

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

November 2024



PILGRIM
CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH

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WELCOME HOME!

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.

Church Office Hours:

Monday - Friday, 9am to 4pm
Appointments are recommended.

Worship Service:

Sundays at 10am ~ In-person or Online

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MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER

Generosity

"She out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

~ Mark 12-44

The best-known story of generosity in all of the New Testament is the story of the widow and her two mites. According to the Gospel of Mark, people were lining up to make their contributions to the treasury of the Temple. Some wealthy men apparently made a show of putting large amounts of money into the coffers. A poor widow stepped forward in the line to contribute two of the smallest copper coins. It was everything she had to live on.

The issue for people living in first century Jerusalem is the same as it is for those of us living in twenty-first century America: generosity is usually defined as optional giving that comes out of one's surplus of resources, after all personal needs and desires have been met. This story challenges that definition of generosity.

This is Kingdom of God generosity. It is defined by what God calls us to give. And what God calls us to give is everything that we have in love and service towards others. Of course, the story is symbolic; God calls us to give more than just money. And yet, what we do with our money is generally considered an excellent measure of what we value, of what we love and serve.

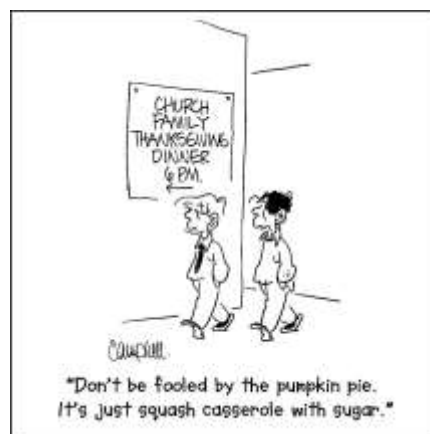


The widow's offering is an extraordinary contrast to the offerings made by the wealthy men. It is the difference between giving sacrificially and giving out of what's left over. It is an extraordinary challenge for us. Most of us are much more like the wealthy men in the story, even if we are not wealthy; giving everything away, even for the sake of God, feels out of reach for us.

And yet, we know that there is Truth in the story. We know that God has called us to give everything. So, we continue to work on ourselves; we ask God to transform us, to make us into a generous people who will give everything for the sake of the Kingdom.

*Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn
Sr. Minister*

HOLY HILARITY



MESSAGE FROM THE MODERATOR

Dwelling, Discerning & Experimenting



Alan Roxburgh, in his addresses to the NACCC, encouraged three practices if the church is to reverse its decline: Dwelling, Discerning, and Experimenting.

“Dwelling” for Roxburgh is intentionally identifying with our community, sitting around tables with the peoples of the community and listening to them with the desire to understand their needs and hopes.

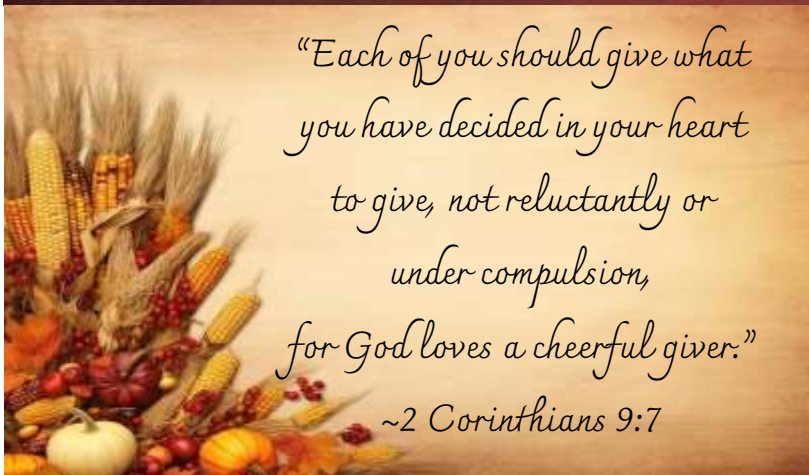
“Discerning” refers to coming to understand how the Holy Spirit is working around us. The church is not declining because God is not working. God is always at work to reach out to the peoples of the world God created to draw them from sin and death to life. It is not easy to discern how and where the Spirit is working, and when we sense the Spirit may be working, we are not always certain.

