

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church 820 Belknap Street Superior, WI 54880

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Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m. Website: www.plcsuperior.org Facebook: PilgrimSuperior

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2025





Potluck baby shower for Pastor Tanner and Katie will be Sunday April 6th down in Fellowship Hall after the church service. There's a sign up to bring a dessert, salad or jello! Pot luck. Please see Sandy Breitzman or Colleen Goesling for information regarding gift registry! Everyone is welcome!

Here is the link and QR code for their list:

https://my.babylist.com/pvzxfdenk



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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.

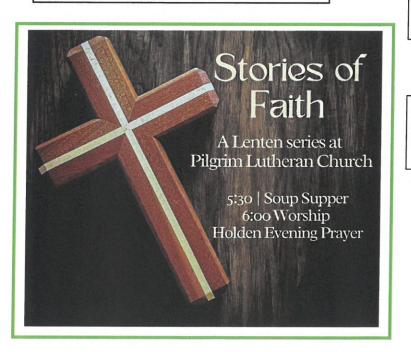
Church Office Hours

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 am—1:00 pm Church Phone: 715-392-4731

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Synod website: www.nwswi.org
ELCA website: www.elca.org



Leadership

	Pastor Rev. Tanner Howard
	Office Manager Judy Hagen
	Custodian Anna Johnson
	Music Director/Pianist Lorelei Holland
	Violinist
	Choir Director Curt Hanson
	Education Coordinator Rebecca Waterhouse
	Financial Secretary Julie McLaren
	SAM (Synodically Authorized Minister) Jenny Carey Dudderar
I	High School Youth Leader Noah Holland
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### **COUNCIL**

Council President . . . Dan Breneman
Council Vice-President . . . Tad Matheson
Council Secretary . . . . Noah Holland
Congregation Treasurer . . . . Don Miller
Colleen Elonen, Ted Nelson, Sandy Breitzmann and
Jeff Gronski

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

### **Financial Report**

February 2025

Total General Giving: \$8,813
Other Revenue: 225
Expenses (excluding utilities) - 16,867
Utilities - 2,721
Surplus (Deficit) (10,550)
These figures have been submitted by Don

Congregation Treasurer.

<u>PLC on FB</u>: 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.

### **Church Attendance**

February 2025 -

(3 Sunday Services here at Pilgrim)

Total In-House Sunday Attendance: 161
Average In-House Sunday Attendance: 54
Total Online Sunday Attendance: 104
Average Online Sunday Attendance: 35

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!!

April 6 – 5th Sunday in Lent

Ushers: Team 2: Tad Matheson, Capt.

Worship Asst: Julie McLaren

**Sound System:** Greg

Altar Guild: Laura and Greg Hospitality: Sue Winner Greeter: ??? anvone

April 13 - Palm Sunday

Ushers: Team 3: Jeff Gronski, Capt.

Worship Asst:

Mary Johnson-Garay

**Sound System:** 

Max

Altar Guild: Hospitality:

Greeter:

Rachel and Colleen Molly Warring

??? anyone

April 17 – Maundy Thursday

Ushers: Team 4: Tyler Austreng, Capt.

Worship Asst:

??? anyone

**Sound System:** 

Jamie

Altar Guild: Hospitality:

Elaine & Mary None needed

Greeter:

??? anyone

April 18 - Good Friday

Team 1: Ted Nelson, Capt. Ushers:

Worship Asst:

Noah Holland

Sound System:

Tyler

Altar Guild:

Hospitality:

None needed

Greeter:

??? anyone

April 20 – Easter Sunday

Ushers: Team 2: Tad Matheson, Capt.

and Team 3: Jeff Gronski, Capt.

