



# PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

May 2022



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## The Alpha and the Omega

**"It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."**  
~ Revelation 21:6

In the grand and violent vision of Revelation, the only constant is God's radical and persistent love of Creation. Characters and creatures shift and change in their descriptions. In one place, the Messiah is a slaughtered lamb; in another, the Lion of Judah. Creatures with multiple eyes and wings, described with metaphors that change from one moment to the next. Great battles rage between enemies.

Very much like our lives. Health and wealth and social standing constantly shift for many of us, from one year to another. Some of us go through so many changes that it feels as if we have lived multiple lives. Change often seems to be the only consistent presence we know. The writer of the Book of Revelation is keenly aware of the nature of human existence: change is constant and dangerous.

Running beneath all of this change expressed in the vision of Revelation, and present in our lives, is an unchanging constant: God's eternal love. We know this love as righteousness, truth, justice, goodness, kindness. And in the vision of revelation: we know this love as sacrifice. These values are constant, but we must live them in changing circumstances. So, righteousness and truth are not stationary; they must be lived.

An unchanging God who is both Alpha and Omega, constant from before the beginning and until after the end, has made a way for us. It is the way of the lamb, the way of sacrifice. It is the way that takes an eternal and unchanging love, and lives it in a changing world. The Alpha and the Omega becomes a meal for one who is hungry, a hug for one who is lonely, a roof for one who is without, all given at great sacrifice for the redemption of the world.

~ Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn, Senior Minister

## MESSAGE FROM THE MODERATOR



**Sue Selters**  
Moderator

### *May Day Flowers*

My mother loved the May Day tradition of placing flowers on the front porches of her neighbors on May 1st. I can recall helping her put the flowers together the night before, and sometimes even being tasked with running to a nearby house early the next morning to put the flowers by someone's front door. Her gardens and "May attitude" were always a part of our household, although she'd have been the first to lament I did not get the green thumb gene! But I always looked forward to that special start of May and the promise of flowers and warm weather activities. A school year would be ending soon, summer would beckon and, because Easter had passed, we were now "allowed" to wear white

shoes to church. Things at church had a different look as well. People were energized, cheerier, if you will. I see that at Pilgrim too, every spring. All of us are a part of so many things throughout the church year, but following the victory of the cross, we reflect on all our accomplishments and meet with renewed purpose. We are alive with the message of Easter as we continue on our journey to share it.



***Rejoice!***

## MESSAGE FROM THE MODERATOR ELECT



**Christine Vanyo**  
Moderator Elect

### *Welcome May!*

This May, I'm excited to begin my work as Moderator, although following in the footsteps of Sue Selters is a monumental task. I'm extremely grateful for her guidance this past church year. I look forward to moving in a new direction, working in a new role and discovering new adventures at Pilgrim. As we transition into the next season, I like to take time remembering recent blessings in our church. In April, we all enjoyed a beautiful Lenten Season, Easter worship service, the Walk with Jesus, the baptism of our grandson Keaton, along with many other fantastic church-wide activities.

In other news, the Welcome Home Campaign and the Membership Board will continue our early a.m. coffee hosting either in the gym or courtyard. If you are interested in the naming contest for the early a.m. coffee gathering, please submit your suggestion to Membership Board Chair, Cynthia Eades via email to

[cynthiaeades@earthlink.net](mailto:cynthiaeades@earthlink.net).

The winner will receive a \$50 Starbucks gift card!

Let's also remember we have so much to be thankful for and so much to look forward to this month including Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day and Memorial Day. This May, let us embrace the spirit of renewal.

***Meanwhile, "Be steadfast and immovable,  
always abounding in good works."***

***~ 1 Corinthians 15:58***



***May you be happy.***

***May you be well.***

***May you be safe.***

***May you find comfort.***

***May you have strength.***

***May you find healing.***

***May you have peace.***

***May you be filled with  
love & kindness.***



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE



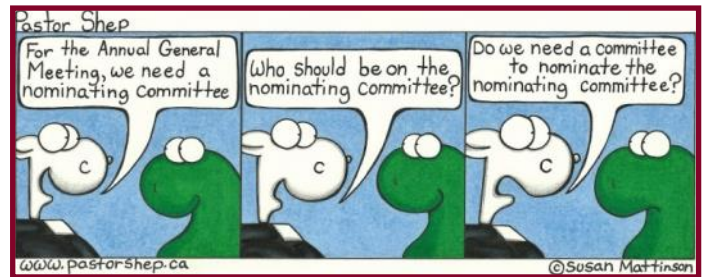
The Nominating Committee would like to report there were very few vacancies to fill for the next year's slate of officers and boards, so we have been able to complete our list of tasks earlier than usual. We appreciate everyone who volunteered to serve the church and to fill vacancies. Thank you!

