



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



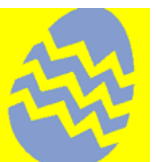
March 29 **Palm Sunday** our Chancel Choir will present a Lenten Cantata at both the 8:30a and 11:00a worship services. There will be **NO** 10:00a service



April 2 **Maundy Thursday** Communion Service at 7:00p.



April 3 **Good Friday** There will be an ecumenical service at St. Mary's on Rt. 59 at 12:00p. We will gather for a Tenebrae Service, extinguishing candles acknowledging Christ's betrayal, abandonment & agony at 7:00p.



April 4 **Easter Saturday Celebration for all children** where we help them understand the real meaning of Easter. Devotion, crafts, egg hunt, fun & fellowship beginning at 10:00a.



April 5 **Easter Sunday** we celebrate Christ's resurrection with worship at 8:30a and 11:00a. Plan to join your church family between worship services for an Easter fellowship time.

MARCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

“Hospitality for a Gospel Hungry World”



March 1 (Second Sunday of Lent)

8:30 Worship and Communion with Chancel Choir
Greeter: Harriett Nelson
10:00 Eucharist Service
11:00 Worship and Communion with Worship Band
Greeters: Larry Newton & Kelly Jo Carlson
Scripture: Matthew 8:28-9:1
Preacher: Chris Walters on “Socially Dislocated or Outcast”

March 8 (Third Sunday of Lent)

8:30 Worship with Chancel Choir
Greeters: Geetha & Emmanuel Rajarathnam
10:00 Eucharist Service
11:00 Worship with Worship Band
Greeter: Kim Pondelicek
Scripture: Matthew 18:1-9
Preacher: Eun-Hye Choi on “Children”

March 15 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)

8:30 Worship with Chancel Choir
Greeters: Lana & Ken Magsam
10:00 Eucharist Service
11:00 Worship and Baptism with Worship Band and Bell Choir
Greeter: Arleta Gordon
Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16
Preacher: Sherry Scates on “Underemployed or Unemployed”

March 22 (Fifth Sunday of Lent)

8:30 Worship with Chancel Choir and Bell Choir
Greeter: Lonny Bodie
10:00 Eucharist Service
11:00 Worship with Worship Band and Children’s Choir
Greeter: Anthony DiChiara
Scripture: Mathew 22:1-14 and 25:31-46
Preacher: Eun-Hye Choi on “The Hungry, The Thirsty and Imprisoned”

March 29 (Palm Sunday)

8:30 Palm Sunday Cantata: “Jesus Should Reign”
Greeter: Heather & Eric Young
11:00 Palm Sunday Cantata: “Jesus Should Reign”
Greeter: Judie Sharar
There is **NO** 10:00am Eucharist Service.

Lent Prayer Stations

Special experiential prayer opportunity this Lenten season -- Set aside a few minutes each week to engage in prayerful reflection. A new prayer station will be featured each week in the sanctuary from Sunday afternoon to Thursday evening starting on February 22. Stop in when you are in the building and visit the station. You can stay as long (or short) as you would like. Center yourself in God and open yourself to the ways God is calling you to offer hospitality to a gospel-hungry world.

First Week of Lent	“Relay for Life” prayer station
Second Week of Lent:	“Mental Health Awareness” prayer station
Third Week of Lent:	“Hop Scotch for Kids” prayer station
Fourth Week of Lent:	“Social Holiness” prayer station
Fifth Week of Lent	“Labyrinth” prayer station (Friendship Hall)



Contemplative Prayer Workshop and Tea Ceremony



Do you want to learn and practice contemplative prayer? Contemplative prayer — the embodied discipline of sitting in silence, with an open heart and resting mind — is a long tradition of Christian Spiritual Discipline. It can be traced from and through the earliest centuries of Christianity. The Contemplative Prayer centers one on God. The workshop will be on **Holy Wednesday, April 1, in the Youth Room starting at 7pm**. Come in comfortable clothes with a mat if you have one. Pastor Eun-Hye Choi is leading the workshop and will close it with a tea ceremony. To register contact Pastor Choi at eunhye.choi@plainfieldumc.com

You're Invited to an 85th Birthday Open House for Martha Wassenaar

*March 15, 2015
16461 Edgewood Road
Plainfield, IL
2:00 - 5:00pm*



Your presence is gift enough.

Stewardship Note



Plainfield United Methodist Church has been offering a giving option that may be more convenient for many of our members---the Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) program. You may already be involved in EFT with your mortgage company or one of your utilities. It is similar to a direct deposit transaction. Contributions are automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account, and directly deposited to the church account on a schedule you determine.

