



THE PILGRIM QUILL

SEPTEMBER 2021



Thoughts for The Pilgrim's Journey

When, a couple of weeks ago, three of our girls came for a week-long visit, they converged on our house from three different directions. As different perhaps as they are in personality and purpose in life. They endured long hours on the road, many different construction sites, delays, gas stops, lunch breaks, poddy breaks for kids and the dog and the simple need to stop and stretch, take a break and consider the road ahead.

Journeys are like that.

All of us must journey onward but we must also take all the necessary breaks, endure the detours and pause to refresh ourselves along the way. This may be where we are at right now. Right now, many of you have probably heard that I have tendered my resignation as your Interim effective October 15, 2021. I have heard appreciation for my service here among you expressed. I have heard disappointment from some of you. And I have perceived worry from others regarding where Pilgrim is to go from here.

I thank you for the appreciation and expressed disappointment at our leaving and I share and understand the worry for Pilgrim's future. I have come to love you as a congregation and have great compassion for you as individuals. That is why it was a difficult decision.

But this is not a detour or a roadblock, it is not a highway closure due to a wreck ... perhaps it is only to be compared to a construction slowdown as you will continue to move forward on the path as a congregation. I am confident in the presence of the Sacred and Holy Spirit working among you. I am confident in the leadership and the willingness of all of you to commit to the life and energy that makes Pilgrim Church what it is. And, I am confident that the progressive voice of Christianity which Pilgrim can offer the community will be a source of growth for Pilgrim Church.

Pilgrim has a unique opportunity and presence in the Fond du Lac community. Change is always difficult. Growth however requires change. Being open to new ideas and new ways of doing things is a must for growth to happen. Embracing the future has, in the past, meant acceptance of screens in the sanctuary, merging from two worship services into one and many other more subtle changes along the way. Looking forward it may mean an LGBTQ minister, a more casual environment in which to worship and perhaps even changing to a later worship time. But remember, changes are made to attract new people, people who are *not* here now, people who you want to come. If a church continually tries to accommodate only the people who are coming to worship . . . no or very few new people will come and going down that road will lead to a dead end. Embrace the changes, seek to have fun with one another, be the church in the most profound way you can and growth will come.

One of our girls came through a brand new highway interchange on her way here, one which had been under construction the last time she drove through and in an area that had been a nightmare to drive through before construction started. Once all the changes were complete she commented on how much improved the drive had become.

Our journeys are all like that. Change is always difficult. But once we are through and on the other side, the comments are often similar. Why didn't we do this sooner!

Blessings to you ... and Thank you!

Pastor Richard Feyen

More from the Pastor

THEMES FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

September 5th

Sermon Title: Fit For The Dogs ... or Not

Theme: Opening the message to all – Jesus changes his focus

Psalm 125

Scripture Reading: Mark 7:24-37

September 12th

Sermon Title: Living For . . . Not One's Self

Theme: What does it mean to "live for Jesus"?

Psalm 19

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:27-38

September 19th

Sermon Title: Welcome Just One

Theme: Opening one's heart to being welcoming

Psalm 1

Scripture Reading: Mark 9:30-37

September 26th

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sermon Title: Building Community

Theme: Being present for one another – building community

Psalm 124

Scripture Reading: James 5:13-20



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021

4:00PM TO 7:00PM

PILGRIM UCC ANNUAL HAM DINNER

TAKE OUT ONLY

We will need many helpers for this modified ham dinner. There will be a slightly different menu as there will be no choices for the meal in order to make the take out process move rapidly through the car port pick-up area.

Masks will be required for those working in the building that day and no customers will be allowed to enter the building.

Watch for a letter at the beginning of September that will lay out how the dinner will go and all the ways you can help in the building and from home.

MENU

Ham

Green Beans

Scalloped Potatoes

Dinner Roll, Butter on the Side

Applesauce

Pumpkin Pie Dessert

If you have any thoughts about what is being planned, please don't hesitate to reach out to Linda or I.

Randy Stutz

A Note from our Council President

Sanctuary Carpet: As of now, we look forward to it being installed the week of September 13th. They needed to do the schools first, I understand, and this gives us more time to be ready. I've heard many positive responses about the areas where the new carpet is installed. I thank ALL who have helped with this!

