



Pilgrim's Progress

August 2025



Pilgrim United Church of Christ

FROM YOUR MINISTER

Grace and Peace to you,

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I am writing this on July 10. In two days, I will leave with 29 high school students and 9 other adults to head to Brooklyn, NY, for our annual mission trip. We will be working with several social service agencies throughout our week. I will say no more about what we are doing, because the youth will be offering their mission trip reflections on Sunday, August 17, 2025, 9:00 am service (*gentle plug... you should come to hear their stories*).

I love mission trips. I always have found them incredibly profound.

I think what makes them so profound is the reality that we are pulled out of our normal environment and thrust into an entirely new environment, where we literally live beside the people we are serving. Mission trips remove the comfortably familiarities of home and push attendees into a very eye-opening reality of what the world looks like outside of the streets of their hometown. The youth (and adults) often site these experiences as life changing.

I believe many youths and adults enjoy mission trips because of this sense of unfamiliarity of place. We arrive. We work. We leave. This provides a sense of beginning and ending to the scope of our work. It allows us to (in the words of John Wesley),

"Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can."

Mission trips are fantastic opportunities to set aside time out to do good work and serve others. This is a luxury most people can't afford for a week, both financially and with time. The trick is, we do not have to go on trips to do mission. We do not need to take a week off work to serve others. We can learn how to carve time into our lives that allows and invites us into this part of our faith. And we can do it locally.

I know that many/most of the members and friends of Pilgrim Church already volunteer. It is one of the metrics I wish I could gather about our congregation. We have an incredible impact on our local community. It does make a difference. Places like Family Sharing, the Ozaukee Food Alliance, Family Promise, Salvation Army, the Adult Literacy Center of Ozaukee County, the Humane Society, Restoring Lands Land Trust, COURAGE House MKE, public schools, libraries, hospitals, and care centers are places and organization that rely on local missionaries (like you and me). These are places where we can do mission 'trips' for a few hours or a day. We can do them on a regular schedule, or when we are able. We can go to do physical work, or we can make phone calls, address letters, stick address labels on post cards. All of these things are mission. All of them seek to make our local community better and stronger.

We do not have to be a teenager to go on a mission trip. Although these trips are life changing, not all of us are able to do them. Instead, we are challenged to look around where we are already, and seek to do missions:

"Do all the good we can, By all the means we can, In all the ways we can, In all the places we can, At all the times we can, To all the people we can, as long as ever we can."

Upside to being a local missionary—you get to sleep in your own bed.

This month, friends, let us listen well to the stories of our youth and faithfully do all the good we can, together.

With much love, Pastor Ashley





August 3 - 7

6 pm – 7:45 pm

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

HELPERS are need to decorate and assist with the week. Please visit page 4 for dates and times, and if you would still like to register your child for the week.



From the Finance Team: The Pilgrim Church Council and the Financial Advisory Team are inviting Pilgrim Church to a special **Summer Appeal** to raise an additional \$30,000 to support our approved General Operating Budget.

Gifts can be made online or in person. Please specify "Summer Appeal" by your donation.

We hope to raise an additional \$30,000 by Rally Day, September 7, to support the daily operations of Pilgrim Church. A progress chart is posted in the Narthex.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



Pilgrim's online giving link:

[Online Giving](#)

OPEN STAFF POSITION

Effective September 1

Missions Director

The job description for this vital role at Pilgrim is included on page 10, available at church, and also on our website.

Please send letter of interest and resume to Dave Braby at brabydave@icloud.com

Please contact Pastor Ashley with questions.



Church in the Park

Outdoor Worship and Picnic:

Sunday, August 3, 10:00 am Centennial Park, Grafton

We welcome you to join us for an outdoor Worship Service and Picnic at Centennial Park, 1470 17th Ave, Grafton. The event will be held under the pavilion open-air shelter, with service at 10 am followed by the picnic. Children's Staff will supervise the kids during service for those in attendance.

Following the picnic, we will need some volunteers to stay to help clean up, fold up tables, and assist with other tasks. A sign-up sheet is ready on the narthex board. The more helping hands, the quicker it will go!

The church will provide charcoal grills for cooking your meat, as well as paper plates, cups, and utensils.

