

# PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

November 2022



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## Seeking the Good

**"I will seek your good!" ~Psalm 122:9**

This line from the book of Psalms is a commitment made by the psalmist to the city of Jerusalem. It is a prayer to seek goodness for the city and for the sake of the Temple in Jerusalem. The Ancient Hebrews made a deep connection between their city and their religion, so much so that what was good for the city was understood to be good for God's house, the Temple.

Ancient Greek philosophers distinguished between a good citizen and a good person. The former was determined by the conventional and regional standards of a nation state while the latter was determined by transcendent values that are fixed and eternal. These philosophers believed that there is an inevitable tension between commitments to a nation state and commitments to eternal values.

The teachings of Jesus and the Church recognized this tension between the moral expectations of society and God's moral perfection. We have seen in our recent studies of the Gospel of Luke that Jesus repeatedly criticized contemporary interpretations of the Law and called his followers to meet a much higher moral standard. This standard often reversed local expectations by declaring that those who are first are, in fact, last.

The Church has tried for most of its history, with mixed results, to navigate the regional demands of the political state and the Eternal values that transcend all political states. The challenge is that we so easily mistake our own regional preferences for the Eternal.

What does it mean, then, for a Christian to seek the good, to be good? How do we love our cities and our country while also being ultimately committed to the Eternal values of Christ's teachings?

We do it through a return to the values expressed in this psalm. We acknowledge that all goodness comes from God, and we seek what is good for our cities and our country. This does not mean that we try to coerce everyone to think and believe as we do. Rather, we seek goodness and acknowledge God as its source.

~ **Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn**, *Senior Minister*

## MESSAGE FROM THE MODERATOR

### WHAT TIME IS IT?



Modern-day parents of toddlers (and grandparents) are familiar with the catchy Bubble Guppies song where Mr. Grouper asks the students, "What time is it?" The students respond and exclaim, "It's time for lunch." Then, through a series of questions and answers, the group determines in fact, it is *time for lunch* and then discuss the menu. Having four grandsons, ages 11 months to 6 years, I've heard this tune more times than I can count, each time smiling as the boys sing along and each time marveling at the simplicity of the open-ended question, "What time is it?" It occurred to me that "open" questions lend way to more than just answers, but also the opportunity for thoughtfulness and an exchange of ideas.

I began to wonder, in thinking about our Church, to ask myself - "What time is it for Pilgrim Church?" It's certainly a time when I look forward to all the fall festivities, Halloween, Trunk or Treat, the Church Auction, and the Harvest Festival. Daylight savings time also comes to mind, as then time we enter into darker evenings, shorter days, and an extra hour of sleep. It's time to buy new calendars and look ahead to 2023. It's time to plan for the holidays, vacations, and family get togethers. It's time to enter a season of Thanksgiving that will lead us to Advent. It's time to give praise and thanks to our volunteers, staff, members and youth. It's a time when we look forward to the future with exciting anticipation.

It's also a time to seek God's guidance in contemplating our upcoming Consecration Sunday. It's time to reopen our hearts to the world, to our Father, to our church. It's time to renew the embrace of our fellow members in love and support, to hold up our friends and family in prayer, to seek, with anticipation, God's plan for us all. It's time to put down our worries, anxieties and fears, as we remain strong and courageous. We are reminded: Our time is in God's hands! "But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God." My times are in your hand." – Psalm 31:14-15, ESV.

Let's all be encouraged to take some time to ask, "What time is it?" in our own journey. What time can we give to God, to our church, to our community and to ourselves? More importantly, it is time to REMEMBER God's timing is perfect. I invite you to join with me as we take time to pray for our Church leaders, our stewardship committee and our fellow Pilgrims. We can ask together, "What time is it?" and answer together:



*"It's time to remain steadfast and immovable,  
always abounding in good works!"*

In God's grace and peace,  
Christine Vanyo  
Moderator

# 2022 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS

Dear Pilgrim Members and Friends,

The Christmas season will soon be upon us. We will once again be decorating our Sanctuary with poinsettias dedicated by our members and friends to their loved ones or to memorable events of the year. I sincerely hope you will join me in adorning our Sanctuary with these beautiful symbols of Christmas. Your name and dedication(s) will be printed in a Christmas Dedication Booklet which will be mailed to you before the Christmas Eve service. **Poinsettias are \$18.50 each.** Please place your completed order form and payment in an envelope marked Christmas Poinsettias. Make checks payable to Pilgrim Congregational Church. Please let us know if you would like to take your poinsettia following our Christmas Eve service, or you prefer we bring your poinsettia to one of our homebound members. **Please have your order in by Sunday, December 4, 2022.** If you have any questions please contact me.



