

# PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

July 2025



**PILGRIM  
CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH**

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Mr. Laurence Holmes

Mr. Christian Campbell

## 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 4:30pm  
Appointments are recommended.

**Worship Service:**

Sundays at 10am ~ In-person or Online

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# The Freedom to Confront

*"The sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste." ~ Amos 7:9*

**By: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn**

The story of Amos is the story of a prophet who is compelled by God to confront the sins of Israel and to declare God's judgement on the king and the nation of Israel. As Congregationalist Christians and as Americans, we celebrate this month that we come from traditions that recognize the freedom to confront the sins of our own institutions.

Our Congregationalist ancestors left the British Isles, confronting and challenging the restrictions that the state-supported institutional church had placed on worship and the practice of faith. The Declaration of Independence includes a list of more than 20 grievances against King George III, mostly having to do with the king suppressing the freedoms of individuals and the courts and laws which protect those freedoms.

Thus, the freedom to confront our institutions is a birthright that comes from being both American and Congregationalist. Unfortunately, we often forget that this freedom to confront, to act in political ways for the sake of freedom, is rooted in our value as creations of God, not in our partisan alignments. Both the early Congregationalists and the early Americans clearly identified the divine roots of their freedom.

Political activity is a divine right, but partisanship is not. Of course, I am not naïve enough to think that our country could operate without political parties. Partisan politics is a reminder that all of us are on journeys of self-discovery, determining with God's help who we are before God. But God's love does not show favoritism, and to the degree which we are participants in that love, we will not be chiefly motivated by partisan goals and divisions.

While the Bible demonstrates that God often operates within the political structures of a given time, Amos reminds us that there are times when God's righteousness requires action outside of those human structures. As we celebrate our freedom this month, let us remember to celebrate our value as creations of God, endowed with a liberty to speak the truth of righteousness to our own institutions.

# Associate Minister's Message



It is the season of Pentecost, the time of the year that we celebrate the arrival of the Spirit of Jesus, also known as the Holy Spirit. There are many kinds of spirits out there that seek to uncreate us. For example, spirits of fear or prejudice undo peace, grace, and love. They do not breathe new life into the world. The Holy Spirit, on the other hand, is the Spirit Jesus left behind. It is a Spirit that gives life. We know the Holy Spirit is present when the guidance we receive from HS fits with the acts of Jesus.

How would you characterize the life of Jesus?

Go ahead and take some time to reflect and even write on it as God moves you.

I chose three to discuss with your young people:

- 1. Jesus broke down walls.** He was as comfortable eating at the table with the tax collector, Zaccheus, as he was having a conversation at a well with a woman who lived with a “man not her husband.” I know the Holy Spirit is involved when I act in ways that break down walls.
- 2. Jesus had conversations and told stories to bring people into a deeper understanding of God.** While he engaged in some political action, like telling a story about a rich man who would be eternally thirsty because he didn’t care for the poor man on his doorstep, Jesus’ words and actions pointed to God. I know Holy Spirit is acting through me when the words I speak and the actions I choose point to the Eternal One.
- 3. Jesus took healing seriously.** We do not know the hurt that people carry and often unconsciously act out. You might have heard the phrase, “hurt people, hurt people.” I find it interesting that one of the more well-known stories of Jesus is his healing of lepers. Being healed, for a leper, means going from not being able to feel to being able to feel. We might say, the Holy Spirit leads us to feel and heal.

I know I’m motivated by the Holy Spirit when I can feel for another, when I can see their light even if clouded by misbehavior. Further, the Holy Spirit continues to work in me when I’m honest enough to pray for healing (mine and another’s), to ask that eyes be opened, and to send fear and prejudice away. In these moments of connection to the Holy Spirit, there’s a deep calm that washes over me and my feet feel more firmly planted upon the ground.

I invite you to join in the conversation by sharing some of the ways you’ve experienced the Holy Spirit in your life. You can email me at [heather@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:heather@pilgrimchurchpomona.com) or [wonderlovegrace@gmail.com](mailto:wonderlovegrace@gmail.com) with your spiritual wanderings. Thank you for your support of our young people finding their way with God.

