

WE WELCOME YOU and thank you for worshipping with us today. We're glad you're here! Please be sure to sign our Ritual of Friendship book, located at the end of the pew.

PRAYER CONCERNS—If you have a prayer concern, or you would like to request a pastoral visit, please complete the prayer card found in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

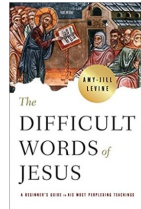
STAY INFORMED - Church announcements and activities are shared through weekly emails. If you would like to be added to our e-mail and newsletter list, please send your contact information to pumc@plainfieldumc.com.



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Adult Class! Join us as we study “The Difficult Words of Jesus: A Beginner’s Guide to His Most Perplexing Teachings” by Amy-Jill Levine. We all have our FAVORITE things Jesus said, but sometimes he spoke words that followers then and now found troubling. We’ll take a look at these challenging teachings and try to hear how they would have sounded to the people who first heard them, how they have been understood over time, and how we might interpret them in the context of the gospel of love and reconciliation. We will meet throughout January and February on Sunday mornings from 9:50-10:45am in room 206 or on Mondays from 11:30am-1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom. Books are available in class or in the church office. Contact Pastor Sherry with questions and/or to get the Zoom link sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com



PLAINFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT WORK

PUMC CALENDAR OF EVENTS January 30 through February 5, 2022

Mon. 01/31	11:30a	Lunch Bunch (Zoom)
Wed. 02/02	6:00p	Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	6:30p	WHAM! (Room 202)
Sat. 02/05	9:00a	Bellissimo Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Women’s Book Group Selections for the next two months!



February 17: *Only Woman in the Room* by Marie Benedict

March 17: *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave



We meet on the third Thursday of each month at 7pm via Zoom. Contact Pastor Sherry to get the link and join the discussion. (sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com)

Children And Youth Matter



Sunday School for Children and Youth! They Matter!

With all the chaos and craziness in the world right now, your child could use a safe, caring place to wonder, ask big questions, find support, and grow in their faith. There is no better place than right here at PUMC! Each week, our dedicated volunteers become spiritual companions for your child, providing fun and meaningful experiences as they walk through this topsy-turvy life. They will learn the stories of scripture and the traditions that ground us in God’s story. They will discover a place where they can share their greatest joys and their biggest worries. They will see themselves as a part of a larger community working to change the world for the better. At PUMC, we consistently practice Covid-19 safety standards: strict cleaning protocols, universal masking, and classrooms with excellent ventilation and plenty of space to spread out. You and your family are invited to journey with us – life’s better together! Questions? Contact Pastor Sherry at sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com

Calling all kindergarteners through fifth graders who love to serve! You are invited to join us in mission in 2022! We will meet on **Wednesday, February 2** with our next AWESOME mission project! Join us in room 202 for a special Valentine’s Day themed project! Questions? Contact Pastor Sherry at sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com.



WE ARE CALLED
TO SERVE.


So - did you hear the call this week? Were you listening? It isn’t too late - we **ALWAYS** need volunteers. Contact the church office if you want to be a part of some exciting opportunities! You won’t be sorry!




PLEASE REFERENCE YOUR E-NEWS TO SEE THE CURRENT PRAYER LIST. THEN TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO PRAY FOR THOSE LISTED.

If you have a prayer concern, e-mail us at plainfieldumc.com. We will pray for you either privately or we will share your request with the congregation via constant contact.

Because we are not all together, it is hard to know when to take someone off of the prayer list. Please notify the church office when something changes. Thank You!!

SPECIAL NOTICE: Due to the pandemic, we will not be resuming Nursery Care or Playful Praise at this time. Children are welcome and encouraged to be in worship. Worship bags and clipboards are available at the back of the sanctuary. Stop and pick one up for your little one(s)!. 

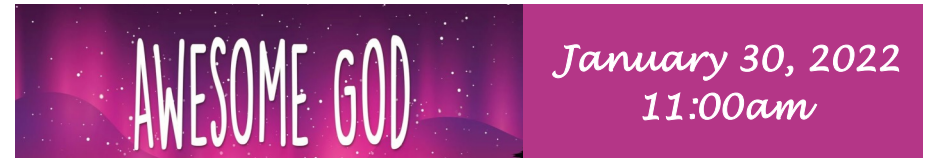



Stay tuned for more details and registration information. It will be here before we know it!! (I know I'm excited and can hardly wait!)



CHANGE IN PLANS! 2021 Giving Statements have been mailed through US mail (not e-mail). Please watch for it in your mailbox. If you don't receive a statement, please notify the church office at pumc@plainfieldumc.com or 815-436-9651 and I will send your statement to you as soon as possible. Thanks for supporting PUMC!!

Rev. Dick Wisdom, Senior Pastor
Rev. Sherry Steele, Minister of Faith Formation
Rev. Fritz Bartels, Retired Pastor in Residence



*Indicates congregation stands

**The Faith We Sing (soft-cover, black) Worship & Song (soft-cover, green)

WE WELCOME YOU!

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING MUSIC "Here I Am, Lord" UMH #593 (vs. 1&2)

*OPENING PRAYER

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE MickeySue Traver

SPECIAL MUSIC "I Am Yours" -Lauren Daigle

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer UMH #895

GOSPEL READING Luke 4:21-30

MESSAGE Rev. Dick Wisdom
"Hometown Boy Makes Good...Or Does He?"

OFFERING
*Song of Thanks UMH #95
*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING SONG "Cast Out, O Christ" W&S #3072

*BLESSING