

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

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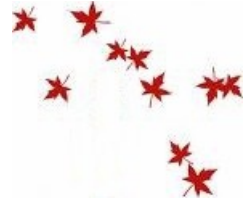
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A New Season For Pilgrim (Pastor Kristian Johnson)



First of all, I still can't get over our annual "Pilgrimfest" Block Party on Sunday, September 14th, 2014. What an awesome day! As we remember and celebrate our mission to Gather, Prepare, and Send all as leaders for God's mission in the world, it was really quite astounding to see:

- The 300-400 people that were ***gathered*** to celebrate in worship, fellowship, play, quilts, and music!
- The way God has ***prepared*** us to be, not only a church, but a "community center" where neighbors and friends can be invited to be present together in Christ (Core Practice #2)
- The way God ***sends*** us beyond the confines of our sanctuary to have a worship and evangelism experience out in the streets of this fine city of Chicago...

Way to go Pilgrim! It was the perfect way for us to live into the new season for our community called Pilgrim. For this new season could be called: Upward and Outward!

Upward: because we are growing in the way we connect with the living God through vibrant worship, engaging prayer, and reading of God's Word. We welcome you to become more regular in your participation in our weekly worship experiences on Sunday mornings (8 and 10:30 AM), prayer (Saturday mornings at 8:30 AM), and Bible Study ("Unpacking Discipleship", Sundays at 9:20 AM).

Furthermore, we are moving outward, as we explore the ways we can partner with other communities like Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, the Synod, global discipleship movements like 3DM, and many other ways as we seek to live out the words of Pilgrim's Constitution:

*"The Church exists both as an **inclusive** fellowship and as local congregations gathered for worship and Christian service. Congregations find their fulfillment in the **universal community** of the Church, and the universal Church exists in and through congregations, and this church... expresses the fellowship of believers and congregations in our day."*
(Pilgrim Lutheran Church Constitution C3.02)

Did you hear that? We are not only a worship community, We are building an inclusive community where everyone at Pilgrim feels part of a special church family. At the same time, our mission is understood as part of a larger universal community of the church, including a community of other ELCA Churches.

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(A New Season, Pastor Johnson, *continued*)

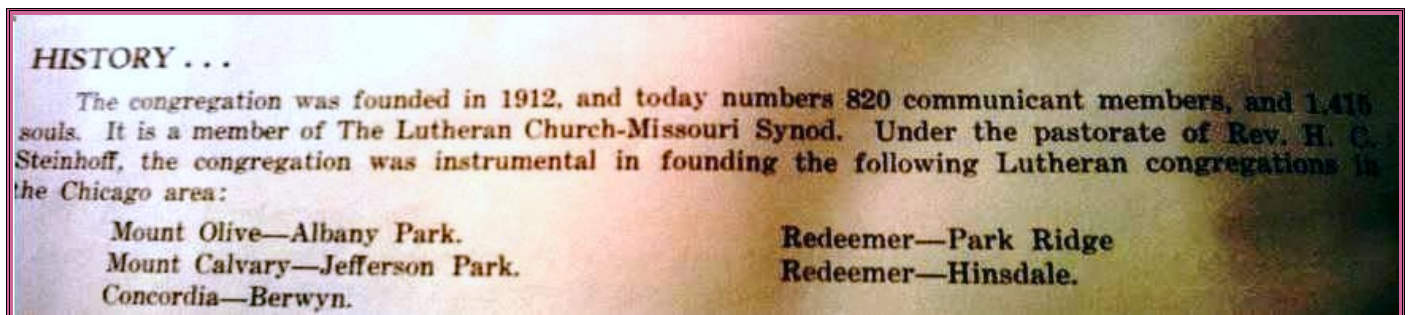
We are in the early stages of initiating a partnership with Luther Memorial Church (ELCA) on 2500 W Wilson. Luther Memorial is a phenomenal church. They are growing congregation who has found many new and renewing ways to serve their community. One of the ways we are exploring partnership with them is by imagining a Pilgrim Preschool being housed in their church building.

As the leadership of Pilgrim Church and School has begun to explore this possibilities, a larger, more existential question has arisen:

Why cultivate congregational partnerships and coalitions?

