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Making Draw String Bags



For our next Community School class we will be making draw string bags to donate to local Foster Care program. Each bag will be big enough to hold tied blanket, some personal care products, and a few toys. The tied blankets were made by the children who attended Vacation Bible School this year so we will include a little personal note in each bag.

If you wish to donate socks, toothbrushes, toothpaste and/or school supplies that would be great too! Class is Thursday October 3 from 5-8:00 down in Fellowship hall.

Please bring one yard of cotton or twill material to use on the bag, or some will be provided for you if you do not have any. Draw strings will be provided.

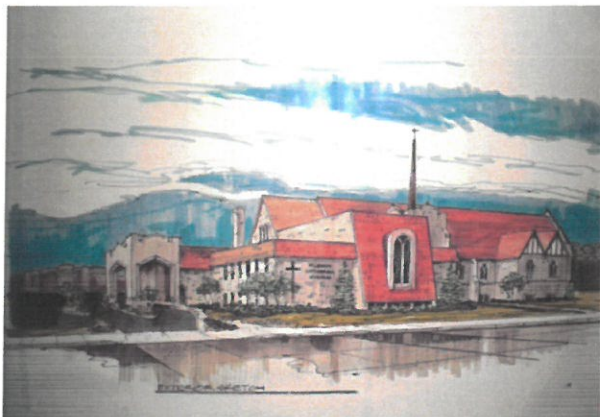


Bring your sewing machine if you are able.

Please call the office 715 392 4731 or email celonen@yahoo.com and let us know if you are coming so we can have materials ready. Otherwise, just show up!

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Monthly Pilgrim Progress

To make things easy we are going to have the Progress deadline be the **15th of each month**. If there is a problem contact Judy and talk to her.

Church Office Hours

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Facebook: PilgrimSuperior
Synod website: www.nswi.org
ELCA website: www.elca.org

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Custodian
Music Director/Pianist Lorelei Holland
Violinist Eliza Wilson
Choir Director Curt Hanson
Education Coordinator Rebecca Waterhouse
Financial Secretary Julie McLaren
SAM (Synodically Authorized Minister) Jenny Carey Dudderar
High School Youth Leader Noah Holland

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Council President . . . Dan Breneman
Council Vice-President . . . Tad Matheson
Council Secretary Courtney Dietsche
Congregation Treasurer Don Miller
Mary Johnson-Garay, Colleen Elonen,
Ted Nelson, Sandy Breitzmann and Jeff Gronski

PLC ONLINE ~ Check out Pilgrim's website at www.plcsuperior.org for the monthly calendar and newsletter, pictures, and much, much more.

PLC ON FB: Go to your **FACEBOOK** page. Enter 'Pilgrim Superior' in the search box. When Pilgrim's FB comes up, 'LIKE' it. You can then see regular PLC news, updates and photos.

Birthday Party!!!!!!

A 90th Birthday Party for Anna Hansen is being held on Saturday, October 12th from 4:00-8:00 p.m. at the Superior Elks Lodge, 1503 Belknap Street. No gifts please.

Come help Anna celebrate 90 years! Congratulations Anna!!



OCTOBER SERVERS

*Below is the list of those who are signed up to help with our worship service. If you are signed up and cannot make it, please find someone to fill in for you and also let the office know. Thank you to all of you for helping with our worship here at Pilgrim.
Praise God from whom all blessings flow!!*

October 6 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Ushers: Team 4: Tyler Austreng, Capt.
Worship Asst: Julie McLaren
Sound System: Fred
Altar Guild: Rachel and Colleen
Hospitality: Sue Winner
Greeter: ??? anyone

October 13 – Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Ushers: Team 1: Ted Nelson, Capt.
Worship Asst: Jean Miller
Sound System: Jeff
Altar Guild: Elaine
Hospitality: Julie & Tim McLaren
Greeter: ??? anyone