Continued Blessings,

**Bonnie Seath, Flower Chairperson**

Phone 909-953-2577 or email [Bonniehbd@verizon.net](mailto:Bonniehbd@verizon.net)

## 2022 Christmas Poinsettia Dedication ORDER FORM

**December 4<sup>th</sup> due date**

Number of Poinsettia(s) \_\_\_\_\_ (\$18.50 Each)

Please make check payable to Pilgrim Congregational Church for a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this order form & check made payable to *Pilgrim Congregational Church*  
to Nancy Newell, Financial Secretary's Office**

Dedication(s) to read: (Please print)

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**WILL TAKE POINSETTIA(S) \_\_\_\_\_ or WILL NOT TAKE POINSETTIA(S) \_\_\_\_\_**

## PILGRIM AUXILIARY

All Pilgrim men, women and friends are cordially invited to attend our monthly program presented on the first Tuesday of the month from October through June. We meet at 10:30am for a business meeting before our program followed by a luncheon.

**Coming up December 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am ~**

Join us for a program by our very own organist **Susan Winckler and friends**. Everyone in attendance will enjoy a variety of wonderful holiday music. Following our program, all are invited to remain for a delicious luncheon to be provided by our Friendship Guild. Hoping many will come to enjoy a wonderful time of fellowship.



In Christian Love,  
Bonnie Seath  
First Vice President

**Tuesday, December 6, 2022**  
**10:30 A.M. – Business Meeting**  
**11:30 – Susan Winckler and friends**  
**Delicious Lunch to follow, hosted by our Friendship Guild**



## CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT

*Save the Date*

Harmonia's  
*Christmas by  
Candlelight*

**Dec. 10th, 2022**  
Dinner and Show  
\$45 each.  
Visit the Harmonia Table on  
Sundays, or call 909-622-1373  
to order your tickets.  
Discounts available with  
Harmonia Membership.

A photograph of two lit candles on a table. The candles are white and have a bright flame. They are surrounded by pine branches and pinecones. The background is dark with bokeh light effects.

## FROM THE LIBRARIAN



At one time I was secretary of the local chapter of The Church Librarians League. Unfortunately my fellow librarians found themselves without space as their rooms were repurposed and the chapter disbanded. Fortunately here at Pilgrim Congregational Church we have wide support for the library and we circulate over a thousand books a year while also providing materials for devotions. As your librarian here at Pilgrim I read many newsletters' and publishers' recommendations. I thought the article in *The Church Librarians Network* made an interesting point:

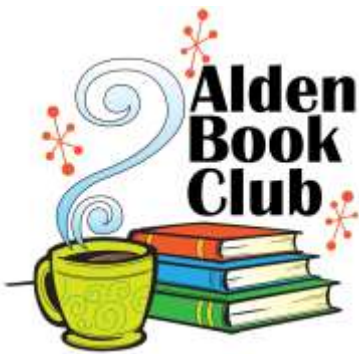
"A common issue for church librarians these days seems to be the challenges some of us face with the leaders of our churches. ...With that in mind, I started to put together a list of ways church libraries today contribute to the current making disciples strategies developing in our churches. While we are revitalizing and starting libraries, let's learn from our history... The Church Librarians Ministry magazine was discontinued so we thought we would launch a website where church librarians could get information but more importantly communicate with each other their ideas and their challenges. These have been amazing years of learning and growing together." - from **Morlee Maynard** in *The Church Librarians Network*.



We have the third book in **Richard Osman's** witty Thursday Murder club series, *The Bullet that Missed*. **Alexander McCall Smith** has a new title in the #1 Ladies Detective series: *A Song of Comfortable Chairs*. The committee met in late October to select more books so be sure to stop by the library and check them out.

Megan Parnell  
Church Librarian

## ALDEN BOOK CLUB



### Alden Book Club returned in October!

We typically meet on the first Thursday of the month. We'd like to welcome anyone interested in our small band of readers to join us. We are a group with many interests. Our reading materials, many but not all selections chosen from our own excellent Pilgrim Library, reflect a variety of titles including many Best Sellers. We read independently without a requirement to discuss the same book. Many of our meetings are held in member's homes where, in addition to a book review, we are treated to an informal pot-luck lunch, always a treat! Alden Book Club is a little known gem in our midst and it's time more Church members understood its value. Please join us, check us out as we begin our post-pandemic revival. We'd love to share our love of books and our fellowship with you. For more information see Patty Schelling on Sundays or contact her through the church directory.

