



PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

OCTOBER 2019

OUR STORY

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"Securing Pilgrim's Future" is the theme for a seminar we are going to have on Saturday, October 5th. It is not too late to tell us if you are coming. I am looking forward to a very productive time, and a time of wonderful fellowship as well.

October has been traditionally the month many churches concern themselves with stewardship. Pilgrim is no exception. The theme for this year's Stewardship Program will be: Securing Pilgrim's Future. (Why not?) We will want to think seriously about the impact each of us can make on the future of Pilgrim. What opportunities do we have? What is our view of the future of Pilgrim? We will, at the same time, look forward to the lunch we will share on Consecration Sunday, November 3rd.

The last Sunday of the month has often been referred to as: Reformation Sunday. We are going to do something different. As we celebrate our past as Congregationalists we will do so with a bit of fanfare and celebration. It is the day to gain a new appreciation for our heritage. It is the day to wear your plaid. It is the day to eat shortbread and to drink tea.

Oh, by the way, Shirley and I are still having a wonderful time being able to share the joys of Pilgrim Church.

Thank you.

FROM THE MODERATOR



WALK THE PILGRIM PATHS TO OUR FUTURE

Please join us at Pilgrim on Saturday, October 5, 2019, from 10:00 am. to 2:00 pm., for an important workshop and brainstorming session. Where are we going? How will we get there? What do we see as our role in the community? These and other ideas will be examined and discussed.

There will be discussion sessions and a brief survey to gather answers, followed by discussions based on the results. Snacks for the morning and lunch snacks will be provided. We will meet in the gym and spend these few hours looking at how Christ's light in each of us can move us forward in the Pilgrim spirit. Join us as we look at new paths we can take."

Sue Selters

P.S. from the Moderator

Looking ahead, there are many October and November activities coming up, such as the Harvest Festival in November. Also, please be sure to mark your calendars for Consecration Sunday on November 3. On Consecration Sunday, we will reflect in prayer, song and fellowship as we consider our pledging and giving for the coming year. We will celebrate and know that our giving comes from our commitment to the words of Jesus and the work we do in the name of God's love for us. Watch for a special mailer as we prepare for this cherished day in the life of our church.

Sue Selters, Moderator

Going once – Going twice – Sold!!

Pilgrim's Annual Auction is coming!!!

Sunday, November 12 at 5:00pm

Clean out your closets...gather those gift cards you will never use...share your points or houses for a weekend get away...get creative with your skills and cook, bake, or craft. We need your items... new or barely used. Start thinking what you can contribute.

This has become a great fundraiser for Pilgrim and a very fun evening. Bring your friends, family, guests, and whoever else you may want to share a fun evening with. The costs will include a buffet, silent and voice auction, centerpiece game, and just a fun time to share with others. The cost will go back to the \$40 per person and Trustees will begin taking reservations in October.

Save the date!!! Bring your auction items to the church or contact Judy Sanders or Jeanne Cockrell if you need assistance. Looking forward to the evening.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Check your mailbox for the annual brochure which was mailed after Labor Day. The Women's Auxiliary is gearing up for our busy schedule beginning in October. We look forward to seeing our members and friends at our first program and potluck luncheon on October 1, 2019. We have a great line-up of programs for the coming year. The presenter for our October program is Chaplain Keith Eades. He will be presenting highlights from the Honduran Medical Mission which he participates in every year.

The Women's Auxiliary would like to invite the younger (and young at heart) women of Pilgrim Congregational Church to participate in the start up of a new guild. A guild is an association of people with similar interests or pursuits that meet regularly to provide support for one another and for our church. This guild will provide our younger pilgrims a chance to participate in the creation of fresh ideas that can provide an integral part of the growth of our church. This group will meet once a month for a social gathering including fun and fellowship.

If you are interested or know anyone that is interested please contact Andrea Gray, by call or text at (909) 900-6000, or by email at andragray@aol.com.
A Special thanks to all auxiliary members for the input on the brochure.

Andrea Gray
President Women's Auxiliary
Pilgrim Congregational Church
"Building Bridges with Friendship in our Church and in our Community"

OUR FALL RUMMAGE SALE IS NEXT MONTH ON OCTOBER 19TH!

Now is the time to finish cleaning out those drawers, closets and garages and deliver those great contributions to our Rummage Sale. We'll be accepting rummage (almost anything qualifies) all this month and up to October 12th – our last day of sorting.

Many thanks to all the people who have stepped up and volunteered to open the garage on Sundays so people can bring their rummage and deliver it directly into the garage when they come to church. This saves a lot of time and effort. Check the sign-up sheet in Pilgrim Hall during Fellowship Hour if you'd like to help.

