

### UM Social Principles

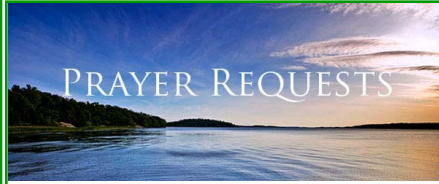
Did you know that the United Methodist Church has “official positions” on societal issues? The Social Principles are a good faith response to what we believe God is already doing in our lives and in the public square. In this class, we will explore many of the Social principles, seeking to move closer toward God’s vision for our world. **Classes meet in the Conference Room every Monday – 11:30am to 1:00pm, Sunday mornings 9:50am to 10:45am. There is also a class that meets on Sunday evenings, 6:30-7:30pm, in the Conference Room.** Questions? Contact Pastor Sherry, at: [sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com](mailto:sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com). Join us!

### Faith in Practice Covenant Group

This **new small group opportunity** is designed for those who are ready to take the next step in their faith journey! Are you interested in seeking God more intentionally? **Join us on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings, 4:30-5:30pm.** We meet bi-monthly, to deepen and strengthen our faith through public and private worship, devotion, acts of mercy and acts of justice. The group will meet **October 11th through May**, to provide support, encouragement, and accountability. Contact Pastor Sherry with questions or to see if this group is a good fit for you at: [sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com](mailto:sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com).

### **NOW HIRING - NURSERY HELP!**

PUMC is currently looking to add to its nursery staff. This is a **paid** position responsible for covering hours on Sunday mornings during worship and Sunday School and Wednesday evenings. Applicants must be 18 years or older and able to pass a criminal background check. Interested? Contact Pastor Sherry @ [sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com](mailto:sherry.scates@plainfieldumc.com).



**PLEASE  
KEEP THESE  
PEOPLE  
IN YOUR  
PRAYERS:**

- \*Russ & Louise Corey
- \*Tom Corzan
- \*Bev Daniels
- \*Nate Hart’s friend, Michaela
- \*Sandy Krzywanos
- \*John Larsen
- \*Ron Lee
- \*Belinda (Joe) Maranowicz’s father, Bill Courter
- \*Misty Martin
- \*Donna Morrow’s son-in-law, John Vanderhoek
- \*Kelly Newton’s friend, Kathy Ames
- \*Sue Sommerfeld’s nephew, Calden Sommerfeld
  
- \*\* Victims of the Las Vegas mass shooting & their families.
- \*\*Those serving in the military, our fire fighters and police officers.
- \*\*Missionaries around the world

**If you would like to include someone on the prayer list, please complete a Prayer Request Card.**



### **SOCKTOBER IS HERE!!**

Our collection of new (or gently-used) socks to benefit the homeless (through Trinity Food Pantry) began last week and runs through the month of October. The collection box is at the foot of the stairs. Your donations will make “happy feet”!

### **TEA AND CONVERSATION ON LOSS AND GRIEF**

My Griefcase



Anne Anderson

On Sunday, October 29th, PUMC Member, Anne Anderson, will be in Fellowship Hall from 2:30 -4:00 p.m. to discuss (and sign) her recently-released book, My Griefcase, One Woman's Journey with Grief, and read some excerpts. There will also be a discussion on grief.

Her book was written during the year after the passing of her husband, Chuck. It allows the reader to accompany Anne as she travels through that difficult first year and it gives many insights on what to do, what to say, and how to help one who has suffered the loss of a loved one.

Her book is available on both Amazon and Kindle. There will be a limited number of books available that afternoon.

This informal event will be hosted by our WOW (Women of Worship) group, who will serve refreshments during the book signing.



**Is your child  
away at college  
this fall?**

Please email his/her name and address to [sheri.m630@gmail.com](mailto:sheri.m630@gmail.com) no later than October 31<sup>st</sup>, so the Parents of Teens small group can send him/her a special treat!