## MUSIC NOTES

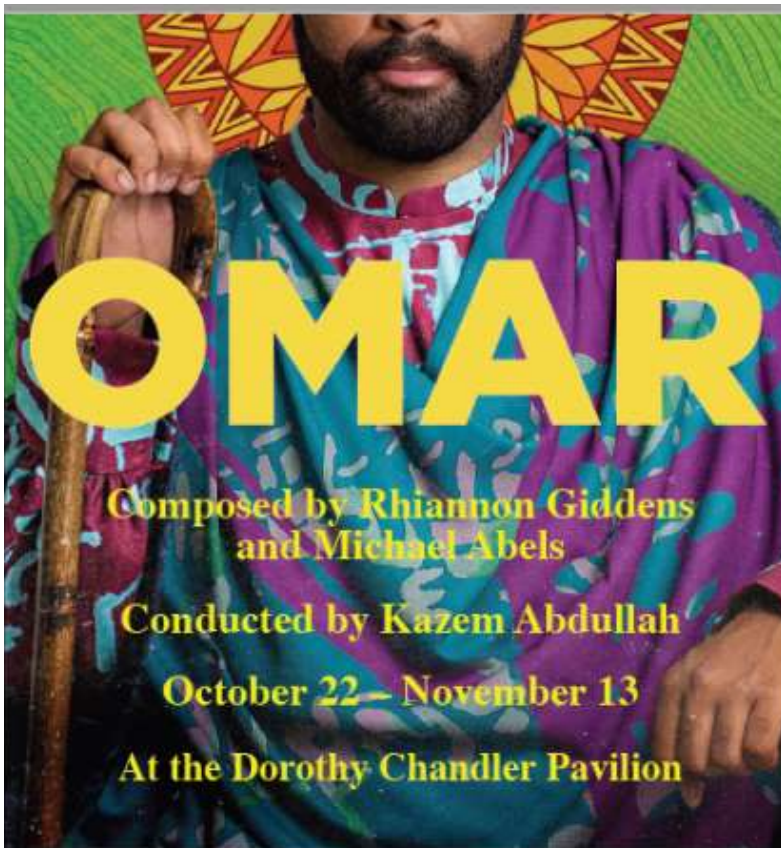


We have welcomed two new members in the choir, **Meghan Linnington**, age 15, and her dad, **Darryl Linnington**. Both Meghan and Darryl performed the lovely Laudate Dominum by Mozart a couple of weeks ago. What talent!

Other news is our bass soloist, **Patrick Blackwell** has a roll in Omar, a west coast premier performed by the Los Angeles Opera. He says it is an opera not to be missed. More information is listed below.



**Susan Winckler**



### West Coast Premier

In 1807, a 37-year-old scholar living in West Africa was captured and forced aboard a shipbound of Charleston, South Carolina. Omar Ibn Said's life and Muslim faith are remembered and retold in this inspirational West coast premiere inspired by his remarkable 1831 autobiography (the only known surviving American slavery narrative written in Arabic).

**OMAR**  
Dorothy Chandler Pavilion

<b>Sun.</b> Oct 30 2:00PM	<b>Wed.</b> Nov 2 7:30PM	<b>Sat.</b> Nov 5 7:30PM	<b>Wed.</b> Nov 9 7:30PM	<b>Sun.</b> Nov 13 2:00PM
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## DIACONATE BOARD



**The Diaconate Board** works to be a caretaker of “many things Sanctuary.” We maintain the altar cloths and banners. The Board oversees the acolytes (and robes), candles and lighters, as well as our videographer team. We purchase minster robes and stoles, and we are the friendly greeters you meet on Sunday mornings. We also prepare and serve 6 communions yearly, as well as polish the silver and order communion supplies. Your donations to these 6 communion offerings during the last hymn provide

the Diaconate Board’s funds. With our Diaconate funds, we can donate Cedar Lake camperships, and make other donations for worthy causes. We also help with the “order” of our Sunday “Order of Worship.” Some years ago, we were able to rearrange things so that the congregation could pray the Lord’s Prayer with our youth, before they left the sanctuary for Church School. Recently, we have added a second Lesson to our Sunday morning service. We are now working hard to arrange for visitations, calls and the like for some of our absent members – and anyone is welcome to help the Diaconate Board with this activity! If these are some of the things you enjoy doing, please look to the Diaconate Board as a place for you!