Jeremiah told the exiles to “dwell” in Babylon and seek the welfare of the cities where they lived. I have mentioned before that others were pushing the exiles to expect a quick return to Judah and a resumption of the way things had been. A Jewish community was established in Babylon, and when a return to Judah did become possible, not all of the Jewish people did return. The laws of the Old Testament assumed an agricultural village life, and as the people adapted to new ways of living their leaders worked to reinterpret the laws for new situations. These interpretations that built up around the Torah were eventually codified as the Talmud. In fact there were two Talmuds: a Palestinian Talmud and a Babylonian Talmud. We should note that it was the Babylonian Talmud that became normative for Judaism.

In the early days after the life of Jesus and the establishment of His church, the apostles stayed in Jerusalem and continued to pray and worship at the Jerusalem temple. In the book of Acts we see how the Holy Spirit worked to change things. Persecution began the scattering of believers.

*More next time,
Keith Eades
Moderator - Church Council*

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE



CONSECRATION SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3RD 11:30AM

Join in fellowship and food at a special lunch as we rededicate ourselves to our faith and church through our annual pledges.

Please RSVP by October 27th
909-622-1373

Email:
PilgrimOffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com

SPECIAL THANKS FROM PILGRIM AUXILIARY



A huge thank you to everyone who donated rummage, sorted rummage, bought rummage, sold rummage, or cleaned up after rummage or brought food for the rummage sale.

And an especially huge

thank you

to those that fit in multiple categories.

You are awesome! We couldn't do it without you.

Judy & Jan

FROM THE STAFF

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

To our Pilgrim Congregational Church Family & Friends,

**We wish you peace and many blessings this
Thanksgiving!**

With Faith, Hope & Love,
Your Pilgrim Staff



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**HIS LOVE ENDURES
FOREVER.**

Psalm 136:1, NIV



INVITATION FROM PILGRIM AUXILIARY PRESIDENT



Join us for the
PILGRIM AUXILIARY
Meeting, Program & Luncheon
1st Tuesday of the month

10:00am ~ Meeting
11:30am ~ Program
12:30pm ~ Potluck Luncheon

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the program beginning at 11:30am in Pilgrim Hall.

November 5th, 2024

Shirley Turner

will speak about Hillcrest,
a wonderful retirement community in LaVerne, CA.

December 3rd, 2024

Christmas Melodies

Susan Winckler & Choralescence perform

Plan to remain for luncheon to enjoy delicious
food and fellowship.



Dear Pilgrim Church Members and Friends,

Once again, on behalf of Pilgrim Auxiliary, a very special “thank you” to everyone who dedicated Sunday Sanctuary Flowers and Boutonnieres this past year. You *are* very special people! Each and every heartwarming dedication provided an inspiring addition to our Sunday morning worship services. I sincerely hope you will join me again this next year in continuing this longstanding tradition.

Sunday bouquets will be \$42 each; our monthly boutonnieres will be \$26. Please complete the form displayed, and send it with your payment to the church office by the first of the month prior to your Dedication: Attention Bonnie Seath. 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.

Bonnie Seath, Flower Chairperson

Phone 909-953-2577 or email Bonniehbd@verizon.net

SANCTUARY FLOWERS ORDER FORM

October 2024 through August 2025

Bouquet \$42	Date_____	Number of Bouquets____	\$_____
Boutonnieres \$26	Month_____		\$_____
		TOTAL	\$_____

Return this **order form & check** to **Bonnie Seath, Pilgrim Auxiliary**
(mailbox in church office)

Dedication is to read: (Please print)

Name_____ Address_____

City_____ State _____ Zip_____

Phone_____

WILL TAKE ARRANGEMENT_____ or **WILL NOT TAKE ARRANGEMENT**_____



Dear Pilgrim Church Members & Friends,

Once again, the Christmas season will soon be upon us. We will 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 on Sunday, December 15th, 22nd, and Christmas Eve 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 on or before Sunday, December 15th.

Poinsettias will be \$21.00 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 1, 2024.** If you have any questions please contact me.

Bonnie Seath, Flower Chairperson Phone 909-953-2577 or email Bonniehbd@verizon.net

**2024 Christmas Poinsettia Dedication
ORDER FORM
December 1, 2024 due date**

Number of Poinsettia(s) _____ (\$21.00 Each)

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

Will you pick up your poinsettia(s)? Yes ___ No ___

**Please return this order form & check made payable to *Pilgrim Congregational Church* to:
Bonnie Seath, Pilgrim Auxiliary (Mailbox in Church Office)**

Dedication is to read: (Please print)

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

FROM THE LIBRARIAN

The library committee is pleased to announce our library coffee speaker for February 2025:
Constance Cassinelli, author of *Caro Nicola*.

