

Women's
BOOKCLUB Please join us
March 15th at 7:00pm

...as we discuss Min Jin Lee's *Pachinko*. This "stunning" book was a National Book Award Finalist. All women are welcome! Contact Pastor Sherry with any questions:
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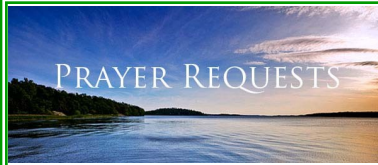
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Mark your calendars!
Saturday, April 14th
is the date of the annual
Women's Mini-Retreat.

Complete details coming soon.

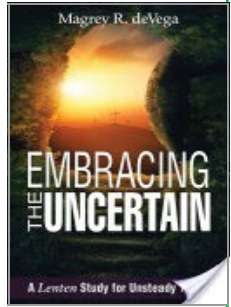
Our Youth Group will be preparing and serving **Easter Breakfast** at **9:45** on **Easter Sunday, April 1st**. We do this as a fundraiser for our Annual Mission Trip. We need Parents and Youth to prepare dishes for our meal that morning, as well as Youth to help set up and clean up. Our menu includes breakfast casseroles, along with breakfast breads, muffins, fruit, donuts, milk, coffee, and juice. We ask you to bring casseroles in disposable pans. Crock pots are welcome as well. You are welcome to bring items such as pancakes, eggs, or breakfast meats **if they are pre-cooked**. We will not be cooking anything on site, but we will have people at the church early that day to put food in the warmers, as needed. Please contact Youth Director Roger Beitzel (roger.beitzel@plainfieldumc.com, (630.338.2692) or Youth Coordinator MickeySue Traver (815.585.0889) mickeysue.t@hotmail.com, to sign up to bring food or to help.



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

- *Charlotte Baker and family
 - *Roger Beitzel's friend's mother, Eva Kontos
 - *Carter Boberg's friend, Dean Scott
 - *The Carrozza/Rudick Families, at the passing of Marcy's (Tony's) brother, David
 - *Russ & Louise Corey
 - *Liam Curless' friend, Billy
 - *Jennifer Garcia's, neighbor (house fire)
 - *Carole Holloway's husband, Bob
 - *Kathy Lutz' friends, Pat Owens and Carol Johns
 - *Carrie Kennick's cousin, Roy Robertson
 - *Ron Lee
 - *Belinda (Joe) Maranowicz's father, Bill Courter
 - *Misty Martin
 - *Carol May's friend, Michelle Balsitis
 - *Donna Morrow's son-in-law, John Vanderhoek
 - *Harriett & Rick Nelson's friend, Don Cates
 - *Kelly Newton's aunt, Carol Robinson
 - *Bob & Rena Snyder's friend, Brandon Franklin
 - *James Wooldridge Family
 - ** Safety of all children when going to school or other public places
 - ** 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
- Sunday Evenings from 6:30-8:00pm
- Mondays 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.

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

Holy Week Schedule



March 25 Palm/Passion Sunday services will be held according to our regular worship schedule. Palms will be distributed. The 8:30 and 11:00am services will also feature storytelling of Jesus' Passion.

March 29 Maundy Thursday service will be held in the sanctuary, beginning at 7:00pm. There will be prayers, special music, and Holy Communion.

March 30 Good Friday features two services: a 12:00 noon community service at St. Mary Immaculate Church, and an evening Tenebrae Service at PUMC in the Sanctuary led by our PUMC Youth.

Our **24-hour Prayer Vigil** begins at 9:00pm on Good Friday evening, and continues through 9:00pm on Easter Saturday evening.

March 31 Our **Easter Saturday Celebration for all children** will help them understand the real meaning of Easter. Devotions, crafts, egg hunt, fun & fellowship beginning at 10:00am.

April 1 Easter Sunday we celebrate Christ's resurrection with worship at 8:30 and 11:00am. Plan to join your church family between worship services for Easter breakfast and fellowship time. There will be no 10:00am worship and no Sunday School on Easter.

April 8 An **Eastertide Cantata** to be presented at 8:30 & 11:00am. There will be no 10:00am worship, but Sunday School will be held.



PUMC'S Easter Saturday Celebration

Saturday, March 31st, 10:00am

Come join us as we create, play, and hunt for eggs!

Your family will create a special project, remember the hope and joy of Easter, all while sharing in fun and fellowship with other families.

The morning will culminate with the hunt for the hidden prize eggs*!

Light snacks will be served.

**There will be designated egg hunting areas based on age.*

We suggest families bring a basket for collecting eggs. Do you have a neighbor who may be looking for a church home? Invite them to join us!

NEW SMALL GROUP! CENTERING PRAYER

The new Centering Prayer small group will meet from 7:00 to 8:00pm on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, beginning March 13th. It is open to everyone who would like to practice centering prayer with others, or just learn more about it. Those who don't have previous experience with centering prayer are requested to contact pastor Eun-Hye @ eunhye.choi@palinfieldumc, prior to attending. Please bring your own chair cushion.

PUMC CALENDAR March 11th through March 17th

Sun., 3/11	6:30p	"Embrace the Uncertain" Study Group (C/L)
Mon., 3/12	9:30a	Prayer Shawl Group (PFH)
	11:30a	Lunch Bunch (C/L)
Tues., 3/13	9:30a	Letter-Writing Group (PFH)
	7:00p	Membership & Outreach (C/L)
	7:00p	Prayer Shawl Group (PFH)
	7:00p	Centering Prayer Group (203)
Weds., 3/14	8:15a	Men's Lenten B'fast (Southern Belle's)
	4:30p	Faith in Practice Group (C/L)
	6:00p	Children's Choir (Choir Room)
	6:00p	Small Group Ministry (C/L)
	6:00p	Worship Band (Sanc.)
	6:30p	Immersion Bible Study (Offsite)
	7:00p	Chancel Choir (Choir Rm)
Thurs., 3/15	7:00p	Women's Book Group (C/L)
Sat., 3/17	8:30a	Bellissimo (Sanctuary Balcony)
	8:30a	"Many Ways of Prayer" Lenten Workshop (JBFH)