In God’s Love,

Reverend Heather Miner



# Moderator's Message

## RISE UP, SHINE and BE BLESSED!

I have to make a confession. Whenever I hear those trendy expressions like “too blessed to be stressed” or see the hashtag #blessed on social media, I roll my eyes. I’ve also rolled my eyes many times when my wife tries to remind me of what she calls my “daily blessings” like shelter, food, family and meaningful relationships. The dictionary definition of blessed doesn’t even mention anything about good fortune and, in fact, it says something is made holy when it is blessed. Well, I’m certainly not holy. I’m not going to be convinced that we are “blessed” by all these circumstantial things, and I’ve made up my mind.

But you know, God has a funny way of opening my eyes to show me something different, and it happened a few months ago. Christine took me to her nail salon to get a pedicure. It’s great to be pampered (still I wouldn’t call it a blessing.) The nail technician spoke with a heavy accent. I asked if she was from the US or another country and she shared that she had immigrated from Vietnam about three years ago. So, I asked, “How do you like it here?” Then she started BEAMING. She said she was so lucky and fortunate to be in America, and to live and work in freedom. She said she is happy to share a two-bedroom apartment with 5 family members and to have a kitchen, bathrooms and air conditioning. She said she has a much better life living in the US because she is allowed to go to school and work and go anywhere she wants without fear. Then she said it...” I am blessed.” But I didn’t roll my eyes this time.

It occurred to me that she is blessed, and so am I. I’ve just been looking at things in a different way and her view of being blessed opened my eyes. I am blessed to have a home, family, freedom, employment, food, and the ability to worship without fear of punishment or imprisonment. Then I realized that our church is very blessed, and I was motivated to join the movement and count my blessings. I couldn’t find any specific Biblical scripture that supports the trendy phrase, “we are blessed,” but it is clear we are.

As individuals, we are blessed with the freedom to disagree without fear; we have liberties protected by law and rights guaranteed within a democratic society.

As a church, we are blessed. We have a beautiful building that has housed generations of Christians and provided a historical place of worship. We have a place to come and see our friends, have coffee, pray for each other and have fellowship. We have dedicated staff who work hard and devote themselves to the ministry of the church. We have extraordinary volunteers who serve on boards and committees and pledge themselves to church service.

If we are dedicated or consecrated to God, then we are holy and we are blessed!

This July, we will celebrate our freedoms and give thanks for Independence Day. I think we can add to that too. Give thanks for what we do have instead of what we don’t have. Focus our minds on abundance and not lack. Rise up and count our blessings. Rise up and “Let the favor of God be upon us.” Psalm 90:17



Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

Ron Vanyo  
2025-2026 Moderator

# Trustees Message

## All Hands on Deck! November Auction + Ways to Learn More



With a spirit of gratitude and collaboration, the Trustees share two important ways you can engage with our Pilgrim community this year.

**Mark Your Calendars — Annual Auction, Saturday, November 15th**

Our beloved Annual Auction returns this fall! This cherished tradition continues to be a highlight of our church life and a key fundraiser that brings our community together.

Beth Brooks had served faithfully in recent years, giving tirelessly of her time and energy to make the Auction a success. We are grateful for her leadership and example as we carry the event forward this year with the same spirit of excellence and care.

The Trustees, with assistance from Pilgrim Auxiliary and many helping hands, will be spearheading this year's effort. We will need an "all hands on deck" approach — and we know we can count on the generous spirit of our members and friends!

Now is the perfect time to start thinking about:

- \* Friends and family you can invite to the Auction
- \* Unique items, talents, or experiences you might contribute

We thank you in advance for your enthusiasm and generosity. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks and months!

**Learning Together — Property & Finance Educational Opportunities**

We want to make it easy for anyone to learn more about how our church works — from caring for our buildings to understanding our finances and annual budget.