As a 17-year-old she came across a bundle of letters in Italian written to her great-grandfather. She wanted to know more but the letters were lost for over 30 years. Once she regained and translated them, she decided to search for her family roots in Liguria, Italy. She made three trips and came back to reconstruct her great-grandfather Nicola's life. Among other facts she learned that his mother was a cousin of Guiseppi Garibaldi, the great Italian hero.



Our author will select a Sunday afternoon in February for her presentation so watch for an update. Be sure to invite your friends and family for an interesting talk and gourmet refreshments.

The library committee will be combining our November and December meetings due to a busy holiday season. Don't worry, we still have plenty of good books for your reading pleasure. We met towards the end of October and found lots of good titles:



A Calamity of Souls by **David Baldacci**
The Rose Arbor by **Rhys Bowen**
Peach Tea Smash by **Laura Childs**
The Dark Wives by **Ann Cleeves**
Eruption by **Crichton & Patterson**
We Solve Murders by **Richard Osman**
A Death in Cornwall by **Daniel Silva**
The Great Hippopotamus Hotel by **Alexander McCall Smith**
Tell Me Everything by **Elizabeth Strout**
Smolder by **Stuart Woods**

An illustration of a cozy reading nook. It features a beige armchair with a white blanket and a book on it. To the right is a wooden bookshelf filled with books. There are pumpkins and autumn leaves scattered around the chair and bookshelf. A small table next to the chair holds a lantern and a cup of coffee.

If you enjoy nonfiction we chose **Ina Gartin's** memoir *Be Ready When the Luck Happens*. Another interesting title is **Mo Rocca's** *Roctogenarians: Late in Life Debuts, Comebacks and Triumphs*.

Please stop by the library and check us out!





Music Notes

from the Choir Director: Susan Winckler



3 "BAD" MEN

Friday, November 1st

6:30pm ~ Root Beer Floats

7:15pm ~ Showtime

Tickets: \$20

Children 7 yrs. & under FREE



PILGRIM
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Harmonia Presents

Silent Movie

Night



Mark your calendars for these musical events:

December 3rd ~ Christmas Melodies

December 7th ~ Christmas by Candlelight

Dec. 24th ~ Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

June 1st ~ Choir Sunday

GETTING TO KNOW PILGRIM'S CHOIR

At Pilgrim Congregational Church we are very proud of our music program, especially the Pilgrim Choir. We are eager to introduce our choir members to all our Pilgrim family and friends. For November we would like to introduce long time Pilgrim Choir member and Music Director, **Susan Winckler**, and new bass soloist, **Jeremy Taylor**.



Daughter, Angela and grandson, Dominic with Susan Winckler

Susan Winckler has been Music Director since 2006 for Pilgrim Church. She also shares the organist position with Bruce Jones. Susan also served as soprano soloist at Pilgrim from 1981 to 1988 soloing in such works as the Brahms and Verdi Requiems.

Ms. Winckler attained her B.A. in Music from Dominican University in San Rafael, California, and her M.A. in Music Theory and Composition from the University of Hawaii. Ms. Winckler has been organist and/or Choir Director for various local churches including La Verne Church of the Brethren; Grace Lutheran,


Glendora; Cucamonga United Methodist, Rancho Cucamonga; and St. Madeleine's, Pomona. Ms. Winckler has conducted numerous major choral works with full orchestra including the *Verdi Requiem*, *Mozart's Coronation Mass*, *Puccini's Messa di Gloria* and *Requiem* by Andrew Lloyd Webber. She was a long-time member of and Assistant Director for the Louis Rondfeldt Chorale and also directed the Claremont Chorale from 1978 to 1981.

Ms. Winckler, presently retired from teaching in public schools after 33 years, was choral director for Rancho Cucamonga, Chaffey, and Ganesha high schools. She has also taught Latin, mathematics, and art. Lately, in addition to music, she has been expressing her creative skills through ceramics and jewelry making.