The committee would like to let it be known that even if you are not on one of the boards, there are many ways to support any board. Board meetings (most are held on Meeting Sundays) are open to visit, see how the board operates, and learn about what work is done by the specific board. On our church website ([pilgrimchurchpomona.com](http://pilgrimchurchpomona.com)) there are descriptions of each board's purpose and what they do to serve and support the church. The Nominating Committee will also be publishing information about the boards in future editions of the Pilgrims Progress newsletter.

Your interest and support in our boards and their activities is always welcomed and appreciated. Many Pilgrims step up and support boards and activities, so don't be shy!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at [sa.newton@verizon.net](mailto:sa.newton@verizon.net).

With thanks,  
**Susan Newton**  
*Chair, Nominating Committee*



## ALL MEMBERS INVITED!

Please join us for the  
**Annual Congregational Meeting**  
**Wednesday, May 18, 2022**

6:30pm ~ Dinner in Gym  
7:30pm ~ Meeting in Pilgrim Hall

We will vote on the slate of Officers and Boards and swear in our new Moderator, Christine Vanyo. Please join us for this important time in the life of Pilgrim!





## PILGRIM AUXILIARY



Patrick Horn, Andrea Gray  
and Joe Blackstock

At our April program we enjoyed "My Favorite Museums" presented by Joe Blackstock. Deborah Walden prepared a lovely lunch. Thanks to Joe and Deborah for making our day successful.

Our May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting will highlight our "Thank You" potluck luncheon honoring all those who worked so hard to make our rummage sale profitable. Please plan to attend this event. Meeting at 11:00 AM followed by lunch at 12:00 non.

We will cap off our year on June 7<sup>th</sup> with our Annual Tea. The ticket for this event is \$20 each or buy 2 and get the 3<sup>rd</sup> ticket free. Please make your reservations with the church office, phone (909) 622-1373.

***"Building Bridges with Friendship in our Church and in our community."***

Until we meet again,

**Andrea Gray**

*President, Women's Auxiliary*



Sue Selters and Mary Ferguson getting ready to enjoy lunch at a table with spring decorations provided by Leola Greer.



Sherry Glab, Patty Schelling, Sue Selters, Nancy Newell, Dee Hupp, and Mary Ferguson enjoying fellowship at the Pilgrim Auxiliary Luncheon.



Joe Blackstock presenting his "Favorite Museums" to members of the Pilgrim Auxiliary.

## WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

# Sunday Sanctuary Flowers

Dear Pilgrim Members and Friends,

My heartfelt thanks to all who have supported the Women's Auxiliary tradition of dedicating bouquets and boutonnieres for Pilgrim Congregational Church's Sunday services; you are genuinely appreciated!



**Bonnie Seath**  
*Flower Chair*

Each dedicated bouquet adds something very special to our services.  
Please join us with your dedication(s) again, or for the first time.

Sunday bouquets are \$39 each, and our monthly boutonnieres are \$24. Please complete the form displayed, and send it with your payment to the church office by the first Sunday of the month prior to the month of your request: Attention Nancy Newell or Karli Gordon. If you would like to take the arrangement home after the service, please be sure to check the "WILL TAKE" box, otherwise your arrangement will be delivered to one of our homebound members. If you have any questions, you can reach me by phone at 909-953-2577 or by email, Bonniehbd@verizon.net. Continued Blessings!



### SANCTUARY FLOWERS ORDER FORM

February through August 2022



Bouquet \$39                      Date \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Boutonnieres \$24                      Month \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return this **order form & check to Nancy Newell, Financial Secretary's Office**  
or **Karli Gordon's in-box**

Dedication is to read: (Please print)

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**WILL TAKE ARRANGEMENT** \_\_\_\_\_ **or WILL NOT TAKE ARRANGEMENT** \_\_\_\_\_

## LIBRARY NEWS



The library committee is pleased to report that our circulation has been building back up and we have almost reached the level which we were at before the pandemic!

