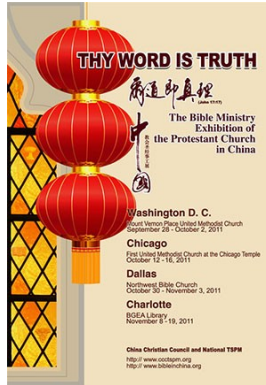




- **CROP WALK ~ PUMC will join the JOLIET CROP WALK.** Mark your calendar for October 23 so you can join with your PUMC family for the CROP WALK. We will begin the walk at Faith Lutheran Church, 353 N. Midland Ave., Joliet at 1:00pm.

We have set a goal of raising \$5,000 this year so really need YOUR HELP. Sign up to join our team or make a donation at <http://plainfieldumc.com/crop-walk-october-23-2011/>.

- **YOU ARE ALL INVITED ~** to join the confirmation class and youth October 16th on a special train trip to Chicago to visit The First UMC at the historic Chicago Temple building and the traveling exhibition of Bible Ministry in China, "Thy Word Is Truth". Through this exhibition, visitors can trace the introduction of the Christian message in China to as early as 635. Today there are more than 130 million Christians in China. Come experience this amazing journey through texts, pictures, Bibles, paintings, handicrafts, and models.



We will also tour the Temple and visit the Sky Chapel. At 400 feet it is considered to be the highest place of worship above street level in the world.

We will board the 12:28p Metra train at Route 59 and will return on the 6:40 train arriving at 7:42 at Route 59. The train pass is \$7 round trip. Please bring \$7 for the train and a sack lunch to eat on the way in. Bring some money for food as we may have time to get food in Union Station for the trip back. Parents, please come back to church by 8:00 to pick up your youth.

- **PLAYFUL PRAISE TEACHERS & HELPERS NEEDED** We are currently looking for leaders for our Playful Praise Children's program 2 times a month during the 11 am worship service. Playful Praise is a worship opportunity for preschoolers through kindergarteners during the regular worship service (following the children's sermon). Lesson materials are provided. Please contact Pastor Sherry if you are interested at [sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com](mailto:sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com)



- Alise Anderson's mother, Missy Whitlock
- Greg Brown's mother Joyce
- Jill Clem's daughter-in-law, Nicole Clem
- Louise Corey
- Karen Cowan's friend Susie Coad
- George & Bev Daniels
- Carole Holloway's friends, Patrick & Ray Sullivan
- John Koch
- Harriett Nelson's mother Harriett Crimson
- Rich Ponulak
- Jean Seneca
- Rena Snyder's cousin, Susan Sandusky
- Paula Thayer's friends Dean Morelli and Kasey Scofield
- **THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE ~** enables us to journey in prayer through every region of the world & affirm our solidarity with Christians around the globe. Please pray for *Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal.*
- **MILITARY ADDRESSES NEEDED ~** The addresses we have for our military family members are not current. If you have a family member who is serving in the military and would like for them to receive mail from PUMC please provide their mailing address to the church office. If you wish, you may add this information to our registration pad.
- **CALLING ALL YOUNG MEN!! ~** On Saturday, October 15th at 10:00am the Young Men's Group will be settling some unfinished business... making a return trip to Norway, IL to drive racing karts at Concept Haulers Motor Speedway. The karts run over 45 mph and are a blast. Racing jacket, neck brace, helmet and gloves are provided. **Ankle length pants and closed toe shoes are required.** All young men are invited - this is a great time to get to know the group. For more information or if you are interested in attending and haven't already done so please e-mail Tim Scates at [tim\\_sher@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tim_sher@sbcglobal.net). Check out the race track at <http://www.jetkarting.com>.



- **THE FAMILY MINISTRY COMMITTEE ~** would like to invite all families to join together for a day of fun at the Morton Arboretum on Saturday, October 22nd. What better way to connect with your family than to spend a day strolling in God's amazing creation! The Arboretum's annual Scarecrow Walk will be in full swing and the colors should be stunning. Ticket prices will be \$9 for adults and \$6 for kids 2-17 (kids under 2 are free) with the group rate and a donation from the Family Ministry Committee! We will meet at the Visitor Center at Noon, so feel free to bring a picnic and enjoy the day with us. Please RSVP to Wendy Proulx at [wiproulx@comcast.net](mailto:wiproulx@comcast.net) with the number of each type of ticket needed no later than October 11th. We must purchase the tickets in advance and this will give us time to distribute them during Church on October 17th. We hope to see lots of families there. P.S. We know the weather will be perfectly gorgeous, but if you're worried - the tickets have no expiration, so we can plan an outing for another day if needed!!
- **COUPONING GROUP STARTING IN OCTOBER ~** If you would like to save a significant amount of money on your grocery bills or the amount you spend at restaurants, you will want to meet Stephanie Thompson. She is leading our newest small group called Couponing. The first meeting will be held in room 206-207 on Monday, October 10 at 7:15 PM. The group will meet weekly so that Stephanie can teach you how to clip, organize, store, and use money saving coupons. Each week the group will swap coupons and help each other with tips about shopping. For more information contact Stephanie at 815-436-1668 or [thompsonsteph@att.net](mailto:thompsonsteph@att.net)
- **HELP THE COUPONERS ~** Instead of recycling the inserts from your newspapers, bring them to Church with you and place them in the crate provided in the stairway across from the office. The Couponing Group can use them at the weekly meetings. Thanks in advance for helping this group save money.