Please Bring:

- * Family main course (your own grill if you choose)
- * Side dish or dessert to pass around
- *Beverages
- *Lawn Chairs
- *Picnic gear



Please let us know you are coming! A sign-up is available at church, or use this SignUpGenius link:

[Outdoor Service](#)



**Sunday,
August 17, 10 am**

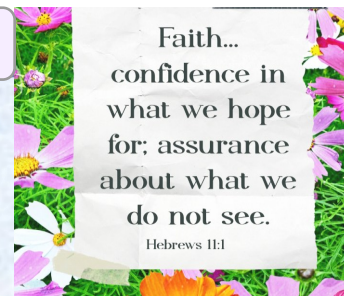
"SPECIAL MUSIC" OPPORTUNITY

Pilgrim Summer Sunday Worship, 9:00 am service thru Aug. 31.

We'd love to hear your music! Please contact Sue Willman and/or use this link: [Summer Music](#)

AUGUST Scripture Readings—Common English Bible Translation

- 3 **Soul Investment** Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9,43; Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23; Psalm 49:1-12; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21
- 10 **Living into the Promise** Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Genesis 15:1-6; Psalm 33:12-22; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40
- 17 **Restore Us** Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19; Jeremiah 23:23-29; Psalm 82; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56
- 24 **Healing Reign** Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 103:1-8; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17
- 31 **Open Table** Jeremiah 2:4-13, Psalm 81:1, 10-16, Proverbs 25:6-7, Psalms 112; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE FOR MOUNT HOREB



A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated to the School Supply drive for Mount Horeb. Through your generous donations, a check for \$1,500 was sent to Mount Horeb so their volunteers could purchase school supplies for the children and youth.



MT HOREB ANNUAL COMMUNITY HEALTH & RESOURCE FAIR

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9



Volunteers are needed to help with activities between 10am and 3pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know members of our sister church. Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact Cherie Burton at Volunteer@pilgrimuccgraston.org. Thank you!

FAMILY PROMISE OF OZAUKEE COUNTY



We will be providing meals for the week of *October 13, 2025 to October 17, 2025*. If you are interested in this wonderful volunteer opportunity or have questions, please contact our Volunteer Coordinators, Brandon Mikulski mikulskib06@gmail.com or Marji Groth at Marji_groth@yahoo.com. Thank you!

EMPTY PRINTER CARTRIDGES –Drop off your ink cartridge in the bin located in the carport entrance. The ink cartridges can be new, used, any brand, and in any condition. Funds raised from the ink cartridge collections will be contributed to the VIP General Fund. *Please note: this recycling program does NOT extend to toner or laser cartridges, nor large print cartridges at this time.*



ST. BEN'S DESSERTS – We are in need of one volunteer per month to purchase or bake two dozen cookies or bars on the first Friday of the month. These desserts are added to the lunch that St. Joe's delivers to St. Ben's Community Meal Program. The cookies or bars need to be dropped off at St. Joe's Catholic Church, Grafton, before 9:00am on the first Friday of the month or anytime on the Thursday before. Please visit our signup sheet on the Mission bulletin board for full details.



Pilgrim members and friends are always welcome to join the Mission Team.

Please contact Lucy Wyka at missions@pilgrimuccgraston.org

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

-Gandhi



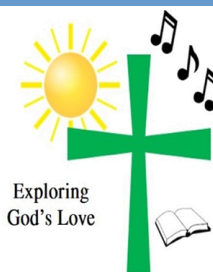
Making a
difference

Pilgrim Children's Hour Returns on Sunday, September 7

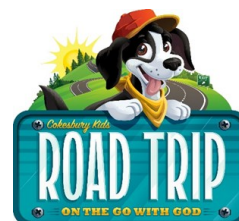
Click the link below to Register your child(ren) for the 2025-2026 Program Year. Registration is **FREE** and open to **ALL** children in 3K through 6th Grade.

**All children are invited downstairs after the Children's Time during the 10:30 worship service each week. We have stories, games, snacks, crafts, music, and so much more!!!*

Use this Link: [Registration for the 2025/2026 Children's Hour](#)



Pilgrim Children's Hour
United Church of Christ



Vacation Bible School

August 3 – 7

6pm – 7:45pm

Open to kids entering 3K through 5th Grade

If your child is not registered, please send us an email to let us know they are coming!

