

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 our aunt Hilda Tangring, by her family, Sue, Jim and Sarah Sullivan

(The Altar/Flower Chair for June is Betsy Babb, Sallejane Rivard)

Lighting the Steeple – A Beacon of Faith

June 29 – In honor of our grandson (Dean), and our son-in-law's baptism into the church. Denise and Scott Traver.

(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



Sunday June 29, 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, Pilgrim Church is 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.

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

Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *To Whom I Have Believed* arr. Lloyd Larson

Call To Worship

+**Gathering Hymn** *Lord I Want to Be a Christian* Pilgrim #353

Gathering Prayer

God of creation, who makes us uniquely your own, fill our church and hearts with thanksgiving. Knowing your hand creates all life, help us to be as welcoming of others as your son Jesus. Give us the ability to see Him in everyone we meet. Knowing we cannot do this alone, we ask you to open us to the power of your Holy Spirit. 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 Anthem *Nearer, My God, To Thee* arr. John Coates, Jr.

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 God* 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 Matthew 2:7-11 (N.T., pg. 2)

Sermon "Sharing Our Gifts" Rev. O'Connor

+**Hymn** *Forward Through the Ages* Pilgrim #383

Benediction

Benediction Response *Let There Be Peace on Earth
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 *Toccata on St. Anne* arr. Michael Helman

*Please stay for the postlude. If you must leave please do so quietly.
Thank you and may God bless you this week.*

Head Usher: Randy Sacht **Lay Reader:** Ray Rivard

Interim Minister: Rev. Peggy O'Connor

Music Director/Organist: Fred Drifmeyer

Pastor Peggy's office hours:

Sunday, 11– 2; Tues. 10– 4; Wed. 9–4; Thurs. by appointment.
Church phone: 508-432-1668 ext. 11; Cell 1-781-635-2318.

Tonight's concert: Peking and the Mystics – 7:00 P.M. General admission: \$10.00. Proceeds benefit the Young Musicians Fund.

Team Izzy needs: fans; size 12 men's black sneakers; small size (30, 32, 34, 36) men's jeans and cargo shorts.

Have you included Pilgrim Church in your will? See a member of the Stewardship Team for more information.

Search/Vision Committee – The Search/Vision Committee (Rev. Peggy, the nine Search Committee members plus Mike Sekerak and Margie Welsh) thank all who attended last Sunday's Vision Report Meeting. It was an informative and lively meeting. Please know that we will be having other congregational forums about the visioning process and we hope that even more of you will come and hear what we are doing and where we are headed. Watch for announcements of these meetings and for articles in the church newsletter. And please know, our committee members are all available for questions and conversation at any time about this quest for a vision and settled pastor for Pilgrim Church. Thank you. Sally Hayes for the Vision Committee

Refresh, Renew, Rejoice: Sept. 26-28 at Craigsville Center. Check out our newly revamped weekend (used to be called a retreat). Over half of our spaces are taken! Reserve your place today! See Judy Brown at coffee hour. \$35 per person will hold your spot. No cash/check today? Give Judy your name for updates.

Summer Concert Series: season passes for sale during coffee hour after church until June 29th.

*We wish everyone a very happy & safe
4th of July
-from Rev. Peggy, the Deacons and the Staff*

This Week at Pilgrim Church– June 29

Sunday: 11:00 AM Coffee Hour
1:30 PM Vision Committee
7:00 PM Concert

Monday: Church closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM Team Izzy
10:00 AM Nurse
10:00 AM Thrift Shop
7:00 PM Pops Rehearsal

Wednesday: 9:30 AM Dance
10:00 AM Thrift Shop

Thursday: 10:00 AM Thrift Shop

Friday: Church Closed 4th of July

Saturday 7:30 AM Pancake Breakfast
10:00 AM Pops Rehearsal
10 – 12 Noon 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.

Prayer Requests *Please remember in your prayers....*
Rev. David Houseal, Jesse Nash, Paul Welsh, Jr., Ben Vafiades, Rebecca Heffernan.