

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~
February 12-18**

Sunday February 12

- 8:30a Worship
- 9:45a Sunday School (all ages) & Confirmation
- 10:00a Eucharistic Service
- 11:00a Worship
- 12:15p Change the World Planning (C/L)
- 12:15p Baptism Orientation (PFH)
- 5:00p Young Couples Valentine Dinner (JBFH)
- 6:00p Adult Dinner Group (Offsite)
- 6:30p Jr. High UMYF (206/207)

Monday February 13

- 12:00p Lunch Bunch (C/L)
- 6:30p Education Committee (C/L)
- 6:30p Cub Scout Den 8 (JBFH)
- 7:00p Stress Support Group (205)
- 7:15p Coupon Group (206/207)

Tuesday February 14

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE

- 4:30p Girl Scout Troop #987 (JBFH)
- 7:00p Prayer Shawl Knitting (PFH)

Wednesday February 15

- 8:15a Men's Group Breakfast (Offsite)
- 9:00a MOM's (Offsite)
- 5:45p Jr. Chimes (Balcony)
- 6:30p Girl Scout Troop #362 (106)
- 6:30p WHAM! (202 and 205)
- 6:30p Conversational Spanish (C/L)
- 6:30p Team Praying for a Cure (204)
- 7:00p Boy Scouts (JBFH)
- 7:00p Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00p Sr. High UMYF (206/207)

Thursday February 16

- 9:30a Small Group Ministry Team (PFH)
- 7:00p Launch Pad Small Group (Parsonage)
- 7:00p Women's Book Group (205)
- 7:00p Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (206/207)

**Friday February 17
Office Closed**

Saturday February 18

- 9:00a Bellissimo Rehearsal (Balcony)

- *Tom Baker
- *Michelle Bott
- *Karen Cowan's friend, Susie Coad Brown
- *Eun-Hye Choi's niece, Elizabeth Ro
- *Jill Clem's daughter-in-law, Nicole Clem
- *Jeff & Carolyn Dement's uncle, John Wirth
- *LaVerne Corzan
- *Mike Crayton's sister, Judy Barrick
- *Jim McIntosh's cousin, Patricia Mulay
- *Helen Niemeyer



- *Dave Patkowa family
- *Nancy Richie's sister, Marilyn Walsh
- *The Tegtmeyer Family's friend, Tamara Watkins
- *John & Barb Tschopp's friend, Gene May
- *Jessica Wachal
- *Guy & Danae Welch's granddaughter, Chloe Troxel
- *Danae Welch
- *Beckie Winkels
- *Those serving in the military

***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 *Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands.*



We extend our sympathy to Jennie Patkowa and her family in the loss of her husband Dave on February 3rd. Expressions of sympathy can be sent to Jennie at 24265 Norwood Drive, Plainfield, Illinois 60585. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Plainfield United Methodist Church.

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A Sermon Series and Lenten Study

Lent doesn't have to be complicated to be compelling. Sometimes it is through paring things down and reflecting on the essence of life that the soul is restored. Attention will be given to simplifying money, caring for your body, the mind, your schedule, and prayer.

Sermon Series begins February 26th at 8:30 and 11:00am worship.

Adult Lenten Study will meet on Sundays at 9:50am or Mondays at 12:00pm. Class meets for six weeks.

Simplify and make space to welcome the risen Christ this Lent.

The study book may be purchased from the church office for \$10

**FEBRUARY 22nd
ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES**

12pm at PUMC with ash disposition
7pm at Sharon UMC combined worship with ash disposition

**MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFASTS BEGIN
ASH WEDNESDAY MORNING**

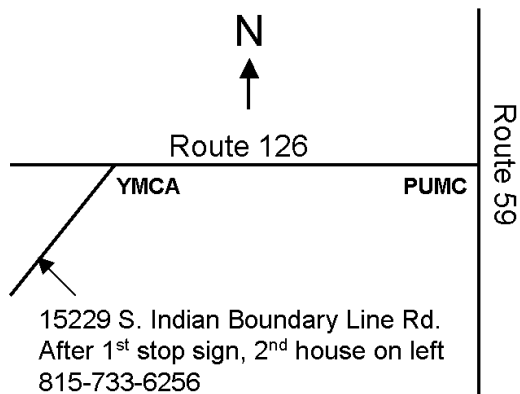
Men of all ages are invited and encouraged to attend these Lenten breakfasts at Southern Belle's restaurant during the six weeks of Lent. Meet for breakfast, fellowship, and a brief Lenten reflection. Gather at 8:15am on Wednesdays beginning on Feb. 22nd and continuing through April 4th. Be on your way by 9:15am. Drop in when you can!