If you'd like a personal, hands-on introduction to any of these areas, Steve and Jenni Whyte are happy to meet with you. It's a great way to ask questions and learn at your own pace. Just contact Steve Whyte at [whyte@whyteaccounting.com](mailto:whyte@whyteaccounting.com) or (909)396-9357 to set up a time.

We may also offer group workshops later in the year, if there is interest. The more we learn together, the better equipped we are to support and sustain the life of our church.

In stewardship and community,

*Jenni Whyte, The Board of Trustees*

# Pilgrim Auxiliary



Being President of Pilgrim Auxiliary this past year has truly been an honor. I feel extremely blessed with all of our volunteers, who have so generously and graciously provided many loving and worthwhile hours throughout the year.

Hosting our various monthly luncheons, assisting with set-up and clean-up, providing weekly efforts sorting rummage, participating in our ever so successful Fall and Spring Rummage Sales, lending an extra set of hands during receptions, following memorial and funeral services, I have always felt surrounded with generous and loving volunteers.

Our June Tea was a beautiful finale to a very productive year. My heartfelt thanks to Sherry Glab and her assistants, who provided a delicious assortment of teas and finger foods, second to none! Megan Parnell provided her delightful Installation of Officers, and I was very pleased so many joined me in a wonderful time of fellowship.

"Thank You", also, to Jan Manildi and Judy Sanders, who so graciously continue co-chairing our Fall and Spring Rummage Sales, providing community outreach to so many.

My heartfelt thanks to everyone who has participated in Pilgrim Auxiliary this past year! We are very, very Blessed to have you in our midst. Please mark your calendar, and be sure to join us on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, when we officially begin our next 2025/2026 Auxiliary year! More information will be provided in Pilgrim's Progress.

With heartfelt gratitude, and Blessings,

Bonnie Seath,  
President

# From the Librarian

Even though the library committee skipped our July meeting, we selected new books to buy at the end of June, and we will keep our eyes open for any books coming out by favorite Pilgrim authors.

## New fiction books:

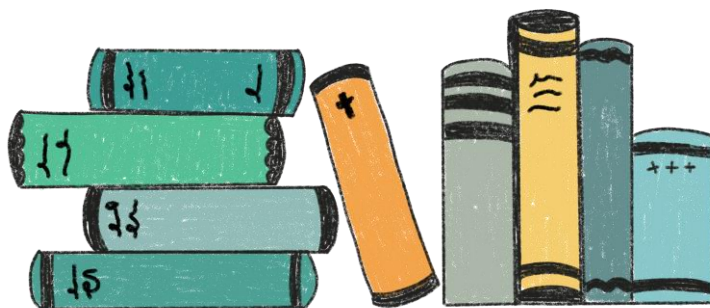
- ❖ *The Paris Apartment* by Lucy Foley
- ❖ *My Friends* by Fredrick Backman
- ❖ *Sealed with a Hiss* by Rita Mae Brown
- ❖ *The World's Fair Quilt* by Jennifer Chiavarini
- ❖ *Death on the Island* by Eliza Reid
- ❖ *Her Final Gamble* by Mary V. Slinkard



## New non-fiction books:

- ❖ *Spitfires: The American Women Who Flew in the Face of Danger During World War II* by Becky Aiken

Don't forget we have paperbacks and magazines you can take with you on vacation without checking out or needing to return. Stop by the library and see what's new.



*Megan*



# Christian Education



Mark your calendar and save the date for Saturday, **July 12, 2025** for our annual Summer Beach Day Bolsa Chica State Beach. Following a fun-filled day in the sun, the High School students will remain for a sunset campfire, fellowship and devotion. We will meet in the church parking lot at 9 a.m. and return by approximately 5 p.m. *Volunteers are needed to carpool and chaperone small groups.*

Contact Jenn Bartnett 909-708-6469 or call CE Chair, Christine at 909-919-4621.