Please Welcome Cathy Drew, our new Administrative Assistant! She has been with us for 3 weeks & working diligently to learn her new roll. She is thoughtful, conscientious & easy to share a laugh with, so stop in to welcome her. Thanks to Jill who stayed on an extra week to help with training—her retirement recognition on July 23rd was truly special all around with Helen playing her favorite hymns, so many gathering for fellowship, cupcakes in the lounge and seeing Jill joyfully wearing a “happy retirement “ crown!

Family Fun Night: Pilgrim's front lawn was filled with fun, laughter and connection the evening of August 12th. A HUGE HUGE THANK YOU to Karen Goodacre (our champion!!!), our dedicated Christian Ed Ministry members, Chris Frederick, our Lay Life Ministry and ALL who volunteered their time.

Pastors' Richard & Peggy will be leaving as of October 15th to return to retirement. Please see the complete resignation letter included in this Quill. It is so truly hard to have them leave, but they will have served us for 17 months at that time which is at the longer side of their initial plan. We are VERY grateful for the dedication, insights, flexibility and thought provoking spiritual guidance. They provided all to us during a most uncertain time. I personally am very grateful to Richard for his supportive administrative leadership with beginning my role as council president. They took this commitment on despite it being more than 100 miles from their real home. Thank you VERY much and wishing you the best in your return to retirement.

Pastoral Search: Please see attached update from Gary Ring. Both he and the rest of our search committee have been dedicated and faithful on this longer than anticipated search. We are incredibly fortunate to have them keep the faith & effort to find our next settled pastor. In the meantime, I've been in contact with Franz Rigert, our conference minister, who will be looking for an interim pastor replacement.

With faith & hope,
Barb Geiger

Reverend Richard D. Feyen
P.O. BOX 56
N6007 County Road D
Kewaunee, Wisconsin

To The Pilgrim Church Council, President and Members:

August 10, 2021

Greetings,

It is with deep regrets and after long and prayerful discernment that I have come to the point where I must tender my resignation effective October 15, 2021.

Peggy and I have enjoyed our ministry among you. We have enjoyed being part of your community and we deeply appreciate the relationships we have formed during this time together. We remain grateful for the opportunity to serve among you as the Interim Minister during this difficult COVID-19 period and the retirement of your long time minister.

I feel however that at this time our effectiveness as an Interim Minister is diminishing and the tasks that lie ahead are for someone else to tackle.

I also feel, and this is the biggest issue for us, that we want to return to retirement, to being with family and traveling the country.

I will leave you confident that we have been able to accomplish good things together and that the guidance of the Holy Spirit will continue to bless Pilgrim Church in many ways.

Blessings to all.



Reverend Richard D. Feyen



Adult Education

As we begin a new semester of Adult Education at Pilgrim, we are trying a few new things. Adult Forum will be meeting in hybrid form which means a combination of in-person and zoom, while Bible with Bagels will remain completely virtual. This is subject to change as the season continues, so bear with us and stay tuned for further details.

Adult Forum

Sunday Mornings

10:15 to 11:15

We will be meeting in the church lounge for those who would like to attend in person. If you would prefer to join from the comfort of your own home, the link for these meetings is the same as the link for virtual coffee hour. We will have a few minutes to chat before the program begins promptly at 10:15.

September 19 - "A Social Dilemma"

September 26 - Netflix Documentary

Discussion Facilitator - Tony Prus

We tweet, we like and we share - but what are the consequences of our growing dependence on social media? This documentary-drama hybrid reveals how social media is reprogramming civilization with tech experts sounding the alarm on their own creations.

The film features interviews with many former employees, executives and other professionals from top tech companies and social media platforms such as Facebook, Google, Twitter, Mozilla and YouTube. These interviewees draw on their primary experiences at their companies to discuss how such platforms have caused negative problematic social, political and cultural consequences. Some of the interviewees qualify that social media platforms and big tech companies have provided some positive change for society as well. These interviews are presented alongside scripted dramatizations of a teenager's social media addiction.