- **RECENT PROTEST BLACKOUTS BY PROMINENT WEBSITES** ~ focused attention on a major aspect of everyday life: using the Internet. What are the issues, and what is at stake as we consider our dependency upon the Internet? How does our faith guide us in this complex and ever-changing environment?

Join in on the Faithlink discussion this week during the **Sunday School hour in room 206**. We look forward to seeing you there!

- **“LAUNCHING PAD” FOR SMALL GROUPS** - We invite new members and people seeking to launch into a small group at PUMC to come to the “Launch Pad” small group led by Pastors Eun-Hye and Chris. This group will meet every other Thursday at 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm at the Indian Boundary Parsonage. The next meeting will be this coming **Thursday, February 16**. There will be sharing of joys and concerns for prayers, discussion time with a topic, and fellowship. Children are welcome, too! Please contact Pastors Eun-Hye or Chris at 815-733-6256 with questions.

Directions to the Parsonage



- **NEW SOUND TECHS NEEDED** ~ for the 8:30a worship service. High School students/ young adults are WELCOME. Training will be provided. Contact Tim Scates if interested and for more details. Phone Tim at 815-267-3813 or email to tim_sher@sbcglobal.net.

- **WORSHIP BAND AT 11:00am SERVICE**
 We hope you have an opportunity to attend the 11:00am worship service to enjoy the newly formed Worship Band. Led by our new



staff member, Jason Hawkins, band members Chip Mackley, Mary Snydersmith, Tim Scates and Eric Wellman provide energized Christian music. Over the coming weeks and months, Jason will be looking for additional musicians (vocals, guitar, bass, keyboards, strings, and brass on occasion) for this new ensemble. Please see Jason if you are interested. He especially welcomes junior and senior high youth to participate! Jason may be reached at jasonhawkins@comcast.net or 815-985-7061.

With the addition of Jason to our staff, we are excited to be building on a proud musical tradition at PUMC. Whether it be at 8:30 with the Chancel Choir or 11:00 with the new Worship Band, we hope you will consider joining us!
 Welcome, Jason!!

- **A NEW SUPPORT GROUP** ~ A new chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous is being formed and will meet in our church, in Rooms 206/207, on **Thursday evenings at 7pm**. If you or someone you know needs help, please come. For more information contact Ray Barnes at either his home# 815-254-0551 or cell# 815-505-3672.

- **PLEASE REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR OFFERING ENVELOPES IN**

- **FOOD PANTRY NEWS** ~ Thank you for your continued donations of food, money and time in our ongoing support of the Plainfield Interfaith Pantry, our own small food pantry and Trinity UMC. In February we are asked to collect Cereal for Trinity. We serve at this pantry the 4th Wednesday of each month.

Contact Pastor Sherry for more information.

- **CHANGE THE WORLD 2012** ~ Are you ready to Change the World? -- This year's Change the World event will be on Sunday, May 6th. On that morning we will gather into teams and head into the community to serve! It is time to begin brainstorming projects designing the event. All those interested in being part of the planning process and giving feedback are invited to attend **a brainstorming session TODAY following the 11am worship service** in the Conference Room. Come and be a part of the excitement! Questions? See Pastor Sherry.

- **VALENTINE CARNATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE TODAY ~ after the worship services.** The Missions Committee has beautiful red, white and pink carnations for you to give to your loved ones. The donation requested is at least \$2.00 a flower. ALL funds raised will be used for mission projects, such as the Kathy Wellman Scholarship.



- **SHARON UMC 98TH CHICKEN NOODLE SUPPER** ~ is this coming **Friday, February 17th**.

Please help support Sharon UMC and enjoy a delicious chicken noodle supper. Dinner is served from 4:30-7p. Carry-outs & Deliveries are available. Questions, Contact Carol Knotts at 815-436-9653