Here are the reasons why:

- We are able to accomplish more than we ever could separately.
- We embody Jesus promise that “the world may know we are Christians by our love.”
- It helps us clarify our community...”What makes Pilgrim Pilgrim?”
- We begin to minimize one question unchurched people ask... “Why are there so many different churches, and why don’t they work together more?”
- We make new friends.
- We make use of friendships we have already cultivated for mission. (we have many school parents attending community churches)
- We have more support to do proactive ministry and more support when crisis/transition comes.
- And... we get to continue a wonderful history at Pilgrim of partnership and helping to plant congregations/new ministries (see below: from our Pilgrim Church Anniversary Book:



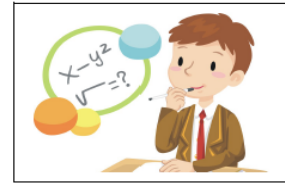
Pilgrim has helped start five new congregations as a part of our history!

What if that part of our history... partnering with other congregations to do ministry together and bring new people to faith... wasn't over?

Thanks and peace,

Pastor Kristian





Giving a Gift to All of our Children

Dear Members and Friends of Pilgrim Lutheran,

As you may know, Dave Maring led Pilgrim School as a teacher and principal for 46 years. To honor his dedication to Pilgrim, the congregation established the Dave Maring School Endowment Fund. The Fund will be used to finance a variety of school-focused projects including tuition assistance, development of new programs for students, and enrichment for both teachers and students.

Pilgrim members John and Mary Satter have issued a generous challenge to the Pilgrim community. As the congregation raises the first \$25,000, the Satters will match those donations—dollar for dollar—to kick-start the Fund. Meeting this challenge is an awesome way for the Pilgrim community to honor Dave Maring's contributions to Pilgrim and to continue his good work into the future.

Please consider a donation of any amount, knowing that your gift will be doubled. Help make it possible to announce our success at the Pilgrim Block Party on September 14, 2014! If you have any questions, please talk to any of the DMSE Fund Committee members (Ed Nelson, Dale Halter, Sam Doerfler, Alison Hays and/or Anita Zajac) or contact the church office. Your generosity helps ensure the mission of Pilgrim School moving forward: *Academic Excellence with a Heart!*

In Christ,

Kristian Johnson, Pastor

Greg Otsuka, President

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

"The greatest gift that we can give any child is the benefit of a Pilgrim education." Dave Maring

Make a Donation: By making a tax-deductible donation to the Dave Maring School Endowment Fund, you can make an impact on the lives of every student, teacher and family at Pilgrim Lutheran School, both current and those yet to enroll. Thank You!!!

Amount that you would like to donate: ____ \$50 ____ \$100 ____ \$500 ____ \$1000 ____ Other: _____

Your Name: _____

Your contact information: _____

Would you like to make this donation as a tribute to someone else? If so, who? _____

Save Friday, October 17
for our fall party at
Atlantic Grill!

Your donation may be placed in the Sunday collection plate or mailed to

Pilgrim Church Office, 4300 N. Winchester Ave., Chicago, IL 60613

or make a donation on-line at www.pilgrimchurchandschool.org.

Hello Pilgrim Families and Welcome to the 2014-2015 School Year!

(Principal Christopher Comella)



School has started and everyone is getting settled into new routines. The staff has spent the summer planning and preparing for the 2014-2015 school year. Pilgrim welcomes three new staff members to our school. Mrs. Paula Raabe teaching upper grade math to grades 4-8 and 4/5 science; Cynthia Amezola is co-teaching with Ms. Huelskoetter in the 1/2 classroom, in addition to teaching 8th grade physical education; Frank Lamond joins our EarlyBirds and PAS program as assistant to the director. Please check out their biographies on the School tab of the Pilgrim website. Truly, we are staffed for success in all areas!

We welcome Shellie Riedle and Lori Hilton to the Pilgrim School Board of Education. We thank all of our parents who serve on our Board to set up-to-date and effective policies for our school. If you have any questions about the Pilgrim BOE, please contact me or Board Chair Nancy Liljedahl.

