

Kids on Sunday: Our nursery is always open for infants and toddlers. Ask an usher to show you where the little ones hang out. Children PreK - 6th start in worship and then go to classes after the Children's Message except for Communion Sundays when they start in their classrooms. Ask any usher for help in finding the right resource for your child.

Visiting? Thanks for joining us for worship today. We hope you enjoy the service and that it hits a chord deep in your soul. Please sign our guest book in the Narthex by the front door and join us following the service for refreshments and fellowship. If you would like more information about the church or to hear from our pastor please let a deacon or usher know. They will be glad to help answer any and all questions.

Chancel Altar Flowers

In loving memory of Trudy Duquette from the Duquette-Maitland families: John and Rachael, David and Susie, Mary Lou and Rick.
(The Altar/Flower Chair for August is Beverly Nightingale)

Lighting the Steeple – A Beacon of Faith

September 1, 2, 3, 4: To there being no more hell as in (9/11) and more healing, Sam and Suzy Blodgett.
(To light the steeple please see Carolee Wentworth at coffee hour.)



Large print bulletins, and a hearing assistance system (see an usher) are available. Handicap parking is in the rear parking lot and off of Route 28 and Pilgrim Rd. Access ramps from all parking areas are available. An accessible unisex restroom is off the hallway at the right front of the sanctuary.

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***Pilgrim Congregational Church
United Church of Christ***

GRACE

Sunday August 31, 2014

Pilgrim Church Mission Statement

The mission of this Church is to provide a warm, safe, non-judgmental, and welcoming environment for all who wish to worship God; to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ; to celebrate the sacraments; to experience Christian fellowship and unity with all members of this Church family and the greater community; to render loving service toward all humankind; and to strive for righteousness, peace, and justice in the world. (Church Council Nov 2011)



Welcome to Pilgrim Church: Founded in 1854, we are a Christian congregation dedicated to seeking a deeper understanding of God through study of and belief in Jesus Christ and through Christian service. Through worship, education, music, and fellowship we share with others God's love. Thank you for being with us today.

Chimes (*The chimes begin our service. Please turn off/silence cell phone.*)

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *On Eagles Wings* Michael Joncas
(Maddie Walker, soprano)

Call To Worship

+**Gathering Hymn** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* Pilgrim #101

Unison Prayer

God of love and light, we thank you for all the gifts of this life. We are truly blessed. Sadly, we are often too busy to notice your gifts. We rush here and there and pass them by. Help us O God to slow down so we might see and appreciate your gifts. Help us to become aware of your presence in all that surrounds us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Silent prayer.

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Children's Time (Children go to classes following a message.)

Gifts and Tithes

Offertory Duet *He Who Would Valiant Be* Gilbert M. Martin

Offertory Response

*We give you but your own, whatever it may be,
All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.*

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response *Breathe on Me, Breath of Life* Pilgrim #234
*Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life a-new.
That I may love the way you love, and do what you would do.*

Scripture Reading Various scripture readings

Sermon GRACED BY GRACE Rev. O'Connor

+**Hymn** *Amazing Grace* SHIP #601

Benediction

+**Benediction Response** *Let There Be Peace*
*Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be
With God our creator, children all are we
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony
Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now,
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally,
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.*

Postlude *Come, Labor On* Arr. Lani Smith
*Please stay for the postlude. If you must leave please do so quietly.
Thank you and may God bless you this week.*

Lay Reader: Bruce Wellnitz

Interim Minister: Rev. Peggy O'Connor

Music Director/Organist: Fred Drifmeyer

Guest Musician: Maddie Walker

We extend a warm welcome to: Maddie Walker, our guest Young Musician this morning. Maddie will be an 8th grade Home Schooler in PA, where she also studies voice and piano privately. Maddie has been a lead actress in musical theatre with the Vagabond Acting Troupe. Thank you Maddie for enriching our worship service!

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 1st and Tuesday, September 2nd.

Team Izzy needs: All sizes shoes, sneakers and sandals for men and women; all sizes men's jeans and pants; hoodies; bagless vacuum.

Reverend Peggy will be "Blessing the Backpacks" on Sunday September 14th. Everyone should bring their backpacks for a special blessing during Children's Time.

Call to the Cape Cod Council of Churches 2014 Annual Assembly Tuesday, September 30, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 310 Rt. 137 Harwich, 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Information sheets are on the table in the Narthex.

Is Pilgrim Church in your will?

No? See Ray Rivard for more information.

Yes? Thank you from the PCC families of the future.

Pilgrim Consignment and Thrift Shop – We accept all merchandise, consignment & donations on Mondays 10:00 to 2:00 PM. Please call 508-735-9625 to set up an appointment.

Vision/Search Committee update – We are hard at work on our "Church Unique" vision process. We have met 4 times. We are discovering our church's core values and how they affect all that we do as a church. The work is hard but good. We'll make a report to the congregation on September 21 right after worship. PLEASE make a special effort to stay for this meeting so you can hear what we have accomplished. *Vision/Search Com.*

Pilgrim Pops is looking for ushers for today's concert (8/31), and tomorrow's (9/1) Concerts are at 5:00 P.M.; ushers need to be here at 4:00 P.M. Please see Amanda Kosloski.

Thanks to a wonderful team of volunteers, the August 20th Ice Cream Social was successful and fun! The enthusiastic efforts of Pete Amsden, Bethany Craig, the Gould family, Marion Mangels, Beverly & Bruce Nightingale, Nicki Palmer, Randy Sachts, Janice Stratton, Roy & Roxana Terwilliger, Dona Webber and Carolee Wentworth are greatly appreciated. Jeanie Kahus

This Week at Pilgrim Church– August 31th

<u>Sunday:</u>	11:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	1:00 PM	Pops Rehearsal
	5:00 PM	Pops Concert
<u>Monday:</u>	Church office closed	
	1:00 PM	Pops Rehearsal
	5:00 PM	Pops Concert
<u>Tuesday:</u>	Church office closed	
	9:00 AM	Team Izzy
	10:00 AM	Thrift Shop
<u>Wednesday:</u>	9:30 AM	Dance
	10:00 AM	Thrift Shop
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
<u>Thursday:</u>	10:00 AM	Thrift Shop
	7:00 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal
<u>Friday:</u>	10:00 AM	Thrift Shop
<u>Saturday</u>	9:00 AM	We Are The Men
	10:00 AM	Thrift Shop

Prayer cards – Call the church office by noon on Friday with your prayer requests or leave your request in the office on Sunday or during the week. They will be included in the Sunday bulletin.

In hospital this week: Gayle Bartels, Cape Cod Hospital.

Please remember in your prayers: Rev. David Houseal, Jesse Nash, Joyce Dutton, Ben Vafiades, Tommie Moore, Bob Larson, Jean Traver, Gayle Bartels.

