

On February 28th, the Wednesday evening Immersion Study Group will begin a new book, *Pray Like Jesus*. In the book, pastor and author Don Underwood re-

examines the contents of the Lord's Prayer, helping us to discover insightful spiritual guidance for developing a rich prayer life. Plus, at the end of each chapter, he offers ideas for making the prayer a part of our daily spiritual practice.

The Immersion Study group meets every second and fourth Wednesday evening at 6:30pm at the Indian Boundary parsonage. Everyone is welcome! For more information contact Pastor Choi at: eunhye.choi@plainfieldumc.com.



"Theology on Tap"

Join us for food, fun and adult conversation

Saturday, February 24th, 6:00pm

Front Street Cantina,
15120 S. Des Plaines Street
Plainfield

"Come for the food - stay for the conversation!"



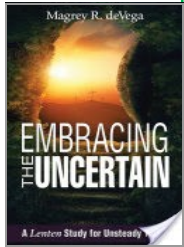
PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- *George Angelos
- *Russ & Louise Corey
- *Mary Curnane's, daughter-in-law, Robin Gaucher
- *Caryn Feris
- *Carole Holloway's husband, Bob; mom, Carol B.; sister, Patti Quillman
- *Jan Johnston's friend, Lilly Johnson
- *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
- *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!

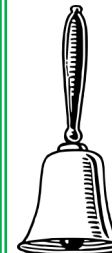
We invite you to participate in one of three classes:

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

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.

Questions? Contact Pastor Sherry at sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com

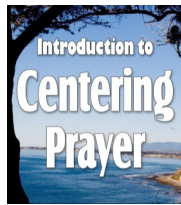
Do you like music, but singing isn't for you? Maybe the Bell Choir would be a better fit!



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 ****



Participate in the 24-hour Prayer Vigil Sign-up begins February 18th

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" this 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.

This Ash Wednesday, Feb. 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.

Congratulations to the following Fourth and Fifth Graders who completed the "God and Family" program! They will be recognized this morning at the 11:00am worship service. Way to go!

GOD AND FAMILY



**Sean Assaf
Liam Curless
Elliot Martillo
Tyler Miller
Michael Murphy
Aiden Rodriguez
Alex Venes**

**Matthew Bjorklund
Marcus Jimenez
Nathan Meyer
Mason Mohr
Connor Paquette
Jacob Schmidt
J.R. Vidad**

PUMC CALENDAR February 11th through February 17th

Sun., 2/11	12:15p	Baptism Orientation (C/L)
	12:30p	Fun Men's Group (Mygrain, Joliet)
	6:30p	Jr./Sr. High Youth Group (206/207)
	6:30p	Finance Comm. (C/L)
Mon., 2/12	9:30a	Prayer Shawl Group (PFH)
	11:30a	Lunch Bunch (C/L)
	7:00p	KINECT: Parents of Teens (206/207)
Tues., 2/13	5:30p	MARDI GRAS DINNER (JBFH)
	6:00p	Membership & Outreach (C/L)
	7:00p	Chancel Choir (Choir Rm)
	7:00p	Prayer Shawl Group (PFH)
Weds., 2/14	8:15a	Men's Lenten Breakfast (Southern Belle's, Plfd.)
	12:00n	Ash Wednesday Svc. (Sanctuary)
	4:30p	Faith in Practice Group (C/L)
	6:00p	Children's Choir (Choir Room)
	7:00p	Ash Wednesday Evening Service (PFH)
Thurs., 2/15	7:00p	Trustee Meeting (C/L)
Sat., 2/17	8:30a	Bellissimo Practice (Sanc. Balcony)