The Parent-Teacher League (PTL) continues its long-standing tradition of excellent service to the school community. PTL gathered everyone for a yummy ice cream social in July, and PTL hosted a scrumptious and very convivial BBQ for families new to Pilgrim in August. PTL also sponsored an excellent Open House night, which featured the a visit from Alderman Ameya Pawar and the installation of PTL and Board of Education (BOE) officers on September 11. Parents had a wonderful opportunity to visit each of the classroom teachers. If you are looking for ways to help Pilgrim do its best to meet the needs of its students, please consider serving on the Parent-Teacher League Board. The PTL focuses on events for students, fundraising, and marketing for Pilgrim. We need parents with expertise in all of these areas. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Robert Knapp or call the Pilgrim School Office.

Finally, during this school year, I want to reach out to our families in a new way. Every other week, I am hosting a time for conversation that I am calling **Principal Talk, Coffee and Conversation with Principal Comella**. Some of the topics which I will be addressing are: The Common Core; MAP assessments; dealing with CPS; the goal of service education; how we teach our children to be healthy; how can we make our community safer; what does tuition really pay for???; the reason for play-based education; and, of course, any topics that you would like to hear more about.

Following are some things that we worked on during the summer of 2014

I would also like to let you know about some of the new things that we as a staff have been working on over the summer to strengthen your child(ren)'s Pilgrim education. To do this we need to talk about some basic areas: staffing, academic program, service learning, and building upgrades.

1. Staffing: We have the right people in the right classrooms with the right students!

- a. Ms. Ianchici has signed on as our Early Childhood/Pre-Kindergarten teacher. She is now an official member of the staff.
- b. Ms. Amezola is joining our primary staff as a co-teacher. This means that she and her partners—Ms. Huelskoetter, Ms. Daczyszyn, and Mr. Knuth—are working together to provide individualized instruction for all of our students in the primary grades. The homeroom teacher and the co-teacher work together to plan instruction and deliver lessons together. It's like a news anchor team: both share equal responsibility for the success of all the students in the class. We have been using this model for some time in the 7/8 math class; we are now applying it to the primary grades. Ms. Amezola graduated from California State University in Fresno and is currently pursuing a masters degree at Valparaiso University.
- c. Mrs. Raabe is teaching all the upper grade math classes: 7/8; 6; 5; and 4. In addition, she is teaching Mrs. Tighe's homeroom science. Mrs. Raabe has taught for 27 years in Lutheran schools in Skokie and Melrose Park. She is also on the staff as an instructor in math education at National Louis University.
- d. Ms. Megan Cooney joins us from Luther North as our new band instructor. She holds a recent masters degree in music from the University of Massachusetts and has a background in classical percussion.

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2. Academic program: Our program is responsive to the needs expressed in our annual survey. Parents have indicated that they want more rigor in the upper grades as a preparation for high school enrollment.

- a. Students in all grades now learn English/language arts in their grade level cohort, i.e., all 4th graders are together for ELA; all 5th graders are together for ELA; all 6th are together; all 7th graders, and all 8th graders. This means smaller classes with more chance for individualized instruction.
- b. Students in all grades now learn Spanish in the grade level cohorts. All students at the same grade level are learning the same concepts. This also allows for better individualized instruction.
- c. Christian studies classes in the upper grades is utilizing a new textbook published by Augsburg Fortress. Each homeroom teacher is teaching her own homeroom Christian studies.
- d. Every class has a designated physical education or recess period every day.
- e. Upper grade teachers are developing elective options for at least one class period per week.
- f. All students in grades 1-8 will be taking the NWEA MAP test both for a measure of student achievement and to give teachers another window into the strengths and challenges that your child(ren) experience in school. We cannot emphasize enough that while this is a measure of your child(ren)'s ability, it is only one of many assessments in which teachers and students engage. We no longer will be administering Stanford Tests as they have become outdated and the company which owns Stanford has no plans to update the tests.
- g. Our teachers continue to use the best elements of many different teaching models to craft a curriculum that appeal to students' curiosity about the world and yet still meets the standards of learning needed for selective enrollment programs.

3. Service Learning: Service Learning is an important part of a Pilgrim education. We have service projects which we do in conjunction with the Church, such as, Coat Angels and the Toy Drive; we have projects that we do in conjunction with our partner schools, St. Paul's (Dorchester) and Colegio Luterano Salvadoreño; we have projects that we do as a class. In all of our service learning projects, we want our students to form relationships with others, rather than simply give money or goods. We believe that in those relationships our students gain the insights that make them more effective leaders in the world.