And a huge thank you to all our wonderful, dedicated sorters. We are sorting out by the garage every other Saturday morning from 7:00 a.m. to about 9:00 a.m. (We're very flexible. We appreciate any help you can give us between those hours.) We'd love to have you join us. Just come on down. We will be sorting on: October 5th and 21st. It's fun.

Thank you to everyone for your support of our Rummage Sales. They are a very important support to the church and our community.

Any questions – call Judy Sanders (909) 597-2254 or Jan Manildi (909) 627-2994.



HEIFER PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Heifer Project during Lent this year. We made \$1,156! And Heifer Project is doubling it ... so we were able to buy quite a few things!

The kids have voted to use the money to send 2 girls to school, provide irrigation for a village, provide clean water for families, and a project called Gardener's Basket, which includes tree seedlings, a hive of bees, chickens and rabbits.

These items will greatly improve the lives of many people in developing countries.

Thank you to Marria Casner for being in charge of this wonderful project each year, and for bringing animals to church for us to enjoy. And to Sarah and DJ Campbell for putting together the slide show so we could all see how our money is helping others.

Thank you to Patty Schelling for providing our delicious cake to celebrate our Heifer Project.

PILGRIM YOUTH...ACOLYTES WANTED!!

There is a need for acolytes to bring in the light for our Sunday services. If you have an interest in becoming an acolyte, please see or contact either Charlotte Selters or Susan Shedd.

Thank you!!
Susan Shedd, Diaconate 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.



CHRISTMAS MARKETPLACE 2019

The annual Christmas Marketplace will be held on Sunday December 8th from 9am to noon. Due to changes in our circumstances we will be reducing our number of vendors this year. We don't want to give up the opportunity to have a fun event. So we still expect to have Papparazzi accessories, baked goods, handmade items, jewelry and lots of gift ideas for everyone. Booths not benefitting the church will be asked to pay \$15 per table. For further information, please contact the church office (909) 622-1373.



SCRIP – 90-something days until Christmas!!!
Yikes, I know you don't want to think about it, but there's a lot of people on our list.

With the rising prices of GAS...that's a perfect gift for your friends or family.

We have 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.

Thank you
Nancy Blackstock
Scrip staff

OCTOBER LIBRARY NEWS

Now that Fall is officially here, be sure to come to the library and pick up the Pilgrim Library Partners quarterly newsletter. It lists all our latest books and library news, as well. The Library Committee met after the Pilgrim's Progress went to press, but I know we will have selected new books for your reading pleasure.

Be sure to look for the latest by **David Baldacci, Rita Mae Brown, John Grisham, James Patterson, Louise Penny, Anna Quindlen, Alexander McCall Smith, David McCullough, Stuart Woods** and other authors popular with our readers

Come to the library and check them out!

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

Megan's Vacation Days

October 8 & 9
Make sure you get

BOOK SALE

Remember the books in the church hallway are for sale at a steal. I'm adding books all of the time. Check it out!

Megan



**PILGRIM'S PROGRESS
WEDNESDAY SUBMISSIONS**

Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

October 23 2019
November 20, 2019
December 18, 2019

NOON



PILGRIM PATHS WORKING

FACILITY USE

There are a lot of changes happening at the church, so 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, let BaLinda know so she can make sure the space you want is available and the member fees are quoted properly to you. 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	
October 5, 2019	Rummage Sorting - Gym (times are subject to change)	7:00 a.m.
October 6, 2019	Sigma Chi—Chapel	TBD
October 12, 2019	Rummage Sorting - Gym (times are subject to change)	7:00 a.m.