Worship Asst:

Mary Houk

**Sound System:** 

Greg

Altar Guild:

Sandy and Theresa

Hospitality:

Laura Swanson

Sandy Breitzmann

Greeter:

April 27 – 2nd Sunday of Easter

Team 4: Tyler Austreng, Capt. Ushers:

Worship Asst:

Jenny Dudderar

**Sound System:** 

Jeff

Altar Guild: Hospitality:

Laura and Greg Tim & Julie McLaren

Greeter:

??? anyone

### Scripture Readings April 2025 Lectionary C

### April 6 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4-14 John 12:1-8

### April 13 – Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9 Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14 - 23:56 OR Luke 23:1-49

### April 17 – Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31-35

### April 18 - Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12 Psalm 22

Hebrews 10:16-25 OR Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1 - 19:42

## April 20 - Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43 OR Isaiah 65:17-25 Psalm 118:14-29 OR Psalm 150 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 OR Acts 10:34-43 Luke 24:1-12 OR John 20:1-18

### April 27 - Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32 Psalm 118:14-29 OR Psalm 150 Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31

### Sound System for the month of April

April 2 (Lent Wednesday)	Fred
April 6 (Worship/Praise)	Greg
April 9 (Lent Wednesday)	Jeff
April 13 (Palm Sunday)	Max
April 17 (Maundy Thursday)	Jamie
April 18 (Good Friday)	Tyler
April 20 (Easter – 1 service)	Greg
April 27	Jeff

# April 2025

A Note From the Pastor

Saints and Siblings in Christ,

I recently had the opportunity to attend the 15th Annual St. Louis River Summit held over at UWS at the beginning of March. It was a totally different version of continuing education than I usually get to attend, but incredibly wonderful to gather with folks who are so passionate about the waters of this place we call home. I even got to pull out my old bachelor of science degree and plum my biology and (oh so limited) chemistry memories as folks presented about the ongoing research and work being done to protect and care for the river, estuary, and lake we love.

I was particularly struck by a panel discussion titled, *Water, We Respect You: Tribal Sovereignty in the watershed of Chigami-ziibi.* One of the panel members, Kathleen Smith, works for the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission as their "Manoomin Ganawandag" or "She Who Takes Care of the Wild Rice". In her talk, she spoke about her work with municipal, county, state, and federal organizations as being in 4-year chunks. Looking ahead, long-term planning, goal setting – all in 4-year chunks. She said that as a member of the Ojibwe people, this was a challenging way to do things, because they don't make decisions based on the next 4 years – or even the next 40 years – but on the next 7 generations. The 7 Generations Principle is a core teaching within many Indigenous cultures, including the Ojibwe, and emphasizes that decisions made today should consider their impact on the next seven generations. A practice which serves to foster long-term thinking and leads to intentionally sustainable practices.

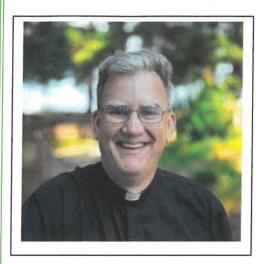
That principle has been stuck in my head. When we worship. When we fellowship. When we learn. I've thought about it in conversations with committees and council. When we've gathered for meetings as area clergy or worshiped together as a larger community of faithful folks here in Superior. I wonder what our ancestors in the faith thought about and planned for when they established this congregation 137 years ago. But I wonder even more about the ways in which we, us, right now, are planning for and thinking about a future seven generations away from us – a time that we will never see ourselves. What conversations do we need to have now, what choices do we need to make now, and how will they impact faith in this community 7 generations from now?

Something I hope we can ponder together.

In Christ, Pastor Tanner



# EASTER MESSAGE FROM BISHOP MARTIN



I can still remember the pound of my heart to this day. It was Good Friday in the year 1995. I was working at Lutherdale Bible Camp as a year round staff and my task that day was to dismantle the several hundred foot zipline. It was a warm spring day, but I still experienced the wind that caused the tree that I was attached to to sway far more than I wanted it to. The tree itself was dying and thus it could no longer serve as the anchor of the zipline where the platform was. It was on that platform where youth and staff alike would find themselves transferring the rabbit ears attached to their harness to the zipline that would lead to the ensuing rush of emotions. As I stood on that platform, connected to a couple of tree staples with my own rabbit ears, I loosened the hardware that secured the zipline cable to the tree, bolt by bolt. It was quite a surreal experience.

As I loosened the final bolt, that cable released about a foot away from my face, causing my heart to beat in a way it has never beaten before or since. The sound haunted me for those few seconds as the cable fell to the ground about 40 feet below. Once I collected myself, all I could think about was how appropriate it was to watch the death of the zipline on Good Friday. That element was always the climax on the high ropes course. It was the final adventure for countless youth as they experienced the challenges of that course. Just step off the platform, trust, and fly!