- a. School-wide Partnerships
 - i. Partnership with Colegio Luterano Salvadoreño: Each classroom contacts the corresponding classroom in San Salvador for conversation to improve language skills and to gain better understanding of the world in which each class lives.
 - ii. Partnership with St. Paul's (Dorchester): Each classroom has a corresponding classroom at St. Paul's with whom they will share a planned activity or field trip. The 7th and 8th grade homeroom from Pilgrim and from St. Paul's will engage in specific service projects, such as assembling health kits for the Night Ministry.
- b. Classroom Projects
 - i. Pre-K and Kindergarten: both rooms with adopt a "grandparent" from the congregation.
 - ii. Homeroom 1 and 2: Regular Visits to St. Paul's House
 - iii. Homeroom 2 and 3: Regular Visits to Concordia Place
 - iv. Homeroom 4 and 5: Hot Meals Preparations
 - v. Homeroom 5 and 6: Hot Meals Workers
 - vi. Homeroom 7 and 8: Night Ministry and Food Pantry helpers

4. Building Upgrades: It is important that our building function well for the work that we do. This includes having technology and tech support that meet the needs of students, teachers and office staff.

- a. Four classrooms are now equipped with Mimeo teach bars, a device that turns a regular white board into an interactive white board.
- b. WiFi has been upgraded so that there are no dead zones in the building. Maring Hall and the Annex now have WiFi access.
- c. The Annex now has an LCD projector and document camera for teacher use.
- d. The "ladies lounge" has been refurbished for use as a teachers' lunch area.
- e. Books from the upper grade library have been distributed to classrooms where 4th, 5th, and 6th graders can access them. They have all been bar coded so that teachers can check them out without the aid of a library staff person.
- f. The stage has been cleaned and painted for better safety and easier access to both school and the congregation.
- g. We also want to address two other areas of the school this year: carpeting and (if possible) windows. We still have some fund-a-need money to put toward at least the carpeting. If any of you have a resource for either of these items, please let me know.

So, this is an overview of some things that we have been working on over the summer. In addition to these items, many conversations about marketing and our response to shifts in CPS selective enrollment options have taken place.

Thanks for taking some time to read through this lengthy news piece! To the whole Pilgrim Community, I pledge to ensure five things to be hallmarks of a Pilgrim education:

- 1. Individual Attention;**
- 2. Parental Involvement;**
- 3. Academic Excellence;**
- 4. A Balanced educational program "with a Heart"; and**
- 5. Service to all our families inspired by the Grace granted by the Holy Spirit**



I look forward to future conversations with all of you! ***"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them"*** (Mt. 18:20). We give thanks for the awesome power that God has given!

Blessing of the Animals

At the Welles Park gazebo, on Saturday morning, October 4th, Pastor Tim Brown of Luther Memorial Church and Pastor Kristian Johnson of Pilgrim Lutheran Church and School held an interactive prayer service and then blessed neighborhood pets in honor of St Francis. Drinks and treats were served afterward.



New Logo!

THE LOGO EXPLAINED

① THE FLAME

Fire is a popular representation of the **Holy Spirit**. Fire calls attention to the strength and force of the Holy Spirit. Lutherans believe that the Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies us in the faith.

The eternal flame of knowledge from the **Lamp of Knowledge**. The lamp of knowledge is a symbol of higher education, representing the insatiable, burning desire to learn from every experience and opportunity.

② HEART/APPLE

The **heart** is symbol of affection and love.

The **apple** is fruit of the **Tree of Knowledge**. Students have given shiny fresh apples to their teachers on the first day of school for over a century.

③ 2-COLOR GRADIENT EFFECT

The flame is accentuated with the use of a 2-color gradient effect.

④ HANDCUT GRADIENT LINES

These lines give the logo the touch of a **human hand**. Handcut gradient lines accentuate the 2-color gradient effect and represent the gradient effect when the one color logo option must be used.

⑤ THE COLOR YELLOW

The color yellow is the color of the **mind and the intellect**. This color relates to acquired knowledge. It is the color which resonates with the logic side of the brain stimulating our mental faculties and creating mental agility and perception.