"CALLING ALL DECORATORS"

We'll be decorating for VBS in Kalweit Hall on the following days. All hands are welcome to help!

Sunday, July 27: 10:00am to 12:30pm

Wednesday, July 30: 4:30pm to 6:30pm.

Pilgrim's Nursery

The nursery will NOT be staffed during the summer but will be open to parents and their children if they choose to use it. There is a black knob next to the light switch to turn on the audio from the service.



The Nursery will re-open for the Program Year during 10:30 am worship service, beginning September 7.



First Communion & Acolyte Workshops

We will be celebrating First Communion on Sunday, October 5 during the 10:30 am worship service.



3rd Graders and their parents are invited to attend ONE of the workshops in September to ready themselves for this great day in their spiritual journey.

Click the link below to register for ONE of the workshops.

***Note:** If your child is older than 3rd grade and would like to participate, just let us know!

[First Communion Workshop Registration](#)

Contact the Children's Ministry Team:

childrensministry@pilgrimuccgraston.org

Devon Polzar

Elementary/Middle School
Education Coordinator

Emma Lucht & Tracey Van Ryzin

Children's Ministry Education
Coordinators

If your child would like to share their gift of music at service this month, please contact Sue Willman!



Confirmation Classes Begin on September 17

Classes are open to ALL 7th and 8th graders, regardless of where they are at on their spiritual journey

A Parent/Youth Informational Meeting will be held **September 10 at 6:30 pm**

A Confirmation Fee of \$150 will be collected to help cover the costs of our Confirmation Retreat in October. Financial Assistance is available for those who cannot make this payment.



Summer Youth Mission Trip – Brooklyn, New York

29 youths and 9 adults traveled to Brooklyn during the week of July 12-19. Thank you all so very much for your prayers and donations in support of these youths. It was an amazing week and the youth and adults are excited to share with you all their experiences from the trip.

They will be sharing their reflections during the 9am Worship service on Sunday, August 17.

**Youth & chaperones who are able to participate on August 17 in the service: please email Meg/Devon to let us know you are coming!*



Contact the Youth Ministries Team

youthministry@pilgrimuccgrafton.org

Meg Claeyes

Middle/High School Coordinator

Devon Polzar

Elementary/Middle School Coordinator

Looking for...Nursery Workers for the 2025-26 Program Year



Requirements:

- 14 years of age or older
- Have taken a CPR, First Aid, or Babysitting course
- Ability to work one or more Sundays a month during the 10:30 am worship service
- A love of working with small children

Email Meg/Devon if you are interested in joining our Nursery Team.

Let us know by August 17.

WOMEN's JOURNEY:Tuesday, August 12, at 12:30 pm**COFFEE CHAT:**Thursday, August 21, at 10:00 am**SCOPA Group:**Monday, August 4, at 1:00 pm**SHEEPSHEAD:**Fridays, August 8 and August 22, at 1:00 pm**CRIBBAGE:**Monday, August 11, at 1:00 pm**DOMINOES:**Wednesday, August 20, at 1:00 pm**FUNSETTERS:***No lunch outings for the summer—see you in September!***Our Summer To-Do List:**

*Wash windows around the carport entrance door and front of the church,

*Wash any of the lower level windows around the entire church

*Assist cleaning weeds under the rear solar panels.

Please contact Ron if you want to help.

Versiti Blood Drive at Pilgrim

**Thursday, September 4
noon—5:00 pm**

Please visit this link to register:

<https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive/schedule/11598296>

Or call: 877-232-4376



Please contact the office to take a shift at the reception table.

**Ambassador for Pilgrim Church**

Have you ever walked into a new gathering and there was no one to greet you or offer assistance?

There can be discomfort for anyone new to such an event. Is our church losing an opportunity to welcome new families and anyone who walks in our doors?

Who is the ambassador to Pilgrim church on a Sunday morning? Who plays the role to welcome everyone who walks in our doors? Is it not the greeter or usher? First contact is so important in reaching out and offering assistance with a smile.

