

Father's Day will be here before we know it - Sunday, June 17th!

This year Pilgrim will celebrate with quotes, quips, and favorite photos of our Fathers. This includes Grandfathers, Uncles, or a man that was there for you at some time in your life. Please write down the quotes &/or quips and drop these by the church office with the photo's by Monday, June 11th.

Marked photos will be returned.

Diaconate is seeking:

1. **Liturgist's** on Sunday mornings to read the Invocation and the Scriptures.
2. **People to purchase altar flowers** (\$30 - Checks payable to: PUCC)
 - Give the secretary your dedication or place it on the clipboard hanging up in the social hall.
 - Then take the flowers and delivery them to someone.
 - OR
 - Ask Diaconate (Kathie, Polly, Crystal, Brian, or Rich) to deliver them.

The Trustee Board would like to make the congregation aware that this is the year to paint the exterior of Pilgrim.

Currently, the cost quoted is \$20,000.

If any member or friend of Pilgrim would like to donate specifically to this endeavor, please write "PAINT" on the line following "Other" on the monthly or weekly envelopes. Thank You!

Mission Statement:

**God calls us to live our faith as disciples
Sharing the love of God revealed through Christ
In the community and the world.**

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Acolyte: Thank You!

Altar Flowers: The Gerstenberger's
To Spring, the gift of new life &
the beginning of gardening!

Greeters: Everyone present today!

Ushers: Thank You!

PowerPoint: Cheryl Bruce

Liturgist: Kelly Gerstenberger

Fellowship: Thank You!

Steeple Lighting: David Kump

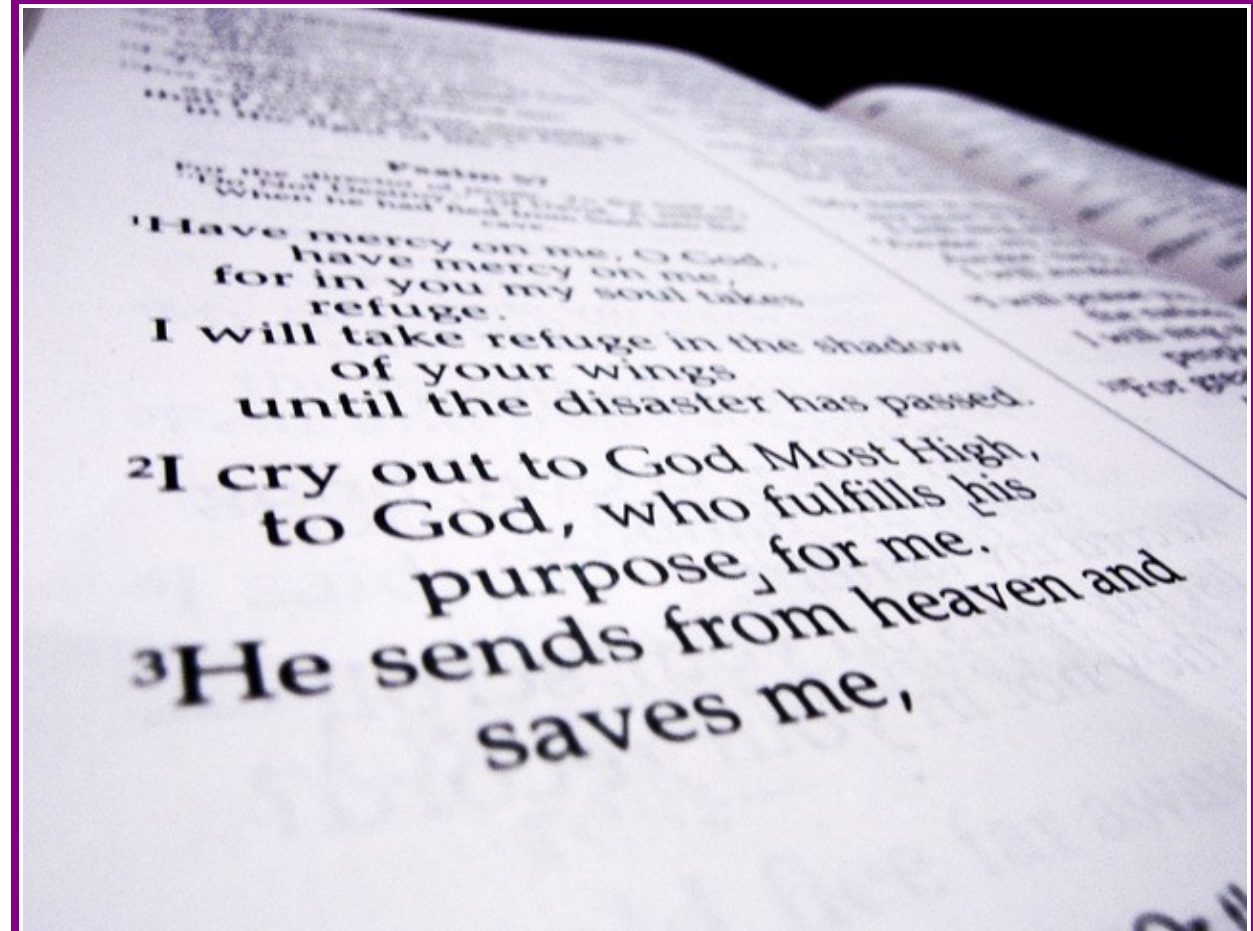
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Sunday, April 22, 2018



More Than Just Words

Rev. Kirk Bruce

Pilgrim United Church of Christ
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Sunday, April 22, 2018 † Fourth Sunday of Easter

THE PRELUDE *When in the Hour of Utmost Need* J.M. Bach

*HYMN (Red Hymnal) *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* No. 228

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 23)

One: O Lord, you are our good Shepherd.