## BOARD MEETING

# CE Meeting 7/13/2025

The Board of Christian Education will meet on Sunday, July 13, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. Please feel free to drop by and say “hi” to your volunteers and Board Members. If you would like to participate, sponsor or host a youth or kid event, please contact the CE Chair, Christine Vanyo at 909-919-4621. Our families are our future!



## Last Call for Cedar Lake!

Last Chance to sign up for Cedar Lake Camp in beautiful Big Bear, California. **This year camp runs from July 20 to July 26, 2025.** Registration is now open and applications are being accepted for camperships. You will want to be part of this wonderful tradition, making memories and growing in God while experiencing the beauty of the camp life and the splendor of the mountains. Call the church office today at 909-622-1373 for reservations, applications and more information. Check out the Camp website at: <http://www.campcedarlake.com/>



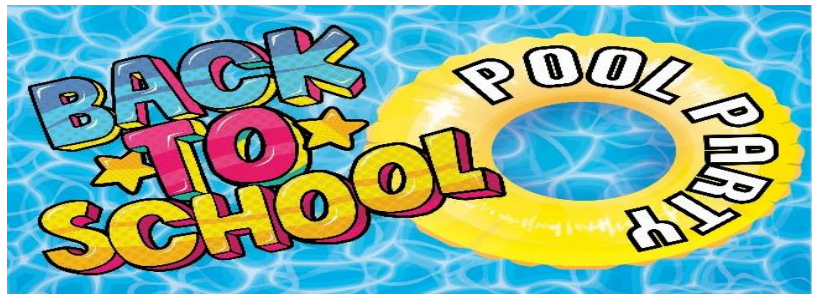


## Camp Sunday & Burger Bash

Join us for Camp Sunday on **July 27, 2025** as we welcome the campers and staff back from Cedar Lake Camp. We will join together to hear songs and stories from the week and share in a BBQ lunch of burgers and hot dogs. The youth message will be a presentation by camp Director Ed Hupp and the Campers. Following we will share in a lunch and slideshow. RSVP to the church office at 909-622-1373. A donation of \$10 is suggested but not required.

Come SUPPORT OUR CAMPERS!

## Back to School Pool Party



Mark your Calendar and Make a splash at our end of summer back to school Pool Party. Join us on Sunday, **August 17, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.** at the Vanyo Home, 6321 Topaz Street, Alta Loma, CA. We'll have swimming, lunch, dessert and a devotional by Pastor Heather. Please RSVP so we have enough food and drinks. Call or text Christine at 909-919-4621. Open to all ages and kids under age 6 need a parent or guardian to come.

## Save the Date For Backpack Blessings



Bring your briefcase, backpack, knapsack or duffle bag for the Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, **August 24, 2025** during worship service. The Board of Christian Education will provide Blessing Tags to clip on your pack as a reminder of God's blessings on your life. We will have a special devotion for kids and youth returning to school and college. Mark your calendar for this special event.



## Welcome to Pastor Heather

We are so excited to welcome Pastor Heather as our new Youth & Family Minister, as she will be overseeing the children, youth and family ministries in connection with the Board of Christian Education. Please be sure to reach out to Pastor Heather and share your “wish-list” for our kid programs.



## Volunteer to Assist In Summer Sunday School

Our Summer schedule commences on June 8, 2025 and continues through Rally Sunday on September 14, 2025. Please sign up to assist with coverage for the summer so the teachers can enjoy a well-deserved rest. There are opportunities for nursery care, elementary, junior high and high school classes. Please contact Sunday School Superintendent Jan Manildi at 909-262-6126 or CE Chair Christine Vanyo at 909-919-4621. Pilgrim kids appreciate your support!!!