Bible with Bagels

We will meet Wednesday mornings from 9:00 to 10:30 via Zoom. The link for these meetings will remain the same for each Wednesday throughout the fall semester. To Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88978012384?pwd=cGxJa0pJbExSM0FFWEtIMmtJYzNodz09>

Meeting ID: 889 7801 2384 Passcode: 762316

September 8-29

Wisdom From the Woods, Navigating Life's Unexpected Challenges

Leaders: Virginia Gilmore & Duane Trammell

Wisdom from the Woods is a book about navigating unexpected changes that occur in our lives. It begins with an intriguing diary of a two-month sabbatical written by Virginia Duncan Gilmore in 1996 when she was facing the perfect storm of three major life changes. Ginny spent sixty-one days of soul searching in a cabin in the woods in Door County, Wisconsin contemplating what was "next" in her life. Twenty years later, she shared this story with Duane Trammell while he was grieving the loss of his beloved business partner, Ann McGee-Cooper. Together, they began a deep friendship exploring the stages and constructive processes of growing through life's unexpected and difficult changes.

In *Wisdom from the Woods*, readers learn how unexpected life changes can be opportunities for growth and lead to better times ahead, how to practice and apply concrete, useful practices to the changes confronting them, how stories of others who have encountered challenging life situations can move readers into a new understanding of the trials they are facing.

Wisdom from the Woods helps readers explore life changes, give tools that help, and provides stories from others who have also gone through major life changes. The authors encourage readers to craft their own plans, choosing the elements that they feel will be most helpful in navigating their own personal challenges.

Suzette Curtis

Notes from Karen

(Our Sunday School Director)

Sunday School News

THANK YOU

I would like to express my SINCERE THANKS to the many volunteers who helped out in any way, whether it be by setting up ahead of time, running a game, making animal balloons, running the cake walk, calling BINGO, working at the snack tent, playing Minute to Win it Games, doing a craft or providing our special music at the close of the event. This event could not have happened without each and every one of you! A special thank you to the CE ministry members (and honoree member Chris Frederick who helped a lot) for all their hard work leading up to our special night.

There were many area businesses that contributed donations to our event, as well, and a huge thank you to them. Please consider patronizing these businesses as a thank you for their support. The following businesses provided donations of some sort....A&W, Culvers (E. Johnson & Pioneer), Backyard Grill, Green Acres/Red Cabin, Target, McDonalds, Taco Bell, Bakers Cheese, Fondy Sports Complex, Festival Foods and Mix It Up Bakery.



Rally Day

At this time, the Christian Education ministry is planning for our annual Rally Day kickoff for Sunday September 12th following the 9:00 a.m. worship service. We will plan to hold our annual pancake breakfast outdoors this year (weather permitting). Please watch your email for any changes.

Sunday School

I'm happy to announce that we will be returning to in person Sunday school classes as the fall programming begins. Our first day of classes will be Sunday, September 19th. With that being said....there will be some changes to what that will look like here at Pilgrim.



First, I'm excited to report that we will be using a new curriculum (Celebrate Wonder" from Cokesbury) as we transition to a one room Sunday school for our Pre K-5th Graders. Our 6th-8th & 9th graders will continue to meet as a class using the Groove series.

If you are interested in helping with our Sunday school program this year, either as a teacher or a shepherd, PLEASE contact me, Karen Goodacre 904-5740.

As recommended by the County Public Health Department, masks are being requested as we gather for worship and Sunday school.

Jr. Bell Choir

Once again, Connie Anderson has graciously volunteered to teach our Jr. youth how to play the bells. She will be reaching out to all 3rd – 6th graders to see who might be interested in this fun activity. Please give Connie a call at 920-251-2582 if you do not hear from her but have a youngster interested in playing the bells. Thanks Connie for your willingness to share your talents with the youth of Pilgrim!



Confirmation News

Youth and parents of 8th and 9th graders, please note that on Sunday August 22nd, Pastor Richard and Pastor Peggy will be holding a confirmand party at 4:00 p.m. for the youth who will be attending confirmation this upcoming year. Then on Monday, August 30th at 6:30 p.m. there is a scheduled parent meeting. Postcards and emails have been sent out. Please contact Pastors Richard or Peggy with any questions.