Will you be that person who makes a difference? That is why we encourage wearing nametags and volunteering as ushers and greeters. *Will you help?*

Who is the ambassador to Pilgrim Church?

We all are.

Please volunteer.



Our Thanks to....

Office: To Sue Willman, who managed the office throughout Lisa's extended vacation. Outstanding job, as always!

Memorial Services: To all those who kindly assisted with the memorial services and hospitality in June for the Whitaker and Hockinson families.

Pride Parade: To the Inclusion team and all those who prepped for and walked with the combined UCC group on June 6 in Milwaukee.

Brewer Game Outing: To Cherie Burton, Lucy Wyka, and everyone who prepared for and attended this wonderful fellowship event on June 29.

Youth Mission Trip: To all those who donated toward the trip and volunteered throughout the fundraising season; to the Youth Ministry leaders, Meg & Devon, for their ongoing work throughout the year in planning, fundraising, and working with the youth throughout the year and in New York; to these wonderful chaperones, who also provided great care on the trip: John Carli, Beth Hartman, Jen Leber, Nicole Pekarske, Pastor Ashley, Sarah Scarpace, Erin Schumaker, and Julie Schlehlein.

Inclusion Team: For providing a very special "Christmas in July" gathering on the 20th.



For Healing and Strength

*For Meg & Mike Claeys, son, Landon, who is being hospitalized at Children's Hospital. Prayers also for Meg & Mike.

*For Kathy Ellenbecker, who is receiving IV antibiotic therapy at home after being hospitalized due to an infection in her hip. Prayers also for Paul Eischen, who cares for and supports her.

*For Carrie Mazzari, who had her third foot surgery this year.

*For Marilyn Gallagher, who was diagnosed with dementia and will be moving to live with her daughter in Richfield.

*For Jakob Kroner, who was ordained on July 27 into Christian ministry in the United Church of Christ at Peace UCC, Kewaskum.

*For Amy Leidel, who had successful double knee replacement surgery and is home recovering.

*For Ken Klas, who had a bladder biopsy, with an MRI scheduled for the end of month and, thereafter, a plan of treatment. Prayers also for Pat Tumanic as she walks and waits beside him.

*For George Schowalter, who is regaining strength as he continues to recover from a broken arm and dislocated shoulder.

*For Mary Gabrich, who is receiving hospice care at home.

*For Marsha, Lys Buck's mom, who is receiving chemo treatments for abdominal cancer.

*For Rhonda, Mike & Meg Claeys' mother/mother-in-law, who is receiving chemo treatments for pancreatic cancer.

*For Kris Fisher, & her mom, Mary, as they prepare to return to their home at the end of July.

*For Jack Landmann, who is residing in memory care at The Arboretum. Prayers for Lila, who supports him.

Ongoing

*For the safety of all our military personnel.

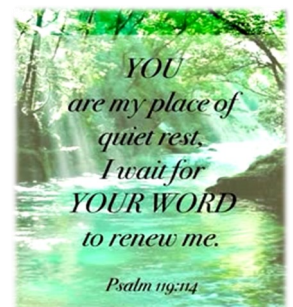
*For all those who are expecting.

*For all those who struggle with mental illness.

*For all who are caregivers for family & friends.

*For all who are homebound in senior living and assisted living facilities.

*For our brothers & sisters at Mount Horeb Baptist Church



Congratulations

*To Madelyn Rae Lucht, daughter of Emma & Matthew Lucht, who was baptized at Pilgrim on June 20.

With Sympathy

*For Meg Claeys and Mike Bergmann families, as Meg's grandmother, Elaine, passed away on July 2.

*For the Schowalter Family: Victoria Parsons, granddaughter, niece, and cousin, passed away on July 11.

OUR MEMBERS IN CARE FACILITIES OR HOMEBOUND

Pam Paul, Home

Carolyn Fuhr, Village Pointe Commons

Jack Landmann, The Arboretum, Memory Care

Shelly Papenfus, Home



OUR MEMBERS IN THE SERVICE

Adam Lusty – US Army, Staff Sergeant

Mark Aaron Schubert—US Air Force, Airman

Garrett Rescorla—US Marine Corps, LCpl, New River, NC

Josh Meier, Army National Guard, Pvt.