You can choose to make weekly, semi-monthly or monthly payments (on either the 1st or the 15th of each month). Your contributions will show up on your monthly bank statement as automatic withdrawals.

Here are some FAQ's asked questions about the EFT Program.

What is Electronic Funds Transfer?

Electronic Funds Transfer is an automatic program that allows you to make contributions without writing a check.

What are the advantages of EFT?

It saves time! It saves work! It simplifies your life! You also help the church stabilize its budget, and reduce the time we spend on bookkeeping.

How is my electronic transfer deducted from my account?

Once you authorize the transfer, your specified contribution is transferred electronically, directly from your checking or savings account into the church's account, according to the schedule you select on the Authorization Form.

Won't it look bad for me not to be putting anything in the offering plate?

You can still put the orange slip located in the pew in the offering plate. We hope that you will put the orange slip into the offering plate at service and that your fellow church members who see your slip will be reminded and encouraged to think about using EFT themselves.

If I do not write checks, how do I keep my balance straight?

Since your contribution is made at a pre-established time, you simply record it in your check register on the appropriate date. The contribution will show up on your bank statement as an automatic withdrawal.

How much does it cost to use Electronic Funds Transfer?

It costs you nothing and saves you time.

What if I try Electronic Funds Transfer and do not like it?

You can cancel your authorization by notifying the church office at any time.

What if I want to change the amount of my contribution?

You may submit a new authorization form to change the amount or schedule of your contributions at any time.

How do I sign up for Electronic Funds Transfer?

You can go to the church office and simply ask for an EFT authorization form.

If you do EFT already, we thank you! If you don't do EFT yet, we thank you for the consideration. To everyone, we thank you for your generous gift and faithful support of PUMC.

Dusty Gomon, member of Stewardship Committee

PRAYER REQUESTS



- *Fern Angelos' nephew, Zack Fox
- *Lucille Breitwieser
- *Franklin Brown
- *Russ Corey
- *LaVerne Corzan's family member, Gretchen Smichtz
- *LaVerne Corzan's family member, Tiffany Burney
- *Carolyn Dement's neighbor, Rita Yahnke
- *Nancy Etheridge
- *Patty Habersberger's friend, Don Gumbs
- *Nelson Jimenez
- *Don Kinley
- *Sherry Markwell
- *Alice Otto's friends, Marlan & Nancee Pennington
- *Bev Parks
- *Friends & Family of Wendy Orland-Mars
- *Ken Pennington
- *Delores Smith
- *Annette Szobar's sister's boyfriend, Jim Jessen
- *Ed Thompson
- *Georgia Whitley
- *Bailey Wooldridge's friends father, Matt Little
- *Hope Woolridge Family
- *Pastor Mary Zajac
- ***Those serving in the military, Michael Munch. If you want to include someone on the prayer list, please complete a Prayer Request Card. (found in the pew rack).

Baptisms



We celebrated on February 1 with Patricia & Anthony Di Chiara as their daughter, Tessa was baptized at the 11:00am service. Tessa has a big brother, Henry. Tessa's sponsor is Tracy Werkheiser. Her grandparents are Brian & Terry Primrose, Jack & Rosie Manley and Theresa & Angelo Di Chiara. Her great grandparents are Norman & Regina Roof and Mary Manley

We celebrated on February 15 with Dusty & Amy Gomon as their son, Logan Lee was baptized at the 11:00am service. Logan has a "BIG" brother, Luke, 2. His grandparents are David & Kathy Thomas and Allen Gomon. His great grandparents are Ruth Jerd and Virginia Bahr.

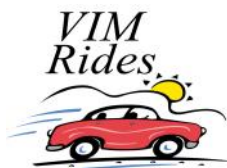
We welcomed Tessa & Logan as member's of Christ's church.



Loud Offering

March 29 after both services look for the Mission Committee members standing outside the church services to drop your change (or bills!) **and here them clank!** The loud offering benefits our LOCAL PROJECTS: Kathy Wellman, Lolly Adolfson, and Del Valle.

VIM Rides to the Airport



Need a ride to/from the airport for Spring Break? Use **VIM Rides to the Airport** this month for your travel needs! By making a donation of \$50 one way, or more, to the Volunteers in Mission fund your travel expenses do more than simply pay for a limo or cab company to pick you up – they help fund the much needed Mission work of our Church Family.