Jeremy Taylor came to Southern California ten years ago to pursue a liberal arts education at Pomona College. He studied Voice under the late Prof. Gwendolyn Lytle, and received awards and funding for his musicological research from the American Musicological Society under the enduring mentorship of Prof. Donna Di Grazia, conductor of the Pomona College Choir. After graduating in 2019 with a B.A. in Music, he continues to work there in Data Administration. Jeremy has performed around the United States, Europe and recently in Hong Kong. He has appeared with ensembles such as the PRISM Choral Ensemble, Artes Vocales, Pomona College Glee Club, and recently with Mountainside Master Chorale. He spent his childhood in Tennessee and Arkansas with his family, and experienced church community and music--especially Black Gospel--from a young age. Jeremy is grateful for the opportunity to formally be a part of the Pilgrim Congregational Church Choir.

Hand in Hand 2024



Our Pilgrim Family has supported families in need through **Hand in Hand for the Holidays** by providing food, clothing, and other needs for Christmas. This program started back in 1987 with **Don & Judy Sanders** and the **Diaconate Board**. It continues, now sponsored by the **Outreach Board**, *but it couldn't continue without all of you.*

We have adopted 7 families this year.

This has been a challenging year for so many families and we are trying harder to make sure that there is some way for everyone to participate in this special program. Here are some of the ways you can help Hand in Hand this year:

1. We have several requests for bikes - mostly for 5-8 year-olds. We include a helmet with each bicycle.
2. Buy food – we will be offering our virtual grocery store but we can also use the help of those who like to shop. If you prefer to shop, please pick up a **food list** at our table. **All food is due by Dec. 1st, 2024.**
3. We need to get all family members adopted for gifts.
4. We need gift cards. Target offers a discount on Target gift cards usually the first weekend of December. If you are a member of Target Circle, you can help by getting a gift card for a family. Last year we gave Target Cards for food instead of Staters. If you are not a member of Target Circle, a cash donation would be a great way to help meet the fresh food needs for these families.
5. Make a *tax deductible* donation to Pilgrim Church and writing “Hand in Hand” in the memo section of your check. You may also contribute through PushPay by choosing “Other” and put Hand in Hand in the notes or select Hand in Hand from the drop-down list.

Please stop by the Hand in Hand table starting November 10, 2024 and let us know how you would like to help us make this Christmas extra special for these 7 families. *Whether you choose to make a cash donation, adopt a person or a family, or buy food or other items, **all your help is most appreciated!***

Thank you for helping to bring joy to these families this Christmas!

Joy & Peace from the Hand-in-Hand Team



Presented by Pilgrim's Membership Board

Sign up at Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com

Questions: Call 909-622-1373 (M-F, 9am to 4pm)

CPR TRAINING



Get trained. Save a life. You'll be glad you did.

NOV 9
10am

600 N. Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA. 91767
909-622-1373

Tickets: \$65 per person

Light refreshments will be available.

If you are renewing your card or learning CPR for the 1st time, this class is for you!

If you took this class at Pilgrim the last time we had it your card will be expiring December 3rd.

Get it renewed before then. Sign up today to reserve your spot.



Knit & Crochet Workshop Sunday, January 12th at Noon

Leading the class will be
Megan Parnell

Join us for an Introduction to Knitting and Crochet Workshop. The class will include supplies, basics for beginners, step-by-step instructions and tips for the more advanced. Light refreshments will be served.

More information coming soon.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



The CE Board, Sunday School Team and Pilgrim Students are excited to enter into our fall and holiday season and have lots of fun and fellowship on the horizon.

Christmas play rehearsals are under way and practice is starting. If you are a Pilgrim Student interested in participating, please see

Christine Vanyo or **Jenn Barnett** and COME to Sunday School to get the details. We also welcome adults who want to assist in costumes and set.

We are grateful for our teachers and ask your continued prayers for **Ms. Jan** and **Ms. Marria**. Many thanks to all the youth who helped at the rummage sale and who enjoyed learning about our church traditions.

The See's Candy Fundraiser is underway, and information is in the Pilgrim's Progress and available from the Pilgrim Youth.

We have some exciting activities coming up and are grateful for the assistance of our Members. If you would like to assist the CE Board with youth activities, fundraisers, substitute teaching or be a one time speaker for the High School Class, please contact Christine Vanyo or a CE Board member.

