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***A NEW YEAR BEGINS
DR. LOWELL LINDEN
INTERIM SENIOR MINISTER***

January begins a new year. However, the church year is already under way. It started with the first Sunday of Advent.

I like to keep that in mind each day because we see time in a different way than others. There is the Greek word *xpovos* (*chronos*) which is time as we most often think to it. Then there is the word *kaipos* (*kairos*) and this word is used when we think of appointed time. The Apostle Paul wrote: "In the fulness of time, (the right time - the time according to God's plan of redemption) God brought forth His Son, born of a woman. We are able to have a great sense of peace and assurance each day of our lives that God did not leave us to our own devices after He created the heavens and the earth. So, we live with two understandings of time.

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I look forward the new year. I am very pleased to be a part of the church until such time as you call your new Sr. Minister. You seem to be doing well. You are organized, and everyone seems to be doing his or her part. It speaks well of your love of the church and your love for each other.



MODERATOR'S MESSAGE JANUARY 2019

As we move into the New Year we should take time to reflect on last year. Our Senior Minister of 26 years has moved on. While this may seem like a loss to many it provides an opportunity to unite in our faith while we search for a new Senior Minister. It is important for us to remember that our Church revolves around our congregation no matter who stands in the pulpit. As we stand united in faith we become stronger as a congregation.

December was filled with many memorable events. The Christmas Market Place was received well by all. The youth group has worked very hard on their presentation for the annual Christmas Pageant. During the lighting of the Advent Candles we recognized several groups and families who have given so much of their time to our church. Those recognized in the lighting of the candles were our youth group, Edmund and Judy Perea, the Sanders Family, and the Elwood-Horn Family.

There are many items on the agenda for 2019. We have worked hard to determine an accurate membership number. The active membership number is our base that will be used for a vote on a new Senior Minister. Our By-laws will need to change to reflect our current active member rolls. The budget meetings will occur in January at which time we hope to present the amended By-Laws as well.

Dr. Linden has been well received. While his style of ministering is different from what we are used to it is definitely uplifting and spiritually motivating. We are blessed to have him in our fold during this time of transition.

Let There Be Peace on Earth and Let it begin with Us

Andrea Gray

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH, AND LET IT BEGIN WITH ME



All Pilgrim Youth & friends
are invited to a
New Year's Party



**Sunday, December 30th,
2018
At Pilgrim Congregational
Church
11:30am—2pm**

**Lunch, games, a movie &
more!**

**RSVP: Sarah Campbell
(909) 305-3155**



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2019 New Year's Eve

POTLUCK & GAMES

Monday, December 31st

6:30pm – 8:30pm

Pilgrim Congregational Church

(Conference Room)

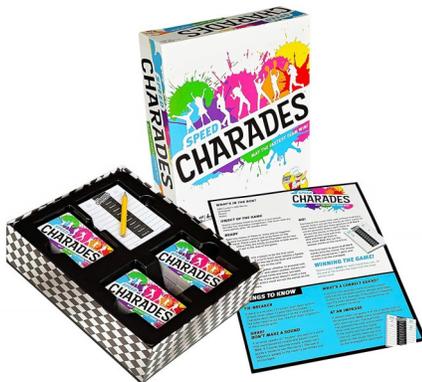
Quilt/Craft Night

soda, coffee, tea provided

Bring your favorite
potluck dish to share

I will have some paper plates and utensils but if you would like something more substantial bring your own.

**Please RSVP to Nancy Blackstock 909-946-0055
(so we know if we have enough food)**



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SCRIP SPECIAL ORDERS



SCRIP – Whew Christmas is over...but guess what's around the corner; you guessed it! Valentines Day!!! Get your special orders in NOW. We have new scrip cards in stock: Express \$25 (Montclair Place), Bath and Body Works \$10 & \$25, Blaze Pizza \$25, Whole Foods \$25, Chevron \$50 & \$100, Buffalo Wild Wings \$25, T.J. Max/Home Goods/Marshalls \$25. Please let me know if you shop at a specific store all the time and I will check if they have scrip cards. We have a list of small denomination gift cards at the scrip table and check to see if you would like me to order some. You can always look at www.shopwithscrip.com for all the gift cards that can be ordered.