October 20 – Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Ushers: Team 2: Tad Matheson, Capt.
Worship Asst: Mary Houk
Sound System: Jamie
Altar Guild: Sandy and Julia
Hospitality: ??? anyone
Greeter: ??? anyone

October 27 – Reformation Sunday

Ushers: Team 3: Jeff Gronski, Capt.
Worship Asst: Molly Warring
Sound System: Tyler
Altar Guild: Laura and Greg
Hospitality: Ken & Julia Kochsiek
Greeter: Sandy Breitzmann



Financial Report

August 2024

Total General Giving:	\$ 9,573.00
Other Revenue:	2,358.00
Expenses (excluding utilities)	- 13,961.00
Utilities	- 1,077.00
<i>Borrowed from savings to pay bills</i>	<i>(3,107.00)</i>

These figures have been submitted by Don Congregation Treasurer.

Scripture Readings October 2024

Lectionary B

October 6 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 2:18-24

Psalms 8

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

October 13 – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Psalms 90:12-17

Hebrews 4:12-16

Mark 10:17-31

October 20 – 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 53:4-12

Psalms 91:9-16

Hebrews 5:1-10

Mark 10:35-45

October 27 – Reformation Sunday

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 46

Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

Church Attendance

August 2024 - (4 Sunday Services - one was a joint ELCA worship here)

Total In-House Sunday Attendance:	257
Average In-House Sunday Attendance:	64
Total Online Sunday Attendance:	160
Average Online Sunday Attendance:	40
Total Combined Sunday Attendance	417
Total Average Sunday Attendance:	104

October 2024

Saints and Siblings in Christ,

Last month Katie and I celebrated our five-year wedding anniversary with a trip out east, which included a stop in one of my bucket-list towns: Salem, Massachusetts. We, of course, took a tour of the town, and while I enjoyed the history, getting to see the sites of filming for some of my favorite movies, and learning about the memorial for the 1692 witch trials, I found myself struck most by the closing words our tour guide shared with us. She said that a big part of the legacy of the witch trials that Salem and the surrounding communities participated in, is a commitment now to be a place of welcome. A place where you could be yourself – your whole self – without fear.



Now, we know that none of the 25 people who were killed or 150 people imprisoned in the fanatical frenzy of those 15 months in Salem were witches. But they were, in one way or another, “others” in their communities. They were people who were different. They were people who, for whatever reason, were singled out and ostracized. They were people who were seen to be easy pickings as victims of a society divided by fear.

There are so many events and periods of history that we learn about and think, “well that could never happen again! Our society is so much better now.” And yet...I will never forget the rampant hatred spewed towards Muslims following 9/11 – including the first death following the attack, when Balbir Singh Sodhi, a Sikh-American man, was murdered on September 15, 2001 during a frenzy of attacks on anyone who didn’t look like, well, us. Or the horrific rise of racist attacks against Asian Americans we saw during and since the COVID-19 pandemic. And it seems like every election cycle brings with it a slate of new ‘enemies’ that political rivals trot out to sow fear and division among us. Friends, I do not think we have come nearly as far as we would like to believe.

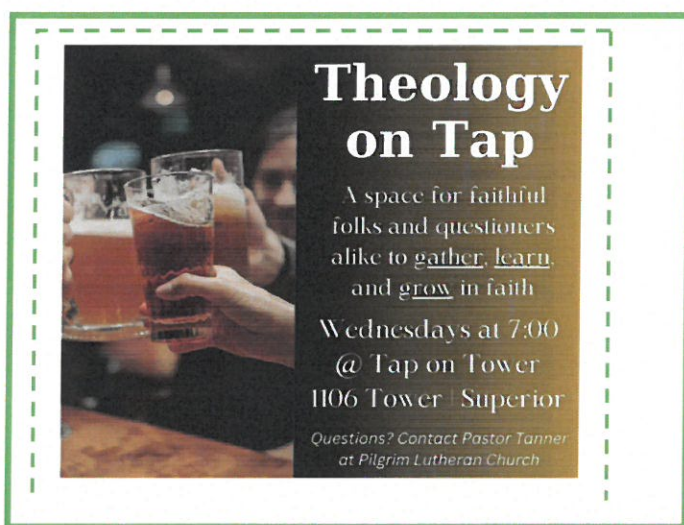
Which is exactly why walking the walk of faith is so important in our lives as Christians here and now. We talk a lot about being a place where all are welcome here at Pilgrim. I think – I hope – we really mean that when we say it. People of God, we have the incredible opportunity (and faithful responsibility) to share the good news of Jesus Christ with all people. It matters how we treat the people around us as we go about our days. It matters how we welcome people into this place of grace. It matters how we speak, how we act, how we live.