Luke Johnson - US Navy-BUILDER Chief Petty Officer



Click here for
Pilgrim's

[Online Giving Link](#)



Pilgrim's giving site includes separate line items for special donations. If you do not see the offering you are looking for, you may designate next to "General Fund" at the top.

*As always, thank you for
your generosity.*

Please note that neither the income received nor the expenses paid occur on a regular quarterly basis.

Therefore, items showing large increases or decreases from Budget may not show much difference from Budget at year-end.

SEPTEMBER IS COMING, and so is Pilgrim's need for volunteers!

If you are committed to your current involvement at Pilgrim, please know we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. If you are either not committed to a group or activity, or would like to help Pilgrim in additional ways, please consider these opportunities so the church can continue its work! Contacts for the groups are found on page 15-Directory. The *Service Opportunity Booklet* is out & about to learn more!

CARE TEAM: This team provides many options for ways you can bring TLC to others in need.

CHILDREN/YOUTH: Many helping hands are needed to reach kids and youth of all ages through the team's creative programs.

FINANCIAL/STEWARDSHIP: Stewardship could really use some extra help, and check out the other groups as well!

HOSPITALITY: Assist the team to provide our bountiful fellowship opportunities, and whenever there are special events throughout the year.

INCLUSION: This group is a special place to keep love moving in all directions!

MISSIONS: Pilgrim is a "mission church," so let's keep our work going through a variety of wonderful events available all year long. *If you are interested in the Mission Director position, please visit page 2 and 10.*

MUSIC TEAMS: GarageBand/Chimin' In Bell Choir/Hilltop Voice Choir—many ways to express your gifts!

PROPERTY & GROUNDS: This committee always needs members, and your preference could be inside or out!

RACIAL JUSTICE: These team members are committed to promoting healthy discussions and ways to reach our community through films, books, and events.

TECHNICAL: Working on live-streaming equipment & recording of services—great for anyone who likes to work with media!

WORSHIP: A service-oriented team, with a variety of areas to participate in and to share your ideas about our services. The need for ushers and scripture readers is always present—even if you aren't interesting in joining the group, please let us know that you can help in these areas! Sign-ups are always available on the narthex board and SignUpGenius online.

*We Are the
Church Together*



Pilgrim UCC Council Meeting - May 15, 2025
APPROVED COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Present: Joy Bloemer, Geoff Nauth, Rev. Ashley Nolte, Beth Eernisse, Dave Nestler, Nick Sancomb, Marilyn Linde, Jill Timmerman

Absent: None

Centering Moment offered by Jill. Beth will offer centering moment at June meeting.

Set Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, June 18, 6:30 p.m.

Approval of April Minutes: Reviewed draft of minutes from April's meeting. No corrections/updates proposed. Marilyn motioned to approve. Joy seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report -

Incoming

Regular giving for April totaled \$34k – highest month so far this year. April was \$12k above the same period last year, \$4k over budget for the month but \$10k under budget YTD. No additional 2025 prepaid pledges were received in April. Our current prepaid pledge balance is \$70k (vs \$20k at this point in 2024) and we will be bringing \$9k of this prepaid balance into income each month through the remainder of 2025.

Endowment fund values were down \$2k in April and are down \$8k year to date.

Outgoing

April's overall Operating Expenses were \$35k - \$1k over budget. Each of the following categories were over budget in April by \$1k or more: building maintenance, worship expense and computer services. Also, the quarterly insurance bill was paid in April.

Summary

From a pure Operating income/expense perspective, we had a \$1k loss in April. Year to date we are at a \$18k loss.

Jill motioned to approve Treasurer's Report as presented and motion was seconded by Dave. Treasurer's report approved.

Pastor's Report

Pastor's report reviewed and discussed. Summer schedule for Pilgrim begins on Sunday May 25, 2025 when we hold one 9:00 a.m. service each Sunday.

Committee Liaisons

Building and Assets – committee membership is down and search for new volunteers is underway. Currently working with Ashley on the existing project form in an effort to streamline it. Also looking into installing flow control valves to mitigate risk of water overflow. Ramp project is moving forward and now into funding consideration phase. Since the NPSG is indefinitely stalled, team is reviewing components of our grant application to evaluate what might be feasible to do on our own.