El Salvador Sunday



Join us on Sunday, October 19th at the 10:30 AM service, as we enjoy testimonies and images from an amazing mission trip experienced by 19 members of the Pilgrim community. It is fitting that we celebrate the huge impact global partnerships have on all of us before going downtown to walk on the Crop Walk! Come show your support to the Baslers, Saikis, Johnsons, Ms. Huelskoetter, Ralph, Andrea Preston, and others!

Quilters' Craft Day

(Chris Wallis)



The Pilgrim Quilters thank everyone who attended our quilt show during the block party and purchased tickets for our raffle quilt. We are donating \$150 of the proceeds to the Maring Endowment Fund matching gift challenge. On Sunday, November 9th, we will be taking over Maring Hall starting at 1 PM for an afternoon and evening of sewing (or other crafts) and fellowship. We'll supply ironing equipment and power strips for sewing machines, and a cutting table.

Bring a snack to share, and we'll order dinner around 5 PM, which usually runs around \$9 per person. Want to learn to quilt? We are planning to offer a beginners' class that afternoon. If you are interested, please contact Chris Wallis (cewallis1949@yahoo.com) to find out what supplies to bring. No prior experience needed, and we'll include hand-piecing for those who don't have sewing machines.

Fall Adult Bible Discussion Group: Unpacking Discipleship Following Jesus is life's deepest, most challenging, and most rewarding adventure! Yet, when we hear words like "evangelism" and "discipleship," we don't always get so excited. Is it because these words are too dated and "churchy" to be useful in 2014? Or do they need to be renewed and reclaimed so that we can live Jesus' dream for us? Join us on Sundays at 9:15 AM as we study "Unpacking Discipleship" together. This is a "no experience necessary" group, even if you've never read the Bible, you are invited to learn with us!



The 2014 CROP Hunger Walk/Pizza Party



Pilgrim is proud to participate in the 2014 CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, October 19th at 2 PM. We will meet at the church after the late service (12:45 PM) to carpool downtown. This 10K walk (or 2 mile "family route") raises money to fight hunger both locally and globally. Joining the team has never been easier: simply click on the link below, click 'Join Team' and follow the prompts. Unable to walk? You can still support Pilgrim walkers and help fight hunger by using the same link and clicking 'Donate Now.' Donation envelopes are also available if you prefer to collect cash or checks--just contact Lara Otsuka at 773•255•6159 or lcotsuka@gmail.com and she will get an envelope to you. For more information about CROP, visit:

http://hunger.cwsglobal.org/site/TR?team_id=113533&fr_id=19687&pg=team

Countdown to Greenery



Please support our classrooms by purchasing greenery for the holidays. The Parent Teacher League (PTL) is excited to offer greenery for the holidays.

Complete all of your holiday decorating in five minutes by selecting from fresh wreaths, centerpieces, and garland. The greenery is a great gift for friends, family, and business. Most importantly, greenery proceeds directly enrich the classroom experience for our children. In the past, monies raised have supported technology and science. This year in our "Countdown to Greenery," see how our teachers would like to utilize PTL resources to encourage the education of our children. Forms and brochures are on the back table. Any further questions, please contact Jacueline Mokszycki at jmokszycki@gmail.com



COCKTAILS FOR A CAUSE

to benefit the Dave Maring School Endowment Fund



October
17th

The Atlantic Bar and Grill

5062 North Lincoln Avenue

October 17th, 2014 7-11 p.m.

\$40 before October 10th

\$45 after October 10th or at the door

*Tickets are available for purchase in the school office at any time,
Tuesdays after school and Fridays before school until the event.
Cash or check only, please.*

**Deadline: Please submit items for the November newsletter by October 15th.
Send to j3valencia@yahoo.com or put in my church mailbox.**

Food for the Hungry



Pilgrim accepts grocery donations for the Friendship Center and Common Food Pantries. Please bring nonperishable food and leave it at the top of the stairs near the entrance of the church.

Hot Meals Program

Pilgrim provides a free home-cooked meal for the community every Saturday at 11:30 AM in our church fellowship hall (basement). We welcome all to this meal. Contact Janet Taylor



Raising Fund\$ (Anne Barsano)

Looking for Rides to Church



We are looking for people who would be willing and able, on occasion, to give a ride to someone who needs help getting to church for Sunday worship and home again afterward. If you have not already done so, please let Barbara Anthony, in the church office, know if your name can be added to a list of volunteer drivers, and also let us know if your vehicle is accessible to people who may have limited mobility. Thank you in advance!

