

Kids on Sunday: Our nursery is always open for infants and toddlers. Ask an usher to show you where they hang out. PreK - 6th start in worship and 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.

Lighting the Steeple – A Beacon of Faith

December 23 – 28

In loving memory of John Pryce Roberts, from Chris and Pam Roberts

December 24 – 25

In honor of all first responders, from Stan and Sandie Pastuszak

(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. Dorcas Room has a wheelchair lift.

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Pilgrim Congregational Church United Church of Christ



Sunday December 21, 2014

Fourth Sunday in Advent

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)



*The Fourth Sunday in Advent
The Season of Joy!*

Welcome to Pilgrim Church. Thank you for being with us today.

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

Welcome & Announcements

Unison Prayer

O God, help us to build our lives on the compassion, faith, and trust of Mary and Joseph. In hard times, bless us with your compassion. In good times, bless us with a spirit of gratitude. And daily, help us to remember that you are the Father of us all, the giver of all that is good. 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.

Lighting the Advent Wreath ~ *Candles of Hope, Peace, Joy & Love
Youth Group Members and their Leaders*

Song *Advent Candle Song* vv 1, 2, 3 & 4 (see insert)

Prayer: Let us today, O Lord, exalt your holy name. And let us exult in the ways that you reach out to us this and every Advent season. Filled with your Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love, lead us to share all four with everyone we meet from this day forward. Help us to become the Advent blessing that our world so sorely needs. Amen.

Gifts and Tithes

Offertory Anthem *Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord* from Godspell

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

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT DECEMBER 21, 2014

PROCESSIONAL

ACT 1: The Annunciation

HYMN On This Day Earth Shall Ring vv 1 & 4 Pilgrim #136

ACT 2: No Room

HYMN O Little Town of Bethlehem v1 Pilgrim #134

SOLO Is There Room? Carol Wiley, Soloist

HYMN Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light Pilgrim #118

ACT 3: The Magi Begin Their Journey

ACT 4: The Shepherds are Surprised By Angels!

HYMN The First Noel vv 1, 2, 3 (as angels enter) Pilgrim #141

HYMN Angels We Have Heard on High Pilgrim #116

ACT 5: The Magi Arrive

HYMN We Three Kings of Orient Are Pilgrim #143

THE VIEWING *Please come forward to see the family.*

HYMN O Come, All Ye Faithful Pilgrim #132

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL Joy to the World

The Christian Education Directors and Committee would like to thank all of the participants in this year's pageant, both young and more seasoned, for all of their time and hard work. We also thank Fred Drifmeyer, the Youth Ensemble, and Carol Wiley for their musical contributions, which enriched the pageant. And we thank you, the congregation of Pilgrim Church, for your support today and every day throughout the year. *Merry Christmas To ALL!*

Head Usher: Beverly Nightingale **Acolyte:** Sarah Babb

Interim Minister: Rev. Peggy O'Connor **Lay Reader:** Frank Smith

Music Director/Organist: Fred Drifmeyer

THIS YEAR'S CAST

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| NARRATOR #1 | Gil Stone |
| NARRATOR #2 | Alice Drifmeyer |
| MARY | Shannon Dupont |
| JOSEPH | Kevin Dupont |
| BABY JESUS | Jack Dupont |
| HAND MAIDEN | Barbara Prindle Eaton |
| GABRIEL | Vaughn Yerkes |
| SCARY ANGEL | Dawn Routhier |
| INNKEEPER/FAMILY #1 | Roy & Roxanna Terwilliger |
| INNKEEPER/FAMILY #2 | The Mawn Family |
| SWEEPERS | Liam & Lucy Mawn |
| INNKEEPER/FAMILY #3 | Randy & Keith Sacht |
| OLDER VENDOR | Maggie Schneider |
| YOUNGER VENDOR | Nick Gould |
| DOVE Emma Mawn | ROOSTER Kaya Westberg |
| COW Logan Routhier | DONKEY Marcus Hann |
| SHEEP Aurora Spaid | Director of Animals: Jenn Gould |
| KING #1 | Tim Harry |
| KING #2 | Dan Harry |
| KING #3 | Sam Harry |
| SHEPHERDS | |
| David Hemeon | Matthew Hunt |
| Jonathan Miller | Jacob Routhier |
| Head Shepherd: Daryl Routhier | |
| Director of Kings and Shepherds: Deb Harry | |
| ANGELS | |
| Abby Canada | Brooke Canada |
| Lilly Eldredge | Cindy Eldredge |
| Calla Hellstrom | Violet Hellstrom |
| Claire Hemeon | Peyton Hemeon |
| Darien Falk | Allison Miller |
| Head Angel: Ashley Hunt | Director of Angels: Alana Wilson |

LIGHTING: Dave & Sean Gould

Pledge envelopes for 2015 are in the Library. Please pick them up as soon as possible.

Thank you to all who donated so generously to our Team. Izzy

This Week at Pilgrim Church– December 21

Sunday: 11:00 AM Coffee Hour
11:15 AM Youth Group Meeting
11:30 AM Fundraising Committee

Monday: Church office closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM Team Izzy
10:00 AM Nurse
7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday: **CHRISTMAS EVE**
5:00 PM Family Service & Party
7:00 PM Candlelight Service

Thursday Church Closed

Friday: Church office closed
10:00 AM Thrift Shop

Saturday: 10:00 AM Thrift Shop

Sunday Dec 28: 10:00 AM Hymn Sing
No Sunday School

Prayer cards – To have your prayer requests included in next week's bulletin call the church office by noon on Friday or leave your request in the office on Sunday or during the week.

Please remember in your prayers: Jesse Nash, Joyce Dutton, Laurieann Galer's daughter Kate and granddaughter Eva, Christian Antoine, Fred Crowell, Roxana Terwilliger, Cape Cod Hospital, Room #507.

Poinsettias



In loving memory of my beloved wife Evie, from Ron Armbruster

In memory of Arnold and Lillian Fjeldal, from the Berard Family

In grateful appreciation for the Pilgrim Congregational Church Family,
the Eaton/Canada Family

In loving memory of Mary M. Thompson, from Kim and Pam Eaton

In loving memory of Mother, Dad, and other loved ones. Lois Eaton

In loving memory of Ruth and William Hobbs, from their children,
Walter, Martha and Bradford Hobbs

In loving memory of Hortense Hollis

In loving memory of my husband Peter Mangels and my parents,
Florence and Gordon W. Turnbull, Sr., from Marion Mangels

In memory of Janica W. McDonough and Jean Breucort Walker, from
Meg McDonough

In loving memory of Harold M. Miller, from the Miller family

In loving memory of my Mother, Ruth Jones on her Christmas birthday.
Love, from Susan Mills and family

Happy Birthday to our granddaughter Libby on Christmas Eve, from
Bruce and Beverly Nightingale

In memory of Margaret and Charles O'Connor. Rev. Peggy O'Connor

In loving memory of John Pryce Roberts, from Chris and Pam Roberts

In memory of our Parents and Brother Phil, from Pauly & Fred Spencer

In loving memory of Walter Stratton. Miss You! Janice Stratton &
family

In memory of Hilda Tangring, from Susan, James and Sarah Sullivan

In memory of Van, Kitty and John Thomson. Alec and Cissy Thomson

In memory of loved ones, from George and Carrie Wailgum

In memory of Olive and Rudy Wellnitz and Grace and Jack Westdyke,
from Bruce and Barbara Wellnitz

In joy for friends and family past, present & future. Carolee Wentworth

In memory of our Moms, Francis Sullivan Briggs and Joan J. Wheeler
and my sister, Joy Young Grainger. Jeannie & John Wheeler