Blessings,
Karen Goodacre

Parish Nurse

Connect to the Earth

The Autumn Equinox is September 22nd. On this day, the day-light and night-darkness hours are nearly the same length.

Just as the mind, body and spirit are intertwined - our very being is tied to the earth and its ways. I pray you take advantage of this (yet another) time of transition – to reflect, take care of yourself, reach-out to others in openness, learn something new, and be transformed.

Coronavirus - It's about Air Space and being a bad Host

Quick Review: A virus is actually a microscopic parasite - it cannot survive without a "host" where it can live, change cell's DNA or RNA, and grow. Once exposed, we can become a host and can spread the virus to others before or during feeling ill. The body comes in contact with viruses all the time, and from previous contact (through previous illness or vaccine) it develops antibodies to fight or stop the virus entirely.

There are many variants of coronaviruses - from some that cause "the common cold" to ones that cause SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome). Now we have COVID 19 (CO = Corona, VI = Virus, D = Disease, 19 = discovered in 2019) plus some more variants. One commonality is that they are all spread by **droplets and/or aerosols**.

When we talk, laugh, sneeze, cough, etc., microscopic "spit" is released into the air. Even smaller viruses hang on to these particles and can be breathed in by anyone in close proximity. **Droplets** do not stay in the air for a long time, *but can travel as far as 6 feet away from their source*. (Per the National Lung Association) **Aerosols** are tiny droplets that stay suspended in the air for a longer time.

Fond du Lac County now has a "High Transmission" status for Covid 19, and Public Health is recommending people wear masks in public indoor settings – regardless of vaccination status. It's about that 6' air space and a barrier against inhaling microscopic aerosolized viruses. It's about keeping ourselves and others around us healthy by not becoming a good host.

None of this is new news – it's a reminder about the "why" of some of the guideline changes, and that we have control over our air space. In with the good – out with the bad...we encourage slow deep breathing to help strengthen the lungs and increase oxygenation, as well as to aid relaxation and center ourselves for prayer. Mind-Body-Spirit.

My prayers above all else is for a healthy September.

Also, a reminder...

Surface cleaning is important - Here is basic cleaning knowledge:

1. Disinfectants kill germs. Detergents clean. Some products contain one, some contain both.
2. To make your own disinfectant for nonporous surfaces, mix 1 TBSP bleach to 1 quart of water (or ¼ cup bleach to 1 gallon of water) – apply, let stand 3-5 minutes and then rinse with clean water. (test a small area first, and wear gloves when applying/rinsing)

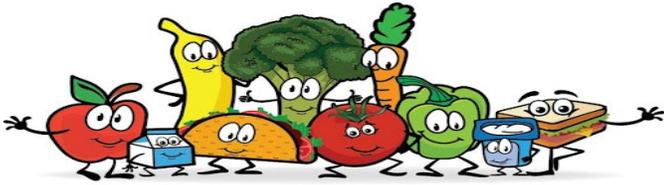
Covid Vaccine Clinic Survey

The Membership Ministry is in conversation with the Public Health Department about using Pilgrim as a vaccination site later this Fall. Stay tuned for more information on this. For those interested now in receiving a vaccine, the Public health Department administers these on Tuesdays and Thursdays – call 920-929-3085 to schedule an appointment or if you have questions.

September is also National Yoga Month

According to the Yoga Health Foundation, "Yoga isn't just a physical exercise program. It is a scientific system designed to generate greater clarity and harmony in life." In lay-persons' terms, Yoga is a series of intentional stretches and poses/postures along with slow deep breathing. Benefits include improved circulation, increased muscle strength and flexibility, deeper breathing, lowering of blood pressure and heart rate, a better stress response, and relaxation.





BACK TO SCHOOL NUTRITION

Baked Beans for Breakfast

September - It's back to the routine...wake up, get ready, eat breakfast, get to school, study...study...study...lunch...study...study...study...get home, eat a snack, study/sports/friends, eat supper...study...wash up, go to bed. And then the routine starts all over again.

