

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 celebration of the birth of our twin granddaughters: Charlotte and Madeleine. John and Dona Webber.

(The Altar/Flower Chair for March is Carolee Wentworth)

Lighting the Steeple – A Beacon of Faith

March 26: In loving memory of John Darby III, Vera Darby.

March 27: In honor of my parents, Patti and Victor Charn, Joyce C. Hawk.

March 28, 29, 30, 31: In honor of Al Packard (former Music Director at Pilgrim) on his marriage to his new wife "Leigh" on Friday March 21, 2014. 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. Dorcas Room has a wheelchair lift.

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



Sunday March 30, 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 *The Lord's My Shepherd* Stephen Nielson

Call To Worship

+**Gathering Hymn** *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*
Pilgrim #20

Unison Prayer

Holy God, humbly we all come before You on this Sabbath day in Lent. Some of us are burdened with fear, and others of us walk in confidence. Some of us come with heavy hearts while others of us are bursting with joy. Some of us find forgiveness easy to give and receive, while others struggle to find the words and the way. We each come to be reminded that You welcome us as we are, and where we live. Abide with us, mighty and loving God, as we walk with Jesus and his disciples during this Lenten journey toward Holy Week. By Your powerful Spirit, turn our fear to courage, and our confusion to holy clarity. Surround us with your healing grace. Give us ears to hear Your still speaking voice. Give us eyes to see the miracles of Your providence all around us. Grant us the gift of faith that we may forgive others, even as You have forgiven us. With grateful hearts we thank You as we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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

Offertory Anthem *Amazing Grace/Kum Ba Yah*

L. Beery/S.B. Musser

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*

Scripture Reading Luke 11:1-4 (N.T., pg. 72)
Luke 15:11-32 (N.T., pg. 78,79)

Sermon Rev. Cal Mutti
Forgiveness deprives the past of its power to imprison the future

+**Hymn** *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* Pilgrim #341

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 *Amazing Grace* Cindy Berry

*We invite you to sit & listen to the postlude. If you must leave please do so quietly so as not to disturb those who stay.
Thank you and may God bless you this week.*

(Please remain seated or leave quietly.) C.C.L.I. license number #1847857

Lay Reader: Nancy Prindle

Greeter: Sally Hayes **Acolytes:** Ashley Hunt, Liam Mawn

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.

Our guest minister today is Rev. Dr. Calvin Mutti, a retired 40 year UCC pastor who served congregations in Indiana and Andover, MA. He and his wife moved to Brewster in 2007 where life is now filled with new passions as a Master Gardener, beekeeper, solar cooperative founding president, grower of giant pumpkins, and tenor singer with the Chatham Chorale. **Welcome Rev. Mutti!**

Member in Hospital: Fred Spencer, Delray Medical Center, Delray Beach, FL.

Looking for God Through...Spiritual Journey will be held on Sunday, April 6th. 12:00 Noon – 1:00 P.M. cross making from broken and found objects. 1:00 – 2:00 P.M. Introduction class in Qi Gong (similar to Tai Chi and can be done in a chair or standing). Find God in strong and peace filled moves.

Viridian Presentation – **The Viridian presentation at Pilgrim Church on March 30th has been cancelled.**

Italian Lunch: The Youth are hosting an Italian Lunch after church Sunday, April 6 in Monbleau Hall. Free Will Offering, all funds go to the Marine Conservation Institute.

The Deacons Are Listening! –We want to know what you are thinking about anything and everything regarding our church. Talk to one of us before or after worship...call one of us on the phone...email us... send a letter...and let us know what's on your mind.

Bible Study on The Book of Acts is through April 13 from 8:30 to 9:30 A.M. in Snow Parlor. To join the group...just show up!

Izzy's team needs – men's jeans in waist size 32, 34, 36, 44 and larger. Men's underwear. Small toiletries.

There will be a Memorial Service/Collation for Walter Stratton on Saturday, April 5th at 11:00 A.M.

This Week at Pilgrim Church– March 30

Sunday: 8:30 AM Bible Study (Snow Parlor)
11:00 AM Coffee Hour

Monday: **Church closed**

Tuesday: 9:00 AM Team Izzy
10:00 AM Nurse
7:00 PM Trustee Meeting

Wednesday: 9:30 AM Dance
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday: 3:30 PM Joyful Prayer Group
7:00 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Friday: 6:00 PM Confirmation Retreat

Saturday: 9:00 AM We Are The Men
11:00 AM Stratton Memorial/Collation

To Request Payers – Call the church office by Noon on Friday with your prayer request or leave it/drop it off in the office on Sunday. They will be included in the Sunday bulletin.

Prayer Requests Please remember in your prayers.

Herb Peterson, Susan Huckman, Fred Spencer, Jesse Nash.