



- **CYCLING GROUP** ~ offers fun, fitness and fellowship. Spring is definitely on the way and this group is ready to ride. They are always looking for new riders. To read their Blog and view their ride summaries visit <http://pumc-cycling.blogspot.com>

Need more info? Contact Eric Lenning @
(EricLenning@sbcglobal.net or phone
(815-254-3964).

- **SAVE THE DATE** ~ If you are 70 years old (or older), please save April 29th, for the 2012 Senior Dinner! Details will follow.

- **NAOMI/LYDIA CIRCLE MEETING** ~ will be this Thursday, April 12th at 9:30a at Larry's diner. Hostess: Delores Smith & Sandy Martin. Hope to see you there!

- **3rd ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CLOTHING/ TOY RESALE** - Do you have any baby or children's items that you no longer want or need? The Moms Encouraging Moms Children's Clothing/Toy Resale will be held Saturday, June 2nd, and we would love to sell your children's clothing (size 0-14), toys, books, gear, furniture, maternity items, and anything else related to kids! Sellers will price their own items and receive 65-75% of the sale price, with the remainder going to PUMC. If you are interested in selling your gently used children's items, please complete a Seller Registration Form (available in the church office) and return it to the office or Laura Hawkins. Donations are also welcome. For more information, call Laura 815-985-7061 or email laurarosehawkins@aol.com.

- **THANKS TO MY CHURCH FAMILY** ~ Whether it was a heartwarming card, a prayer for recovery, flowers to brighten my day, a thoughtful gift or support for my family . . . Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Beckie Winkels

- **DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY** ~ Do you want to learn more about the bible? Are you intimidated by a 34-week intensive Disciple Bible Study? Would 8-weeks be more appealing?

Beginning April 15th you will have the opportunity to start your journey through the Old Testament on Sunday evenings in weekly chunks and finish before Father's Day! On that day, Larry Newton will begin an **Invitation to the Old Testament**. The study will begin at 6:00p and allow you to "test the waters" in a bible study format. No previous knowledge required!

Explore the Old Testament's story of God and God's calling of the people of Israel through the many "voices" of the biblical text. Hear the magnificence of a Creation hymn, discover the law and wisdom teachings, listen to the warning of the prophets and explore the poetry of the Song of Solomon.

Participants gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of the Old Testament as an integral part of the Christian Bible and a renewed discovery of our identity in God and God's vision for all things.

Please RSVP with Larry Newton at
815-274-3121 or tubbfan@gmail.com.

- **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** ~ Do you want to live and give like no one else? Do you ever wonder what it would be like to not have a car payment or to be able to save for your child's college? Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will once again be offered here at PUMC! The program teaches participants how to eliminate debt and save for the future in order to achieve their financial goals from a Christian perspective. The cost of \$69 covers the program and materials. Classes will begin Sunday, April 15, from 4 to 6pm. Childcare will be provided.

For more information or to sign up, contact
leaders Matt and/or Colleen at
runtymt@gmail.com or 630-405-3450.

- **EASTER BREAKFAST TODAY** ~ Junior and Senior high youth and their families will serve **breakfast TODAY at 9:45am** in the fellowship hall. Bring your appetite to the feast and celebrate the Risen Christ! Free will donations will support our youth ministries - especially the mission trip to Cedar Rapids, IA this summer.

- **REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR FLOWERS**
If you donated flowers for today's worship service be sure to pick them up following the 11a service, or by Thursday, 4/13.

- **A YOUNG MOM NEEDS OUR HELP** ~ A young mother in our area is expecting a baby girl and is in need of clothing for her new baby. Any donations you provide will be helpful and appreciated. You may drop them off in the church office and we will be sure they are given to her.

- **MISSION TRIP PREP, PRAYER & PIZZA PARTY** ~ All youth going on the mission trip are **required** to come **Sunday, April 15 at 5:00pm** to finalize your mission trip letters. Please bring your own uniquely-written letter on paper or electronically. Also, please bring addresses for close family and friends (aim for ten) to whom you will send your letter. The church will stamp and mail all letters.