Continued

Over the next few months we're going to be launching into a whole lot of programming – new and old. Each time we gather we will have the opportunity to engage with our neighbors – known and unknown – in new ways. How we greet, treat, and interact with folks makes a difference. Providing a space that truly is welcome to all people doesn't just happen – it takes work. As God people called to this time and place, I'm excited that we get to do that work together.

And if you see a guy wandering around Super One wearing his new, red wizard hat this month, take it as a reminder that we're all a little different – and God loves us that way.

Pastor Tanner



Theology on Tap
A space for faithful folks and questioners alike to gather, learn, and grow in faith
Wednesdays at 7:00
@ Tap on Tower
1106 Tower | Superior
Questions? Contact Pastor Tanner at Pilgrim Lutheran Church



EVENING PRAYER
Join us for a time of meditative worship on Sunday evenings at 6:30. A time to calm your mind and talk to God. You are welcome here.
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Coins for the Community.



We will be collecting spare change for *The Superior Area Ministerium's Good SAMaritan Fund* through the end of the year. This fund is maintained by the pastors of Superior area churches and is used to help members of our community with emergency funding for prescriptions, utility bills, and gas cards. Thank you for your support! The need is great.

Also on the table by the coins we are still collecting pop tabs. They will be going to the Ronald McDonald house in Duluth. These go to the funding of having families stay with their kids while they are in the hospital. It means so much to be able to have your family with you when you are going through medical things. Lets fill up the jars.

Molly has been collecting the pop tabs – she wishes to extend her thank you to everyone who has brought them in. She will continue to collect them. Thank you again!

Attention All Thrivent Members!

Did you know that as a member of Thrivent you are eligible for TWO \$250 Action Team Grants each year? These grants provide seed money to help do projects that benefit our community and are a great way to bolster the different ministries of our congregation. If you are a Thrivent member and have an Action Team Grant that you would be willing to share on a project this fall, let us know! From community meals to hygiene kits to service projects or any idea you have – we would love to partner with you. Contact the church office for more information.



Pilgrim Community School – Canning Apple Pie Filling

October 12th @9:00



Interested in learning about canning and water bath methods of food preservation? Want to try your hand at canning food and get to leave with some delicious apple pie filling? Join Pastor Tanner on Saturday, October 12th starting at 9:00 a.m. for a practical, hands-on lesson and canning event. We'll be using apples from Pilgrim's very own tree! All materials will be provided, but if you have jars that you'd be willing to donate, please let PT know. Sign-up is available in the narthex or by calling the church office.



Here is a picture from Jacketfest. The day was very busy and everything went well. We gave away 350 plants! Thank you to everyone who donated.



Blood Drive
Pilgrim Lutheran Church
820 Belknap Street - Superior

Wednesday, October 16, 2024
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: PilgrimLutheran to schedule an appointment.



Treat yourself! Come give blood in October for a \$10 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. PLUS, automatically be entered for a chance to win a \$5,000 gift card, there will be three lucky winners! Terms apply: r/blood.org/treat



RedCrossBlood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | Download the Blood Donor App

The Traveling Tutors

Dear Members of Pilgrim,

The Traveling Tutor program is just about ready to launch, starting mid October. We have 9 awesome volunteers who have committed to our local children! There is always room for more help. We have many students who are in need of our support.