Finance –At the annual meeting, congregation approved an operating budget with a deficit. Special summer appeal is under consideration to help close the gap. Discussed possible ways we might approach this.

Staff – Two staff members are currently out on medical leave. Thank you to the volunteers who have stepped up to fill in. New Pilgrim logo is ready and will be introduced over the coming months.

New Business

None

Old Business

None

Action Steps between now and next meeting –

Joy and Ashley will review Council's ideas regarding a special summer appeal with Finance Advisory Committee.

Adjourn

Nick motioned to adjourn. Joy seconded. Motion passed and meeting adjourned



JOB DESCRIPTION

Mission Director Job Description

Principal Function: The mission director is a valuable member of the church staff. The mission director is responsible for coordinating and maintaining all church mission projects and communication with pastor, staff, and members.

Position Type:

Part-time; 10 hours per week, not to exceed 520 hours per calendar year
Payroll; Monthly
Flexible Schedule
Annual Review

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Prepare and oversee yearly national missions such as OGHS, Strengthening the Church, Neighbors in Need, etc.

Provide guidance and mentoring to coordinators regarding timelines and logistics of each mission project such as St. Bens, Habitat for Humanity, Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge, Mt. Horeb, and all seasonal and ongoing projects

Prepare weekly bulletin blurbs and monthly newsletter articles for Pilgrim's Progress

Keep connected with Church World Services and other mission organizations

The Mission Director facilitates the Mission Team of volunteers, which includes providing direction, planning, and giving reports in a regular manner and reports to Church Council as needed.

Effective communication connecting the mission team through meetings, emails, and personal contact with team members and recruiting for new members

Periodically report results of past projects to congregation

Explore additional areas for mission work and assign a coordinator to facilitate

Coordinates domestic and international adult mission trips

Keep missions bulletin board current

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Independent, able to set priorities, attentive to detail, organized, great follow through and effective communicational skills, passion in missions.

Supervisory duties for the Mission Director will be the responsibility of the Pastor. The Staff Relations Committee will provide any needed support and/or guidance, as requested by the Pastor.

Every Church Staff Member is an at-will employee of the congregation, and is ultimately responsible to the Church Council and Pastor. Church Staff members maintain a shared promise of confidentiality, conflict resolution, and cooperation. The Church Staff Member also understands the need to attract and retain church volunteers, (which may include but not be limited to, congregational members / friends /visitors) as he or she works to maintain and extend the mission of Pilgrim United Church of Christ. The Staff Relations Committee will provide any needed support and/or guidance to all Church Staff Members, as requested by the individual employee, the Pastor and/or the Church Council.

Support the theological understandings of Pilgrim United Church of Christ (UCC), which promotes intentional hospitality, social diversity, freedom of thinking, and a spirit of grace rather than judgment. Our congregation is Open and Affirming of LGBTQ persons, and is committed to promoting Accessibility and Safe Sanctuary to all who participate in our congregational life.

Education and Experience:

A high school diploma or equivalent is required and two or more years of college is preferred

Ability to follow directions and communicate with all staff and the congregation

Work Environment:

Flexible during special events
Attend monthly staff meetings





VIEW ALL THE TRIP PICS HERE:

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/nE1nPnHqGTegsxxd8>

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS / OFFICE HOURS

1	Christine Mursch	7	Allison Suber	17	Riley Morrow	25	Bryce Krueger
	Mark Peterson		Tony Tagliapietra	18	Lucy Godejohn		Lisa Quick
	Finn Ramshaw		Kathryn Wagner		Curtis Neu	26	Justin Braun
4	Landon Claeyes	8	Lenys Walden		Kristin Sauer		Aubray Mekelburg
5	Beth Eernisse		Shea Halula		Jordan Rigert		Sylvia Stephens
	Sue Loomer		Ava Mueller		Collin Wilcox		Hudson Thomas
	Jon Pease		Warner Schafer	22	Bradley Swenson	27	Kathleen Greb
	Grace Speerbrecher	10	Kristen Berns	23	William Homme		Mark Hoffmann
			Ellyn Wenzel		Bill Maca	30	Sam Conto
		11	Lys Buck		Mike Schumaker	31	Stefan Hochstatter
		12	Audrey Beck	24	Dawn Krueger		Cindy Jacoby
		15	Jennifer Carli		Sarah Scarpace		CJ Plante
		16	Dale Nauta				
			Randy Rottier				
			Brett Welzien				



Happy Pride Parade

June 6, 2025



OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Ashley – available in the office Monday through Thursday, and can also be reached by calling 920-762-0192.