Your librarian along with the help of member **Karen Loehr** has been weeding the shelves, discarding old books to make way for new titles. We donated several boxes to the three Little Free Libraries in our area. So they won't go to waste.

The committee met towards the end of April to select more books for our readers. We purchased the latest mystery in the **Joanne Fluke** series, *Caramel Pecan Roll Murder*. I was able to watch a virtual interview with the author. Previously I had gone to a number of her book signings where there were samples of whatever treat was mentioned in the title. Popular author **Janet Evanovich** has started a new series with *The Recovery Agent*. I also watched her virtual interview which included famous author **Nelson DeMille** as well. Another popular series at Pilgrim has been **Maisie Dobbs** and the new installment is *A Sunlit Weapon* by **Jacqueline Winspear**.

*Be sure to stop by the library and check out the latest in good reads!*



**Megan Parnell**  
*Librarian*

## PILGRIM PROFILES



The month of May features Mother's Day so this month our interview was with **Sylvia Osborn** who is both a mother and a grandmother. Her eldest daughter is Jenni Whyte, married to Steve. Their children are Sierra, Rosalie and Jerry. Her younger daughter is Amy married to Ed Tharp, who happens to be a cousin of Steve Whyte, making them a close-knit family.

Sylvia is a native Californian, born in Alhambra and raised since age 5 in West Covina. She and her late husband Steve joined Pilgrim Church in 1987. Before that they had known Janet Beech and Don Kendrick from their children's school PTA. Janet invited Sylvia to one of our rummage sales. Then Janet's children invited the Osborn children to Cedar Lake Camp. Following the camp Sunday celebration the Osborn family started to attend Pilgrim. Both daughters were active in church youth activities. After about three years Sylvia and Steve made it official by becoming members of Pilgrim.

Sylvia's first service was as a member of the Christian Education Board. She also taught Junior High Sunday School for a time. She is currently serving on the Diaconate, which she said has been her favorite board at church. In addition she will be taking on the role of treasurer for Women's Auxiliary. The rummage sale has also benefited from her help for many years, starting in the artificial flower department. She has the additional distinction of being one of the first women to serve as an usher on Sunday mornings.

Next time you come to church you may see her ushering or serving communion. Be sure to say hello!



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES



**Andrea Gray**  
*Trustees Chair*

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the entire Board of Trustees for their dedication to Pilgrim Congregational Church as demonstrated by their excellent job addressing issues in a timely method. This is an excellent group of people working hard for the good of the church.

The board looks forward to another year of service to the church and the congregation.

***“May the Lord watch between me and thee  
while we are absent one from another.”***



## OUTREACH BOARD



**Marria Casner**  
*Outreach Chair*

In this busy Easter season, our hearts go out to those caught in the Ukrainian crisis. As the refugee numbers mount and neighboring countries are overwhelmed, The National Association of Congregational Christian Churches has earmarked One Great Hour of Sharing to channel funding. NACCC is partnering with The Salvation Army, World Vision, Church World Service and others. The Outreach Board sent \$1000 the first week of March. You can donate to this fund through PushPay or send checks to the address below.

**For individual gifts, the address is:**

**NACCC-OGHS**

**PO Box 288**

**Oak Creek, WI 53154**

**Please write “Ukraine” in the check memo line.**



## MUSIC NOTES

### Mark Your Calendar!



**Susan Winckler**

*Choir Director*

On **May 15** for the Worship Service Pilgrim Choir will give their support to Ukraine by singing an anthem "Prayer for Ukraine". It is composed by the famous composer John Rutter who wrote this a few of weeks ago being moved with compassion for the sacrifices, sufferings and bravery of the Ukrainians. In addition, Bruce Jones has written an organ postlude for this day based on the Ukrainian National Anthem.

Choir Sunday will be Sunday, **May 29** during the Worship Service. Pilgrim Choir and Guests will perform *LUX: The Dawn from on High* with Chamber Orchestra ("Lux" is Latin for "Light"). It is a stunning work with a large variety of percussion instruments and harp. There also will be violin, flute, oboe, French horn and cello. The text traces a symmetrical journey through time from a day's dawn, through the sun's high point in the sky, and then to the setting of the sun on the horizon at the end of day.