# **SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**

## **For Inland Valley Hope Partners**



**PILGRIM**  
CONGREGATIONAL  
**CHURCH**

**Collection Period**  
**Sunday**  
**July 15th—Sept. 1st**

Also accepting checks made out to  
Pilgrim Congregational Church  
(Memo: School Supply Drive)  
Check/Cash donations due: 8/25

### **SUPPLIES NEEDED**

PENS, PENCILS,  
MARKERS, CRAYONS,  
PENCIL SHARPENERS,  
ERASERS, RULERS,  
PENCIL CASES,  
GLUE STICKS,  
SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS,  
CALCULATORS,  
HIGHLIGHTERS,  
INDEX CARDS





## High School Speaker Sunday

### Sign Up to Speak to the High School Students

We are looking for volunteers to sign up and speak to the High School Students every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. You can share about a particular topic, spiritual event in your life, or use one of our suggested discussions. This is a great opportunity to share your knowledge and experience with our High School kids and help foster the intergenerational relationships that are so important here at Pilgrim! Contact Superintendent at 909-262-6126 or CE Chair Christine at 909-919-4621.

## Our Nursery

### Welcome to Our Newest Nursery Teacher!



Please be sure to welcome Brandis Pena who is our newest Nursery/Preschool Teacher. You will find Brandis and her son Hunter in our nursery where she will be teaching the preschoolers and caring for the infants. A new infant and preschool curriculum will begin this fall and we are so thankful for the dedication of our nursery volunteers. If you would like to become a regular nursery substitute, please contact Nursery Manager, Julie McCormick at 909-296-2306.

## The CE Connection

Hello Pilgrim Family, Friends and Youth! The Pilgrim Youth and Board of Christian Education are excited to announce our upcoming events!

Date	Event	Location
July 12, 2025	Youth & Family Beach Trip	Off Campus See Flyer
July 20 to 26, 2025	Cedar Lake Camp Youth: July 20 <sup>th</sup> – July 26 <sup>th</sup> Adults: July 20 <sup>th</sup> – July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Cedar Lake Camp, Big Bear, CA
July 27, 2025	Camp Sunday & Burger Bash	Pilgrim Church, Gym
Jul 13 – Sep 7	Summer Sunday School Schedule Begins (Limited Classes)	Pilgrim Church
Aug. 17, 2025	Back to School All Youth Swim Party	Vanyo's Home
Aug. 24, 2025	BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS	Pilgrim Church, Sanctuary
Sep. 7, 2025 (Sun)	Grandparent's Day Celebration	Pilgrim Church, & Gym
Sep. 14, 2025 (Sun)	Rally Sunday & Burger Bash	Pilgrim Church, Gym and Pilgrim Hall
Oct. 11, 2025	Knott's Berry Farm Youth Field Trip 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Depart campus @ 9 a.m.)	Off Campus
Oct. 24, 2025	Trunk or Treat Set Up	Pilgrim Church
Oct. 25, 2025	Trunk or Treat	Pilgrim Church
Nov 2, 2025	Christmas Program Rehearsals Begin	Pilgrim Hall
Nov 9, 2025	Youth Veteran's Day Recognition	Pilgrim Church

For questions or information about these events, please contact Pastor Heather at 909-622-1373 or CE Chair Christine Vanyo at 909-919-4621 or connect with a CE Board Member. If you are interested in hosting, sponsoring or participating in our events, please let us know! We love the support of our Pilgrim Family!

# Cedar Lake Adult Camp



Come join us for a retreat to beautiful Big Bear

**July 20<sup>th</sup> thru July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

Camp will run for 3 nights, with opportunities for daily worship, bible study, book and movie discussions, swimming, hiking, canoeing and of course lots of time to rest, relax and refresh. There are opportunities for individual exploration and shopping at Big Bear Lake and Village as well.

**YOUR ITINERARY IS UP TO YOU!**

All activities are optional so you may participate with the group as much or as little as you like.

Come enjoy, unwind, and have a grand time with fellow Pilgrims and friends.

Food & lodging will be in Harriman Lodge which is accessible to persons with disabilities.

Each room sleeps up to 4 with a private bath.