Magazine Drive

Our Fall Magazine Drive ended on October 5th, but new and renewed subscriptions may be ordered all year at www.QSP.com. All orders return 40% in profit to Pilgrim. Our school account number is: **425008656**. Be sure to tell your family & friends! schoolstore.com and charge your order. Pilgrim's order #: 2633014. Please contact Anne Barsano with questions.



Market Day



Market Day pickup is Thursday, October 9th at 3 PM, in the school basement. Watch for the November ordering notice as you plan your Thanksgiving meal. Please contact Anne Barsano if you have any Market Day questions at cbarsano@aol.com or 773-472-6037.

Target Red Card

 With a Target Visa or MasterCard, you automatically donate 2% to Pilgrim every time you shop at Target. Click on the following link to enroll: http://redcard.target.com/tcoe/search_school.jsp

Gift Cards



Gift cards continue to be sold after church on Sunday and in the school office on Monday and Friday, from 8:30 - 10 AM, or you may send in an order to the school office and it will be filled the next sale date and returned to you as you wish. We are working on an **online gift card** and/or **eScrip card** ordering program where you would pay through an ACH program, but we will not start this unless there is enough interest. Please let Anne Barsano know if this is a way of ordering which you would like and would use.



September 14th Outdoor Worship Service (Photos, courtesy of Michael Marinelli)

On a beautiful Sunday morning, Pastor Johnson began our outdoor worship service with the dedication of our new Gathering Garden honoring the late Lucille Hermann and admiring the engraved pavers bought by members of Pilgrim. Included in the worship service was the installation of Pilgrim School teachers and staff, and the baptism of Damien Gonzalez, son of Benny Gonzalez and Viviana Hernandez, sponsored by Veronica Ramos.



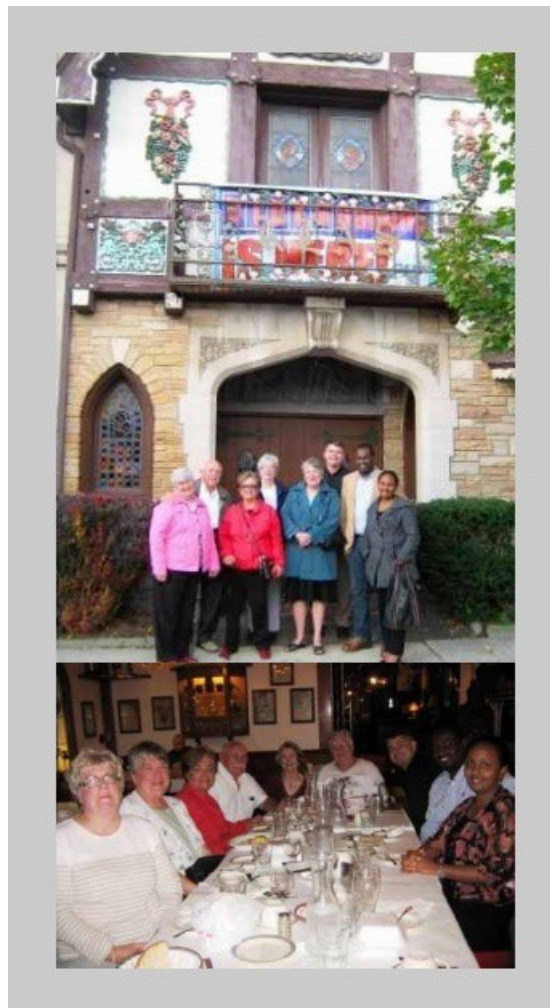
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Summer Dining Reviews

(Julie Lea)

Thanks to Pastor Kristian for chauffeuring us on Sunday, September 21st to Klas Restaurant, an old world charming Czech/Bohemian restaurant in Cicero. It was just like we were in Prague. Special guests were Pastor Lalissa Gemechis and his wife. It is a spacious restaurant with several rooms with wood carvings which included some of the ceiling light fixtures and crystal chandeliers, colorful emblems and pictures, and statues. Most of us started out with orders of wine and beer, Czech pilsner, of course. The menu includes goulash, chicken paprika, meat loaf, duckling, and pork dishes. Dinners come with soup or salad, liver dumpling being the favorite and two sides: potato dumplings or sweet & sour cabbage to name a few. Desserts include apple strudel; which is to die for, and kolacky. The food is excellent and very flavorful, with service to match. Everyone truly enjoyed the atmosphere and the wonderful Czech food. It is worth the trip!