### Palm Sunday Brunch Exceeds Expectations

Harmonia would like to thank all of you for your generous support. We also thank the performers. They were awesome. Andrew Olson's brunch was the best ever. And hats off to Sherry Glab who sponsored the whole meal. **THANK YOU ALL!**



Carolyn Wilson singing at the Palm Sunday Brunch hosted by Harmonia



Karl Clark plays his harmonica for donations to benefit Pilgrim's Music Program.



Fay Ellwood sings a special edition of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame".



Emmanuel Rickards-Ruiz plays the French Horn.



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

This April is a time of compassion and kindness through service for the Sparking Legacies.  
We have many projects to give back to our community to honor Jesus,  
His teachings, His sacrifice & His Resurrection.

### May Flashpoint Schedule Sundays at 11:15am

May 1st	May 8th	May 15th	May 22	May 29
May Day Sunday School : Working on CE Sunday FLASHPOINT: Love Bags for Our Home Shelter	Mother's Day Sunday School K—7th grade FLASHPOINT: Teen Retreat Mission Day at Big Bear's Alpine Zoo	Sunday School K—7th grade FLASHPOINT: Church Visit~ Church of Chimes Sherman Oaks	<b>CE Sunday &amp; Banquet</b>  All kids remain in church for Worship Service	Memorial Day Weekend  <b>Choir Sunday</b>  All kids remain in church for Worship Service

Mark your calendars



### Christian Education Sunday & Banquet Sunday, May 22nd, 2022



10am, Youth lead Worship Service  
11am, Special Presentations in Pilgrim Hall  
11:30am, Mexican Fiesta Luncheon

Join us for a fun celebration of our Pilgrim Youth as they lead Worship Service that will include the confirmation of our newest members and communion. Following Worship Service will be a special appreciation presentation to Pilgrim members and friends for supporting youth programs at Pilgrim Congregational Church followed by a delicious Mexican Fiesta Luncheon prepared by Chef Duane "D.J." Campbell and hosted by the Board of Christian Education .

**All are invited!**

Please RSVP by May 18th if you are joining us for the meal...  
*and you know you are 'cause yummm!*



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

*Join Beacon the Puffin and friends as we visit Adventure Island on a quest for God's Great Light*

We set out on our journey  
Sunday, July 10th ~ 1:30pm - 5:00pm  
& the adventure continues  
Monday, July 11th ~ Wednesday July 13th  
9am - 5pm (Lunch & Snacks Included)

Adventure Tickets for Campers: \$30 each,  
Siblings: \$25 each, max \$70 for 3 or more siblings.

Age: Kindergarten to 5th grade  
(must be age 5 by 9/1/22 - just completed 5th grade)  
To register, email [ChristianEd@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:ChristianEd@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)  
or call Pilgrim Youth Director, Sarah at 909-622-1373.



## WE NEED YOU!



We need volunteers 12 and older to join our team. It is a great opportunity for teens to earn service hours and adult members to join in fellowship while teaching our youth about "God's Great Light" through love and service. We need group counselors, activity leaders, snack and lunch chefs, tech support, first aid trained volunteers, music leaders, set and decoration builders and more. If you are unable to volunteer, but would like to help, consider making a donation in support of V.B.S. or for a campership for kids to attend. If you are interested in joining the team or donating to the cause, contact youth director, Sarah Campbell at 909-622-1373 or email [ChristianEd@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:ChristianEd@pilgrimchurchpomona.com).

**Join our V.B.S. Team TODAY!**

## SUMMER SERVICE PROJECT



The Sparking Legacies youth group is partnering with Hope Partners for their summer service project. We will be collecting school supplies for low-income children to be successful at school. The supply drive will begin June 1st and go until July 30th. Below is a list of needed items or you can make a monetary donation for the Board of Christian Education to purchase items.