I want to concentrate on the food part of that routine. Your muscles are made up of strands of protein and of the 3 food types (protein, fat, carbohydrate) it's the protein that will stick with you the longest. So, it makes sense to include some protein in each meal and snack. Protein is in meats, eggs, dairy products, whole grains, nuts and beans (like baked beans, black beans, refried beans, kidney beans, pinto beans, etc.). So, the pizza with cheese is not a bad thing, or adding a handful of nuts to cereal, grabbing a yogurt as you run out the door, tacos or even a dish of baked beans is good. A glass of milk with peanut butter on whole wheat bread or crackers will last 4X longer than a pop tart! (Pop tarts and toaster pastry...no protein...ignore those).

And about those germs...please put a small bottle of hand sanitizer in your backpack and use it at school before you eat a snack and/or lunch.

My prayers are for an amazingly healthy school year.

Your Nurse, Sue



Hello Everyone,

I'd like to introduce myself and let you know a little bit about me. My name is Cathy Drew and I am the new Administrative Assistant at Pilgrim UCC.

I have been in the office professional field for 50 years starting my career at Mercury Marine, moved on to J. F. Ahern Co., moved on to the U. S. Postal Service in Fond du Lac from which I retired after 22+ years in 2016. I then found my first favorite retirement job at The Arc Fond du Lac and worked there until May of this year. I searched and searched for another clerical position and luckily I found my New Favorite Retirement Job here at Pilgrim Church. I am blessed to have found such a wonderful "family" to be working with.

I have been married to my husband, Butch, for 38 years and have two grown children (twins), Ben and Sara (married to Wade Stoinski). I am also "grandma" to three wonderful granddaughters; Lana (16), Kali (15) and Kennedy (11). I enjoy my flower gardens, reading, playing solitaire and music.

Please take a moment to stop by the office and introduce yourself; I work mornings Monday through Friday.

Cathy Drew

Search Committee Update

The Search Committee continues to work diligently as we are presently having Zoom interviews with candidates. The Rev. Jane Anderson has been a great asset at the NE Association level but since she is on sabbatical the committee has been working with Rev. Franz Rigert, the Conference minister.

Our Local Church Profile has been attracting candidates and we are currently at step #11 in the process as outlined below.

Remaining steps in the Search & Call Process:

Step 9: Revising/updating Local Church Profile & resubmit for posting on UCC web site (done 4-29-21)

Step 10: Second meeting with ACM for orientation to reading candidate profiles and candidating weekend and beyond. (done)

Step 11: Start receiving candidate profile and work through discernment of best candidate, prepare questions for first & second interviews and review all candidate profiles. (May 7 to ongoing)

Step 12: Interview process typically includes:
Practice interview with neighboring pastor (done on 1-11-21)
Zoom first interview with candidates
Check references with prepared questions via telephone
Association Conference Minister (ACM) reference check before second interviews
Zoom second interview of 2-3 finalists if in-person is not an option
Invite top finalist(s) to visit our church for an in-person meeting and tour of the church building
Arrange with ACM for a neutral pulpit sermon visit and/or listen to taped video sermons via YouTube or Facebook. (ongoing)
Prepare Call Agreement for top candidate and negotiate terms with top candidate.

Step 13: Arrange a candidating weekend in-person visit so Congregation meets the final candidate who leads worship followed by a special Congregational meeting to vote on a call.

Make all travel lodging and hospitality arrangements for the candidate and family
Coordinate worship service lead by candidate and worship committee.

Step 14: Newly called pastor arrives and begins ministry.

Step 15: New Pastor meets with the Association Minister and works with them on an installation service and date.

Step 16: Installation of new Pastor and celebration by Congregation.

Respectfully submitted by Gary Ring, Search Committee Chairperson

Committee members:
 Tracy Abler, Jim Bentley, Peg Bradley, Barb Roder, Drew Mueller, Sue Schmitz, & Jeff





Dear Pilgrim,

Thank you for the generous gift of \$500 to the Salvation Army. This donation will be helping our neighbors with food, shelter and clothing. But more than that, your compassion is an example of the healing that's possible during times of great crisis. Your kindness uncovers hope in the midst of despair. It's so important to remind our neighbors that, even in times of sadness and great loss, there is hope for a brighter future. With your kindness, we can provide that hope. We can be the light of a new day on the horizon. This is only possible because faithful friends like you make the needs of others a priority. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

Sincerely,
Major Jon Welch
Corps Officer

Dear Pilgrim,

We thank you for your donation of \$500. Your donation will help Solutions Center provide safe housing, food, clothing and other resources to those affected by domestic violence or homelessness. Your continued support means so much to us.