For all information about the mission trip, go to plainfieldumc.com/ymt12. Download the sample letter and information about fundraising. Please bring your skills assessment with you (see the web site), or fill out the Excel version from the web site and email it to Pastor Chris.

Following our letter preparations and prayers over the letters, we will celebrate with pizza and a game night, which will conclude at 8:00pm.

The mission trip **deadline for registration is April 30**. Go to plainfieldumc.com/ymt12 to download all registration materials.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - April 8-14

Sunday April 8

8:30a Worship
9:45a Easter Breakfast (JBFH)
11:00a Worship

Monday April 9

No Church Events

Tuesday April 10

Announcements due

7:00p Membership & Outreach (C/L)
7:00p Prayer Shawl Knitting (PFH)

Wednesday April 11

9:00a MOM's (Offsite)
5:45p Jr. Chimes Rehearsal (Balcony)
6:30p Immersion Bible Study (C/L)
6:30p WHAM!
7:00p Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00p Sr. High UMYF (206/207)

Thursday April 12

9:30a Naomi & Lydia Circles (Offsite)
7:00p Launch Pad Small Grp. (Parsonage)
7:00p Trustee Meeting (C/L)
7:00p Worship Band Rehearsal
7:00p Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
(206/207)

Friday April 13

Office Closed

No Church events this Friday

Saturday April 14

9:00a Bellissimo Rehearsal (Balcony)
9:00a Plainfield Area Infertility Group (205)
6:00p Restaurant Samplers (Offsite)

COUNTDOWN TO CHANGE THE WORLD

Only 4 Weeks Until May 6th!

- *Fern Angelos' friend, Lois
- *Jennifer Armstrong's friends, Julie, Gracie and Carlin Quinn
- *Debra Bockrath's father, Roland Carlsen
- *Eun-Hye Choi's niece, Elizabeth Ro
- *Jeane Dupre's daughter, Bev, her grandson, Jake and friend, Pat
- *Bob & Lee Faillo
- *Skip & Sue Glasgow's future son-in-law, Patrick Murray
- *Patty Habersberger's friend, Gary Martin
- *Gregory Hill
- *Dari-Mattison-Trevino's family, Angel Miquel and Anthony Hernandez
- *Nancy Mattison-Trevino's friend, Stephanie Johnson
- *Alice Otto's friend Greg Werner
- *Helen Sauvageau
- *Kim Stephen's friends, Leslie Baumann and Larry Lauderdale
- *MickeySue Traver's great niece, Kaci Kay Creed
- *John & Barb Tschopp's friend, Gene May
- *Rose Waldron
- *Guy & Danae Welch's granddaughter, Chloe Troxel
- *Danae Welch
- *Beckie Winkels
- *Laura Zarbock's friend, Rick Webster
- *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 *East Timor, Indonesia and the Phillipines.*

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MINISTRY PROGRAMS

Youth Programs

Confirmation - Sunday's 9:45a
Jr. High Fellowship - Sunday's 6:30p
Sr. High Fellowship - Wednesday's 7:00p
Jr. High Mission Possible 2 - May 4-5
Youth Summer Mission Trip - June 17-23
Youth Retreats and Special Events ongoing!

Children's Programs

Sunday School for all ages - Sunday's 9:45a
WHAM! - (We Have A Mission) grades K-5th
Every other Wednesday 6:30p-7:30
Jr. Chimes - rehearsal Wednesdays 5:45p
Vacation Bible School toddlers thru Jr. Hi
July 8-12 6:30p-8:30p

Seasonal Festivals for the Entire Family

Advent
Easter Saturday Celebration
Fall Festival

Small Group Opportunities that provide:

Fellowship with others over a meal
Support for others in a group setting
Service to others in the church & greater community
Activities with others for fun and exercise
(Please see the Small Group Ministry pamphlet in the lobby of the church website for more details)

Sunday Worship Schedule

September - May 8:30a, 10:00a and 11:00a
June - August 8:30a and 9:30a