

**This Lenten Season, deepen
your commitment.
Be a disciple for Christ.**

5 Sundays: February 18, 25
and March 4, 11, 18



Lay Academy,
Trinity UMC,
Yorkville, IL.

\$40.00 Registration Fee
by February 10, 2018.

Mail check payable to

“Aurora Lay Academy” to 717 N. Wash-
ington Street, Wheaton, IL 60187.

You can select one course of your
choice:

- Introduction to Lay Ministry: The
Basic Course
- Living Our United Methodist Beliefs
(Heritage)
- Go Preach!
- Pray All the Time

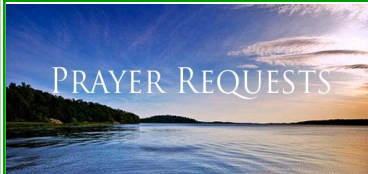
For questions or more information,
contact Larry Newton at 815-274-3121
or tubbfan@gmail.com.

**Pick up your 2018
Offering Envelopes**

in Parks Friendship Hall (top
of the stairs on the right). If
you don't give through EFT,
we have envelopes available for your
use. Don't find envelopes with your name
on them? Contact Cheryl Henbest,
Financial Secretary, (815-436-9651) and
she will provide them.

Numbered envelopes make record-
keeping easier, for both you and the
church. Please use them.

Want to give via EFT, contact Cheryl.



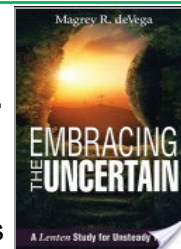
**PLEASE KEEP
THESE
PEOPLE
IN YOUR
PRAYERS:**

- *George Angelos
- *Fern Angelos' nephew, Ken Vallrugo &
friend, Phillip Smith
- *Russ & Louise Corey
- *Mary Curnane's, daughter-in-law, Robin
Gaucher
- *Caryn Feris
- *Carole Holloway's husband, Bob; mom,
Carol B.; sister, Patti Quillman
- *Sadie Larsen's cousin, Jackson Lee
- *Margie Lee
- *Ron Lee
- *Belinda (Joe) Maranowicz's father, Bill
Courter
- *Misty Martin
- *Misty Martin's sister, Yvonne Nagy
- *Carol May's daughter, Melissa
Ronczkowski
- *Donna Morrow's son-in-law, John
Vanderhoek
- *Harriett & Rick Nelson's friend, Mr. Janke
- *Jessie Topalov's business

- ** People who are depressed or lonely
- ** Victims of war, famine & oppression
- ** Our military, police, fire fighters & first
responders
- ** Homeless people throughout the world

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

**“Embrace the
Uncertain”
this Lenten Season -**



Just turning on the news shows
that we live in uncertain times.
Economic instabilities, eruptions
of violence, and natural
catastrophes can alter the lives and
landscapes of entire communities. Our
individual lives are often just as unsteady:
relationships can break, plans can falter,
confidence can fail. Most of us find
uncertainty to be uncomfortable, preferring
stability and a predictable future to an
unknown fate. We are wired to want to control
our destiny. But this Lenten season, you are
invited to take a different perspective and
embrace the uncertain!

Plan to participate in one of three classes:

- Sunday Mornings: Beginning February
11th from 9:50-10:45am
- Sunday Evenings: Beginning February
18th from 6:30-8:00pm
- Mondays: Beginning February 19th from
11:30-1:00pm

We will study the book “*Embracing the
Uncertain*” by Rev. Magrey deVega, dive
deep into the story of Jesus, and explore
what this means for our lives today.

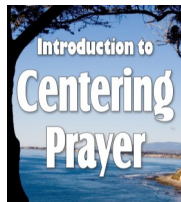
Contact Pastor Sherry at
sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com
if you have questions.



Do you like music, but singing isn't
for you? Maybe the Bell Choir
would be a better fit!

The **Bellissimo Bell Choir**
is always looking for new members.
You don't even need to know how
to read music. Why not give it a try!!
Contact Kelly Markwell if interested.
kellymarkwell@gmail.com

An Introduction to Centering Prayer a Lenten Prayer Workshop



We may think of prayer as thoughts or feelings expressed in words. But this is only one expression. In the Christian tradition, Contemplative Prayer is considered to be the pure gift of God. It is the opening of our whole being to God. Centering Prayer is a method designed to develop Contemplative Prayer, by preparing ourselves to receive this gift. Centering Prayer is not meant to replace other kinds of prayer: Rather, it casts a new light and depth of meaning on them. This method of prayer is movement beyond conversation with Jesus - to communion with him.

Date & Time: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 7pm

Facilitator: Phil Jackson, certified teacher of Centering Prayer by Contemplative Outreach, Chicago

Place: Plainfield United Methodist Church

**** No Cost - Open to everyone ****



Come join us for our February Mission! We meet this Wednesday, February 7th from 6:30-7:30pm.

Kindergarteners through fifth graders will learn about a NEW place God calls us to serve. Questions? Contact Pastor Sherry sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com.



Mardi Gras Dinner

Mark your calendars that, instead of a February "First Wednesday Dinner," our Youth Group will, once again, be sponsoring a "Mardi Gras Dinner" on Fat Tuesday, February 13th, beginning at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Please plan to join us!

Youth can contact Youth Director [Roger Beitzel](#) or [MickeySue Traver](#), to make arrangements for dishes to bring and dinner assignments.



Setting Up Your 2018 Calendar??

Don't forget to add these important dates!

April 27-29

SR HIGH YOUTH RETREAT
(Dickson Valley Retreat Center)

May 5-6 BIG SERVE

May 20
CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

UPDATED
June 16-22
YOUTH MISSION TRIP

July 8-12 VBS

August 4
REALLY REALLY FREE MARKET

PUMC CALENDAR February 4th through February 10th

Sun., 2/4	12:30p	Fun Men's Group (Offsite)
Mon., 2/5	11:30a	Lunch Bunch (C/L)
	6:30p	Y.M.A.P. (C/L)
Weds., 2/7	6:00p	Children's Choir
	6:00p	Worship Band (Sanc.)
	6:30p	Gentle Yoga (203)
	6:30p	WHAM! (202/204)
	7:00p	Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Thur., 2/8	7:00p	Trustee Meeting (C/L)
Sat., 2/3	8:30a	Bellissimo (Sanctuary Balcony)

Wednesday, February 14th, PUMC will offer two services.

At 12noon there will be a short service in Friendship Hall with meditation, where you can receive ashes.

At 7:00pm an evening service will be held in the Sanctuary. It will be a multi-generational service with music and reflection, where you can receive ashes.

