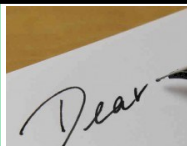


Sunday School Search!

We are in need of a new toddler Sunday School teacher! This position comes with several benefits including hanging out with adorable two-year-olds who will melt your heart and co-teaching with the awesome Emily Napoleon. Please contact Pastor Sherry if you are interested at:

sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com.



A Note from the Small Letter Writing Committee

We will gather on December 5th from 9:30am to 11:00am to write Christmas Cards to many of our friends. Please plan on helping that morning. We will meet upstairs in Friendship Hall and all supplies will be provided.

We will have a list of names provided to us, so the only things you'll need to bring are your favorite pen, names of other friends you'd like to wish Holiday Cheer to and, of course, a warm heart.

All are invited to join us that morning, even if you have never met with us before. We are a great committee to be a part of. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Harriett Nelson by phone at 815-886-1035, or by email at richardnelson58@yahoo.com. Again, please join us on December 5th.



PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- *The Anderle family, at the passing of Scott's mother, Joan Anderle
- *Armstrong Family
- *Russ & Louise Corey
- *The family of Tom Corzan, at his passing
- *The Gawell Family, neighbors of Debbie Wyland
- *Judy & Gary Geistler's godson, Brody Roberts
- *Ron Lee
- *Belinda (Joe) Maranowicz's father, Bill Courter
- *Misty Martin
- *Donna Morrow's son-in-law, John Vanderhoek
- *Diane Roberts' friend, Dale Carlson
- *Bonnie Rogers' brother-in-law, Terry Rogers
- *June Erdmeier Salen's sister-in-law, Ruth Salen
- *Judie Sharar, at the passing of her mother, Ruby Arnold
- *Family of Charlie Tapper, Harriett & Rick Nelson's neighbor, at his passing
- *Jessica Wachal & family, at the passing of her great aunt, Lucille Craanen
- *Steve (Debbie) Wyland's family, at the passing of Steve's mother, Harriet Wyland
- ** Victims of war, famine & oppression
- ** Our military, police, fire fighters & first responders

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



A Reminder... If you haven't already done so, please turn in your Pledge Card. You can simply drop it in the offering plate or mail it to the Church Office. **Thanks for your support.**

Today during the 11:00am Worship Service we welcomed

**Catherine Ghilain
Ryan Dillman**

Rachel & John Jacobson and their children **Mason & Ava** as New Members to our Family of Faith. Please seek them out and give them a warm welcome!

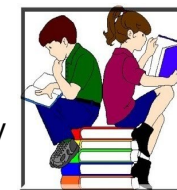


KIDS' BOOK CLUBS

Hey, kids...ready for some fun? Just pick up these books, read them, and then join us this Thursday, December 7th at 6:30pm, as we discuss our latest reads:

Elementary: "*Wishtree*", by Katherine Applegate.

Middle School: "*The Wall*", by Peter Sis



Snacks & FUN provided!



The Missions Committee gives a huge "Thank You" to everyone who helped to make this year's Pie Auction such a success! We raised over \$4200 to support several mission organizations and apportionments. Thank you to the "bakers", the Small Groups who donated gift baskets, and to everyone else who helped in any way. A special "shout out" to the auctioneers and tellers. It was a fun evening!





Christmas Cards or Letters to Prisoners

Would you like to share the love of Christmas with people who are in prisons and may not get mail. Just a few minutes of your time can really make a difference. Please contact Pastor Eun-Hye at eunhye.choi@plainfieldumc.com. She will give you names, addresses, and instructions.

Join the Chancel Choir, Bellissimo



Handbell Choir, and the Children's Choir on Sunday, December 17th, at PUMC's 8:30 and 11:00am services, for Christmas by Candlelight, a cantata celebrating the birth of Christ. There will be familiar carols and scripture readings to lead worshipers through the season of Advent to Christmas. Soloists and readers will assist in telling the story of the first Christmas, along with you, the congregation, through responding and singing carols. Please plan to join us for this special worship celebrating the Word of God through scripture and song on Sunday, December 17th.

Come try gentle yoga! Experience meditation with movement as a different way to connect with God.



First and Third Wednesdays of the month in Room 203 at 6:30pm. Yoga is for every-BODY! Bring a mat or towel and comfy clothes. All are welcome!



"The Traveling Team" invites you to join us this Tuesday, December 5th at 6:30pm in the Conference Room, when

we will take a visual journey thru the fascinating country of Portugal and learn about their history, culture and society. We will also play travel-related games, while we enjoy refreshments. All are invited!

The Christmas Tag

Tree will be up from 11/26 through 12/17. Our gift donations support the families of Del Valle and will create a wonderful Christmas celebration



for each of the Del Valle families. Take as many tags as you are comfortable with, or share a tag with a friend! Remember, **all items must be wrapped and returned to PUMC by 12/17!** If you would like to help with delivery, or if you have any questions about the Tag Tree, please contact Melissa Vidito at mel.vidito@gmail.com



Do you ever stay in hotels?

If so, we will gladly take your extra hotel soaps and shampoos to our clients at the food pantry! Just bring the little bottles to the church and put them in the bin in the stairwell labeled "Toiletries." These are greatly appreciated at the pantry! Thank you!

PUMC CALENDAR December 3rd through December 9th

Sun., 12/3	12:30p	Fun Men's Group (Offsite)
Mon., 12/4	11:30a	Lunch Bunch (C/L)
	7:00p	Administrative Council (206/207)
Tues., 12/5	9:30a	Letter Writing Group (PFH)
	6:30p	"Traveling Team" (C/L)
Weds., 12/6	5:30p	Advent Festival & Fast Food Dinner (JBFH)
	6:00p	Children's Choir
	6:00p	Worship Band (Sanctuary)
	6:30p	Gentle Yoga (203)
	7:00p	Chancel Choir (Choir Rm)
Thur., 12/7	6:30p	Elementary KIDS' BOOK CLUB (105)
	6:30p	Middle School KIDS' BOOK CLUB (106)
Fri., 12/8		Office Closed
Sat., 12/9	8:30a	Bellissimo (Sanctuary Balcony)
	9:30a	Children's Program Rehearsal (Sanctuary)



Reminder - this Saturday at 9:30am is the rehearsal for the Children's Sunday School Christmas Program. The program is at 11:00am on Sunday, December 10th.