**• PARENTING TEENS CLASS BEGINS OCTOBER 16TH**

Being a parent of a teen is rewarding, exciting, and challenging. The rewards of parenting teenagers can far outweigh the challenges. With skills and understanding, you can guide your teen to be responsible, cooperative, and independent while building a strong and positive relationship with your teen. There are always more effective ways to get along with and help your teen. If you are interested in a practical approach to help you parent and nurture your teenager please join with educators Ken and Pat Decker on October 16th at 9:45am in the finance office.

**• A HUGE THANK YOU TO ~** Craig Smith, Jon Proulx , Casey Price and other members of the Young Men’s Group for donating their Saturday to repair and reroof the porch of the Chicago Street Parsonage! Job well done!!!



**• ALL CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY ~** Our last directory was published in 2008 and since that time we have had over 100 people join our church. Our own member, Sharon Frink is a professional photographer and she has agreed to take the directory photos. We know you will want to be included in this new directory and Sharon tells us if you choose to purchase pictures for Christmas gifts they will be ready! **SCHEDULE FOR TAKING PHOTOS . . .**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
October 10	9a-11a and 1p-4p	Settler’s Park
October 22	12p-?	Morton Arboretum
October 23	8a-4p	Church
October 24	4/-9p	Church
October 25	8a-12p	Church
October 26	4p-9p	Church
October 27	3p-6:30p	Church
October 28	4p-9p	Church
October 29	8a-2p	Church
October 30	8a-4p	Church

Thanksgiving break sittings may be arranged at Sharon’s home

**MISSION UPDATE**

**• TODAY’S THE LAST DAY FOR THE GARDEN CART**

The harvests were good this summer! We have received donations of tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, onions, corn, etc. each Sunday morning. Please take a look, and if you see something you'd like, take it and leave a donation that you consider to be fair. Most of what is available was picked just an hour or so previously, so it is nice and fresh!. Thanks to everyone who brought items in and to everyone who made a donation and carried the items out!!

**OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP THE FAMILIES AT DEL VALLE**

• Please consider helping one of the Del Valle families who are in need of clothing. You may put the items you have in plastic bags, mark the bags “family” and put them in the stairwell across from the church office.

- Girls: Age 2 clothing size 5 shoes 5 1/2
- Age 3 clothing size 4 shoes 9
- Age 5 clothing size 5 shoes 9
- Age 9 clothing size 12 regular shoes 5
- Boys: Age 7 clothing size 8 shoes 1
- Age 6 clothing size 8 shoes 1
- Mom: Age 27 clothing size XL, shoes 8 1/2
- Dad: Age 28 shirt size large, pants 34x30

**They also need diapers, size 6 (they like Pampers)**

• There is also a woman whose family is served by the Del Valle School who is expecting a baby soon and needs everything. If you have some gently used baby things, please consider donating them to this woman. Please mark this bag “Baby”. Baby diapers and bottles are also welcomed.

• Another family is in need of a full-size bed (mattress, etc.). If you have replaced your bed and are willing to donate it to the family, please call Maria Acosta, School Director, at 815-436-1092. They can make arrangements for pick-up.

**• WANT TO HELP OUR YOUTH?  
BUY SCRIP CARDS FOR ALL  
YOUR PURCHASES!**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**October 9 - October 15**

**Sunday October 9**

- 8:30a Worship Service
- 9:30a Coffee Hour Fellowship
- 9:45a Sunday School for all ages and Confirmation
- 9:45a New Member Class (Pastor Eun-Hye’s Ofc)
- 9:45a Website Training (PFH)
- 10:00a Euchrist Service
- 11:00a Worship Service
- 12:30p Baptism Meeting (PFH)
- 6:00p Adult Dinner Group (Offsite)
- 6:30p Jr. High UMYF (206-207)

**Monday October 10**

- 12:00p Lunch Bunch (C/L)
- 7:15p Coupon Group (206/207)

**Tuesday October 11**

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE**

- 9:30a Letter Writing Group (PFH)
- 4:30p Girl Scout Troop #987 (JBFH)
- 7:00p Membership & Outreach (C/L)
- 7:00p Prayer Shawl Knitting Group (PFH)

**Wednesday October 12**

- 9:00a MOM’s (Offsite)
- 5:30p Junior Chimes (204)
- 6:30p Girl Scouts #362 (205)
- 6:30p Immersion Bible Study (C/L)
- 7:00p UMYF (206/207)
- 7:00p Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00p Boy Scouts (JBFH)

**Thursday October 13**

- 11:00a Website Training (PFH)
- 7:00p Cub Scouts Den 4 (JBFH)
- 7:00p Plainfield Area Community Chorus (Choir Rm)
- 7:00p Trustees (C/L)

**Friday October 14 - Office Closed**

- 9:30a Widows Small Group (Offsite)
- 7:00p Cub Scout Pack 82 Den 7 (JBFH)

**Saturday October 15**

- 8:00a Due Date for Circuit Rider Submissions
- 9:00a Bellissimo Rehearsal (Balcony)
- 10:00a Church & Society (C/L)