Sue Selters, Diaconate Chair

## THANKS!!!



A huge thank you to Diaconate Board members  
**Sylvia Osborn and Lisa Keepers!**

They spent several hours polishing the brass candlesticks and candelabras used for the services in the sanctuary. The Diaconate Board hopes you will notice a few other new “touches” in our sanctuary in the coming months.

## UPDATE



The order for name badges will be placed shortly.  
We had a great response and 35 name badges were ordered!

Thank you.  
Sue Selters, Diaconate Board chair

## CHANGE FOR CHANGE



The Board of Trustees is starting an ongoing fund raiser to help with projects around the facilities. Each Sunday there will be a bottle on the coffee table to dump your change into. If we all make a point to collect our change and add it to the bottle on the coffee table, we can add to the budget to offset ongoing costs. Loose bills and checks are also welcome. Remember to save your change for Pilgrim so we can make some changes. Thank you for your support.

## SCRIP UPDATE

### Christmas is Coming!

Hard to believe Christmas is less than 100 days away! It is time to start thinking of scrip shopping and getting your list organized. Stop by the scrip table any Sunday and pick up a list of cards we sell and can special order. While you are there, feel free to order gift cards and the profits will benefit Pilgrim Church.



*See you at the scrip table soon!*





## MEMBERSHIP



December 3rd ~ 9am

Pilgrim Congregational Church

**Fee: \$50 per person and includes BLS Certification**

Seats are limited so make your reservation today by calling the church office at 909-622-1373 or RSVP at our church calendar by scanning the QR code. You can pay by cash or check made out to Pilgrim Church with "CPR Class/ Membership in memo or by credit card through Push Pay at: <https://pushpay.com/g/pilgrimchurchpomona> , noting in other "CPR Class/Membership.



Our instructor is Lorenzo Macias who was an EMT at PVHMC for several years until he started this business and he has been doing this now since 2015 and comes recommended by Pilgrim member D.J. Campbell who worked with him at Pomona Valley Hospital. Lorenzo Macias is certified by the American Heart Association and is an actively practicing health care worker with experience in emergency medicine. You will receive real world training for real world situation. If you want to learn more about the company leading the class visit: [www.FIRSTLINEEMS.com](http://www.FIRSTLINEEMS.com)

## PILGRIM PROFILES

**Leola Greer** was baptized, attended as a teen and was married at Pilgrim Congregational Church. Her father was also a deacon at Pilgrim. After her marriage she attended another church but came back to us in 1993. She taught Sunday school in various grades including with the 2 and 3 year olds, as well as with Marie Lewis and the 4 and 5 year old.

She has served on the Diaconate, Membership and Christian Education boards and is currently a Member at Large. Leola served as Auxiliary Historian and Dining Room chair but the longest assignment was as Treasurer of Auxiliary; over 20 years until her retirement this past June. (She is still helping her replacement Sylvia Osborn learn all the details of the job.) Literally thousands of dollars in nickels, dimes and quarters have gone through her hands! In addition she has often provided special decorations for the Auxiliary luncheon tables.

For 73 years she has been active in Eastern Star and has served in many positions. Crafting was her hobby and she still attends local craft shows.

During her working life she taught Home Economics at Puente Hills High School for 20 years. Her family includes two sons and a daughter, three grandsons and two great-grandsons. She raised her grandson Corey. Her eldest son and daughter have helped at rummage while her younger son lives in Arizona with his wife.

Next time you see her be sure to say thank you for all the hours she spent at rummage, counting up the money!

## HARVEST FESTIVAL



### *Harvest Festival*

**November 13th, 2022**

**11:30am—2:30pm**

Get your arts, crafts and baking on and save the date for Pilgrim's Annual Harvest Festival.

This is great family fun for kids from 1 to 101 with creative, fun activities and games for all ages.

\*Each board, guild or group is encouraged to host a booth with a game, activity or fundraiser for your ministry. Please contact CE Chair, Deborah Walden at 909-861-4716 or Youth Director, Sarah Campbell at 909-305-3155 to sign up for a booth by Nov. 9th.



## CHRISTMAS MARKETPLACE

**The Pilgrim Christmas Marketplace has returned!**

**Mark your calendar**

**Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00am - 2:00 pm.**

Reservations for vendors are now being accepted. Tables are \$25.00 and additional information will be forthcoming. Please contact Beth Brooks (909-229-5921) or Susan Newton (909-263-6006) to reserve your spot. Commitments have already been accepted for Christmas items, gift items, Tupperware and knitted dolls. Pilgrims are encouraged to attend please extend invitations to your friends! A Chili Bar Lunch will also be available as a fundraiser for our youth.