Contact Jim Ferguson (815) 436-5734 or the church office to make arrangements.



*Thank you to all who supported the Mission Committee's **CARNATION SALE** and **WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER!** Our February Projects support our District Project – the Morning Star Mission.*

Green Team News

Last October we submitted a contest essay for America Recycles Day (ARD), and last month we were notified by Will County Green that we won!

On Feb 8th during 11 am worship, Will County executives Larry Walsh, and Marta Keane, presented us with an iPad 2, which will be a great benefit to our program planning and educational efforts.

Including implementation of recycling programs, educational programs, and coordinating the Really Really Free Market event .You can read the full essay on our church webpage.

<http://plainfieldumc.com/green-team/>

The Green team is gearing up for some exciting events in the spring, including the Bluestem Earth Festival and the Homer Glen Earth Day! Check out our Facebook page for more details

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/PUMC-Green-Team/203167049832536>



Sixth Annual MEM Children's Resale

Are you ready to do some spring cleaning? Do you have baby or children's items that you no longer want or need? Register as a seller in the 6th annual MEM Children's Resale! Sellers price their own items and receive 65-75% of the sale price, with the remainder going to MEM and PUMC. Sellers and volunteers also get to shop before the public. Register online at www.PlainfieldUMC.com.

Donations of new/gently used toys, books, clothes (sizes 0-14), etc. will be collected in the PUMC coat room between April 19-29. Proceeds from donated items benefit the church.

Hangers Needed!

Do you have extra hangers cluttering up your closets? The MEM small group will be collecting hangers to use for their Children's Resale event. Please bundle

hangers and drop them off in the PUMC coat room **between March 15 and April 1**. All sizes of



plastic and metal hangers appreciated.

Important Resale Dates:

Public Sale:

Friday, May 8 – 6:00-9:00pm

Saturday, May 9 – 8:00-11:00am

11:30-1:00pm (1/2 price sale)

Presale for sellers/volunteers:

Thursday, May 7 – 6:30-9:30pm

Hanger Drive:

Sunday, March 15 through Wednesday, April 1

Donations Accepted:

Sunday, April 19 through Wednesday, April 29

For more information about selling, volunteering, shopping, etc., go to www.PlainfieldUMC.com or email us at MEMChildrensResale@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER



The youth is hosting a chili dinner!

March 4th at 5:30.

No need to cook or cleanup, just come and enjoy!

KIDS BOOK CLUB

The book for the March meeting of the Kids Book Club will be "El Deafo" by Cece Bell.

Join us **Thursday, March 5 at 6:30pm** in the Conference Room. Questions?

Contact Wendy Proulx at proulxwendy@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB ~ Calling all readers! The Women's Book Group announces it's March book: *Not My Daughter* by Barbara Delinsky. Pick up your copy today and join us for discussion on Thursday, March 19th at 7 pm in room 205. We'd love to have your voice in the conversation! Contact Pastor Sherry at sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com with questions.

Biblical Storytellers present ~ The Gospel of Mark



Before the stories of the Bible were composed as written literature, they were told around campfires, dinner tables, and banquet halls as ancient entertainment. On **Sunday, March 8 from 3:00-5:30pm** a team of Biblical storytellers from the Chicago area Prairie Wind Guild: Tellers of Sacred Stories will present *The Gospel of Mark* at **Grace United Methodist Church in Joliet**, as a gift to the community. ***It's a great opportunity to invite a friend!***

The *Gospel of Mark* presentation will be in the Biblical storytelling genre of telling the actual, unedited text of the Scripture. As the shortest and most action-packed of the Bible's four gospels *Mark* takes about as long as a movie or play.

The tellers for *Mark* will be **Beth Galbreath, Linda Braggs, Richard Farnsworth, Patricia Lind, Marlene Stratton, Pat Michalik, and Becky Potter.**

Admission is free, though donations to defray expenses will be gratefully accepted.



It's time to announce...

this year's CHANGE THE WORLD is bigger and better than ever!

On the weekend of May 2 and 3rd, we are joining hands with the Village of Plainfield and other area churches and civic organizations for More partners, more projects -- same emphasis on loving our neighbor and putting our faith in action!

Registration opens April 6th! Saturday and Sunday afternoon projects will be available. There will be something for all ages and abilities. Mark your calendars now and plan to participate as we move from our seats to the streets! More information will be coming soon. Contact Pastor Sherry with questions.

SAVE THE DATE!

ANNOUNCING VBS 2015! ...