Thank you,
Janet Stevenson, Facilities Use Chair

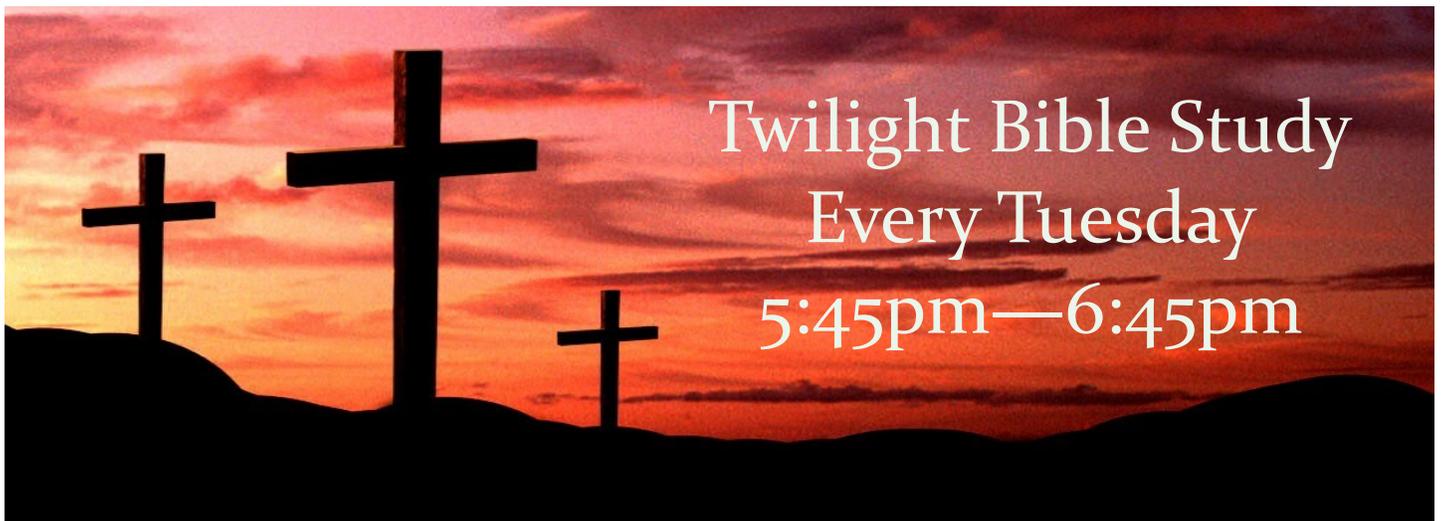


We hope you are getting ready to participate in the all-church talent show December 18th. We are looking for all types of performers and all different ages. Please sign up on the list in the church office hall way. We want to have a full program for our audience!

Bill Parnell, emcee



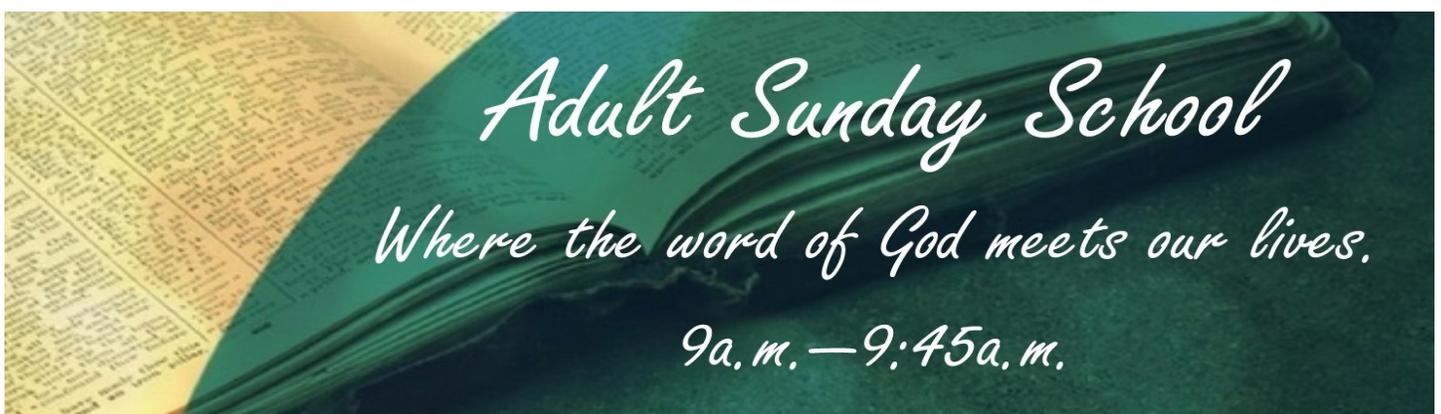
**Join us for fellowship, learning
and fun each week!**



Twilight Bible Study
Every Tuesday
5:45pm—6:45pm



Imagination Hour
Join us for fun
games, crafts & more.
Every Tuesday 5:45pm



Adult Sunday School

Where the word of God meets our lives.

