

### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

Equipping people for a growing relationship with Jesus Christ to serve all.

### WE WELCOME YOU!

Thank you for worshiping with us today. We're glad you're here! Please fill out the Ritual of Friendship book located in the pew.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

If you have a gratitude you wish to share, a prayer concern or would like to request a pastoral visit, please complete the appropriate card found in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

### **CHILD CARE**

At this worship service child care is provided in the Nursery (Rm. 208) for Infants thru Preschoolers

### **COFFEE HOUR**

Please join us in Janet Brown Fellowship Hall following the worship service for coffee and snacks.

Rev. Eun-Hye Choi, Lead Pastor Rev. Chris Walters, Associate Pastor Rev. Sherry Scates, Minister of Faith Formation John DeGroot, Director, Chancel Choir Kathleen Hermansen, Organist Karyn Holstead, Director, Jr. Choir Kelly Markwell, Director, Bellissimo Chip Mackley, Director, Worship Band Janine Valkema, Director, Jr. Chimes

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\*Indicates congregation stands and Bold type indicates to read in unison

PRELUDE

"Toccata" - Pachelbel

### **GREETINGS AND WELCOME**

# \*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us sing praise to the God of all creation. Let us sing praise to the Spirit who gives life to all.

Let us sing praise to Jesus Christ, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell. We sing with the faithful of all ages, tongues, and races!

\***HYMN** UMH #213

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

# \*OPENING PRAYER

Amazing God, you have confounded the wisdom of this world by coming to us in the form of a human child, frail, disobedient, and vulnerable. Help us to comprehend the great love with which you open yourself to our world, that we in turn may risk to open ourselves in love toward all your children, and that we may find the source of our lives in Jesus Christ and the folly of the cross. Amen.

(from Bread for the Journey)

# \*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you **And also with you** 

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Chris Walters

**BAPTISM** 

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)







**SPECIAL MUSIC** 

Carrie Jenkins. Paul Wrubel

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** 

1 Samuel 2:18-20

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** 

Colossians 3:12-17

\*HYMN

UMH #242 "Love Came Down at Christmas"

\*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 2:41-52

SERMON

"Parenting Jesus"

Pastor Eun-Hye Choi

### **WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERING**

Offertory "Noel en Musette"- D'Aquin
\*Doxology UMH #94

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN

UMH #251

"Go. Tell It on the Mountain"

\*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

"Pastoral Air" - Murschhauser

Calendar December 29 - January 4		
Sun Dec 29, 2013		NO Sunday School
Tue Dec 31, 2013		Church Office Closes at noon
Wed Jan 1, 2014		Happy New Year!
Thu Jan 2, 2014	7p	Worship Band Rehearsal
	7p	Alcoholics Anonymous - 206/207
Fri Jan 3,, 2014		Office Closed
	5р	Finance Meeting
Sat Jan 4, 2014	9a	Bellissimo Rehearsal - Balcony



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*NEW\* Adult Education Opportunity -- Each month we participate in the sacraments of Holy Communion and Baptism. Have you ever wondered what it is all about? What is happening beneath the surface of things? Are you curious how to introduce your children to these holy acts? Join Pastor Sherry for a deeper look at the sacraments over four Sunday mornings at 9:50am in room 206, starting January 5th, or Monday lunches at 12 noon, starting January 6th. All are welcome to come touch the water and taste the bread! Contact Pastor Sherry with questions.

<u>Women's Book Group</u> -- This awesome group of dynamic ladies will be reading Divergent by Veronica Roth in January! You will want to read it before the movie comes out this spring. Join us for discussion on Thursday, Jan 16th at 7pm in room 205. All women are welcome! Questions? Contact Pastor Sherry at sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com.

**WHAM!** Gatherings in January! -- Join us on Wednesdays, Jan. 8th and 22nd from 6:30-7:30pm for WHAM! All kindergarten through fifth graders are welcome as we discover a new mission each month! Kids will learn about problems and needs in the world and be empowered to make a difference! All are welcome! Contact Pastor Sherry for more information at sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com.

A CELEBRATION! ~ We celebrate with Jamie and Stuart Littell as their son Vallon Kelmer is baptized this morning during our worship service. Vallon has two big sisters, Asa (9) and Lola (7). His sponsors are Craig Sumner & Heather Beebe. His grandparents are Debra Sumner, Camille & Steve Sumner, Brenda Littell & Laura & Dan Littell. HIs great grandmothers are Maxine Clifton and Carol Josserand.

We welcome you Vallon as a member of Christ's church.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: George Angelos' goddaughter, Shelley Nicholas; Fern Angelos' brother, Bob Fox; Susie Bettenhausen's mother, Bonnie Proper; Alex Chang; Judy Conklin; Russ Corey; Russ & Louise Corey's daughter, Kathleen Kennedy-Corey; Karen Cowan's brother; Bev Daniels; Eric Essex; Helen Hill; Nelson Jimenez; Jan Johnston; Rob & Kelly at the death of Kellys father, Tom Hall; Diana McCullogh's daughter, Erin McCullough; Harriett & Richard Nelson's grandson, Logan Nelson; Carol Markwell; Mary Palcisko; Bev Parks; Matt Runty's uncle, Bob Runty and family; Tom & Betty Sacco's friend, Jerry Bhooli; Diane Robert's friend, Paul Schlueter; Craig Smith's father, Walter Smith; The Mizwicki Family at the death of Ron's father, Ronald; Chuck Anderson; The Tschopp family at the death of John's sister, Linda Kauffman; Aimee Wigton's mother, Rosemary Thompson; The Proulx family at the death of Wendy's uncle, Gene Harmon \*\*\*Those serving in the military. If you want to include someone on the prayer list, please complete a Prayer Request Card (found in the pew rack).