I was saddened to see that zipline fall. But then I was overjoyed to see it rebuilt in a new and more secure location! It reminds me of that great Easter spiritual that states, "It's Friday, but Sunday's coming." It's the reminder that we call it Good Friday only because as Christian believers, we know that Easter is coming. Without Easter Sunday, Friday would have been even more devastating as it already was. Jesus' followers were lost, confused, and in deep sorrow. Those emotions resulted from the trauma that they were experiencing. But Easter reversed the pain of that trauma and turned it into a joyous chorus of "Alleluias" where we can now see God's almighty power being revealed! We can see how God has power over death itself and not just for Jesus. God's power to give life to all believers in all times and in all places through the death and resurrection of Jesus is what brings us joy, hope, comfort, and faith itself! God's power to renew our lives each and every day through the gift of forgiveness cannot be understated. God's desire to heal our broken relationship because of our sinfulness indicates the depth of that love, knowing that God so desperately desires to be with us forever.

That old zipline was a source of joy for so many people. But when contrasted with the joy we can experience daily, it simply pales in comparison. Friends, live into that joy of the resurrection. Remember the gift that Jesus embodies that is truly the greatest gift we've ever had - the gift of God's unconditional love. Despite the various losses that we grieve each year, some that appear to be quite unbearable at the time, remember the gift of Jesus. We are a resurrection church. We are a forgiven and forgiving people. And we bask in the glory of God's amazing grace.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Bishop Martin

# Coins for the Community.

We will continue to collecting spare change for The Ruth House for March and April. Remember every little amount makes a big difference. Thank you for your support!



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.

# Archives Team Meeting - April 9th | 9-noon

Interested in history? Want to learn more about our long history here as Pilgrim Lutheran Church? This is the group for you! Our new Archives Team will be meeting on Wednesday, April 9th from



9-noon. We are still in the process of cataloging some of our 136-year history as Pilgrim People in Superior. 136 years takes awhile to go through. Anyone is welcome to join us. Even if you can only come for part of the time. There are always goodies too!

If you have any questions contact Jean Miller.

# Pastie Sale

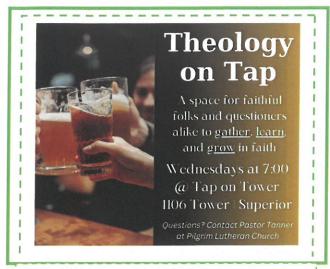
Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Superior is selling homemade pasties. These pasties freeze well, so order plenty for quick dinner ideas!



Pasties are \$7 each or 6 for \$40! Pasties are made with lean butcher's blend burger, potatoes, carrots, rutabaga, and a little onion!

Orders taken from March 30th until April 13th. Order extra – these pasties freeze well!

Pasties will be available for pickup starting at the end of March. Pay when you pick up! Questions? Call PLC @ 715 392 4731 Thank you for your support!



Come and join us!! Everyone is welcome!!



New days – Because of Easter service will be held on April 6th and 27th. May will be back to the first and third Sundays.

# Step in Line-Dancing Class

Dance class is still going strong. Line Dancing and more! All ages and abilities welcome! No sign up required. \$5.00 per class. Class will be every Tuesday, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. until May  $20^{th}$ . Interested or have any questions talk to Mary Johnson-Garay.



Talk to her at church, email her at <a href="mailto:stepnlinedance@gmail.com">stepnlinedance@gmail.com</a> or call her at 218-393-3324.

# Prayer Around the Cross - A Pilgrimage Through Lent

Throughout this season of Lent we will gather around the image of the cross. The cross is so imbued into our faith and traditions that we often don't think about it. So a part of our artwork that we may not notice it. This year you are invited to bring your cross to church. There will be a special display in the narthex that you can add your crosses to, and we will bless these household crosses before sending them home again during Holy Week. In addition, we will hear stories from members of this congregation reflecting on their experience of the cross and life of faith.

We will continue to gather for midweek meals and worship through April 9th. The meal begins at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall and worship will be at 6:00 using Holden Evening Prayer. All are always welcome!

# Holy Week at Pilgrim

As we prepare to celebrate the resurrection on Easter Sunday, we hope you'll plan to join us as we gather around opportunities for worship and fellowship throughout Holy Week – the week leading up to Easter.