Nancy Blackstock
and the Scrip staff

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JANUARY LIBRARY NEWS

Happy New Year from the library committee! We won't be meeting until January 23rd but we want you to know we have plenty of new books. Favorite authors at Pilgrim have new books out:

Susan Wittig Albert, Donna Andrews, David Baldacci, Janet Evanovich, John Grisham, Leslie Meier, James Patterson, Louise Penny, John Sanford, and Alexander McCall Smith. So stop by the library and check us out!

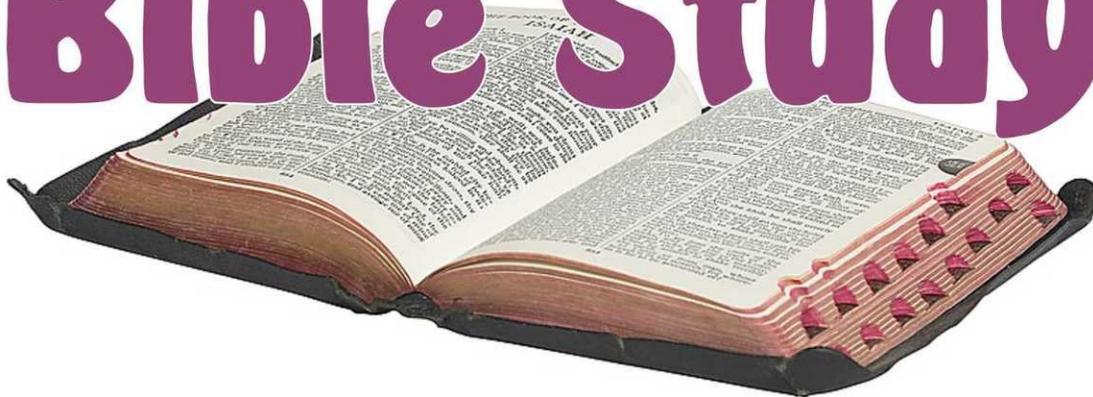
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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Wednesday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday	Closed
Friday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	9:00 a.m. to noon

Bible Study



BIBLE STUDY RESUMES On Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 5:45 p.m.

with Dr. Linden. Please update your calendar .

Thank you

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FACILITY USE

When coming to the church, please remember to check in AND out with the office staff. This is extremely important in case of an emergency because if no one knows you are here, no one can look for you. It is also important so that you can know whether or not rooms are being rented by others. Renting our facility to others brings us much needed income. We want our guests to continue to come back to our facility, so we need to be respectful of their space. Also, if you are planning to meet at the church, please let BaLinda know so she can make sure the space you want is available. Following these procedures would be very much appreciated.

We are asking **all ministries** to contact the church office and submit a list of everyone who has keys to the church. We must keep and maintain an updated list for our insurance purposes. Please contact us right away.

	FACILITY USE	
January 13, 2019	Harmonia sponsors Pilgrim Choir Concert	2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
January 18, 2019	Musician's Club Rehearsal	6 p.m.
January 20, 2019	Inland Valley MLK Project	5 p.m.
January 22, 2019	Musician's Club Concert	5 p.m.

Thank you,
Janet Stevenson, Facilities Use Chair

FACILITY USE MEETING

On **Tuesday, January 16, 2019**, we will be having a Facility Use meeting at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room. All Board chairs are invited to attend. This is your opportunity to discuss the use of the church facility. Should you have any concerns or issues to be discussed in the meeting, fill free to email the church office to my attention. pilgrimoffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com

Thank you
Janet Stevenson
Facility Use Chair



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THANK YOU



Thank you to Don Sanders for taking on the task of Sanctuary Flowers to include creating and printing the Christmas Poinsettias booklet; which helped out the church office. When you see him, please make sure you express how grateful we are to him taking on this project.

RUMMAGE SALE SUPPORTERS

We did not think it would ever happen! We have run out of plastic bags!!!

Please save all your plastic bags. We can use newspaper bags, vegetable bags, the bags those second hand stores leave for you and any other you are willing to part with.

Bring them anytime, we have a place to store them or give them to the garage guys (Nuts & Bolts) on Sunday mornings.

Thank you
Jan & Judy
Rummage Sale Co-Chairs

GET READY FOR PICTURES !

The membership board is working on compiling pictures for a new directory. We plan to have Ian Horn take pictures after church each Sunday in February. That way we hope everyone will be included in a new picture directory. Be sure to plan on posing for your photo in February.