# THANKSGIVING

The Haudenosaunee commonly known as the Iroquois is a confederacy of six nations including Seneca, Cayuga, Onondag, Mohawk, and Tuscarora that resided in the northern part of New York State. These nations are united by the Great Law of Peace which serves as a personal and cultural document. Tradition dictates that peace requires gratitude. In this respect there is a Thanksgiving Address that is also known as “words that come before all others”. This address is given at the opening and closing of most events. As we enter into the Thanksgiving season it is important to remember not only to be grateful and acknowledge our many blessings including those we often take for granted, but to honor these blessings year round in all we do.

The following is a portion of the Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address:

**The People-** Today we have gathered and we see that the cycles of life continue. We have been given the duty to live in balance and harmony with each other and all living things. So now, we bring our minds together as one as we give greetings and thanks to each other as people.

**The Earth Mother-** We are all thankful to our Mother, the Earth, for she gives us all that we need for life. She supports our feet as we walk about upon her. It gives us joy that she continues to care for us as she has from the beginning of time. To our mother, we send greetings and thanks.

**The Waters-** We give thanks to all the waters of the world for quenching our thirst and providing us with strength. Water is life. We know its power in many forms– waterfalls and rain, mists and streams, rivers and oceans. With one mind, we send greetings and thanks to the spirit of Water.

The address continues to thank every aspect of the world, thanking plants in general, food plants specifically, medicinal herbs, animals, trees, birds, the winds, the storms, the sun, the moon, the stars, teachers, and the creator. Then they close with the following words,

“... Of all the things we have named, it was not our intention to leave anything out. If something was forgotten, we leave it to each individual to send such greetings and thanks in their own way”.

One of my favorite parts of the address is when they thank the thunderers. I interpret this section to mean that we can find reason to be thankful for the difficult times that challenge us for that is when we learn and grow the most. It is also in these stormy times we learn to recognize and appreciate the good even while the harvest is abundant.

The closing of the address reminds me of our church. We as Pilgrim Family share our gratitude for God’s blessings year round with love and service to our community and the world through our many programs. We as individuals show our gratitude through acts of kindness and generosity and by supporting the church programs that help so many others. This year and every year I am proud to be apart of the Pilgrim family and its efforts to personify the love of Jesus in all we do. I am thankful that God has led me to my Pilgrim home.

*“You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” ~2 Corinthians 9:11*



If you want to read the Thanksgiving Address in it’s entirety visit: [chrome-extension://efaidnbmninnbpcjpcgiclfindmkaj/https://americanindian.si.edu/environment/pdf/01\\_02\\_Thanksgiving\\_Address.pdf](chrome-extension://efaidnbmninnbpcjpcgiclfindmkaj/https://americanindian.si.edu/environment/pdf/01_02_Thanksgiving_Address.pdf)

If you want to learn more about the Haudenosaunee visit: <https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/iroquois#:~:text=Originally%20a%20confederacy%20of%20five,known%20as%20the%20Six%20Nations.>

# KINDNESS CARNIVAL



This is the first year Pilgrim Congregational Church has participated in Compassionate Pomona's Kindness Carnival and it was an amazing success.

The Pilgrim Booth was a joint effort of Membership, Outreach, the Board of Christian Education and Pilgrim Youth. Together we hosted a Soda Toss Booth (Ring Toss where you try to ring sodas that range in size from soda can to 2 liter bottle. You ring it, you win it.). We also passed out bags with Pilgrim brochures and event fliers, and of course candy. We also had a chance to personally greet around 150 families and talk to them about Pilgrim Church and how we participate in the community through our events and programs. We also got to show off our new pop up thanks to the membership board.

**Thank you to everyone who helped set up, host and take down the booth; Deborah Walden, Cynthia Eades, Marria Casner, Kodie Gray, Richard Rosewitz and DJ, Christian, Samantha & Sarah Campbell.**

It was a fun sharing Pilgrim with the community as well as seeing all the fun costumes. It was an amazing opportunity to share information on Pilgrim's many programs and upcoming events that we are so proud of.

We look forward to seeing our new friends at Pilgrim as well a participating in the Kindness Carnival next year.