### Bring in Items on Sundays, June 1st - July 30th

Pens	#2 Pencils	Spiral Notebooks	Folders with Pockets
3-Ring Binders	Box of Crayons	Colored Pencils	Planners
Calculators	Highlighters	Backpacks	Copy Paper
Index Cards	Notebook Paper	Rulers	Scissors
Pencil Case/Pouch		Glue (sticks or bottles)	

You can bring monetary donations on Sundays or mail to Pilgrim Congregational Church at 600 N. Garey Ave, Pomona, CA. 91765. Make checks out to Pilgrim Congregational Church and write School Supply Drive in the memo. You may also give via Push Pay.

## PILGRIM IN THE NEWS

### Our Community Is Amazing!

We are so blessed to have incredible community partners who are always eager to support Inland Valley Hope Partners' work and those we serve.

In March, we were blessed to have received pallets of nonperishable food items from Albertsons in Rancho Cucamonga. All the items were distributed to our food pantries and given to families in need.

Staff and volunteers at the Sova Center were excited to receive a new three-door refrigerator donated by LA Regional Bank. This refrigerator was much needed as staff

and volunteers could keep more produce fresh.



Three-door refrigerator donated by LA Regional Bank

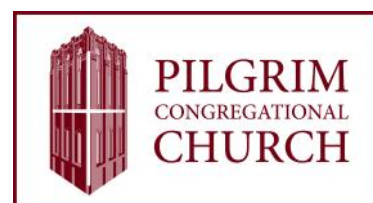


Autumn Washington, with Rev. Patrick Horn from Pilgrim Congregational Church receiving certificates from Supervisor Hilda L. Solis

Autumn Washington and Cirenia Cuevas from the Hope Partners Development department had the opportunity to participate in Pilgrim Congregational Church's 135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. We had the opportunity to speak to many people about our organization as well as learn more about Pilgrim Congregational Church's history and involvement with the community. Hope Partners also received a certificate from Supervisor Hilda L. Solis for our participation in the 135th Anniversary Celebration.

Thank you for being so supportive!

Pilgrim Congregational Church's 135th Anniversary Celebration received notice. You can find articles in multiple publications covering our historic event. Highlighted on the left is an article found in Hope Partner's Newsletter. You will also find a beautiful two page spread in the local paper, "La Nueva Voz" which you can view on our church bulletin board or get a copy of your own by the church office. With the word getting out we are here to serve, I am excited for more opportunities for Pilgrim to meet our community where they are with the love of Jesus through service and compassion.





## MEN'S BREAKFAST



### Food + Fellowship + Faith Fridays at 8am

Roberta's Village Inn  
2326 D Street, La Verne, CA 91750

Pictured above from the left: Art Aslesen, Bill Parnell, Don Kendrick and Ben Selters

## CHURCH STAFF UPDATE

With bittersweet emotions I must announce that Karli Gordon is moving on from her position as administrative assistant here at Pilgrim to another opportunity. She will be the new Development Director at the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Orange County Chapter. This position is an excellent match for her talents, and I have no doubt, as much as it pains me to say, that this is a great career move for her. She will be helping to raise funds for families who are fighting a debilitating and life-threatening disease. She will be continuing the Lord's work in another place, and all our prayers and blessings will go with her.

Karli started in March of 2020, mere weeks before life as we knew it changed for the world. Nonetheless, she jumped into the position with a positive spirit and a lot of energy. She helped to keep us going at a time when many churches had to completely shut down. Then, when opportunities came for us to hold events here at Pilgrim, her expertise helped us to make these events very successful.

Karli has been an excellent employee. She is smart, thorough, and full of energy. And she is a joy to work with. I will miss her, immensely.

Her last day will be Friday, May 20, so there is plenty of time left for you to offer to her your well wishes. And we will find time to celebrate her tenure with us.

*Patrick Horn*

## HOUSING NEEDED



Hello! My name is Jenna and I recently got accepted to Scripps' pre-medical graduate program, and it starts May 23. I am in need of housing, but as I saw God open wide the door for me to get into this program, I'm expecting Him to provide housing too!