*In gratitude,
Christine Vanyo, CE Chair
Board of Christian Education.*



Pilgrim Youth Holiday Sweets 2024

See's Candies Online Store

OPEN NOW TO DECEMBER 6th

Order your favorite sweets to accent your holiday events or have delivered to friends and family for a sweet holiday gift. Profits will go to support Pilgrim Youth programs. See Christine or any member of the Board of Christian Education if you have questions or need assistance. First shipments begin 11/11. Last day to order is Dec. 6th

**Shipments begin on November 11th
Last day to order is December 6th**

Visit the link below to shop our online store.

https://www.yumraising.com/secure/pilgrimcc_pilgrim_youth_holiday_sweets_78/PilChr3468/candy

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



PILGRIM
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fall RETREAT

THEME: 
the
Fruitful
Life
Galatians 5:22-23

Sign up TODAY!

This year we will have live praise music
Interactive sessions, small groups for
both High School & HOPE, archery,
scavenger hunts, hikes to Windswept,
Campfire & more all while enjoying
autumn in Cedar Lake, Big Bear.

*Invite a friend to sign up with you for more fun.

To register, Email:

Sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com

Or call 909-305-3155



Retreat Mission Project

As the youth head up to Cedar Lake this fall count our blessings by helping others. We will be making Blessing Bags to be distributed by Hope Partners to those in our community who need them the most. We will be making a couple of different themed blessing bags. One will be a 75 general blessing bag, 50 ladies bags and 25 children's bags. Below is a list of items we are hoping to receive by Nov. 17th. Also, don't forget to raid your freebies from your travels (if unopened) as these are perfect size for the Blessing Bags. You may also donate money to go towards purchasing items. Anything will be appreciated.

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|---------------------|--|
| Hand sanitizer | Tissues |
| Toothbrushes | Granola Bars |
| Toothpastes | Tea Bags |
| Brushes/Combs | Cough Drops |
| Lotion / Chapstick | Fruit Snacks |
| Soaps | Coupons for Groceries
& Feminine Products |
| Mouthwash | Crayons & Small Toys |
| Shampoo/Conditioner | Small notebooks |
| Feminine Products | |



Christmas Fun

for Pilgrim Families & Youth



All Pilgrim Students & Young Adults (0-25) are invited to the

Youth Christmas Party

Sunday, December 1st
11:30am ~ Pilgrim Hall

Food ~ Fun ~ Crafts ~ Tree Decorating ~ Movie

Be sure to invite your friends!!!

RSVP appreciated but not required by **Nov. 26th:**
EducationBoard@pilgrimchurchpomona.com



Cider with Santa

Sunday, December 8th, 2024
11:30am in the Gym

Mr. & Mrs. Claus are making a special visit to Pilgrim Church to usher in the season and greet our Pilgrim family, young and young at heart. The reindeer will drop off Mr. & Mrs. Claus to the Pilgrim Gym at 11:30am to join us for Fellowship Hour. Apple Cider & Juice will be served. Santa & Mrs. Claus will be available for individual or family pictures. I even heard from an elf that Santa may even be handing out treats to the children. So, be sure to wear your Sunday best and be ready to greet Santa & Mrs. Claus.



Pilgrim Youth Present
THE FIRST NOEL

Wednesday, December 18th
7:00pm

Join us before the show at 6pm for a special
Christmas Dinner hosted by the Pilgrim Auxiliary.

Dinner: \$15 (\$7 for 7 yrs. & younger)
Show: FREE

Please RSVP for dinner by December 11th.

Call 909-622-1373 or email PilgrimOffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com

Please let us know of any dietary restrictions.

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600 N. Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA. 91767



PILGRIM'S ANNUAL AUCTION

Saturday, Nov. 16th

Doors Open: 5pm / Dinner @ 6pm
Tickets: \$40 / \$5 for 12yrs and under



RSVP with check payable to Pilgrim Congregational Church sent to
Beth Brooks at PO Box 7787, La Verne, CA. 91750

Auction donations are being accepted. If you have items for the auction please contact Judy Sanders. Consider collecting gift cards from your favorite businesses. Beth Brooks has a non-profit organization letter to present with your donation request. To get a letter or for other questions, please call Beth Brooks at 909-229-5921.



Pilgrim Congregational Church

Christmas Marketplace



**DEC
15**

Pilgrim Church
600 N. Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA. 91767

**Join us!
11am-2pm**

Gifts, Holiday Décor & More...

Reservations for vendors are now being accepted, \$25 a table. Please call Beth at 909-229-5921 or email Susan at sa.newton@verizon.net to reserve your spot today.