Just in case you thought you couldn't make it work, I wanted to list the times given by Ms. Erin Vante from Northern Lights. There are so many options, you can choose how many days you would like to come! Please consider jumping in and helping out our children.

As I mentioned, a simple background check is a mandatory step before we work with the children, but it should just take a few minutes.

Please take a look at the below time-slots, there are many to choose from. You will be working 1:1 with a child for about 15–20-minute sessions. It would probably be best if you would stay for an hour and meet with three students during that hour. Certainly, you can do more than that and meet with as many children as you so choose. Ms. Erin Vante is very appreciative of our time and support.

Kindergarten

Reading 10:00 -11:00
Math - ?

First Grade

Reading 9:45 – 10:45
Math - ?

Second Grade

Reading 2:00-3:00
Math 11:00-11:30

Third Grade

Reading 9:15 - 10:15
Math - ?

Fourth Grade

Reading 11:30 - 12:30
Math 2:30 - 3:00

Fourth Grade

Reading 11:30 - 12:30
Math 2:30 - 3:00

Fifth Grade

Reading 1:00 - 2:00
Math 11:00 - 11:30

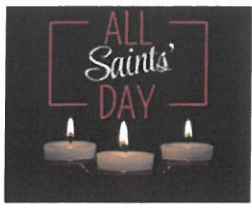


Other possible times would be before school starts from 8:40 - 9:00 and if desired even earlier tapping into the students who attend the before and after school program (7:15 - 8:15) or (3:30 - 5:00).

Thank you so much for your consideration! If you need more information, please contact me at church or Judy.

Mary Johnson-Garay





All Saints Sunday

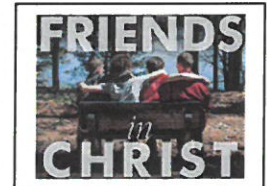
We will celebrate All Saints Sunday during worship on November 3rd. In addition to naming those who have died from our community of faith in the past year, we are inviting you to lift up the names of other Saints who have gone before us. Throughout the month of October you will find a stack of paper doves in the narthex. Please take as many as

you would like and write the name of your loved ones one them before returning them to the basket provided. You may decorate them however you wish or simply write a name. We will use these as part of worship on the 3rd.

The Formation Co-Op – Update!

Your Formation Co-Op Team met with our Guide, Melissa Whitman, for our first day of training in September. It was wonderful to be able to gather, talk about youth ministry, and talk about the variety of other ministries happening here at Pilgrim. We identified a number of assets within the congregation and began to talk about some of the needs that we see in the wider community.

Over the next few months, we will begin a series of Listening Sessions – and that’s where YOU come in. We want to know what you think about youth ministry here at Pilgrim. What have we done, what are we doing, what do we need to work on? What do we bring to the table as individuals and as a congregation to best serve the youth and in our community? Where do you think we’re being called to step out and engage in new ways of being the church in this place and at this time?



So, please be on the lookout as members of the Team contact you with invitations to take part in these conversations. We really do want to know what you think and it’s important that we get a good cross-section of voices from within our congregation to be part of this process. Thank you!

*The Formation Co-Op is an initiative of the ELCA Youth Ministry Network, in partnership with the ELCA, to explore new frameworks for youth ministry **in order to root young people in a lifelong and transformative faith in Jesus.** We believe this work is best done in a collaborative community of co-learners and co-creators, sharing with and learning from each other.*