On October 19th we will celebrate Oktoberfest at Hofbrauhaus on River Road in Rosemont.



Go Wildcats!

(Robert Knapp)



Pilgrim Boys start strong with a 2nd place finish at Walther Lutheran Elementary School Volleyball Tournament! Our boys lost 1st place to Trinity Roselle Tigers in a 3 game-extra point nail biter, (25-18, 27-25, 17-15)! Our **WILDCATS** Boys Volleyball team played great against teams that state qualify often. Congratulations Connor, Joe, Campbell, Cole, Hayden, Kevin, John, Mateo, Charlie, and Tom, (and also Noah-not pictured) on your great play!

Block Party Memories!

(Photos, courtesy of Michael Marinelli)

Yummy Food!



MUSICIANS



Fun Games and Activities!



THANK YOU to all the volunteers who made this event possible, and to the Pilgrim community for supporting their efforts.



URL for Photos: <http://s857.photobucket.com/user/mmarinelli/library/Pilgrim%20Block%20Party%20202014>
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Pilgrim Groups And Committees

CHURCH COUNCIL Oversees the business of the church, but delegates committee work to the committees. They meet the last Tuesday of the month in the School Library at 7:30 PM. Council positions are elected, but anyone interested is encouraged to attend. Contact **Greg Otsuka** at 944-5648 or gregoryotsuka@gmail.com for info.

DINING GROUP A group for all ages which dines out once a month, usually on the 3rd Sunday, and patronizes restaurants with varied ethnic cuisines. We would love to have you join us!! Contact **Julie Lea** 764-3140.

GIRL SCOUTS Pilgrim Church is the home of four troops of Girl Scouts: Cadettes, Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, Seniors, and Ambassadors. Contact **Judy Daniel** 588-2101.

HOT MEALS Successful outreach program working in teams to prepare and serve Saturday noon meals for area homeless. Each team commits to a three-hour shift (10 AM-1 PM) about four times a year. Interested in helping? Contact **Janet Taylor** 777-4052 or jkstay@aol.com.

MOMS IN TOUCH Part of an international organization. All Pilgrim School mothers are invited to join us in the church parlor on Wednesdays, 9-10:30 AM, to pray for our children and school (childcare provided). Contact **Cathy Basler** 509-0988.

PARISH LIFE BOARD This group meets monthly on the first Tuesday at 7:30 PM, and is responsible for most of the hospitality, assimilation and outreach activities and projects that go on within the church. If you are interested in joining, please talk to **Anne Barsano, Shellie Volkens, Jim Volkens, Emily Haite, or Gloria Schwarz.**

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE Oversees the property of the congregation and coordinates its repair and general upkeep, including church, school, teacherages and parsonage. They meet the first Sunday of the month in the School Office at 9:30 AM (8:30 in the summer). For more information, contact **Ellen Twohig** 244-2944 or twobe2@sbcglobal.net

PTL The Parent Teacher League is a very active organization that supports the staff and families of Pilgrim Lutheran School. The PTL hosts many events for the families and staff through the year. Contact PTL President, **Bob Knapp** 612-3563 or rkimages@me.com.

QUILTERS The group welcomes anyone interested in fellowship and quilting (or other needlecraft). Gatherings are informal and do not adhere to a set schedule. For dates and locations of meetings, please contact **Gail Mendiola** 725-8028 or **Chris Wallis** 561-5419.

SCHOOL BOARD Oversees our Christian education programs, including Preschool, K-8, Before School Program, After-School Program (PAS) and sports programs, as well as other programs helpful for youth. Board positions and committees are elected, but anyone interested is encouraged to attend. They meet the third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM in the school Library. For more information, contact **Nancy Liljedahl** 271-9290.