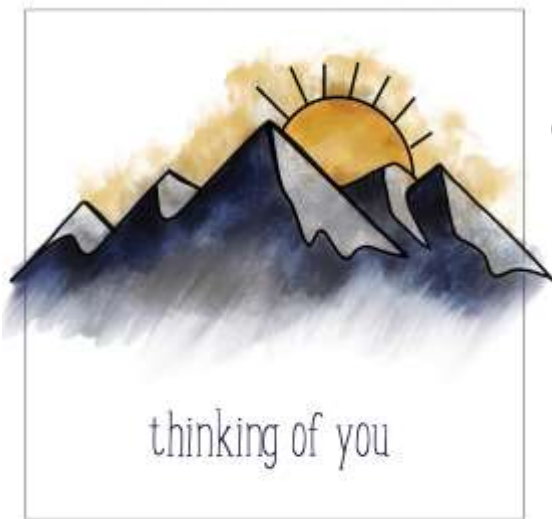
*Don't forget
to invite your
friends!*

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 or leave a message at 909-622-1373.

CARD CORNER



Every 3rd Sunday during Fellowship Hour, the Card Corner will be available with cards and addresses for Pilgrim members to share a friendly note with our families out of state, are home bound or we just haven't seen in awhile. Stop by and write a card to let our Pilgrims know we are thinking about them.

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

WAYS TO GIVE

ONLINE



Visit our link

<https://pushpay.com/g/pilgrimchurchpomona>

MOBILE



Text

PILGRIMCHURCH
To 833-813-9522

MAIL

Pilgrim Church
600 N. Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA. 91767

Send a Check



When you send "PILGRIMCHURCH" to 833-813-9522 you will receive a one-time reply containing a link to give to PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (1msg/request). Please be aware that Msg & Data rates may apply. For full Terms & Conditions please visit <http://pushpay.com/terms>. For the Privacy Policy please visit <https://pushpay.com/privacy>. For help reply HELP or STOP to cancel. If you have any questions please call the church office at 909-622-1373.

SERVICE NOTES

November 3rd

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Consecration & Remembrance Sunday

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn
Worship Assistant: Mrs. Sue Selters
Lesson 1: Ruth 1:1-18
Lesson 2: Mark 12:28-34
Theme: "Understanding Can Get Us
Close to the Kingdom"
Sermon: Not Far
Color: Green
Luncheon Host: Trustees
Ushers: Sylvia Osborn, Guadalupe Ocegueda,
Jenni Whyte, & Lorraine Rogers
Acolytes: Samantha Campbell & Armondo Piercy
This morning's flowers are thoughtfully and lovingly provided
in recognition of Remembrance Sunday:
"From heaven falls a mercy sweet; the time for weeping now is
gone; God hears our sighs and gives us His eternal song."

November 10th

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Dr. Fay Ellwood
Worship Assistant: Mr. Nathaniel Campbell
Lesson 1: Mark 12:38-44
Lesson 2: Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17
Theme: TBD
Sermon: TBD
Color: Green
Fellowship Host: Christian Education
Ushers: Ben & Sue Selters, Janet McBride &
Axford Manness
Acolytes: Kodie Gray & Emmanuel Rickards-Ruiz
This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by Bonnie Seath:
*"In joyful celebration of my nephew's wife Revecca's birthday,
sister Betsy's birthday, cousin Judy's birthday, and brother Barry's
birthday. Special thoughts and prayers that each of you will enjoy
a happy and healthy year ahead."*

November 17th

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn
Worship Assistant: Mr. Jerry Whyte
Lessons 1: 1 Samuel 2:1-10
Lesson 2: Mark 13:1-8
Theme: "Jesus teaches that we should
resist impostors"
Sermon: Don't Be Led Astray
Color: Green
Fellowship Host: Friendship Guild
Ushers: Meggen Olson, Christine & Ron Vanyo,
& Dulce Ruiz
Acolytes: Preston Dague & Charlie McCormick
Our flowers this morning are lovingly and thoughtfully provided
by: John Southworth,
"In memory of Bill and Betty Southworth."

November 24th

Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn
Worship Assistant: Mr. Art Truman
Lesson 1: 2 Samuel 23:1-7
Lesson 2: John 18:33-37
Theme: The Kingdom of God is heavenly
Sermon: Not From Here
Color: Green
Fellowship Host: Patience Guild
Ushers: Susan Shedd, Sharon Willison,
Lisa Keepers, & Michael Lawing
Acolytes: Isabella & Jasmine Marceleno
*This morning's flowers are thoughtfully and lovingly provided to
wish everyone at Pilgrim Congregational Church, Members and
Friends, a very "Happy Thanksgiving."*

Boutonnieres for **November** are provided
"For the love of Pilgrim Congregational Church, where
we are home."