JULY 12—16, 6:30-8:30pm



Kids explore how to put their faith into action!

In this mission-focused VBS, kids experience God's unstoppable love and discover how to fuel up and move in and through life with God.

Watch kids at your church come alive with movement and images of all sorts of kid-friendly transportation, such as skateboards, running shoes, roller blades, and more!

Watch the G-Force meter climb, illustrating how God is at work around the world and how God's people are on the move.

***Don't Miss This Year's
Fantastic Journey!!***

Aurora District Leadership Training Event

One Person Can Make a Difference

MARCH 7, 2015

8:30 - Noon

**Register now call:
(847) 931-0710 x11**

SPEAKERS:

Sally Dyck: Bishop of NIC
Bishop Sally will share with us the call to be bold in answering our call to reach out and BE the Church in Faith and Action.

Pete Leonard: Founder of Second Chance Coffee ~ Pete will share with us his journey and challenges and how his faith has driven him.

Louis Dooley: Author of From Life In Prison To Life In Mission. Louis will share the incredible story of how Christ redeemed him from a sentence of life in prison plus 100 years, and set him on a new path to be a missionary to the felons who are still locked up and a vessel of God's grace to those who have been released.

Come to this ½ Day Retreat Focused on Relational Leadership in the 21st Century and learn the following:

- Overcoming The Fear of Risk
- Overcoming The Risk of Failure
- Moving From A Mindset Of Success To A Mindset Of Significance

***Wheatland Salem UMC
1852 95th Street Naperville, IL 60564
www.umcnic.org***

Youth Ministries News

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YOUTH-HOSTED CHILI DINNER - Wednesday, March 4, 5:30 PM

Youth families, please bring a crock pot full of chili for the dinner. We need all kinds of chili: spicy, not-so-spicy, vegetarian, meaty, healthy, your family favorite fixins (!) and corn bread. We also need **desserts**. Contact MickeySue Traver (mickeysue.t@hotmail.com) to let her know what you're bringing. Half of free will donations apply to the mission trip cost of participating families, the other half goes to the mission trip group as a whole.

MYSTERY TRIP! - Sunday, March 8

Jr. and Sr. high, what are we doing? Come and find out! Stay tuned for time and details.



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN - Saturday, March 14, 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Senior high youth will go to FMSC at 555 Exchange Ct in Aurora. Contact Pastor Chris if you want to go. We have 20 spots, which will be allocated to those who are first to RSVP. Please directly go to and return from FMSC. If you need a ride, please tell Pastor Chris when you RSVP.



LASER TAG, BOWLING, and ARCADE at MAIN EVENT ENTERTAINMENT

Sunday, March 15, 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Did you have fun at Fore! Well, prepare to have even more fun at Main Event's huge entertainment complex. We will bowl for one hour, play laser tag, receive a \$10 Fun card, and eat pizza and drink ... **all for only \$15!**

Parents, please go directly to Main Event at 28248 Diehl Rd, Warrenville (SW corner of Winfield Rd & I-88 interchange). Need a ride, contact Pastor Chris, and we'll work it out.

MISSION TRIP REGISTRATION - Sunday, March 22, 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

We're less than four months away from the mission trip! Read about the trip and follow relevant links at PUMYF.org/missions. All youth in grades 6-12 interested in going must come **Sunday, March 22, to 11:00 worship**. Following worship we will have lunch in Fellowship Hall and review the trip (**June 21-27**) and registration details.



*** Due on March 22 is a **\$100 non-refundable deposit** per participant. ***

VISIT TO ST. MARK COPTIC CHURCH - Sunday, March 28, 6:15 - 9:00 PM



Everyone is invited to join the confirmation class as we meet **promptly at 6:15 PM on Saturday, March 28** to visit Saint Mark Coptic Orthodox Church in Burr Ridge. We should return to PUMC by 9:00. Contact Pastor Chris to let him know you are coming. All are welcome to come!