# TRUNK OR TREAT



Pilgrim Congregational Church's had its **2nd annual Trunk or Treat**. Though it is a Christian Education hosted event, it really is a whole church project with pretty close to all the members participating in one way or another. Many decorated their cars and passed candy, some flared their area with a game or other activity. Some donated to the event in the form of candy, decorations, or money to help purchase items needed for the event, and some worked in the kitchen preparing free hot dog lunches for everyone. Despite the weather being strangely hot for this time of year and an unforgiving sun melting the chocolate fun was had by all who got to see the smiles on all the kids as they trick or treated.

*Thank you to all our many volunteers for all of your help.*

Though this event has passed until next year, we still have many fun events coming up in the next couple of months including the Harvest Festival on November 13th, a Chili Bar at the Christmas Marketplace on December 4th and the Christmas Dinner & Pageant followed by Hot Chocolate with Santa on December 21st. You don't want to miss the fun.



## SPARKING LEGACIES



We're Fundraising with  
See's Candies!

Help the Sparking Legacies earn money for youth programs at Pilgrim Congregational Church and make your holiday even sweeter!

**See's  
CANDIES.**

### Pilgrim Youth's Holiday Sweets Store is open October 16th - December 2nd 2022

Candy begins to ship November 10th

All proceeds will go toward youth programs including NAPF/HOPE conference '23.

Visit the Christian Education Table each Sunday beginning October 16th to order for pick up at the church or you can scan the QR Code (or if you are viewing online, click the QR code) to visit our online store to order and have shipped directly to address of your choice. If you wish to order online, but need assistance, visit Sarah at the CE Table on Sundays.



Also keep in mind if you have food sensitivities, though we do not have vegan, sugar free or gluten free items available in our online store, you can purchase a gift card from our online store which can be used at Sees.com or at any See's Candy Store to get diet friendly items.

If you have any questions please call Sarah at 909-622-1373 or email [sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)

## LETTERS TO SANTA



To all Pilgrim Children and Friends,

Hello everyone, my name is Pepper Mintstix and I am Mr. Claus's chief of communications specializing in Christmas Wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Claus are busily working to prepare for Christmas. Snow Flakes is already preparing the list and I fear I am already behind on my duties collecting wishes.

I spoke with one of my closest friend, Ms. Sarah and she let me put up a special, magical mailbox by the church office. Please write your Christmas wishes down with your address and place in the mailbox by December 4th and you may get a note from Santa himself mailed directly to you.

I look forward to hearing from all of you and sharing your wishes with the big man, Santa Claus, himself.

*With all my holiday joy,  
Pepper Mintstix*



## A CHURCH THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER



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/>

## REMEMBRANCE



If you know someone who would love to receive a card or note from Pilgrim 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!"*

## POETRY FROM THE PEWS



We work for pay to make a living  
We worship and pray to the Lord; our giving  
We from our faith with alms and Thanksgiving  
With indulgence to mercy, patience and forgiving.

~Richard Lakofka

## HOLIDAY YOUTH PARTY



*You are  
Invited!*

### *Family Holiday Party*

11:15am ~ Lunch

Noon ~ Tree Decorating

1pm to 2:30 ~ Movie

Join us for a hot dog lunch followed by the decorating of the Pilgrim Hall Christmas Tree. Once the tree is done we will enjoy a viewing of “The Nightmare Before Christmas” on the large screen in Pilgrim Hall. Pilgrim youth and their families are all welcome to join us.

Questions: 909-622-1373





## YOUTH CHRISTMAS IN CONCERT & DINNER

# A Child of Christmas

Dec. 21st ~ 6:30pm  
Dinner & Show

Hot Chocolate  
Dessert  
with Santa  
following show.



You are invited to an evening presented by  
Pilgrim's Sparking Legacies and Friends

# A Christmas Child

Enjoy an evening that reminds us of the reason for the season.  
Following a family style dinner is a playful Christmas show starring  
Pilgrim youth featuring our new Christmas Band.  
So come experience Christmas like a child once again.

Tickets: \$15 a plate,

\$7 for children under 7, 5 years and under free.

6:30pm ~ Dinner & 7:30pm ~ Show

8:30pm ~ Dessert with Santa

Make your reservations today!

[sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com) or 909-622-1373

# SUNDAY SERVICE NOTES

## November 6th, 2022

### **Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity Sunday & Consecration Sunday with Remembrance Sunday**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Mrs. Christine Vanyo  
Lesson One: Psalm 17:1-8  
Lesson Two: Luke 20:27-33  
Sermon Title: What Little We Know  
Theme: God of the Living  
Color: Green  
Organist: Susan Winckler & Bruce Jones  
Soloist: Debbie Dey, contralto  
Jack Wilson, cello  
Anthems: God Gives the Song  
The Lord Bless You & Keep You  
Flower Dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by Bonnie Seath : *"In joyful celebration of my sister Betsy's birthday, cousin Judy's birthday, and brother Barry's birthday. Special prayers that each of you will enjoy a healthy and happy year ahead."*

## November 13th, 2022

### **Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity Sunday & Harvest Festival**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Mr. Emmanuel Ruiz-Rickards  
Lesson One: Psalm 98  
Lesson Two: Luke 21:5-19  
Sermon Title: Faithful Living in a Hard World  
Theme: Spiritual Resources for Hardships  
Color: Green  
Organists: Susan Winckler & Bruce Jones  
Soloist: Dale Jean Gross-Sandfrey, baritone  
Anthem: Our Hope for Years to Come  
Flower Dedications: This morning's flowers are lovingly Provided by Ron and Christine Vanyo: *"Happy Birthday to Daniel McCormick—A wonderful husband, son and father. Ron & Christine Vanyo and Julie, Charlie, Harrison, William & Keaton."*

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Susan and John Shedd: *"Happy birthday Mom, (Virginia St. Clair). We love you and miss you! Susan and "Old what's his name" (John Shedd)"*

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

**Green** is the symbol of growth and life, hope and anticipation. Green is used in Ordinary time, the period of the church calendar which gives attention to the Lord's life and ministry; it reminds us that the mission of the church is to love the world and share the hope of Christ.

**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.

## November 20th, 2022

### **Last Sunday before Advent**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Keith Eades  
Worship Assistant: Mrs. Elyse Mengle  
Lesson One: TBD  
Lesson Two: TBD  
Sermon Title: TBD  
Theme: TBD  
Color: White  
Organists: Bruce Jones & Susan Winckler  
Soloist: LizBeth Lucca  
Anthem: All Things Bright and Beautiful  
Flower dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by Ron & Christine Vanyo: *"In joyous celebration of Keaton McCormick's First Birthday— Our No. 4 Grandson. You are very dearly loved. Ron & Christine Vanyo (aka Gigi & Fafa)."*

## November 27th, 2022

### **First Sunday of Advent with Communion**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Mr. Jon Olson  
Lesson One: Matthew 24:36-44  
Lesson Two: Psalm 122  
Sermon Title: Seeking the Good for our City  
Theme: The Church as a saving factor  
Color: White  
Organists: Susan Winckler & Bruce Jones  
Soloist: Patrick Blackwell, bass  
Anthem: To Thee My Heart I Offer  
Flower dedication: This morning's flowers are thoughtfully provided by Don and Judy Sanders: *"In appreciation of all Pilgrim Church employees"*

**Boutonnieres for November are provided by Ron & Christine Vanyo:** *"In gratitude to all our service men and women."*



**Daylight Savings Time comes to an end at 2am on Sunday,  
November 6th, 2022**

**and it will be time to turn back clocks an hour.  
Bonus: Extra hour of sleep Sunday morning.**

# November

## WEEKLY / MONTHLY

### **EVERY MORNING, MON. - SAT.**

Daily Devotional  
9am via Facebook Live and Zoom

### **EVERY SUNDAY**

9am – Adult Sunday School  
9am – Gather & Greet  
10am – Worship Service (In-person & Online)  
Sunday School for 1st – 7th grade  
(following Children’s Message)  
11am—Fellowship Hour  
11:15am Flashpoint Youth Group

### **EVERY TUESDAY**

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

### **EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY**

7pm – Church Council Meeting

### **EVERY FRIDAY**

Men’s Breakfast ~ Roberta’s at 8am

### **EVERY 3RD SUNDAY**

11:30am ~ Board Meetings

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **November 1st**

Pilgrim Auxiliary  
Meeting, Program & Potluck Luncheon

### **November 2nd**

Church Council Meeting

### **November 5th**

Church Auction

### **October 5th**

Church Council Meeting

### **November 6th**

Remembrance Sunday &  
Consecration Sunday Luncheon

### **November 11th**

Office Closed for Veterans Day

### **November 13th**

Harvest Festival

### **November 24th**

Thanksgiving  
Office closed 11/24 & 11/25

### **November 27th**

Advent Begins  
Youth Holiday Party

## WAYS TO GIVE

### ONLINE



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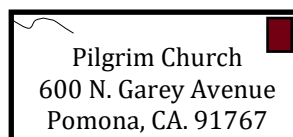
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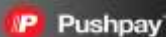
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**Mission:** Pilgrim Congregational Church is an independent community of Christian faith which glorifies God through worship and service to others, respects individual spiritual growth, and inspires compassionate fellowship.

