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Quilts of Warmth and Beauty!

When I think of the quilts we make, I know they look nice and are warm, but it is the kind hearts of the quilters, that are ablaze with beauty and glow with the warmth of kindness. They work so hard and often volunteer to go that extra mile. They take home sewing or ironing. During the summer, they cleaned up and organized the quilt storage room (while I was vacationing in Ireland). What a nice surprise thanks to Jenn Stevenson, Linda Crosier, Donna Ruttan, and Sandi Bosch. They also think of other ways to do things – Sally McFarlin decided to pin pieces together. Sounds simple, right? But you can't imagine how it has increased our productivity. Those who sew the quilts think she is marvelous!

In October, we shipped 88 quilts and 75 school kits for a total of 710 pounds at a cost of \$532. As usual we had fun putting the school kits together thanks to Sandi Bosch's organization and Sherrie Melone's help. The quilters always enjoy laying the quilts out on the pews on the Wednesday before the quilts and school kits are blessed. The day of packing the quilts still continues to be fun. Liz and Randy Deasy showed up first so we got things ready. They were followed by the Bunches – first Kirk showed up, a while later Sue arrived, and then Carolyn walked in. Even while working hard, there was plenty of laughter and good-natured bantering. Remember those beautiful and kind hearts I mentioned, they are everywhere a school kit or quilt is touched. Thank you!
-Sharon Bray



Thank you Pastor Don and Anna

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, and we want to make sure that Pastor Don and Anna know how much we appreciate their service here at Pilgrim Lutheran. Thank you for the dedication and love that you show to the pilgrims here every single day! We love you!



November Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive at Pilgrim will be Tuesday, November 26th, from 1-6 pm. We would greatly appreciate help in setting up, and taking down to prepare for the quilters the following day. **Thanks very much in advance!**

Potato Feed Update

Thank you to all of you who participated one way or another to help our Potato Feed be a rousing success. The evening was busy, we fed a lot of people. Final donations were **\$460 to Assured Hospice**, and **\$460 to our Othello Food Bank**. Thank you to Harvest Fresh for donating the pre-wrapped potatoes, and to everyone who donated other supplies for that evening. Already looking forward to next year's event!
Pictured Below: Sandi Bosch & Elaine Wade serving at the Potato Feed



Women's Bible Study

November's Bible Study will be held on November 16, at 10 am in the Quilting Room next to the kitchen. Please come take advantage of this opportunity for study and fellowship with your Pilgrim sisters. Extra copies of the study are in the Narthex. For any questions, please call Fay Coats at 488-2886.



Congratulations

We rejoice with Becca and James Thornton at the baptism of their son Jace Earl. He was baptized on Oct. 20 and was celebrated at Fellowship with a cake and cookies! We pray that Jace grows to love and serve the Lord as he walks this pilgrimage on Earth!



November message from our Pastor:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

November is such a great month! We do lots of interesting things in November. We elect people to serve us, we honor our veterans and give thanks to them for their service to our country and we take time to enjoy football or basketball, or even hockey. But the thing that seems to occupy my mind for most of the month of November is always Thanksgiving. As soon as the calendar turns to November, I can almost smell the turkey roasting! But that's not the main blessing of this Thanksgiving.

As a nation, we take time to pause and give thanks to God for the many blessings we enjoy. Now, don't get me wrong, I enjoy a good roast turkey as much as the next person, but the main thing I am thankful for at each Thanksgiving is the chance to spend time with family. I think relationships are the most important blessing God gives to us. Take just a minute to think about all the people who are important to you in your own life. Be grateful for them. Give thanks to God for them and enjoy that relationship.

Too often, at least in my opinion, we take relationships for granted. We tend to assume the people who are important to us already know they are important, but that is not always the case. Perhaps this year, instead of just thanking God for the important people in your life, perhaps you may want to take some time to tell them that they are important to you, and maybe even explain why that is. To the church in Philippi, Paul wrote this; "I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you." (Philippians 1:3-4) Wouldn't hearing that from someone make you feel terrific? I can see the people of Philippi beaming from such a saying.

Personally, I am grateful for the people who make up Pilgrim Lutheran Church. I am glad God has brought you to this place and I am thankful for your confidence in me as your pastor. I hope you have a wonderful November, not just at Thanksgiving, but all month long. I pray that you will take time to be grateful for the relationships in your life, both your relationships with your family and friends, but also your relationship with God through your faith in Jesus Christ. I am looking forward to seeing you beam like a Philippian! See you in church.

Peace,

Pastor Don Short

Pastor Short's office hours

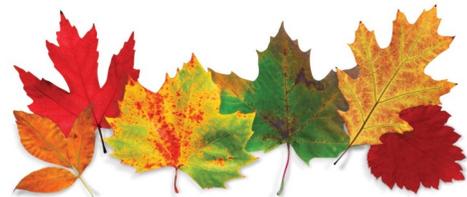
Wednesday-Friday 9-12 pm
Tuesdays 9-11 am

Tues pm reserved for text studies & Wed-Fri afternoons reserved for meetings, visitations, and appointments.