I currently go to Santa Barbara Community Church and someone in my homegroup suggested I reach out to churches near Scripps to see if I can get some help. Do any of your members have space they'd be interested in renting to me? Ideally, I'd like to rent a guest house/ADU/studio, with private bath, private kitchen/

kitchenette, laundry on site, and some green space on site (backyard, etc.). I have nearly all the furniture I need, so unfurnished space would be best. I would still strongly consider a room in a house if the current tenants were a couple or female students, but would prefer no more than 1 or 2 other people. Start date: May 15-17. A bit more about me: I'm female, 24 years old, graduated from Westmont College (in SB) and am on the path to medical school. I love the outdoors, early morning nature walks, hiking, art, photography, and cooking delicious food! I'm going to medical school to be a surgeon because I am so in awe of the human body God made and want to take part in working to heal it. I'd love to get contact info and set up phone calls/FaceTime to know more. Please let me know as soon as you can if there is anything available!

Sincerely, Jenna Skiff

## SCAM ALERT!

Attempts have been made to scam parishioners at Pilgrim. The latest attempt uses a phone number (208-546-48013) that is made to look like it comes from Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn. If you receive a text like this or any other suspicious message you can report this to your phone carrier as a scam phone number.

### **Please remember these simple guidelines:**

1. You can always verify any email with the church office by calling the office at 909-622-1373.
2. Never wire or send money to anyone without being 100% certain that the money is going where you want it to go.
3. I will never ask you to send money to me or the church except through means established by Pilgrim Congregational Church. Never send money to me or the church except by one of these means:
  - a. Send checks to **600 N. Garey Ave., Pomona, CA 91767.**
  - b. Click on the donate button on our website (PilgrimChurchPomona.com) and follow the directions.
  - c. Text "PilgrimChurch" to 77977 and follow the directions.
4. When you give money electronically, it's extremely important that you initiate the process by making sure that you are on the Pilgrim website or texting exactly as stated above. Never follow links that do not begin with you initiating the text, call, or email.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

## INLAND VALLEY SERVICE ORGANIZATION



**Assistance League** is a national philanthropic organization founded in Los Angeles in 1919, with a chapter in Pomona. Assistance League of Pomona Valley is one of the oldest Chapters and has pioneered many programs to help the community over the 75 years we have been located in Pomona. We have always worked to address the most pressing needs and alter our programs as community needs change. "Operation School Bell" (OSB), which is a national program of the Assistance League, provides school children in need with a week's worth of new, school appropriate, clothing. Increasingly, in our area, many of these children are homeless.

We operate a **FREE** Dental clinic! We opened the clinic over 35 years ago with the goal of providing much needed care to local children. Since that beginning the state has instituted very comprehensive dental care for children through Denti-Cal and now many dentists accept those patients. However, the care provided for adults and seniors through Denti-Cal is not nearly as comprehensive and adults can end up with large bills for procedures not covered through Denti-Cal... if they even have Denti-Cal.

It was for this reason that the Assistance League decided to encourage more visits, not just from children, but also from low income adults and seniors. The dental problems that adults and seniors face after years of neglect are very serious, bordering on tragic sometimes. This is a very underserved population with extensive needs and little hope of remedy due to the increasingly expensive cost of dental care.

We were lucky to be approved to accept Denti-Cal, and receipt of those payments helps us to treat other patients who don't have Denti-Cal, or any way to pay for a Dentist, yet desperately need help. We provide Dental services for free, with no charges for co-pays, if patients do have Denti-Cal. To be clear, we provide dental care whether the patient has Denti-Cal, or not. If they do not, we can assist them to determine if they are eligible. Also, as of May 1, 2022, low income Californians 50 and older will now be eligible for healthcare coverage, regardless of immigration status.

The Dental Center is supported with a combination of fundraisers, donations and grants. We are open one to two days per week. We are also open a few additional days each month as we connect with dentists who are interested in volunteering and have a desire to give back to the community with a gift of their time, on a very part time basis. Our goal is to continue to add days of service so more people in need can improve the quality of their smiles and their lives.

If you know anyone in need of dental care, who is holding back because of expense, please refer them to us. Also, if you, or someone you know, is a Dentist, dental tech or hygienist, and likes the idea of helping those less fortunate for perhaps half a day each month, please get in touch with us! We recently welcomed a wonderful volunteer Dentist, Dr. German Jaquez of Ecco Dental. He has offices in both Claremont and Glendora, but still has found the time to help our patients.