**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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		<b>1</b> <b>10:30am</b> <b>Pilgrim Auxiliary</b>  <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  9:30am CEA/HOW  <b>5:45pm</b> <b>Twilight Bible Study</b>  7:30pm AA, Alanon & Alateen	<b>2</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  6:00pm Basketball    7:30pm NA Support	<b>3</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  11:30am Alden Book Club  7:30pm AA Mother Group,	<b>4</b> <b>8:00am</b> <b>Men's Breakfast</b>  <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Church Auction set-up</b>  <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  12:00pm NA Group Meeting  <b>5:00pm</b> <b>Church Auction</b>
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<b>6</b> <b>Daylight-Saving Time Ends</b> <b>Consecration Sunday:</b> <b>Communion &amp; Luncheon</b> <b>Remembrance Sunday</b> 9:00am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Gather & Greet <b>9:45am Worship Service</b> 11:00am Fellowship Hour 4:00pm Musicians Club 4:30pm Sigma Chi Meetings  	<b>7</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  10:00am Alanon "Serenity"  7:00pm AA "Book Club"  7:30pm Mountainside Rehearsal	<b>8</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  9:30am CEA/HOW  <b>5:45pm</b> <b>Twilight Bible Study</b>  6:30pm Patience Guild  7:30pm AA, Alanon & Alateen	<b>9</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  6:00pm Basketball  7:30pm NA Support	<b>10</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  11:30am Alden Book Club  7:30pm AA Mother Group	<b>11</b> Office Closed  Private Wedding  <b>8:00am</b> <b>Men's Breakfast</b>  <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  	<b>12</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  <b>10:00am</b> <b>Harvest Festival Set-Up</b>  10:00am Private Wedding  12:00pm NA Group Meeting
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<b>13</b> 9:00am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Gather & Greet <b>9:45am Worship Service</b> <b>11:30am Harvest Festival</b> 3:00pm Pomona Valley Moose 4:00pm Musicians Club 4:30pm Sigma Chi Meetings  	<b>14</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  10:00am Alanon "Serenity"  7:00pm AA "Book Club"  7:30pm Mountainside Rehearsal	<b>15</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  9:30am CEA/HOW  <b>5:45pm</b> <b>Twilight Bible Study</b>  7:30pm AA, Alanon & Alateen	<b>16</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  6:00pm Basketball  7:30pm NA Support	<b>17</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  11:30am Alden Book Club  7:30pm AA Mother Group	<b>18</b> <b>8:00am</b> <b>Men's Breakfast</b>  <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>	<b>19</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  10:00am Christian Business 360 Meeting  10:00am NCNW Meeting  12:00pm NA Group Meeting
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**No Parking on church grounds due to resurfacing of our parking lot**

<b>20</b> 9:00am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Gather & Greet <b>9:45am Worship Service</b> 11:00am Fellowship Hour <b>11:30am Meeting Sunday</b> 2:00pm Musicians Club 4:30pm Sigma Chi Meetings  	<b>21</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  10:00am Alanon "Serenity"  7:00pm AA "Book Club"  7:30pm Mountainside Rehearsal	<b>22</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  9:30am CEA/HOW  <b>5:45pm</b> <b>Twilight Bible Study</b>  7:30pm AA, Alanon & Alateen	<b>23</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  6:00pm Basketball  7:30pm NA Support  	<b>24</b> Church Office Closed  <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  7:30pm AA Mother	<b>25</b> Church Office Closed  <b>8:00am</b> <b>Men's Breakfast</b>  <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  	<b>26</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  12:00pm NA Group Meeting
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<b>27</b> 9:00am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Gather & Greet <b>9:45am Worship Service</b> 11:00am Fellowship Hour 11:15am Youth Christmas Party <b>11:30am Board of Trustees</b> 4:30pm Sigma Chi Meetings  	<b>28</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  10:00am Alanon "Serenity"  7:00pm AA "Book Club"  7:30pm Mountainside Rehearsal	<b>29</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  9:30am CEA/HOW  <b>5:45pm</b> <b>Twilight Bible Study</b>  7:30pm AA, Alanon & Alateen	<b>30</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Morning Devotional</b>  6:00pm Basketball  7:30pm NA Support			
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