**Creation In: GENESIS**

**Dr. Fay Ellwood will lead a study & discussion of the creation stories and the story of Noah and the Ark in the book of Genesis.**

**Evening Reflections**

**Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn will lead evening reflections & prayers.**

Come to Cedar Lake & enjoy some peace and quiet. Come to the mountains and listen for the still, small voice. We will spend time in prayer seeking peace and tranquility for our souls. Guided meditations will help us to slow our minds and allow God's Spirit to speak to us. The Christian practice of meditation helps us to embrace the truth that God's Will is not discerned by reasoning but by waiting on God, that is by serving God.

Come to camp and learn the practice of prayer as a way of waiting on God.

**REGISTER TODAY!**

**Single Rooms: \$300 per person**

**Double Rooms: \$250 per person**

**1 day/overnight: \$125per person**

**Registration: DUE NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, JULY 13TH**

**Full Payment: DUE BY FRIDAY, JULY 18TH**

Registration Form is on next page or available for pick up in office. Drop off in Natalie's box in office or mail to Pilgrim Congregational Church, 600 N. Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA. 91767 or email to [PilgrimOffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:PilgrimOffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com). Payments can be made by check made out to Pilgrim Congregational Church (Memo: Adult Camp) or by Credit Card via PushPay)

(Note: "Adult Camp: our Name.")

Questions? Call 909-622-1373, M-F, 9am to 4pm.



# Cedar Lake Adult Camp

## REGISTRATION FORM

### CAMPER INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_



### EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### ACCOMMODATIONS

☐ Single room...just for me.

☐ Find me a roommate please.

☐ I have a roommate! I plan to share with \_\_\_\_\_

(name of roommate)

☐ Coming for 1 day/night

### PAYMENT

☐ \$300 (per person)      Single Room

☐ \$250 (per person)      Shared Room

☐ \$125 (per person)      1 day/Overnight

**Registration Forms must be submitted no later than Sunday, July 13th** to the Church Office.

Please submit your deposit or payment along with your completed registration form, if possible. Full payment is due by Friday, July 18th or you may call the camp director, Dr. Patrick Horn, at

(909) 622-1373 to make payment arrangements.

## IN MEMORY OF ROBERT AND GRACIA FAY ELLWOOD



### *Obituaries*

**Gracia Fay Ellwood** (Bouwman) entered the light of the Peaceable Kingdom she longed for on May 29, 2025, at the age of 86. She was preceded in death by her parents George and Alice and by her older sister Gladys. She is survived by her older brother Gareth and her younger sister Rebecca Haagsma (Gerrit), and many nieces and nephews. Gracia Fay was a dearly beloved wife, mother, and grandmother. She was a Quaker for most of her life, as well as a scholar, poet, vocalist, and essayist. She held a doctorate in philosophy of religion and had a passion for animals, a fascination with the afterlife, and a love of Jane Austen's novels.

**Robert Ellwood** passed into the joy of the Eternal on June 5, 2025, at the age of 91. He was preceded in death by his parents Robert and Nola, and by his beloved wife Gracia Fay, just one week before he passed away. He is survived by his sister Audrey Ledgerwood (Tom) and niece Sherry. Robert was a beloved husband, father, and grandfather. He was an ordained Episcopal priest, served as chaplain in the US Navy, and later as a priest in the Liberal Catholic Church. He held a doctorate in history of religion and was a world religions professor at the University of Southern California. He was the author of popular textbooks on world religions, mythology, religious movements, and devotional books that modeled his own quest for faith and joy.

Robert and Gracia Fay taught us how to live with grace and die in peace. They leave two children, Richard Scott Lancelot Ellwood and Fay Elanor Ellwood, her husband Patrick Horn, and their son Finnian Scott Horn Ellwood.