All: Teach us to rest in the green pasture and renew us with your love.

One: Teach us that we have nothing to fear for you are close.

All: May we dwell in your goodness and mercy now and always

*THE INVOCATION, OUR LORD'S PRAYER (Unison) Kelly Gerstenberger

O Lord, we gather together in your house: trusting in your promise of love, celebrating in the gift of joy you give, and asking for your guidance in choices we make. Come O Lord, and abide with us this and everyday as we seek to live together in the way you call us. Hear us now as we pray together the prayer your son who taught us, "Our Father . . ." [debt, debtors]

*THE GLORIA PATRI (Red Hymnal) No. 513

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD AND EACH OTHER

*GREETING EACH OTHER IN CHRIST

OUR LIFE TOGETHER Rev. Kirk W. Bruce

CHILDREN'S SERMON Rev. Kirk W. Bruce

Faith Focus "The Quiltmaker's Gift" by Jeff Brumbeau Marilyn Freeman

About giving and receiving gifts making a quilt—one for me—one for a friend!

ANTHEM: O Love That Will Not Let Me Go John Ness Beck
Pilgrim Choir

*all who are able may stand

WE GIVE TO GOD

AN OFFERTORY INVITATION

THE OFFERTORY *Hallelujah* Jeff Buckley

*THE DOXOLOGY (Red Hymnal) No. 515

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CALL TO PRAYER
(Black Hymnal) *Precious Lord, Take My Hand (vs. 1)* No. 472

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

THE MORNING PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

*HYMN (Black Hymnal) *I've Got Peace Like a River* No. 478

GOD GIVES TO US

SCRIPTURES I John 3:16 - 24 (page 213) Kelly Gerstenberger
John 10:11 - 18 (page 90)

SERMON More Than Just Words Rev. Kirk W. Bruce

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH SERVICE

*HYMN (Black Hymnal) *I Love to Tell the Story* No. 522

*THE BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (*We invite you to join hands as we sing*)
(Black Hymnal) *Peace I Leave with You, My Friends (Refrain)* No. 249
Peace I leave with you, my friends, shalom, my peace, in all you do. Peace I leave with you, my friends. I give to you so you can give to others, too.

POSTLUDE *Andante* Orlando Di Lasso

SIGN-IN

There are worship pads on each pew in the sanctuary.
We joyfully welcome all visitors! Please join us again!
Please sign in to let us know you are worshipping with us today.
We are so glad You are Worshiping with Pilgrim United Church of Christ!

Pray for:

Helen healing from pneumonia.
Linda with a back problem.
Sandy for healing from the flu.

John my neighbor.
Marjorie for healing mercies.
Thelma with a hip problem.



Sue and her family. Her mom is in hospice.
Howell & Stimmel families for peace and healing. *Thank You for the Prayers!*
Those with health issues & pain, that God bless them.
A very contrite man beginning to serve a prison term for a 10 year old incident.
Nancy, Cheryl's mom, Susan's mom, Louise & Jaynu all in their 90's & having medical problems.
For the sick & suffering from various health, family & emotional problems & are in pain.
Bless them! Peace to all!
The Redd family as they prepare to move to the east. To find reasonable housing, new friends & new jobs! Also to feel the love from us as they continue with their new adventure.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pilgrim's SARA will be collecting **vitamins** for the **Good Samaritan Children's Home** in the **Ukraine**.



The collection will be from **April 15 to May 30**.
The collection box will be in the office during the week and in the social hall on Sundays.
Both children and adult vitamins are needed. They prefer gummy vitamins, but any type is good.



Donato's Night, Thursday, April 26, 2018 5:00 - 8:00 pm

At State Road and Chestnut Blvd.



Sunday, April 29th at 2:00 p.m. Annual Pet Blessing

Bring your real pets, virtual pets, pet pictures and/or pet memories and we'll bless all God's critters! Even snakes!

Pentecost - Communion Sunday, May 20, 2018

Wear Red & join your Pilgrim Faith Community in the sacrament of Communion.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 22, 2018

9:00 a.m. Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal, Heritage Room
10:30 a.m. Worship Service - Rev. Kirk Bruce, Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Social Hall
3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Akron Area Actors Guild (AA) - Rehearsal, Social Hall
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #169, Adult Library

Monday, April 23, 2018

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #840, A.T.T.I.C.

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

10:30 a.m. Bible Study, Adult Library

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Akron Area Actors Guild (AA) - Rehearsal, Social Hall
8:00 p.m. Fellowship of the Spirit Alcoholics Anonymous (FOTS AA), Heritage Room

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

2:15 - 9:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Violin & Cello Lessons,
Adult Library, Children's Library, & Nursery
7:00 p.m. Bible Study, Heritage Room

Thursday, April 26, 2018

5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Donato's Night, Chestnut Blvd. & State Rd.
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Cub Scout Den Meetings, Adult & Children's Library, Nursery
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Emotions Anonymous, Heritage Room

Friday, April 27, 2018

Saturday, April 28, 2018

11:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Cello Lessons,
Children's Library
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous, Social Hall

Sunday, April 29, 2018

9:00 a.m. Pilgrim Choir Rehearsal, Heritage Room
10:30 a.m. Worship Service - Rev. Kirk Bruce, Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Social Hall
2:00 p.m. Annual Pet Blessing, On the Lawn
3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Akron Area Actors Guild (AA) - Rehearsal, Social Hall

Monday, April 30, 2018