For a dental appointment or to find out how you can help, leave us a message at 909-629-6142. We are located at 655 N. Palomares, one block N. of Holt. You can also discover our other programs, events and opportunities to donate and/or participate at [www.alpv.org](http://www.alpv.org). We are always looking for new members too!



**German Jaquez, DDS**  
of Ecco Dental volunteers  
regularly at the ALPV clinic

*Thanks very much!*  
*Donna Spencer*  
*Assistance League of Pomona Valley*



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## REMEMBRANCE

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If you know someone who would love to receive a card or note from the Women's Auxiliary, please submit their name and address to [sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com) or call 909-622-1373 and ask for Sarah. These can be a notes of celebration, sympathy, get well or just thinking of you.

It's always nice to receive a note "Just Because!"

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## A CHURCH THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER

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If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please send your Band of Prayer requests to Sue Shedd via email at [saintshedd@roadrunner.com](mailto:saintshedd@roadrunner.com) or leave a message at 909-622-1373.

The NACCC Prayer Circle is a weekly gathering of fellow Congregationalists from around the country who meet by Zoom for 30 minutes to pray for local, regional, national, and international concerns as well as follow up with one another.

The prayer time is led by a facilitator, but opened to the group as well. To join in 8pm Monday evening prayer circle visit: <https://www.naccc.org/naccc-prayer-circle/>

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## NACCC SURVEY

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Friends of the NACCC,

Last April the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches launched a new and improved website ([naccc.org](https://www.naccc.org)). After the first year, we are interested in knowing what you think. Please **click here** or visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XY2CYLX> to complete a brief survey. Please complete the survey by May 12th.

As always, we truly value your input!

**Debby Fulton & Tracy Bernhardt**  
Development & Communications  
NACCC & Congregational Foundation



## SUNDAY SERVICE NOTES

**May 1, 2022**

### ***The Third Sunday of Easter***

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Ms. Sherry Glab  
Lesson One: Psalm 30  
Lesson Two: Revelation 5:11-14  
Sermon Title: The Story of a Lamb  
Theme: Christianity and Violence  
Anthem: Laudate Dominum (Solemn Vespers for a Confessor) by W. A. Mozart  
Flower dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by Ben and Sue Selters ~ Celebrating anniversaries: John and Marion Selters, (5/3/52); Chuck and Susie Seeger, (6/6/52); Clark and Elizabeth Selters, (6/17/16).

**May 8, 2022**

### ***The Fourth Sunday of Easter***

#### ***Mother's Day***

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Mrs. Christine Vanyo  
Lesson One: Psalm 23  
Lesson Two: Revelation 7:9-17  
Sermon Title: A Great Multitude  
Theme: The Diversity of the Redeemed  
Anthem: I Thank You, God by Susan Winckler  
Flower dedications: This morning's flowers are thoughtfully provided by Bonnie Seath ~  
(1) Happy Mother's Day to all of our loving Mothers in our Congregation  
(2) In loving celebration of Barry and Sharon's (brother and sister-in-law's) 33rd wedding anniversary, this month.



**May 15, 2022**

### ***The Fifth Sunday of Easter***

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Lesson One: Psalm 148  
Lesson Two: Revelation 21:1-6  
Sermon Title: Alpha and Omega  
Theme: The Omnipotence of God  
Anthem: A Ukrainian Prayer by John Rutter  
Flower dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by Tom and Andrea Gray ~ Celebrating sixty (60) years of love, friendship, and marriage.

**May 22, 2022**

### ***The Sixth Sunday of Easter***

#### ***CE Sunday***

Presiding: The Sparking Legacies  
The youth will be leading the congregation for Worship Service that includes a Confirmation Ceremony of New Members, Communion and music by the youth choir.  
Theme: God Is With Us!  
Flower dedication: This morning's flowers are thoughtfully provided by Marria Casner ~ For our lovely church.

**May 29, 2022**

### ***The Sixth Sunday of Easter***

#### ***Choir Sunday***

Special Music: LUX by Dan Forrest  
Theme: Choir Sunday  
Flower dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by The Newell Family ~ In loving memory of Ken Newell. Happy Birthday with love.

#### **Boutonnieres for May are provided by:**

Cedric and Lorraine Rogers ~ Thank you, dear God, for our Church, and our caring concern and love for one another.