Regards,
Nicole Johnson
Director of Domestic Violence Programs
Amy Loof
Director of Homeless Programs



Greetings Fond du Lac Friends,

I miss seeing everyone but do enjoy reading The Quill and hearing about all your activities.

Know you miss Ted and Deb and hope you will soon find the right person to fill Ted's vacancy. The committee has been working so diligently.

I hope to get to Fond du Lac before the end of summer and look forward to seeing all the updating, it sounds lovely.

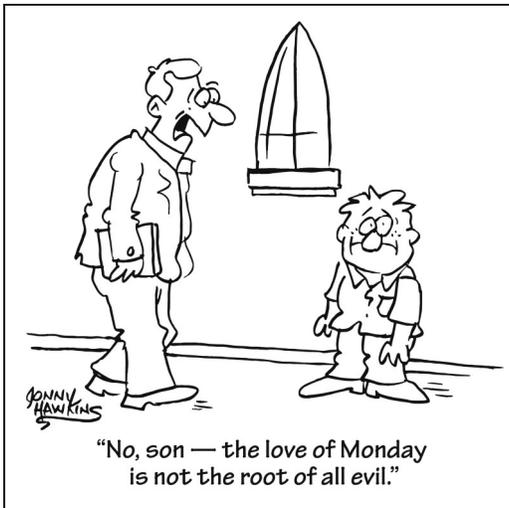
Take Care and Stay Well,
Peace
Mary Elaine Weber

September Birthdays

3 Thomas Cornell
 11 Cassie Etheridge
 12 Billy Goodacre
 Jane Steinke
 13 Carter Mittelstaedt
 15 Patti Burns
 20 Olivia Friedel
 21 Andrew Curl
 25 Sandy Baker
 28 Kristie Luckow
 Keegan Schmid

September Anniversaries

Mike & Tina Potter	Sept. 5, 1976
Bart & Dawn Dahlke	Sept. 10, 1988
Jamie & Heather Connor	Sept. 11, 1996
Mike & Beth Fedyszyn	Sept. 15, 2007
Bill & Patti Burns	Sept. 16, 2000
John & Laura Hawkins	Sept. 16, 1978
Mark & Sharon Schmidt	Sept. 25, 1993
Stuart & Noreen Henderson	Sept. 26, 1986



Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? If you have a birthday or anniversary this month and your name is not on the list, perhaps we don't have your information. Please call Cathy in the church office (921-0415) or fill out the form below so your name can be included next

If you would like your birthday and/or anniversary listed in The Quill, just fill out this form and return it to the church office.

Name: _____

Birthday: _____

Anniversary: _____

Ushers for September	
Date	9:00 Service
September 5	Donna Jost & Bobbie Flaherty
September 12	Barb & Avery Geiger

Worship Leaders for September	
Date	9:00 Service

Welcomers for September	
Date	9:00 Service
September 5	Ron McCreedy
September 12	Avery Geiger

CARD MINISTRY

In absence of the Card Table in the narthex - that visual reminder of Pilgrim Family members' struggles - please remember these people in your prayers and I invite you to send them a note - snail mail, email, or message - to connect and tangibly support.

If you have news/events to celebrate - we can all use good news and would love to celebrate with you! Just let Cathy know (during her work hours or leave a message).