MARCH 2015



Date	Time	Event
Sun Mar 1	12:30pm	Young Men's Group - offsite
	2:00 pm	Aurora Lay Academy - 203 - 206, Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Jr. & Sr. High Youth - 206, 207, JBFH
Mon Mar 2	7:00pm	Boy Scout Leaders Mtg. - PFH
Tue Mar 3	6:30pm	Caring Callers - Church Office
Wed Mar 4	8:15am	Men's Group Breakfast - Offsite
	5:30pm	1st Wednesday Dinner - JBFH
Thu Mar 5	9:00am	Covenant Bible Study - C/L
	6:00pm	God & Me Class - 203
	6:30pm	Kids Book Club - C/L
	6:30 pm	Plainfield Aktion Club - 202, 203
Sat Mar 7	7:00pm	Mom's Night Out - Offsite
Sun Mar 8	12:15pm	Baptism Orientation
	6:30pm	Youth Mystery Night - Offsite
Mon Mar 9	9:00am	Prayer Shawl Knitting Group - PFH
Tue Mar 10	7:00pm	Membership & Outreach - C/L
	7:00pm	Prayer Shawl Meeting - PFH
	7:00pm	Pack 82 Leaders Meeting - 206
Wed Mar 11	8:15am	Men's Group Breakfast - Offsite
	5:00pm	Girl Scout Troop #987 - JBFH
	6:30pm	24hrs. That Changed the World - Offsite
Thu Mar 12	9:00am	Covenant Bible Study - C/L
	6:00pm	God & Me Class - 203
	6:30pm	Plainfield Aktion Club - 202, 203
	7:00pm	Trustees Meeting - C/L
Sat Mar 14	9:00am	Plfd. Area Infertility Group - 205
	10:00am	Accessibility Committee Meeting - C/L
	2:00pm	Feed My Starving Children - Offsite
Sun Mar 15	2:00pm	Aurora Lay Academy - 203 - 206, Sanctuary
	6:30pm	Youth to Main Event - Offsite
Mon Mar 16	6:30pm	Education Committee - C/L
Tue Mar 17	6:30pm	Stewardship Meeting- C/L 
Wed Mar 18	8:15 am	Men's Breakfast Group - Offsite
Thu Mar 19	7:00pm	Women's Book Group - 205
Sun Mar 22	12:15pm	Mission Trip Registration Lunch - JBFH
	2:00om	Aurora Lay Academy - 203 - 206, Sanctuary
Mon Mar 23	7:00pm	Ad Council Meeting - JBFH
Tue Mar 24	7:00pm	Green Team - 206, 207
	7:00pm	Walkers Grove Homeowners Assoc. - C/L
Wed Mar 25	8:15am	Men's Group Breakfast - Offsite
	11:00am	Trinity Food Pantry - Offsite
	6:30pm	24hrs. That Changed the World - Offsite
Thu Mar 26	6:30 pm	Staff Parish Relations Committee - C/L
Sat Mar 28	6:30 pm	St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Church - Offsite
Sun Mar 29		Palm Sunday - Easter Cantata
Mon Mar 30	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Leaders Meeting - PFH

Sunday

Worship 8:30a and 11a
 Sunday School & Confirmation at 9:45a
 Communion Worship 10:00a

Monday - Friday

YMCA Before/After Care 6:30a

Monday

Music Together 9a
 Lunch Bunch 11:30a

Tuesday

Music Together 9a
 Spectrum Singers Jr. Choir, 6:30p
 Pack 82 Den 8 (1st & 2nd Tue) 6p
 Pack 82 Den 7 (2nd & 3rd Tue)
 Pack 82 Den 1 (1st & 2nd Tue)
 Pack 82 Den 2 (2nd & 3rd Tue)
 Pack 82 Den 4 (1st & 2nd Tue) 6:30p

Wednesday

MEM's 9:30a
 Girl Scout Trp #998 (2nd & 4th Wed) 6p
 B.A.S.E. (1st & 3rd Wed) 6p
 Girl Scout Trp #362 (2nd & 4th Wed) 6:30p
 WHAM! (1st & 3rd Wed) 6:30p
 Jr. Youth Choir 6:00p
 Boy Scouts 7p
 Jr. Chimes 2nd & 4th Wed) 6:30p
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7p

Thursday

Spectrum Singers 6:45p
 Worship Band 7p
 Pack 82 Den 3 (1st. Thu) 7p
 Pack 82 Den 5 (1st & 2nd Thu) 7p
 Pack 82 Den 6 (1st & 2nd Thu) 7p
 Alcoholics Anonymous 7p

Friday

Church Office Closed

Saturday

Bellissimo Rehearsal 9a



Regular Worship Schedule

8:30a Worship with Chancel Choir

9:45a Sunday School for all ages and Confirmation

10:00a Communion Service

11:00a Worship with Worship Band



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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
Office Hours 8:30am - 4:30pm

Sunday Worship Schedule (through 5/24)
8:30am Worship with Chancel Choir
9:45am Sunday School & Confirmation
10:00am Eucharist Service
11:00am Worship Service with Worship Band

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