Palm Sunday – April 13th at 9:30 | Wave your palms and shout Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Spy Wednesday – April 16th at 5:30 | Traditionally commemorating the story of Judas as the spy and betrayer, we will gather for food, communion class, and bread baking.





Maundy Thursday – April 17th at 6:00 | We gather to hear again Christ's command to love all people and celebrate the institution of the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday – April 18th at 1:00 & 6:00 | Join us for a community Good Friday service at 1:00 at Concordia Lutheran Church. We will also hold our usual service at 6:00 that evening here at Pilgrim.





Holy Saturday – April 19th at 6:00 | Join us for an abridged version of the Great Vigil of Easter as we light a new fire, hear ancient stories of our faith, and welcome the Light of Christ into the world.

Easter Sunrise – April 20th at 6:11 | Gather with folks from around our community on the shores of Lake Superior (parking lot #1) as we worship together.





Easter Sunday – April 20th at 9:30 | Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!



### Communion Class and Bread Baking

Join us for a (first) communion class and bread baking on Wednesday, April 16th starting at 5:30. We'll gather with a meal and conversation about the history of communion



in the church and our practices here at Pilgrim. Then we will make communion bread together which will be used for worship on Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday. This event is for everyone, but it's helpful to have a count for supplies, so please sign up in the narthex.



Please note: everyone of any age is welcome at the table to take communion here at Pilgrim. However, if you have a young person in your family who would like to take their First Communion this year, this event serves as a class to prepare for that, and we will recognize those folks at worship during Maundy Thursday worship.



**Thank you** to everyone who ordered Easter Lily's for our Easter worship on April 20th. You may take them home after worship on this day.

Last date to order is March 31st.

### Yellowjacket Food Pantry

Did you know that there is a food pantry on campus for students? Located in Swenson Hall, the Yellowjacket Food Pantry is a great resource to help students make ends meet, providing supplemental food and other necessities to students free of charge. Monetary and food donations are always welcome. There is also an Amazon Wish List of requested items that you can purchase from. These special items go a long way toward helping our students and anything helps!



Scan the QR code to be taken directly to the list. Thank you!



# Violin music lesson's scheduled throughout the months

# April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fr.	Sat -
Baby Shower for Pastor Tanner and Katie's twins. Right after church on April 6th.  Pot Luck! All are Welcomelli	Tanner il 6th.	I 11:00 Pastor's Text Study 4:00-5:30 Lessons, Teresa 5:00 Step in Line Dancing 5:30 Choir Practice 6:15 Martial Arts Class	2 4:00 Confirmation Class 4:45 Girl Scouts 5:30 Soup Supper 6:00 Lent Worship 7:00 p.m. Theology on Tan	3 10:00 Bible Study 5:00 CHIMS mtg at Pilgrim	4	5 8:00-10:00 Martial Arts Class
6 9:30 Worship-Usher 2 10:15 Sunday School 10:45 Bell Practice 4:00 NA Group 5:30 Community Meal 6:00 Adult Ed Class 6:30 Evening Worship	7	8 11:00 Pastor's Text Study 4:00-5:30 Lessons, Teresa 5:00 Step in Line Dancing 5:30 Choir Practice 6:15 Martial Arts Class 6:30 Praise practice	9 9:00-noon Archives Team meeting 4:00 Confirmation Class 5:30 Soup Supper 6:00 Lent Worship 7:00 p.m. Theology on Tap	10:00 Bible Study 5:45 Martial Arts Class	11	12 8:00-10:00 Martial Arts Class
9 Palm Sunday 9:30 Worship—Usher 3 10:15 Sunday School 10:45 Bell Practice 11:30-5:00 Chess Tournaments—Eliza 1:30 NA meeting 4:00 NA Group 5:30 Community Meal 6:00 Adult Ed Class	14	15 Progress Articles Due 11:00 Pastor's Text Study 4:00-5:30 Lessons, Teresa 5:00 Step in Line Dancing 5:30 Choir Practice 6:15 Martial Arts Class 6:30 Praise practice	16 4:00 Confirmation Class 4:45 Girl Scouts 5:30 Spy Wednesday – Communion Class and Bread Making 7:00 p.m. Theology on Tap	17 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday- Usher 4	6;00 p.m. Good Friday Usher 1	8:00-10:00 Martial Arts Class 6:00 p.m. Great Vigil of Easter
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