SCRIP

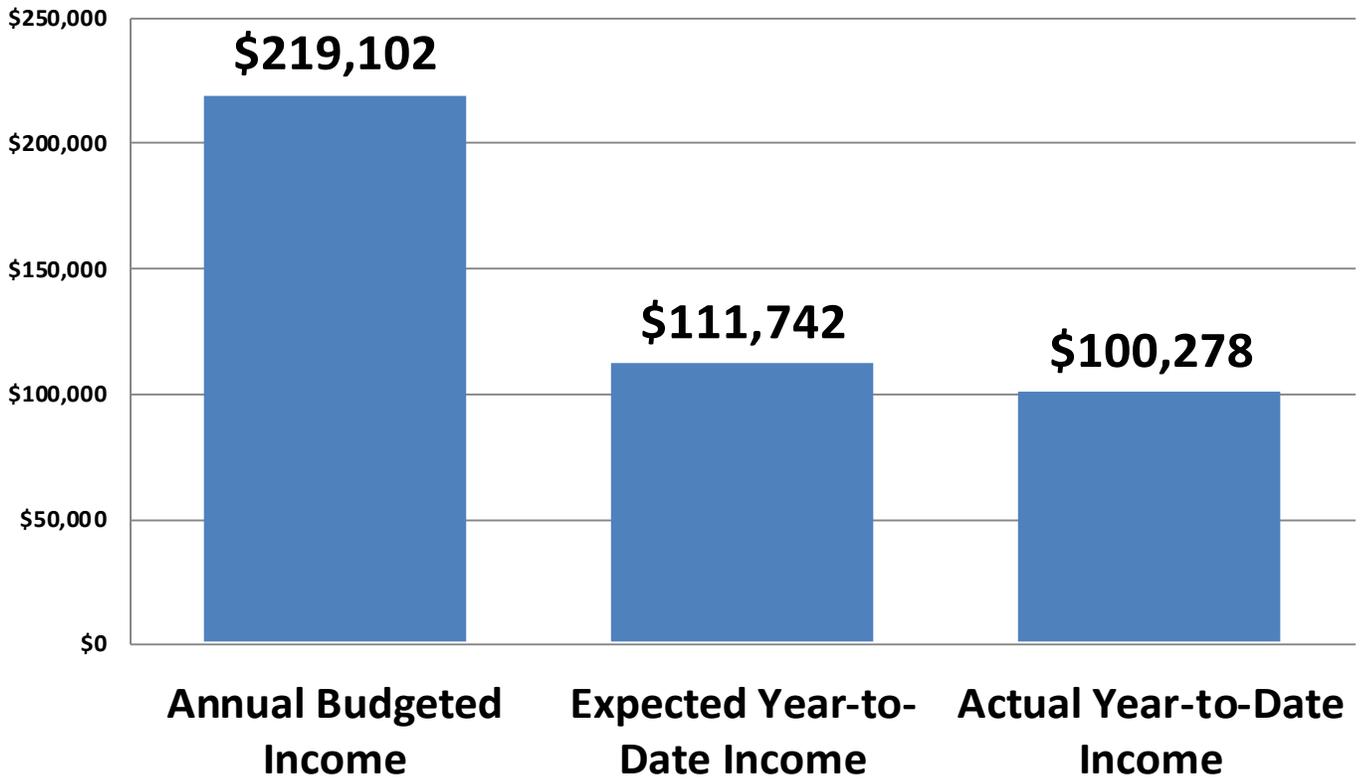
Please consider supporting Pilgrim's SCRIP program when purchasing your weekly groceries, fuel for your vehicles, or even as you are in the midst of back to school shopping. While you will not find me sitting at the SCRIP table in the narthex, I am just a phone call away. It's as easy as calling me to let me know your needs and we can arrange for a mutual pick up time (this can often be done on a Sunday morning if I know ahead of time what you are in need of).

Thanks again for helping to keep Pilgrim's SCRIP program going, every little bit helps. I can be reached at 904-5740. Thanks, Karen Goodacre.



Pilgrim Church 2021 Total Income

As of July 31, 2021



We've gained some ground in the last two months. Thank you!
Our income is still behind where it should be for this point in the year,
so we need everyone's continued support.