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Let this gift be Year-round



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THE SEARCH COMMITTEE WANTS YOUR INPUT

The Pastoral Search Committee is looking for feedback from the congregation about what we are looking for in a new minister. Your needs and concerns are important!

Please contact them at: pilgrimjobsearch@gmail.com OR A letter to the Church Office C/O Search Committee

My office during business hours 909-396-9357

Steve Whyte, co-chair
Search Committee

**LIBRARY CLOSINGS FOR THE
HOLIDAY SEASON 2018-2019**

WE WILL BE CLOSED:

DECEMBER 24TH, 2018

DECEMBER 25TH, 2018

DECEMBER 31ST, 2018

JANUARY 1ST, 2019

AT NOON

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS &
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DATES

*Happy
New Year*

{ 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 }

**Must be received noon on submission date
pilgrimoffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com**



January 18, 2019	February 15, 2019
March 15, 2019	April 19, 2019
May 17, 2019	June 14, 2019
July 19, 2019	August 16, 2019
September 20, 2019	October 18, 2019
November 15, 2019	December 20, 2019

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Hand in Hand for the holidays is a program started by Don & Judy Sanders many years ago to support some struggling families in our community. For Christmas 2018, Pilgrim families provided food for 11 families and gifts and toys for 8 families. Our friends at Brethren Church adopted 3 families for gifts. We also set up our “store” where families were able to choose some things on their own. All the families were surprised and grateful by all they received through your generosity. Please look for the pictures in Pilgrim Hall and know how grateful we are for your generous support!

Nancy Newell on behalf of the Outreach Board

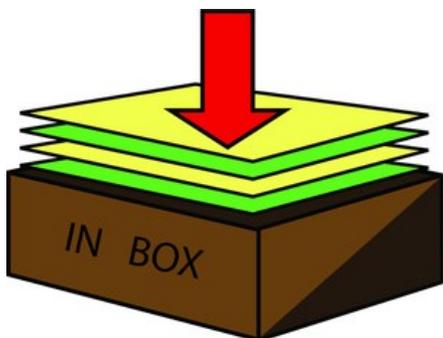
REMEMBRANCE

PRAYER

A church that prays together, stays together, especially during a season that can be lonely for some.

Band of Prayer requests may be sent to Mary Prendergast

If you know someone who would love to receive a card or note from the Women’s Auxiliary; please call or email submitting their name, address and telephone number. We believe in no one being left out, it’s always nice to receive a note “Just Because”. You can contact me, Sharla Wickman, sharla1wick@gmail.com at 909-374-9220.



BaLinda’s In Box

Gentle reminder to leave ALL communications in my inbox, **NOT** on the desk as many people use the desk during the weekend and items may fall or be removed. Thank you

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Activities Events

WEEKLY

Tuesdays

Twilight Bible Study 5:45 p.m. **Resumes 1/8/19**

Thursdays

Quilting & Art Time—10:00 a.m. to noon

Writing Memoirs 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal — 7:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATES

Tuesday, January 1



Office Closed

Wednesday, January 2

Church Council 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 8

Women's Auxiliary

Board & Business Meeting	11:00
Lunch, Gym	12:00
Program	1:00

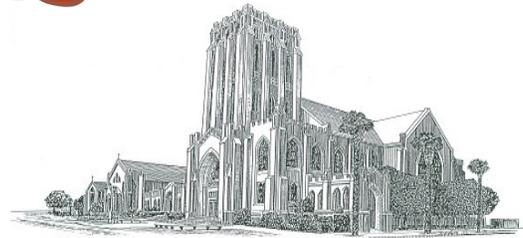
Sunday, January 13

Pilgrim Choir Concert 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 20

Town Hall Meeting & Meeting Sunday

Dr. King Celebration 6:00 p.m.



Worship Services

Sunday	10:00—11:00am
Church School	10:15— 11:15 am
Children/Youth Worship	10:00am

Tuesday

Twilight Bible Study 5:30 — 6:45pm

Church Office Hours

Monday—Thursday	9:00—4:00pm
Fridays	9:00 -3:00p.m.

Office Closed Daily

Lunch 12:00— 1:00pm

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Monday, January 21

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

Sunday, January 27

Budget Meeting

Youth Fundraiser at Blaze Pizza

