers in the Choice program (WPCP) we began 7 years ago with 4 children. Again the Lord has blessed us with 75 children in that program. We are thankful for the \$8400 per full time child which assists with our cost per student of \$8527. This will translate into over \$500,000 for our school.

When I came we had a very solid and consistent faculty. In the 7 years the Lord has blessed us with 24 new faculty and staff members. When people are asked how they heard about us the answer is consistently by "Word of Mouth." These are all blessings our Lord has showered upon us.

As we remember our Pilgrim projects we were able to make so many improvements as Pilgrim people gave from their blessings and we raised over \$250,000. This is incredible. But it is not impossible for our Lord. We are one to one in iPads. We have an incredible Technology director in Aaron Schroeder. We have been blessed with many music people and now Ruth Mackie will be joining us to lead us into a new era of praise to our Lord. We have just installed new video equipment in the church. It is fully paid for. Magnificent giving by our people. Our prayer ministry has flourished. God continues to lead and guide us in our prayers.

There have been challenges. But there have been so many more blessings than I have mentioned.

I have been asked if am I counting the days. No, I am not. When the students go home for the summer for me, the joy goes out of the building. When I leave I will miss them all, big ones, and little ones. I will miss the tremendously gifted colleagues I have on our faculty and staff. I will miss our super cooperative parents. I feel so very blessed that God has brought Ruth and me back to Wisconsin. We feel so wonderfully blessed to serve Him here at Pilgrim. We are so fantastically blessed to serve with 2 of the best pastors in our LCMS. I have also had the joy to serve with my son and have my 4 grandchildren at our school. As it has been said to me, "John E. Schultz, you are living the dream." Thanks Pilgrim for being my dream. Thanks for your love and support. Thanks for your positive ministry! You have been a blessing to me!

I thank the Lord for bringing us here. May He continue to bless Pilgrim Lutheran Church and School with the many gifts He has showered upon us! May we always remember to thank and praise Him our Lord and Savior.

### Enrollment for Pilgrim

As of today our enrollment is at 290. 3K both sections are full and closed. 4K is full and closed. Kindergarten is full and closed and we have split it into 2 classes. 1st grade is full and split into two classes which will be team taught in one room by 2 teachers due to space constraints. 2nd grade is over 21 children. 3rd grade is full and closed and will be in 2 rooms. 4th grade has one opening left. 8th grade has 2 openings left. We are so incredibly blessed that the Board of Christian Education has formed a facility committee to look into what we should do in the future. We shout out, "Thank you Lord!" If you are still in need of information about our wonderful school, either call 920-965-2244 or email dawnkirchner@pilgrimluth.org. We are participants in the *Wisconsin Parental Choice Program*. (WPCP) If you are curious how to qualify contact us. We are currently blessed with 75 Choice students signed up for next year. Thanks be to God for blessing us with so many little ones with which to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

### Congratulations Graduates in 8th Grade

The students of Pilgrim Lutheran School graduated on Thursday, May 26, at 6:30 PM. Congratulations to Kiera Adams-McIntosh, Zanna Brassfield, Addison Dahl, Isabella Evans, Addie Gerbers, Vinnie Giovanetti, Jason Klemp, Kailyn Kline, Koen Kryzanek, Kenji Lange, Sydney Miles, Lydia Moore, Izzy Payne, Phoenix Perry, Andrew Tryon, and Keturah Van Lanen.

### Thanks to Pastor Hanson for his Leadership

As of the day I write this Pastor Hanson and the Board of Christian Education Teacher Search committee have been working diligently interviewing and seeking people to fill our positions for Principal, 2nd 3rd grade teacher, 2nd Kindergarten Teacher, and a teachers aide for Kindergarten. Thank you pastor for all your time and effort. You have done a magnificent job!

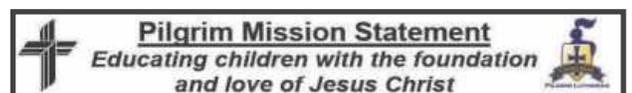
### Congratulations Mrs. Ziesmer and her new baby, Michael

Michael David Ziesmer was born May 5 at 6lbs. 2 ounces and 19 inches. We congratulate our Kindergarten teacher and her new family!

I can't thank you enough for your incredible support of Pilgrim Lutheran School with your finances, positive words of encouragement, and especially your prayers! Thanks for the fabulously positive word of mouth that you share with all you know! **It is truly exhilarating to see what the Lord has done and continues to do at our school and with our children! It is clear that our school is becoming a school of choice for families in the Green Bay Area.** We are so very thankful the Lord is bringing the mission field to us! We are so blessed!

*Mr. John E. Schultz - Principal*

1 Thessalonians 5:18 – In everything give thanks!



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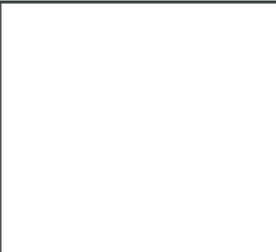
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