Use any of our easy ways to give:

Phone text at 920-796-9933

Internet at <https://pucfdl.breezechms.com/giv/online>

Mail at Pilgrim UCC, 535 Stow St., Fond du Lac, WI 54935

In person at Sunday Service

PILGRIM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, July 19, 2021

Present: Pastor Richard, Pastor Peggy, Barb Geiger, Patty Burns, Karen Goodacre, Bayard Fredrick, Fan Schmid, Donna Jost, Wendy Ellison, Jean Wright, Linda Stutz, Avery Geiger

1. **Welcome and Quorum:** established at 6:05 PM by Barb Geiger.
2. **Opening Prayer:** Pastor Richard opened with a reading from "Here's Christianity for Beginners" by Jim Berlau and a prayer.
3. **Secretary's Report:** Unanimous consent with correction of changing "Josh" in pastor's report to "Zach".
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Under cash accounts, 73 Scrip checking, YTD Balance \$4800 explanation is there was a larger order placed in May to get a large inventory and it has not evened out yet. This expected to even out over the next month.
Under Liabilities, MISC. PAYABLES, 88 cash holdings, note: (\$700) will be moved to Christian Education account for Family Fun Night. Balance Last month of \$329 is incorrect and has been corrected.
Karen made a motion to approve the report, Patty Minter seconded the motion.
Report acceptance was made by Unanimous Consent.
5. **Pastor's Report:** Written report attached. Pastor also met with 2 new families interested in Pilgrim Church as a home church.
Acceptance was made by Unanimous Consent.
6. **President's Report:** Thank you to everyone for moving furniture and Karen for arranging Kathrine's celebration. Pews in need of the most repairs have been moved to one area. In the next days or so Carpet layers will notify Barb when they will be able to lay the carpet in the sanctuary but it will probably not be until after school starts.
7. **Vice President's Report:** An administrative assistant has been hired and will start on 7/26/21. Her name is Cathy Drew and has a lot of experience as well as a personality which will meet our needs at Pilgrim.
8. **Ministry/Committee Reports and Updates (as necessary)**

Worship & Music – Linda Stutz - Nothing new to add.

Christian Education - Karen Goodacre – Reminder of family fun night August 12, 2021, 6-8 PM.

SCRIP update – Karen Goodacre – Nothing new to add.

Property & Maintenance – Avery Geiger - Alliant Energy requested easement on the property to bury the electric wires. The lights will be maintained outside. They will also remove the Pine tree. Accepted by Unanimous Consent. Also a heads up regarding the parking lot. Recommendation is not to look into replacing it at this time but to put in drain tile which is approximately \$20,000 also to add the rest for the parking lot maintenance such as fill cracks and seal and paint for \$+6,000. They are waiting for further quotes. Neighbors are also complaining that water runs from the down spouts into their yards and floods them. Water also came in by the back door by the pastor's entrance by the Kitchen.

Lay Life & Leadership – Patty Minter

Stewardship & Finance – Bayard Frederick

Membership & Evangelism – Fran Schmid - Minutes attached.

Search Committee – Patty Burns – Minutes attached

Ham Dinner & Bazaar – Linda Stutz-

Christian Outreach - Jean Wright -

Memorial Committee
Trust Fund report.

9. **Information sharing:** The council moved to the sanctuary and discussed the seating arrangement. We will continue to try different options before the carpeting is laid. All suggestions and comments should be forwarded to Barb or Pastor. Discussion also ensued about options for a desk area for the computers and controls.
10. **Adjournment:** The meeting was ended with the Lord's Prayer at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Wendy Ellison, Secretary.





SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 9:00 Worship 10:15 Coffee Hour	6 LABOR DAY	7	8 9:00 Bible w/Bagels 4:00 Loaves & Fishes	9	10 6:00 AL-ANON	11
12 9:00 Worship Rally Day	13 11:00 Membership 4:00 Christian Ed 4:45 Worship 6:15 Property	14	15 9:00 Bible w/Bagels	16	17 6:00 AL-ANON	18
19 9:00 Worship 10:15 Sunday School 10:15 Adult Ed	20 6:00 Church Council QUILL WEEK	21	22 9:00 Bible w/Bagels	23	24 6:00 AL-ANON	25
26 9:00 Worship 10:15 Sunday School 10:15 Adult Ed	27	28	29 9:00 Bible w/Bagels	30		

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Pilgrim United Church of Christ, a theologically progressive Christian church, pursues growth in faith, social justice, and respect for all voices-with Jesus as our model for how to live and love.

Pilgrim United Church of Christ Mission Statement