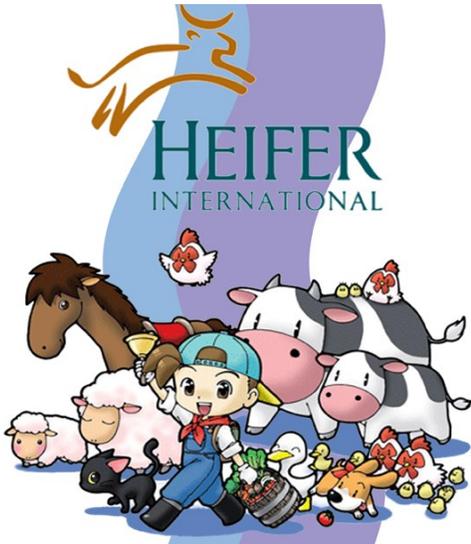
9a.m.—9:45a.m.

call 909-622-1373

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Each year the Sparking Legacies partner up with Outreach to help those in need find sustainable ways to build their way to success through Heifer Project International. Thanks to all of our generous donors we raised \$1,156 this year and thanks to a matching program through Heifer that was doubled to \$2,312. So Pilgrim

Congregational Church has provided:

- Clean water to 2 villages.
- 2 Irrigation Pumps for farming
- an education for 4 girls
- 2 Gardener's Baskets (tree seedlings, rabbits, chickens & bees)

Thank you for all your support!

Calling all Pilgrim Youth 0-18 and their parents for a special meeting for this year's Christmas Play. We will be discussing the play and rehearsal schedule to create one that works for everyone involved.

So please join us:

Sunday, October 6th following church services.

We hope to see you here!!!



Harvest
Festival!

Harvest Festival is coming up November 17th.

All church boards, groups and members interested in having a table, please contact Sarah at pilgrimcongregationalce@gmail.com or 909-305-3155 by November 3rd.

Join us for creative crafts, fun games, good food and more on November 17th, Noon -3pm. Invite your neighbors, friends and family for fantastic fellowship.



Every Sunday at 9am:

Adult Sunday School

Every Tuesday at 5:45pm:

Imagination Hour & Twilight Bible Study:

(Starting Oct 27th) Select Sundays at 11:45am—1pm:

Brown Bag Lunch & Christmas Play Practice

October 6th: Christmas Play Meeting with Parents

October 13: (Service Project) Rummage Moving

October 19th: Youth Café at the Rummage Sale

November 17th: Harvest Festival

November 30th: Decorating Christmas Tree & More

December 21st: Dress Rehearsals & Set Build

December 22nd: Christmas Play / Luncheon

December 29th: Sparking Legacies' New Year's Party

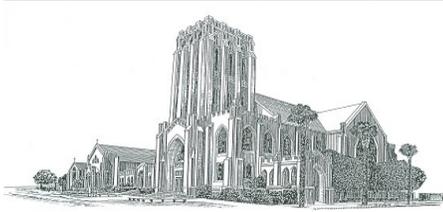
If you have any questions about this or other events please email
PilgrimCongregationalCE@gmail.com or Patrick.N.Horn@gmail.com or
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PILGRIM PATHS WORKING



Worship Services

Sunday 10:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.
Church School 10:15 a.m. — 11:15 a.m.
Children/Youth Worship 10:00 a.m.

Tuesdays

Twilight Bible Study 5:30 p.m. — 6:45 p.m.
Imagination Hour

Church Office Hours

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

Office Closed Daily

Lunch 12:00 p.m. — 1:00 p.m.

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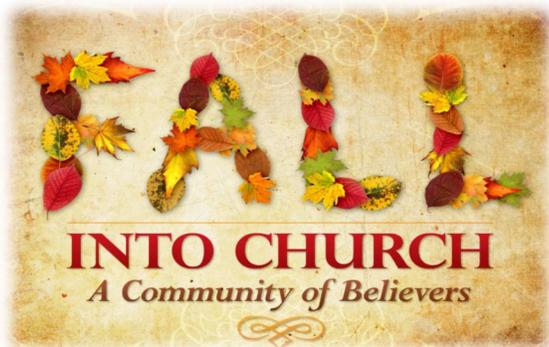
WEEKLY

Tuesdays

Twilight Bible Study
Imagination Hour 5:45 p.m.

Thursdays

Writing Memoirs 9:00am to noon
Quilting & Art Time—10:00am to noon
Choir Rehearsal — 7:30 p.m.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, October 1

1st Fall Women's Auxiliary Meeting

Wednesday, October 2

Church Council Meeting- 7:00 p. m.

Saturday, October 5

Securing Pilgrim's Future Seminar
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 6

World Wide Communion 10:00 a.m.
Youth Fundraiser

Sunday, October 13

Moving Sunday ~ All Hands on Deck!!!

Saturday, October 19

Rummage Sale 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 23

Pilgrim's Progress deadline at noon

Sunday, October 29

Trustee Meeting ~ Conference Room