Liturgical Notes by Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn:

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.

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.
Then enter Passcode 1887, followed #.

To View Sunday Service Online:

Visit Facebook Page or YouTube Channel at:
Pilgrim Congregational Church Pomona.

NOVEMBER

WEEKLY / MONTHLY

EVERY MORNING, MON. - FRI.

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 – 12th grade
(following Children’s Message)
11am - Fellowship Hour
11:30am - Choir Rehearsal

EVERY TUESDAY

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

EVERY 1ST TUESDAY

(OCTOBER - JUNE)

Pilgrim Auxiliary
Meeting, Program & Luncheon

EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY

7pm ~ Church Council Meeting

EVERY THURSDAY

10am ~ Joyful Endeavors

EVERY FRIDAY

Men’s Breakfast ~ Roberta’s at 8am
Rummage Sorting ~ 8:30am to 10:30am

EVERY 3RD SUNDAY

11:30am ~ Board Meetings

EVERY 5th SUNDAY

Sunday Funday



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 1st

All Saints Day

November 3rd

Daylight Savings Ends
Consecration & Remembrance Sunday
Church Luncheon

November 5th

Newsletter Articles Due
Pilgrim Auxiliary Mtg./Prog./Lunch

November 6th

Church Council Meeting

November 9th

CPR Meeting
CalWest Regional Meeting

November 11th

Veteran’s Day
Church Office Closed

November 16th

Church Auction

November 17th

Meeting Sunday

November 24th

Trustees Meeting
Teen Retreat Begins (11/24 to 11/27)

November 28th

Thanksgiving
Office Closed

November 29th

Office Closed



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



1 All Saints Day
8am Men's Breakfast
9am Morning Devotional
6:30pm Silent Movie Night

2 NOON NA Group Meeting

Turn back clocks 1hr before bed tonight.

3 Consecration Sunday
Daylight-Saving Time Ends
Remembrance Sunday
9am Adult Sunday School & Gather & Greet
9:45am Worship Service
11am Fellowship Hour
11:30am All Church Luncheon
11:30am Choir Rehearsal
4:00pm Sigma Chi Meeting


4 9am Morning Devotional
10am Alanon "Serenity"
7:30pm Mountainside Rehearsal

5 Newsletter Due
9am Morning Devotional
9:30am CEA/HOW
10am Pilgrim Auxiliary Mtg./Program/Lunch
5:15pm Young Champions
5:45pm Twilight Bible Study
7:30pm AA

6 9am Morning Devotional
6pm Basketball
7:30pm NA Support


7 9am Morning Devotional
10am Joyful Endeavors
7:30pm AA Mother Group

8 8am Men's Breakfast
9am Morning Devotional

9 10am CPR Class
CakWest Regional Meeting
NOON NA Group Meeting

10 9am Adult Sunday School & Gather & Greet
9:45am Worship Service
11am Fellowship Hour
11am Hand In Hand
12:30pm Isan Foundation/Saba
3:00pm Moose Meeting
4:00pm Sigma Chi Meeting



11 Veterans Day
Church Office Closed
9am Morning Devotional
10am Alanon "Serenity"
11am Set-up for Auction
6:30pm Mountainside Board Meeting & Rehearsal

12 9am Morning Devotional
9:30am CEA/HOW
5:15pm Young Champions
5:45pm Twilight Bible Study
7:30pm AA

13 9am Morning Devotional
6pm Basketball
7:30pm NA Support

14 9am Morning Devotional
10am Joyful Endeavors
7:30pm AA Mother Group

15 8am Men's Breakfast
9am Morning Devotional

16 9:30am NCNW Meeting
10am Christian Business 360 Meeting
NOON NA Group Meeting
6pm Auction


17 9am Adult Sunday School & Gather & Greet
9:45am Worship Service
11am Fellowship Hour
11am Hand In Hand
4:00pm Sigma Chi Meeting


18 9am Morning Devotional
10am Alanon "Serenity"
7:30pm Mountainside Rehearsal

19 9am Morning Devotional
9:30am CEA/HOW
5:15pm Young Champions
5:45pm Twilight Bible Study
7:30pm AA