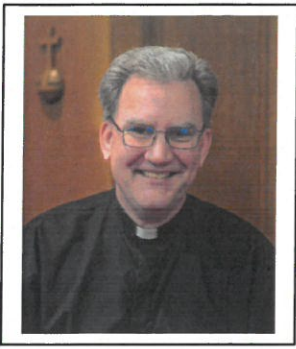


Youth Group

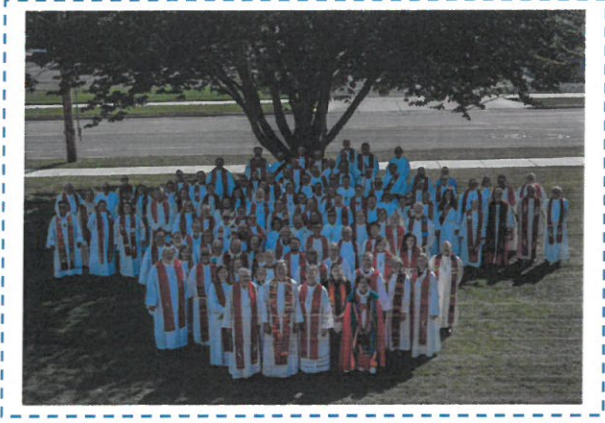
Youth Group activities for 7th-12th graders will kick off in October and will meet on Sunday evenings alongside our campus ministry programs. Join us for food, fellowship, and space to dig into faith together.

Registration is open on our website, and you can contact Noah Holland (noah@plcsuperior.org) or Pastor Tanner with any questions.





The Rev. Martin Halom was installed as Bishop of the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin on Sunday, September 15th at Hope Lutheran Church in Eau Claire. Pastor Tanner joined over 120 other pastors, deacons, and SAMs from around the synod as we blessed the beginning of this new ministry and raised our prayers for the Spirit to guide Bishop Martin in his work. Pictured are most of the pastors, deacons, SAMs, and other bishops who attended, as well as the stole that was made for our new bishop using fabric pieces that were sent in from all the congregations of our synod. Thanks be to God!



United Campus Ministry

Our new campus ministry program is up and running here at Pilgrim! We are responsible for providing the meal on Sunday, October 20th. Look for sign-ups in the narthex to help with this event, and plan to join the students for this meal if you are available.



UNITED
Campus Ministry
Faith Together

Sundays at Pilgrim Lutheran Church
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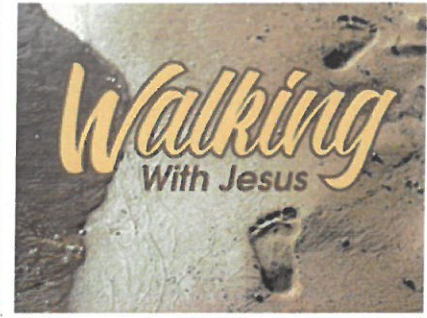
**Sunday
 Night
 Suppers**

*Free Meal,
 Worship &
 Study Space
 5:30-8:00*



Stewardship – Walking the Talk

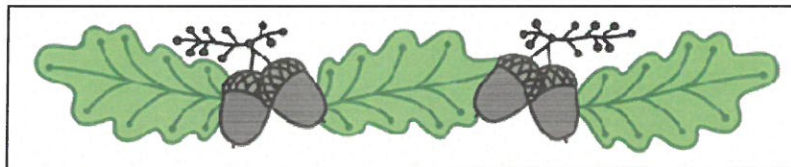
You've heard Pastor Tanner say it before: "My talk talks and my walk talks but my walk talks louder than my talk talks!" What we say matters. What we do – how we walk and live out our lives of faith matters so much more.



Every day we strive to Walk the Talk here at Pilgrim. A piece of that this fall has been the launching of a number of new and resurrected ministry initiatives around the church and in our community. Sunday School, Confirmation, Youth Group, and Campus Ministry are all programs taking place right here at Pilgrim. We're also building our partnerships with the school district through Traveling Tutors, UWS through a number of departments, NAMI, the Samaritan Fund, the Red Cross, Girl Scouts, CASDA, and more. These expanded ministries require all aspects of stewardship: Time, Talents, and Treasure in order to do them well.