#### **Liturgical Notes by Dr. Patrick Horn:**

White symbolizes purity, innocence, and birth. It is associated with the brightness of the heavens during daytime and thus it was used to symbolize the purity of heaven and the angels. It also came to be associated with joy, celebration, and peace. White is the liturgical color of Christmas, Epiphany, and Easter.

# May

## WEEKLY / MONTHLY

### EVERY MORNING

Daily Devotional  
9am via Facebook Live and Zoom

### EVERY TUESDAY

Twilight Bible Study  
5:45pm via Facebook Live & YouTube

### EVERY SUNDAY

9am – Adult Sunday School  
9am – Coffee in the Courtyard &  
Children's Morning Celebration  
10am – Worship Service (In-person & Online)  
Sunday School for 1st – 7th grade  
(following Children's Message)  
11:15am – Flashpoint (Youth Group)

### EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY

7pm – Church Council Meeting

## WAYS TO GIVE

### ONLINE



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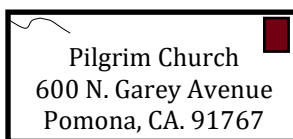
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### May 1st

Mandatory Retreat Meeting

### May 3rd

Women's Auxiliary ~ 11am  
Meeting & Thank You Potluck

### May 4th

Church Council Meeting

### May 6th - 8th

Teen Spring Retreat ~ Cedar Lake

### May 15th

Meeting Sunday  
&  
Flashpoint Field Trip

### May 18th

Annual Congregational Meeting  
6:30pm ~ Dinner  
7:30pm ~ Meeting

### May 21st

10am~CE Sunday Set-Up

### May 22nd

CE Sunday & Banquet

### May 25th

9:30am~Library Committee Meeting

### May 29th

Choir Sunday

### May Holidays

May 5th ~ Cinco de Mayo  
May 8th ~ Mother's Day  
May 30th ~ Memorial Day



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If you have any questions please call the church office at 909-622-1373.

**Mission:** Pilgrim Congregational Church is an independent community of Christian faith which glorifies God through worship and service to others, respects individual spiritual growth, and inspires compassionate fellowship.

**Vision:** Pilgrim Congregational Church is the spiritual home of our community where all people are welcomed, known, and loved.

**To Listen to the Sunday Service on Your Phone:** Dial +1-669-900-9128. Then when prompted, enter the Meeting ID: 330 195 900, followed by the pound (#) sign.

**Church Office:** Open 9am-4pm Mon.-Fri. Appointments are suggested.





# MAY



Sun

Mon

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Sat

<b>1</b> Adult Sunday School & Coffee in the Courtyard  Worship Service  Fellowship Hour  Flashpoint: Service Project Mandatory Retreat Meeting	<b>2</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>3</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  11am Women's Auxiliary Meeting. & Rummage Sale Thank You Potluck  5:45pm Twilight Bible Study	<b>4</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  7pm Church Council Meeting	<b>5</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>6</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  Teen Spring Retreat Cedar Lake	<b>7</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  Teen Spring Retreat Cedar Lake
<b>8 Mother's Day</b> Adult Sunday School & Coffee in the Courtyard  Worship Service  Fellowship Hour  Flashpoint Teen Spring Retreat Cedar Lake	<b>9</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>10</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  5:45pm Twilight Bible Study	<b>11</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>12</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>13</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>14</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE
<b>15</b> Meeting Sunday  Adult Sunday School & Coffee in the Courtyard  Worship Service  Flashpoint: Field Trip to Church of Chimes, Sherman Oaks	<b>16</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>17</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  5:45pm Twilight Bible Study	<b>18</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  Annual Congregational Meeting 6:30pm Dinner 7:30pm Meeting  Newsletter articles DUE	<b>19</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>20</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>21</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  CE Sunday Set-Up
<b>22</b> Adult Sunday School & Coffee in the Courtyard  CE Sunday & Banquet	<b>23</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>24</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  5:45pm Twilight Bible Study	<b>25</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  Library Committee Meeting~9:30am	<b>26</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>27</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE	<b>28</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE
<b>29</b> Adult Sunday School & Coffee in the Courtyard  Choir Sunday	<b>30</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  	<b>31</b> 9am Morning Devotional ONLINE  5:45pm Twilight Bible Study				