*"Fay, Patrick, and Finnian would like to thank all of the Pilgrims for the wonderful ways that you welcomed and loved Robert and Gracia Fay while they were with us, and how you have supported our family so lovingly in our time of grief."*

**Come and Shop!**

## FIRST SATURDAY SALES

June 7

July 5

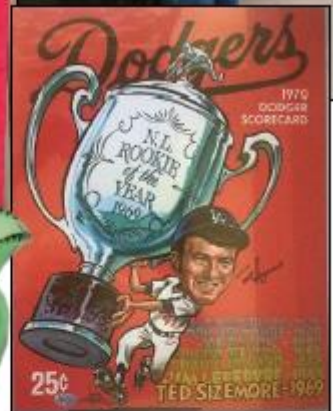
August 2

September 6

**9:00–11:00 AM**

**Pilgrim Place**

625 Mayflower Road  
Claremont



Furniture, housewares, international treasures, books, plants,  
signed sports memorabilia, electronics, clothing,  
framed art, outdoor sculptures, and coffee!

[pilgrimplace.org/firstsatsales](http://pilgrimplace.org/firstsatsales)

909-399-5500 Ext. 0



*Proceeds benefit the Resident Health and Support Program.*



# Church Ministries



## Band of Prayer

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, 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.

## Card Corner

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, homebound or we just haven't seen in awhile. Stop by and write a card to let our Pilgrims know we are thinking about them.



## Ways To Give

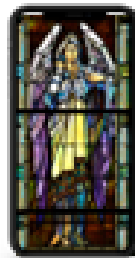
### ONLINE



**Visit our link**

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

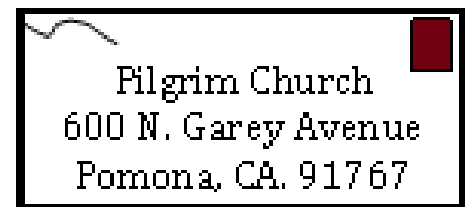
### MOBILE



**Text**

**PILGRIMCHURCH**  
To 833-813-9522

### MAIL



**Send a Check**



When you text "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

**July 6<sup>th</sup>**

**4th Sunday after Pentecost**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Worship Assistant: Mr. Jon Olson

Lesson 1: Galatians 6:7-16

Color: Green

Theme: Healing comes through obedience

Ushers: Sylvia Osborn, Guadalupe Ocegueda

Jenni Whyte and Lorraine Rogers

Acolytes: Samantha Campbell and Armondo Piercy

Fellowship Host: Members-At-Large

This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by Bonnie Seath:

*"In joyful celebration of nephew Cory's 39th Birthday, and Cory & Rebecca's 13th Wedding Anniversary. We have many blessings to be thankful for"*

**July 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Worship Assistant: Mrs. Susan Shedd

Lesson 1: Colossians 1:1-14

Lesson 2: Amos 7:7-17

Color: Green

Theme: The costly business of prophecy

Sermon: "Speaking Truth to Power"

Ushers: Ushers: Ben & Sue Selters & Janet McBride

Acolytes: Kodie Gray

Fellowship Host: Outreach Board

This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by Thea Clark,  
*Dedication will be printed in our Sunday Order of Worship*

**July 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Worship Assistant: Mrs. Jenni Whyte

Lesson 1: Colossians 1:15-28

Lesson 2: Amos 8:1-12

Color: Green

Theme: The terrible of fate of living without a message from God

Sermon: "A Spiritual Famine"

Ushers: Ron Vanyo, Dulce Ruiz & Bob Wheeler

Acolytes: Preston & Charlie McCormick

Fellowship Host: Library Committee

This morning's flowers are thoughtfully and lovingly provided by: Gracia Fay Ellwood, prior to her passing: "In gratitude to God for our birthdays in July; Husband Robert on July 17, 1933; Gracia Fay on July 17, 1938."

**July 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Worship Assistant: Mr. Arthur Truman

Lesson 1: Colossians 2:6-19

Lesson 2: Hosea 1:2-10

Color: Green

Theme: The journey from condemnation to salvation

Sermon: Children of the living God

Ushers: Susan Shedd, Sharon Willison, Lisa Keepers and Michael Lawing

Acolytes: Isabella & Jasmine Marceleno

Fellowship Host: Music Board

This morning's flowers are lovingly & thoughtfully provided by Sharon Willison: "Praise be to our Lord and give thanks for all the blessings He has given us."

Boutonnieres for **July** are lovingly provided, "In honor of our wonderful Church."