So here's the ask: can you help? Sign up to help with a meal for campus ministry. Come hang out with youth on Sunday mornings as a teacher or helper in the Sunday School classrooms. Get registered to give blood or come help get people signed in during the blood drive. Join the stewardship team, or the choir or bell choir, and lend your ideas to our upcoming Listening Sessions. Give generously as you are able to the Walk the Talk mini-campaign that we'll be launching this month.

We are the church – better together. And together we can and are doing some amazing things in our community. Thank you for being part of it!



Learn how to make Tamales.

October 18th from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. This October, we will be celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with a series of three events, including a free tamale cooking class for UWS students, faculty, and staff.

If you would like to learn the art of making tamales come join the UWS students. There will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex. They need to know how many people are going to be here so they have enough supplies.

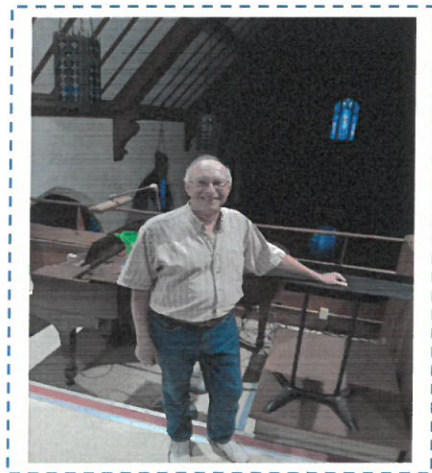
Finances Update

In September we gathered for a conversation around current church finances and plans for future ministry as your council begins its work on next year's budget. As you will note from our financial report at the beginning of the newsletter, while we are ahead of expected receipts this year, we continue to borrow from savings each month. This was expected as part of this year's budget, and we hope to progress in evening out these numbers as we move into the next year. Please continue to reach out to members of the council with any questions or concerns you have, and thank you for the many ways in which you give back to the mission and ministry here at Pilgrim.



Pilgrim Portrait Curt Hanson Choir Director

Pilgrim choir, directed by Curt Hanson, is an organized company of voices singing beautiful and challenging music to praise God. Curt has served the congregation as Choir Director since 2001. A nice 23 year run and still going strong. Along with this position Curt was the church Office Manager from 2007 to 2022. He serves as the Cantor, leading the liturgy when called upon. Curt selects and arranges all our choral music. He also provides solo performances when the choir is off. A natural baritone he fills the church with his wonderful voice.



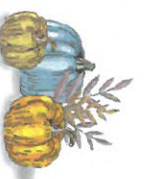
Curt holds a Music Doctorate Degree from the University of Colorado, Boulder. He did his undergraduate and Masters Degree work at Bemidji State University in Minnesota. He has worked as a music teacher in southern Minnesota and later as a Music Professor at the John Duss Conservatory in Duluth.


Curt and his wife Brenda live in Proctor Minnesota where he grew up. They have two children, Eric and Evan. Both are computer science professionals working in central and southern Minnesota. Curt's dad was the Choir Director at his home church in Proctor and Duluth. His brothers and mom all sang in the choir as did he. His uncle was a professional singer with the Satisfiers – the musical group behind Perry Como's radio show in the 1940's. Curt is not exaggerating when he says "music is in my blood." Always interested in sports, an athlete in his own right, Curt has recently been exploring genealogy tracing his roots back to Ireland, Scandinavia and Medieval England. A fun hobby

This is Curt's paraphrased favorite quote from Martin Luther... "next to the word of God, music has the highest place". He fondly remembers his first rehearsal with the Pilgrim Choir. "I was received with open arms. Just a warm, cordial welcoming congregation. What I like best about this church are the people. I love music. I am very close to the faith. Music is my way of expressing it." Asked to describe himself, he replies "what you see is what you get." His mantra for us is to "just sing". We have been blessed with 23 years of faithful, creative and wonderful service bringing the joy of music to our worship. Bring your voice to the choir and join this close knit friendly group of singers and have some fun.



October 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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