

Kids on Sunday: Our nursery is always open for infants and toddlers. Ask any usher to show you where little ones hang out. PreK–grade 6 start in worship & go to classes after a Children’s Message (Communion Sundays they start in their classrooms).

Visiting? Please sign our guest book by the front door and join us for refreshments and fellowship. For information about the church or to hear from our pastor, talk to a deacon or usher or fill out a prayer card.

Chancel Altar Flowers

In loving memory of our grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Young and Mr. and Mrs. Carleton E., Brown, and our Father Eugene H. Winston, Jr., and our friend Mr. John (Jack) Ott, from Stephanie Rousa, Pamela Cartier, Gregory and Wayne Winston.
(The Altar/Flower chair for December is Beverly Nightingale).

Lighting the Steeple – A Beacon of Faith

December 27 – In memory of Forrest Prindle by his daughter Nancy McMorris.

December 27 – In memory of the Clarence Norcross family.

December 27 – January 2 – In loving memory of Charles H. Detwiller, Jr. from his grandson, Chad Detwiller.

(To light the steeple please see Carolee Wentworth at coffee hour.)

Large print bulletins & hearing assistance system (see an usher) are available. Access ramps are available from all parking areas. An accessible unisex restroom is off the hallway at the right front of the sanctuary.

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



December 27, 2015



Our Mission Statement

*We welcome ALL
to share the teachings of Jesus Christ
to care for one another
to grow in spirit and
to serve others with compassion and love.*

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

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming* arr. Lloyd Larson

+**Hymn** *Angels We Have Heard on High* (vs. 1&2) Pilgrim #116

Unison Prayer: Holy God of midnight miracles, we have come to celebrate the birth that offers us rebirth. Claim us, we pray, as heirs with Christ, as your children. Unite us in heart and mind. Replenish and renew our faith. Grant that we, your faithful people, may become a crown of beauty in your hands. 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 return to sit with their family member(s)

Gifts and Tithes

Invitation

Offertory *The Wexford Carol* Trad. Irish
(Thom Dutton, Harp)

Offertory Prayer

+**Response** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter;
One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.*

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response: *Organ Amen*

Christmas Carol Sing

Please remain seated for the Carol Sing.

Introduction to the Carol Sing

Rev. O'Connor

In the Bleak Midwinter (vs. 1, 3, 4) Pilgrim #128

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming Pilgrim #131

Bring a Torch Jeannette, Isabella (vs. 1&3) Pilgrim #124

Comments

O Holy Night! (vs. 1&3) SHIP #1604

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks (1,2,6) Pilgrim #146

On This Day Earth Shall Ring (vs.1&4) Pilgrim #136

Comments

What Child Is This... (vs. 1&2) Pilgrim #140

Unto Us a Boy Is Born (vs. 1-3) Pilgrim #142

Go Tell It on the Mountain (vs. 1&3) SHIP #1607

Comments

+**Hymn** *Joy to the World* Pilgrim #130

Benediction

+**Response: Let there be peace on earth, & 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 & live each moment in peace eternally,

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Postlude *Christians, Awake!* arr. David Paxton

Thank you for worshiping with us. May God bless you this week.

Lay Reader: Nancy Prindle **Head Usher:** Janet Cymbala

Interim Minister: Rev. Peggy O'Connor

Offering Envelopes for 2016 are available for pick up in Monbleau Hall.

Team Izzy needs: Men's and women's boots, all sizes; men's black pants 42x32; microwave ovens; 40-cup coffee maker.

2016 Stewardship Campaign

To date we have received 89 pledges for a total of \$130,224. This represents an increase in the average pledge of \$1,463 and an increase in the total pledge for the year. Thank you to all who have sent in their pledges! It is nice to note that we received some new pledges from new members. Sadly you do not see this reflected in the total number of pledges as we have also lost pledges from members and friends due to death and other circumstances. If you have not gotten around to making a pledge, IT IS NEVER TOO LATE! Send it in, bring it in... and be a part of supporting our beloved Pilgrim Church.

Dear Church Family, How blessed we are to belong to such a loving and caring church. Your caring cards, thoughts and prayers meant so much to me, and speeded my recovery. Thank you one and all, Joyce Brooks.

Leadership Rally – the Church Council is sponsoring this annual event on January 5th in Monbleau Hall beginning at 6PM. Dessert and coffee will be served. All members of boards, committees and clubs are invited. The goal is to exchange information, elect officers, and establish goals for the coming year. Please let Carol in the church office know if you will be there (508-432-1668 ext. 10) or email at carol@pcchp.org. Please let her know if you can bring a dessert to share.

Prayer cards – Call the church office or drop off your prayer requests by noon Friday to get them in the Sunday bulletin.

Please remember in your prayers: Joyce Dutton, Marion and Pam Marsh, Joe Langway, Ed Jaworski.

This Week at Pilgrim Church December 27

<u>Sunday:</u>	10:00 AM	Coffee Hour
<u>Monday:</u>	Church Office Closed	
<u>Tuesday:</u>	Church Office Closed	
	9:00 AM	Team Izzy
	7:00 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal
<u>Wednesday:</u>	Church Office Closed	
	6:30 PM	Epiphany Rehearsal
<u>Thursday:</u>	Church Office Closed	
	10:00 AM	We Are the Men R.
<u>Friday:</u>	New Year's Day	
<u>Saturday:</u>	1:00 PM	Epiphany R.
<u>Sunday:</u> 1/3/16	3:00 PM	Epiphany Concert