Lisa Quick or Sue Willman – available weekdays 8:30 am -1:00 pm
Office Phone: 262-377-2640

Email:

officemgr@pilgrimuccgraffton.org

Website: <https://pilgrimuccgraffton.org>

Facebook: @PilgrimUCCGrafton

Instagram: @PilgrimUCCGraftonWI



A few Office thoughts...

- ◆ Please contact the office if you would like a copy of the *Pilgrim Family Directory*.
- ◆ September's newsletter deadline is *August 20*.
- ◆ Always keep the office updated on your *contact information* for our PowerChurch records. Also, if you have not had a chance to join our online directory, please contact the office for assistance.

WELCOME TO PILGRIM'S SUMMER SERVICES!

Worship will be held on Sundays at 9:00 am
through August 31.

Below is the August Schedule

SCRIPTURE READERS

3 Brandon Mikulski
10 Steve Schafer
17 OPEN
24 OPEN
31 Diane Stoiber

USHERS

3 Jane Sowers
OPEN
10 OPEN
OPEN
17 OPEN
OPEN
24 LaVerne Johnson
Steve Schafer
31 OPEN
OPEN



GREETERS encouraged all year...summer, too! Visit the SignUpGenius Link above, or sign up at church.

FLOWERS

3	OPEN (Outdoor Serv)
10	Karen & Dan Weiss
17	Carol & Ed Proctor
24	OPEN
31	OPEN

BULLETINS

3	Susan & Bill Maca
10	OPEN
17	Carol & Ed Proctor
24	OPEN
31	OPEN

Ways to Participate**SIGNUPGENIUS LINKS:**

- * [Sign Up to Usher](#)
- * [Sign Up to Read Scripture](#)
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Coming to the outdoor service
& picnic on August 3?

Here's a link to let us know:

[Outdoor Service](#)



I am the Church
You are the Church
We are the Church
Together

August

Gladiolus

The gladiolus echoes
your strength and
inner power.



Poppy

Let the poppy
spark your imagination
and dreams.

Musicians: Don't forget to sign up for
"Special Music" - thru August 31.

Your music would fill this sanctuary with
hope, joy, peace, and love!

SignUpGenius: [Summer Music](#)

LANDSCAPE BEDS: VOLUNTEERS ... thank you for your
outstanding work this
summer!

Please contact CJ Plante
if you would like to help...3-4
more volunteers would really
be great!

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AUGUST 2025



August 3, 10:00 am
Centennial Park

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Vacation Bible School August 3-7		 Wisconsin to Brooklyn 2025 Mission Trip Reflections August 17	 Blessing of the Animals August 17 10:00 am		1 St Ben's Desserts VBS Set Up	2 Happy National Flower Day VBS Set Up
3 OUTDOOR SERVICE Centennial Park—10 am Comm Worship VBS Begins 6-7:45pm	4 SCOPA —1:00 pm VBS 6-7:45pm	5 VBS 6-7:45pm	6 VBS 6-7:45pm	7 VBS 6-7:45pm	8 Sheepshead 1:00 pm VBS 6-7:45pm	9 Mt Horeb Wellness Fair 10 am-3 pm
10 Worship Service 9:00 am	11 Cribbage—1:00 pm	12 Women's Journey Grief Support Group 1:30 pm	13 Council—6:30 pm	14 	15 	16
17 Comm Worship Service 9:00 am Mission Trip Reflections Blessing of the Animals— 10 am	18 Staff & Leadership 6:30 pm	19 	20 Dominoes—1:00 pm	21 Coffee Chat—10 am	22 Sheepshead 1:00 pm	23
24 Worship Service 9:00 am 31 Worship Service 9:00 am	25 	26 	27 	28 	29 	30 Happy National Beach Day

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