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets every Thursday from 6:30-8:00 PM in the church annex. Please join us for a friendly support program with helpful hints and discussions of current information regarding personal health. Contacts: **Millie Ostrander** 281-5762 or **Anne Barsano** 472-6037.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY An organization of women that meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12:30 PM. All women are invited to join this group for fellowship and fund raising activities.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE Plans and creates meaningful worship for the needs of the congregation. They coordinate the activities of the choirs, ushers, acolytes, Altar Guild, organist, worship and communion assistants. They are also responsible for the creation, purchase and display of seasonal decorations in the church. They meet as necessary after the late church service in the Parlor. For more information, contact **Chris Wallis** 561-5419 or cewallis1949@yahoo.com.

Coffee Hour Teams

OCTOBER (After the 10:30 AM Service)

- 05** The Satters; A Barsano
- 12** D Erdbeer; The Dooleys
- 19** J Lea; G Egebrecht
- 26** K Cares; N Tarah; C Dickerson

COFFEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
(See Ann Barsano if you can help)



Pilgrim Lutheran Church

October 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:10 am School Chapel @ Sanctuary 7:30 pm Harmony Choir @ Sanctuary	2 8:50 am Principal Talk 9:00 am MOPS @ Parsonage 6:30 pm T.O.P.S. @ Annex	3 6:30 pm Girl Scouts @ Maring Hall	4 8:30 am - 9:30 am Prayer Time @ Parsonage 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Hot Meal Team #1 @ Maring Hall
5 8:00 am - 12:00 pm 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services, 9:15 Sunday School, with coffee hour following second service @ Sanctuary	6	7	8 10:10 am School Chapel @ Sanctuary 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm Women's Society @ Annex 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Confirmation (9) @ Parsonage 6:30 pm Confirmation Informational Meeting @ Parsonage 7:30 pm Harmony Choir @ Sanctuary	9 6:30 pm T.O.P.S. @ Annex	10 Book Swap 6:30 pm Girl Scouts @ Maring Hall	11 8:30 am - 9:30 am Prayer Time @ Parsonage 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Hot Meal Team #2 @ Maring Hall
12 8:00 am - 12:00 pm 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services, 9:15 Sunday School, with coffee hour following second service @ Sanctuary	13 Columbus Day No School: Columbus Day Observed	14 Parent/Teacher Conferences	15 10:10 am School Chapel - Holy Communion Service @ Sanctuary 7:30 pm ***NO Harmony Choir tonight @ Sanctuary	16 Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:50 am Principal Talk @ Annex 9:00 am MOPS 6:30 pm T.O.P.S. @ Annex	17 No School 6:30 pm - 12:00 am Girl Scouts Overnight! @ Maring Hall 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm "Cocktails For A Cause" Dave Maring School Endowment Fundraiser Event @ Atlantic Grill	18 12:00 am - 8:30 am Girl Scouts Overnight! @ Maring Hall 8:30 am - 9:30 am Prayer Time @ Parsonage 9:30 am - 11:30 am Worship Workout 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Hot Meal Team #3 @ Maring Hall
19 8:00 am - 12:00 pm 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services, 9:15 Sunday School, with coffee hour following second service @ Sanctuary	20	21 9:30 am School Open House 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm PTL Meeting @ Maring Hall 7:30 pm Board of Education @ Library	22 10:10 am El Salvador Chapel @ Sanctuary 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Confirmation (9) @ Parsonage 7:30 pm Harmony Choir	23 6:30 pm T.O.P.S. @ Annex	24 6:30 pm Girl Scouts @ Maring Hall	25 8:30 am - 9:30 am Prayer Time @ Parsonage 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Hot Meal Team #4 @ Maring Hall

1:00 pm CROP Walk 2:00 (meet at church 1:00) @ Offsite			@ Sanctuary			
26 8:00 am - 12:00 pm 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services, 9:15 Sunday School, with coffee hour following second service @ Sanctuary 10:30 am Confirmation Sunday @ Sanctuary	27	28	29 10:10 am School Chapel @ Sanctuary 7:30 pm Harmony Choir @ Sanctuary	30 8:50 am Principal Talk @ Annex 6:30 pm T.O.P.S. @ Annex	31 6:30 pm Girl Scouts @ Maring Hall	

Legend:

Church public event

School public event