



- **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).

- **3rd ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CLOTHING/ TOY RESALE** ~ Moms Encouraging Moms continues to accept seller registration forms for their Children's Clothing/Toy Resale on June 2, 2012. If you or someone you know has gently used children's items (clothes - sizes 0-14, books, toys, equipment, furniture, maternity items, etc.) that you would like to sell, please pick up a registration form from the church office, or complete it online at plainfieldumc.com. Sellers will receive 65-75% of their sales with the remainder going to the Family Ministry and PUMC. This is a great way to clean out those closets, toy rooms, and basements while making a little cash for yourself and helping out the church and community at the same time. For more information, please contact Laura Hawkins at (815) 985-7061 or laurarosehawkins@aol.com.

- **MISSION POSSIBLE 2** ~ Calling all Jr High Youth. It isn't too late to sign up for the Mission Possible 2 on May 4th, 5:30pm, St. John's Lutheran Church, Joliet. You will spend the night at St John's, go into the city to do mission projects on Saturday, May 5th, and return to St. John's Saturday afternoon by 5:30pm. Cost is \$59. Questions or to sign up, see Pastor Chris or visit our website at www.plainfieldumc.com/MP2.

- **ADOPT-A-BILL "SPRING FLOWER GARDEN"** ~ Make a donation to our "Adopt-a-Bill Garden" and watch the flowers grow!

REPEAT ANTHEM SUNDAY APPROCHES!

On Sunday, May 13, the Chancel Choir will enhance our 8:30 AM worship service experience with the annual "Repeat Anthem Sunday" presentation. As you may recall, the music of the Chancel Choir embodies the prime focus for that worship service. The musical selections to be presented that day will have been determined by the voting of the congregation on Sunday, April 29 (8:30 AM worship service), when they will be filling out a ballot which includes all of the anthems which the Chancel Choir has presented throughout the course of the September – April worship season.

This year, the "Repeat Anthem" experience may be further enhanced by the appearance and performance of a visiting Youth Choir from the First United Methodist Church of Tupelo, Mississippi. Under the direction of Beverly McAlilly, Director of Music Ministries there, the choir will be touring in the Chicago area, and may be complimenting our worship experience with their music as well! While we are still working out the details to enable this connection to become a reality, we expect to enjoy this additional musical treat on Repeat Anthem Sunday!

We look forward to truly inspiring worship experiences on Sunday, May 5, led by the "Repeat Anthem" presentation at the 8:30 AM service, followed by the induction of this year's confirmands, at the 11:00 AM worship service. You won't want to miss it!

Today we are taking a SPECIAL OFFERING for UNITED VOICES FOR CHILDREN

By giving to United Voices for Children, you can provide much-needed help and hope to children and families in struggling communities throughout northern Illinois. Please use the designated

TODAY IS THE DAY!! Come and enjoy FOUR X 3 AN AFTERNOON OF GOSPEL QUARTETS

3:00-4:30p in our Sanctuary

Featuring:

Our own **UNITED 4 HIM** with John DeGroot, Jason Hawkins, Kelly Markwell, and Larry Stephens. Accompanied by Kathleen Hermansen,

FUMC FOUR from Downer's Grove UMC
CALVARY QUARTET from Calvary Church, Orland Park

While there are no tickets necessary, there will be a free-will offering to benefit the American Cancer Society.

Bring your family and friends!

THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS Today's topic: Learning to Forgive

Using the material from the outstanding Public Television program, "The Power of Forgiveness", directed by Martin Doblmeier and funded by Fetzer Institute, we are exploring the role, meaning, and power of love and forgiveness in our lives and the world. In class, we will review segments of the program and seek to learn from these challenging and life-changing stories of forgiveness. Class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45a in Rm 206 and on Mondays at 12:00p during Lunch Bunch in the conference room. Questions? See Pastor Sherry or e-mail her at sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com.

SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS MAY 27TH

8:30a Eucharist Service

9:30a Worship Service

9:30a Sunday School for children through 5th grade

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - April 29-May 5

Sunday April 29

- 8:30a Worship
- 9:45a Sunday School (all ages) & Confirmation
- 10:00a Eucharistic Service
- 11:00a Worship w/New Members Joining
- 3:00p FOUR X 3 Concert (Sanctuary)
- 4:00p Financial Peace University (206/207)
- 5:00p Senior Dinner (JBFH)
- 6:00p Invitation to the Old Testament (C/L)
- 6:30p Jr. High UMYF (206/207)

Monday April 30

- 12:00p Lunch Bunch (C/L)

Tuesday May 1 (Announcements Due)

- 6:30p Cub Scout Den 8 (JBFH)

Wednesday May 2

- 9:00a MOM's (Offsite)
- 5:45p 1st Wednesday Dinner (JBFH)
- 6:30p Family Ministry Team (204)
- 6:30p WHAM! (202 and 205)
- 7:00p Boy Scouts (106)
- 7:00p Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00p Sr. High UMYF (206/207)

Thursday May 3

- 7:00p Plfd Area Comm Chorus (Choir Rm)
- 7:00p Worship Band Rehearsal
- 7:00p Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (206/207)
- 7:00p Cub Scout Den 5 (105)
- 7:00p Cub Scout Den 6 (106)

Friday May 4

Office Closed

- 5:30p Jr. High Mission Possible 2 (Offsite)
- 7:00p Sound Meditation (206/207)

Saturday May 5

- All Day Jr. High Mission Possible 2 (Offsite)
- 9:00a Bellissimo Rehearsal (Balcony)
- 7:00p "Circle of Friends" Gospel Benefit Concert for Trinity Food Pantry (Sanctuary)

- *Debra Bockrath's father, Roland Carlsen
- *Elmer & Judy Eddy's granddaughter, Gabby Smego



- *Lee Faillo
- *Skip & Sue Glasgow's future son-in-law, Patrick Murray
- *Patty Habersberger's friend, Annette Bass
- *Gregory Hill
- *Danielle Ivin's friend, Manny Bueno
- *Karen Mizwicki's uncle, James Dee Watson
- *Heidi Mulford's friend, Adison Locke
- *Bev Parks
- *Rich Ponulak
- *Wendy Proulx's step-sister, Kelly Howard
- *Nancy Richie
- *Helen Sauvageau
- *Steven Sauvageau
- *Kim Stephen's friends, Leslie Baumann and Larry Lauderdale
- *MickeySue Traver's great niece, Kaci Kay Creed
- *Beckie Winkels
- *Those serving in the military

***THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE** enables us to journey in prayer through every region of the world and affirm our solidarity with Christians around the globe. Please pray for *Eritrea & Ethiopia*.

- **FOOD PANTRY NEWS** ~ Thanks for your continued donations to the Plainfield Interfaith Pantry, our own small food pantry, and Trinity UMC.
- **MARK YOUR CALENDAR ~ CIRCLE OF FRIENDS**, a gospel quartet (men and women) is coming to PUMC this Saturday, May 5th @ 7pm to perform a special concert in support of the Trinity Food Pantry. The concert is sponsored by the Joliet Cluster of United Methodist Churches. There will be a "free will offering" taken and following the concert there will be a reception. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors and come out to support this important ministry.



**REGISTER TODAY
TO HELP
"CHANGE THE
WORLD"
MAY 6, 2012**

There is something for everyone, of all ages and abilities! Sign up today.

We need monetary donations to help with a few of the projects. Can you help? Place your donation in an envelope and mark it "Change the World". Thank You!

**"Change the World"
Schedule of events on May 6th ...**

- 9:00a Gathering (Sanctuary)
- 9:20a Depart to Individual Work sites
- 12:00p Lunch (JBFH)
- 12:45p Celebration (Sanctuary)

Childcare will be provided for babies and toddlers. Parents are encouraged to take their children to the worksite to work as a family.

Questions - please see one of the pastors or Cheryl Henbest.

**TOGETHER —
WE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD!!**

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS/HOSTESSES are still needed May 13th and throughout the summer months. Sign up today! Coffee hour is a wonderful time to "catch up" with your friends and to meet new people.