## Stories by Heart,

a biblical story-learning class for high school students and adults



**Tuesday evenings**  
**Oct. 10th through Nov. 14th**  
**6:30 – 8:00pm**

We will learn one story each week.  
Learning biblical stories by heart:

- becomes a form of deep prayer
- brings the Bible alive for us, puts us in on-going relationship with it, and makes it relevant for our daily living
- deepens our relationship with God, others, and self
- creates a personal reservoir of stories readily available for sharing with others for comfort, encouragement, and knowledge in settings ranging from 1:1 to large group settings such as Worship Services.

Contact Becky Potter 815-351-1759,  
[rspotter6@comcast.net](mailto:rspotter6@comcast.net) for more information or to R.S.V.P.

**TODAY at 3:00pm!**

Moms Encouraging Moms

**Family Day at the Pumpkin Patch**

**Heap's Giant Pumpkin Farm**

4853 US Highway 52,  
Minooka

Bring the family for an afternoon of Fall Fun!



## The shelves in our PUMC FOOD PANTRY...

...are becoming bare. If you would like to help, we could use the following items:

- Boxed Cereal
- Canned Fruits
- Mac & Cheese
- Soups and Chili
- Redi-made pasta (ravioli, Spaghetti-O's, etc)
- Canned tuna and canned chicken
- Powdered drink mixes (Koolaid, Wyler's, etc)
- Paper products (toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towels)
- Clothes detergent & fabric softeners
- Toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, Deodorant, etc.)
- Plastic bags for people to pack their items



## Informational Meetings Offered at PUMC

Member Jessica Wachal will present information regarding:

### #1 Understanding the ABCs of Medicare:

Medicare Requirements and the Steps to Take:

**Thursday, Nov. 2nd 6:00pm**

### #2 Health Insurance under the Affordable Care Act (An Educational Meeting):

A condensed educational overview of the health insurance requirements, open enrollment, IRS penalties, tax credits and the next steps with health insurance enrollment assistance available:

**Wednesday, Nov. 15th 6-7:30 pm**

An RSVP is required, so that we have enough materials on-hand. Interested parties can email [info@wfinancialservices.com](mailto:info@wfinancialservices.com) to RSVP or call (708) 524-2791 with any questions.

## PUMC CALENDAR

**October 8 through October 14th**

|               |        |   |
|---------------|--------|---|
| Sun., 10/8    | 12:15p | Baptism Orientation (C/L)                       |
|               | 3:00p  | Family Day at the Pumpkin Patch (Offsite)       |
|               | 6:30p  | UM Social Principals Adult Study Group (205)    |
| Mon., 10/9    | 9:30a  | Prayer Shawl Group (PFH)                        |
|               | 6:30p  | Parish-Staff Committee Mtg. w/Dist. Supt. (C/L) |
|               | 7:00p  | Annual All-Church Mtg. (Sanctuary)              |
| Tues., 10/10  | 6:30p  | "Stories by Heart" Class (205)                  |
|               | 7:00p  | Prayer Shawl Group (PFH)                        |
| Weds., 10/11  | 4:30p  | Faith in Practice Covenant Group (C/L)          |
|               | 6:00p  | Children's Choir (Choir Room)                   |
|               | 6:00p  | Worship Band (Sanc.)                            |
|               | 6:30p  | Immersion Bible Study (Offsite)                 |
|               | 7:00p  | Chancel Choir (Choir Room)                      |
| Thurs., 10/12 | 7:00p  | Trustee Meeting (C/L)                           |
| Sat., 10/14   | 8:30a  | Bellissimo Practice (Sanctuary Balcony)         |



## A FEW MORE DATES TO REMEMBER...

October 22, 4:00-6:00pm  
Fall Festival

November 19, 5:00pm  
Pie Auction

November 28, 7:00 – 8:30pm  
Prepare to Come Close to the Mystery:  
An Advent Evening for Women