If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, please contact Pastor Don Short at **509-761-1212**.

Anna's office hours

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 2-4 pm
Cell phone 509-761-1205



Job Posting

Have you heard? Marc Spohr is retiring from the Building/Groundskeeper position that he has held for the last several years. Council is looking for a replacement. Maybe you know someone who would like a little extra cash, or who would like to serve God through this position.

Below is the Job Description Summary:

1. Mow, trim, edge, fertilize yards
 2. Spray weeds
 3. Prune trees and bushes
 4. Sprinklers, on / off, adjust, replace
 5. Snow blower (primary)
 6. Blow off rugs and walkways
 7. Replace light bulbs and furnace filters
- Compensation: \$2000 Yearly
Supervision: Pastor Short

For more information, please contact Pastor Don, or Tammy Rodriguez.

INFO CORNER

10/6 Attendance: 43 Offering: \$ 2,011
10/13 Attendance: 36 Offering: \$ 4,220
10/20 Attendance: 40 Offering: \$ 2,327
10/27 Attendance: 30 Offering: \$ 1,737

YTD Offerings — **\$ 90,900**

YTD Expenses — **\$103,772**

Thank you for supporting your Church and it's Mission! God loves a generous heart!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Men's Group Breakfast- Saturdays 8am @ Casa Mexicana Sunday School-every Sunday in November				1	2
3 10 am worship Healing Service Sunday School All Saints Sunday	4 Wear White on All Saints	5 Alfa y Omega 6 pm Quilters Sewing Class 7-9 pm	6	7	8	9 Pastor Don & Anna vacation
10 10 am Worship Sunday School	11 	12 ★ Alfa y Omega 6 pm 7 pm Church Council	13	14	15	16 Women's Bible Study: 10 am
17 10 am Worship Sunday School	18	19 Alfa y Omega 6 pm	20	21	22	23
24 10 am Worship Christ the King Sunday School	25	26 Blood Drive 1-6 pm Alfa y Omega 6 pm	27	28 	29 <u>Birthdays-November</u>	30



Anniversaries-November
11 John & Jeannine Bergstrom
26 Shayne & Dee Wright

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Tuesday November 12
7:00 pm Council

To the left:
Becca, Jace, brother Jacob, and James Thornton on the day of Jace's Baptism, October 20, 2019.

Attention!
If you do not see your birthday or anniversary on these lists, please contact Anna in the office so that they may be added to the master list. Thank you!

- 2 Donald Short
- 4 Emilee Jensen
- 5 Myles McKay
- 6 Linda Bork
- 7 Sue Bunch
- 10 Taylor Green
- 12 Vicki Nau
- 16 Veda Thomas
- 16 Larry Maine
- 17 Evan Wright
- 17 Julissa Virgen Rodriguez
- 19 Barb Brandt
- 21 Shane Russell
- 21 Rylee McKay
- 24 Bernie Snyder
- 24 Sharon Bray
- 25 Lynn Olsen
- 27 Jeannine Bergstrom
- 27 Shawn Mendoza
- 30 Ron Hosek

DATE	USHERS	READER	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	SACRISTAN	BREAD	CLICKER	GREETER	COFFEE HOUR
Nov 3	Marc & Kristi Spohr	Annie Smith	Annie Smith		Anna Short	FayAnn McCourtie			Nancy R
Nov 10		Shirley McCullough	Sue Bunch		Fay Coats			Trudy Doolittle	Cindy E Fay C
Nov 17	Trudy D	Donna Adams	Donna Adams		Anna Short			Carolyn & Sue Bunch	Donna A Sue & Carolyn B
Nov 24	Marc & Kristi Spohr	Annie Smith	FayAnn McCourtie	Maxwell	Nancy Roth			Nancy Roth	Annie S



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Mission Statement: PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH is led by the Holy Spirit **to invite** everyone to experience God's Love and Grace through life's pilgrimage of faith.

Vision Statement: PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH provides a warm, caring, and open atmosphere where we spread God's Word by **servng** our community, **being** a good neighbor, and **embracing** the power of prayer.



Blessing of the Animals October 6, 2019

Lectionary Readings for November

Nov 3	Daniel 7:1-3,15-18	Psalm 149	Ephesians 1:11-23	Luke 6:20-31
Nov 10	Job 19:23-27a	Psalm 17:1-9	2 Thessa 2:1-5, 13-17	Luke 20:27-38
Nov 17	Malachi 4:1-2a	Psalm 98	2 Thessa 3:6-13	Luke 21:5-19
Nov 24	Jeremiah 23:1-6	Psalm 46	Colossians 1:11-20	Luke 23:33-43



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