20 9am Morning Devotional
6pm Basketball
7:30pm NA Support

21 9am Morning Devotional
10am Joyful Endeavors
7:30pm AA Mother Group

22 8am Men's Breakfast
9am Morning Devotional

23 NOON NA Group Meeting

24 9am Adult Sunday School & Gather & Greet
9:45am Worship Service
11am Fellowship Hour
11am Hand In Hand
11:30am Trustees Meeting
3:00pm Moose Meeting
4:00pm Sigma Chi Meeting
Autumn Teen Retreat Begins

25 Autumn Teen Retreat
9am Morning Devotional
10am Alanon "Serenity"
7:30pm Mountainside Rehearsal

26 Autumn Teen Retreat
9am Morning Devotional
9:30am CEA/HOW
5:45pm Twilight Bible Study
7:30pm AA

27 Autumn Teen Retreat Ends
9am Morning Devotional
6pm Basketball
7:30pm NA Support

28 Thanksgiving Day
Church Office Closed
7:30pm AA Mother Group


29 Church Office Closed
8am Men's Breakfast
9am Morning Devotional

30 NOON NA Group Meeting

FUN WITH FAITH

THANKS GIVING



Decorate the Scarecrows.
Ideas: faces, hair & clothes

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.
Psalm 136:1, NIV



Draw your favorite Thanksgiving Dinner!



What are you thankful for?

How many pumpkins can you find?



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WORD SEARCH

T U R K E Y E G M X
G A T H E R H R G V
D P R K V Y A A U Q
E O I M P P R T K T
G R S R F L V E Y H
F S O C A R E F F R A
A Q N L M T S U P N
L O O B I H T L U K
L H V L L A V Q M S
Y V E E Y N P Q P G
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G R A T I T U D E G

- THANKFUL
- THANKSGIVING
- FAMILY
- GATHER
- GRATITUDE
- FALL
- BLESSED
- NOVEMBER
- GRATEFUL
- TURKEY
- HARVEST
- PUMPKIN

Advent Reading Plan

Advent begins Dec. 1st

Hope - Joy - Peace - Love

Take time each day to read God's Word as we prepare for the arrival of His greatest gift on Christmas Day.

Hope-

- Day 1: Jeremiah 29:10-14
- Day 2: Romans 15:8-13
- Day 3: 1 Peter 1:3-12
- Day 4: Hebrews 10:19-39
- Day 5: Psalm 33
- Day 6: Titus 2:11-3:8

Joy-

- Day 13: Philippians 4:4-9
- Day 14: Psalm 16
- Day 15: James 1:2-18
- Day 16: Psalm 30
- Day 17: Luke 2:8-20
- Day 18: John 15:1-11

Peace-

- Day 7: Isaiah 9:1-7
- Day 8: John 14:1-7, 25-31
- Day 9: John 16:25-33
- Day 10: Romans 5:1-11
- Day 11: Ephesians 2:11-22
- Day 12: Colossians 3:1-17

Love-

- Day 19: Micah 7:18-20
- Day 20: Romans 8:31-39
- Day 21: John 3:16-21
- Day 22: 1 John 4:7-21
- Day 23: 2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5
- Day 24: Ephesians 2:1-10

EVENT TICKET ORDER FORMS

Below are ticket order forms for upcoming Pilgrim events. Please fill out and submit as instructed. You can also RSVP to most Pilgrim Events by visiting Pilgrim Congregational's online calendar at: <https://74059153.view-events.com> and clicking the event of your choice.



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ANNUAL AUCTION

Saturday, November 16th

Doors open at 5:00pm Buffet Dinner served at 6:00pm

Tickets \$40 per person \$5 for 12 years & younger.

At: 600 N. Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA. 91767

Fill out the slip and mail in with check made payable to Pilgrim Congregational Church to

Beth Brooks, PO Box 7787, LaVerne, CA. 91750

Questions? Call Beth Brooks at 909-229-5921

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

in party _____ Adults _____ Children _____ High Chairs Needed: Y / N How many? _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Please list any allergies or dietary restrictions: _____



HARMONIA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION RESERVATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT 2024

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

10% of your donation will be applied as a discount of the total price of your Christmas by Candlelight tickets.

MAKE YOUR HARMONIA DONATION AND CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT PURCHASE

General Admission: \$40 No. _____ Total \$ _____

Harmonia donation amount: \$ _____ X 10% discount -\$ _____

RSVP for meal preference: Circle one Total Ticket Price =\$ _____

Pork or Beef Chicken Vegetarian **Donation Amount** +\$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

