

## ♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

### Did you know...

About 1 billion Valentine's Day cards are exchanged each year. This makes it the second largest seasonal card sending time of the year.

Over 50% of all Valentine's Day cards are purchased in the 6 days prior to the holiday, making Valentine's Day a procrastinator's delight.

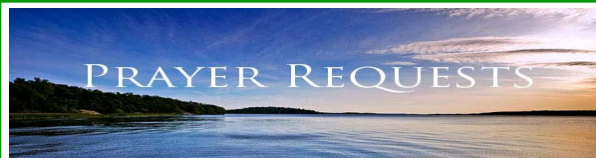
So...you still have **four more shopping days** to get the perfect card!!

### God and Me Class (Boy/Girl Scout Recognition)

We are offering the "God and Me" program for 1st-3rd graders each Thursday night in February (7th, 14th, 21st and 28th) from 5:45pm to 7:00pm. The class offers children the opportunity to explore their relationship with God through group interaction, workbook lessons, and take-home projects. It is open to all kids. Those who complete the program will be recognized during a worship service and can receive the *God and Me* award. These awards are recognized by Girl and Boy Scout associations, and we encourage those involved in scouting to participate in the program. Please contact Pastor Sherry immediately if you want your child to participate.



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### PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- \*Lolly Adolfson
- \*Fern Angelos & Cheryl Reichert's nephew & brother, Ken Vallrugo
- \*Battersby Family friend, Chris Ferenzi & family
- \*Roger & Kathy Beitzel's uncle, Ernie LeDuke; son, Alex; Kathy's cousin, Kelly Hollins' family; Roger's cousin's son, Anthony & Holly Smith family
- \*Louise Corey
- \*Patty Habersberger's friend, Jan York
- \*Ron Lee
- \*Misty Martin
- \*Donna Morrow's friends, Jerry Dean & Philip Myer
- \*Rick & Harriett Nelson's mother, Harriett Crismon & friend, Sandi
- \*Diane Roberts' friend, Ken Pritas
- \*Steve Wyland's brother, Alan Wyland

\*\*Those who are homeless, hungry, and cold.

\*\*Those who have suffered from natural disasters.

\*\*Those serving in the military, our fire fighters and police officers.

\*\*Victims of war, violence, and oppression around the world.

\*\*Missionaries & aid workers around the world

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

### PUMC CALENDAR

February 10 through February 16

Sun. 02/10	6:30p	Jr/Sr High Youth Gathering (206/207)
Mon. 02/11	11:30a	Lunch Bunch (C/L)
	6:30p	Safety & Security Mtg (C/L)
	7:00p	KINECT/Parents of Teens (206/207)
Tue. 02/12	6:30p	YMAP (206/207)
	7:00p	Membership & Outreach (C/L)
Wed. 02/13	6:00p	Small Group Ministry Team (C/L)
	6:00p	Worship Band (Sanc)
	7:00p	Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Thu. 02/14	5:45p	God & Me (106)
	7:00p	Trustees (C/L)
Fri. 02/15	11:30a	Widows Small Group (Offsite)
Sat. 02/09	8:30a	Bellissimo Practice (Balcony)

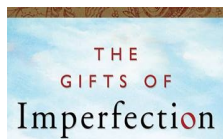
### DATES TO REMEMBER...

March 5 - Mardi Gras Dinner  
 March 10 - Day Light Savings Time Begins  
 March 6 - Ash Wednesday  
 April 7 - Lenten Cantata  
 April 14 - Palm Sunday  
 April 14-20 - Holy Week  
 April 21 - Easter

## ADULT CLASS

Come and join us in discussing Brené Brown's book *The Gifts of Imperfection* in the new year! Brown is a social scientist who has ignited a global conversation on courage, vulnerability, shame, and worthiness. In a world where insults, criticisms, and fears are spread too generously alongside messages of unrealistic beauty, attainment, and expectation, we look for ways to "dig deep" and find truth and gratitude in our lives. A new way forward means we can't hold on too tightly to our own self-defeating thoughts or the displaced pain in our world. Instead, we can embrace the imperfection.

In class we will learn about the ten guideposts for wholehearted living.



Discussion groups meet on Sunday mornings at 9:50am in room 206 or on Mondays at 11:30am in the conference room.

No pre-reading is required just come on by! Questions? Contact Pastor Sherry.



**"Save The Date" - Faith in Place's Winter Farmers Market** will be hosted by PUMC on Saturday, March 16th. Volunteers to help organize and be on hand for hospitality will be needed. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks!

## Spring Cantata

April 7th at 8:30 & 11:00am

We will begin rehearsing "We Remember Calvary"

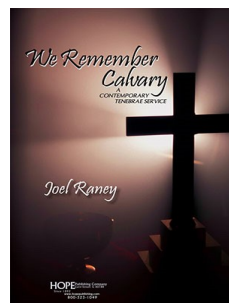
by Joel Raney on

Wednesday, February 13 at 7pm, in the choir room.

If you enjoy singing with a great, fun group of people, come join us!

Even if your schedule doesn't permit you to sing regularly on Sundays, we'd love to have you for this special event. Questions?

E-mail Beth Best at [525beth@gmail.com](mailto:525beth@gmail.com).



The WHAM! kids are helping our furry and feathered friends by collecting **new and gently used** supplies for animals in shelters. Can you help? Please bring in any of the following items and we will be sure to get them to the animals in need. God calls us to care for all of creation.

Drop items off in the box in the entryway by February 17th. Thank you! Needed items: dry and/or wet cat/kitten and dog/puppy food, dog toys, cat toys, pet shampoo, blankets, towels, leashes, collars, stainless steel bowls, crates and carriers, newspapers.



mark  your **Calendar**

## Paths: Landscapes of Our Lives

A One-day Retreat for the Women of Plainfield UMC and Grace UMC **has been rescheduled for March 30, 2019.**

Registration for the retreat will be held on March 3 & 10.

Contact Becky Potter 815-351-1759 if you have any questions.



## Women's Book Group

Thursday February 21 at 7pm (in the conference room)



You are invited to jump into a good book! For February we will be reading "Circling the Sun" by Paula McLain. If you would like to borrow a book from our book club kit, just pop into the office and pick yours up. You still have a week and one-half to read it!

Come join us! Contact Pastor Sherry with questions.