**WE WELCOME YOU** and thank you for worshiping 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.

# WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE.

Have you heard the call? Perhaps it is to be a Greeter or Usher on Sunday morning? Or perhaps it is to work with our tech team? Maybe it is to send a note or call someone who is unable to

get out or is alone. There is something for all of us to do! We just need to listen for the call. Will you listen and respond?

## **Women's Book Group Selections**

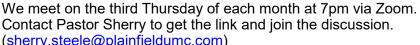
for the next two months!



February 17: Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict

March 17: The Last Thing He Told Me by

Laura Dave



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 language and Enbruage on Sunday marriage from 0:50

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



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## PLAINFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT WORK

# PUMC CALENDAR OF EVENTS January 23 through January 29 2022

Sun. 01/23	6:30p	Youth Group
Mon. 01/24	11:30a	Lunch Bunch (Zoom)
	6:30p	Admin Council (Zoom)
Wed. 01/26	11:30a	Trinity Food Pantry
	6:00p	Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Sat. 01/29	9:00a	Bellissimo Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)



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!)



# 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 <a href="mailto:sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com">sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com</a>



# 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)!.





#### END OF YEAR FINANCIAL GIVING

**STATEMENTS** will be e-mailed to your home the week of January 23rd. Please look for them. Check your junk mail and spam. If you don't receive a statement, please contact the church office at *pumc@plainfieldumc.com* or 815-436-9651.

On Wednesday, January 26 PUMC is scheduled to serve at the Ridgewood United Community Pantry in Joliet. You can put your faith into action. Contact Pastor Sherry if you can help or would like to learn more. (sherry.steele@plainfieldumc.com)



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



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# January 23, 2022 11:00am

\*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 "Gather Us In" TFWS #2236 (vs. 1,2,4)

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Dick Wisdom

SPECIAL MUSIC "I Will Be" -Natalie Grant

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer UMH #895

GOSPEL READING Luke 4:14-21

MESSAGE Rev. Dick Wisdom

"What has the Spirit of God Anointed You to do?"

**OFFERING** 

\*Song of Thanks UMH #95

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING SONG "We Are Called" TFWS #2172

\*BLESSING