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

**Green** symbolizes 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.



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# Calendar Notes: July 2025

## WEEKLY / MONTHLY

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

Daily Devotional  
9am via Facebook Live and Zoom

### **EVERY SUNDAY**

9am – Gather & Greet  
10am – Worship Service (In-person & Online)  
Sunday School for 1st – 12th grade  
(following the Lord's Prayer)  
11am - Fellowship Hour

### **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 WEDNESDAY**

8am to 11am ~ Rummage Sorting

### **EVERY THURSDAY**

10am ~ Joyful Endeavors

### **EVERY FRIDAY**

8am ~ Men's Breakfast at Roberta's Inn, La Verne

### **EVERY 3RD SUNDAY**

11:30am ~ Board Meetings

### **EVERY 5th SUNDAY**

Sunday Funday (Sunday School)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **July 2nd**

7:00pm Church Council Meeting

### **July 12th**

Youth Family Beach Trip

### **July 19th**

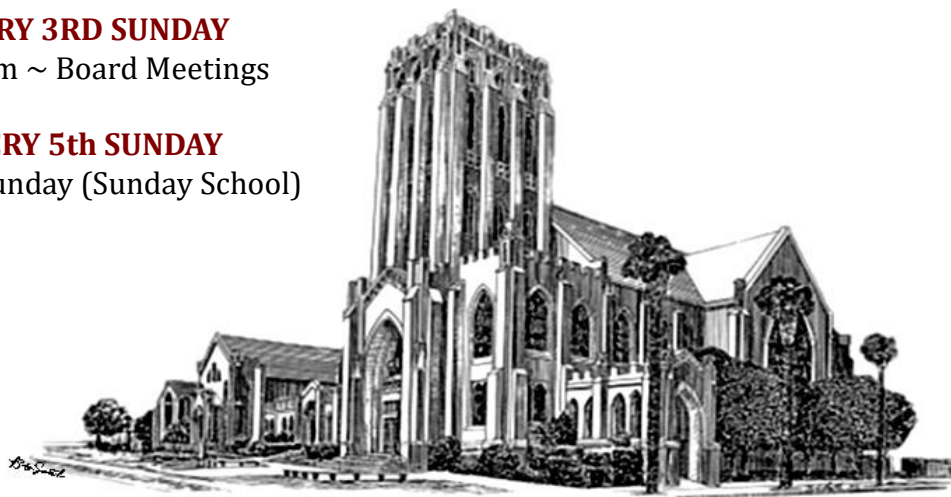
9:30am NCNW Pomona Chapter  
Quarter Mania

### **July 20th**

Cedar Lake Camp  
11:30am Choir Rehearsal  
11:30am Meeting Sunday

### **July 27<sup>th</sup>**

11:30am Board of Trustees Meeting  
Camp Sunday and Burger Bash





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  9am Morning Devotional 9:30am CEA/HOW 3:30pm Pomona Moose 5:15pm Cheerleaders 5:45pm Twilight Bible Study	2  9am Morning Devotional 9am Rummage Sorting 6pm Basketball  7:30pm NA Support	3  9am Morning Devotional 10am Joyful Endeavors 7:30pm AA Mother Group	4  9am Morning Devotional 8am Men's Breakfast	5  NOON NA Group Meeting
6  9am Gather & Greet 10am Worship Service 11am Fellowship Hour 11:30am Choir Rehearsal	7  9am Morning Devotional 10am Alanon "Serenity" 1:00pm Staff Meeting	8  9am Morning Devotional 9:30am CEA/HOW 3:30pm Pomona Moose 5:15pm Cheerleaders 5:45pm Twilight Bible Study	9  9am Morning Devotional 9am Rummage Sorting 6pm Basketball 7:30pm NA Support	10  9am Morning Devotional 10am Joyful Endeavors 7:30pm AA Mother Group	11  9am Morning Devotional 8am Men's Breakfast	12  NOON NA Group Meeting Youth Family Beach Trip 
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