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from the Pastor...
a 'guest' article

Marguerite Henne is one of PUMC's oldest members; she celebrated her 95th birthday this past December. When I visited her on February 5 of this year, she told me of a time last June or July when she could not sleep well one night. Many thoughts were running through her mind. She decided to write them down and fashion them into a poem. Mrs. Henne calls it, *Help From Jesus*.

"You're tired and sleepy Marguerite
So close your eyes and go to sleep.
God will watch all through the night
Till morning's early light.

He found a good home for you when you were a baby,
And again when you are an old lady.

And when you reach our home above, again you'll see the ones you love.

The mother you never knew, the three who were so good to you.

Your father who was so much fun, and

Ernest and William, your two sons.

Your husband, Freddy, born the same month as you

Right near Christmas, too.

With so many of the family to see, what a welcome it will be.

And friends you knew will be happy to see you."

One word of explanation...the "three who were so good to you" are two Aunts and an Uncle who raised Mrs. Henne as though she was one of their children.

Marguerite hopes that these words help someone else to see beyond the past and even the present, to a future marked by the assurance and promise of a resurrected Lord and Savior. In this time of Lenten climax and Easter's approach with all of its promise for humankind, how appropriate it is to let

Mrs. Henne's words speak to us. By the way...she concluded her lines with,

"THANK YOU, JESUS." Thanks be to God and Jesus, to be sure!



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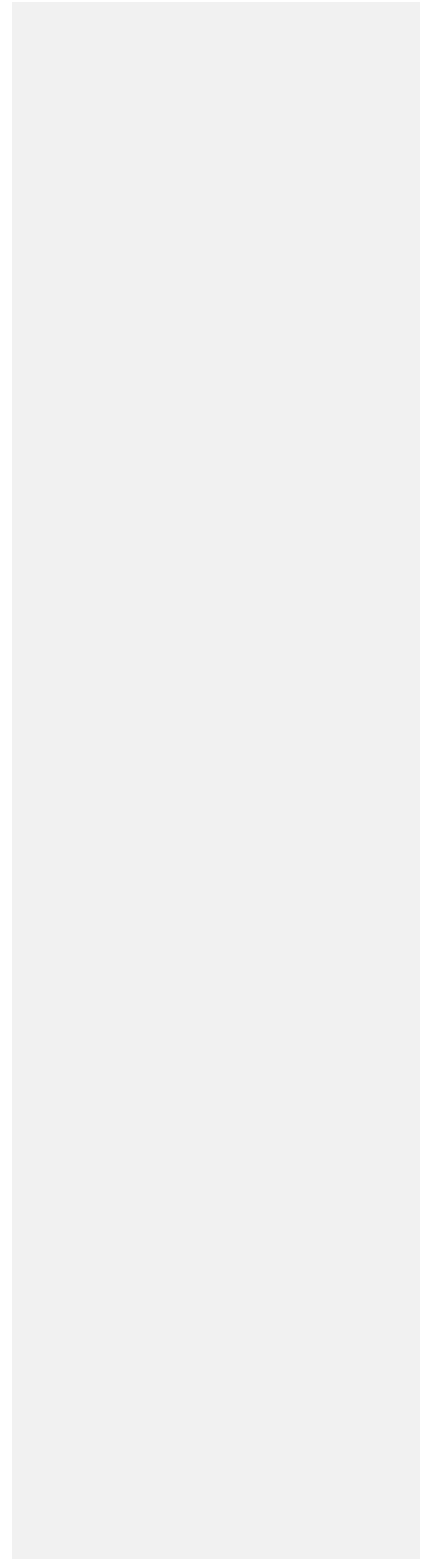
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A 'Check-up' for PUMC "News from our Stewardship and Finance Committee"

For many of us, an annual trip to our physician lets us know how we are doing health-wise and if we need to make any lifestyle changes. A big part of this annual check-up is the many numbers which tell our doctors just how well our bodies are.

As members together working for God through the Plainville UMC, we need to look at our numbers, too.

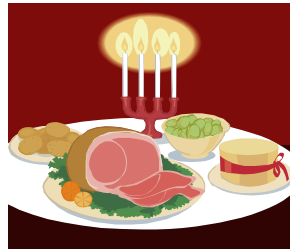
In order for the church to be **HEALTHY** and able to "*run the race*" for our Lord, we need to meet the financial goal of receiving approximately \$2,525. each week.

To date in 2010, we have received \$1,757. per week...and so this number is not where it needs to be.

As a result, we turn often to the church's endowment to assist meeting our financial responsibilities. This drains monies from this fund needed elsewhere for our church. Needing to do this means that our ministries in God's name are not as healthy as they can and need to be.

How are your stewardship numbers of faithfulness to God? Are they healthy? Are they expanding God's reach into the world in ministry through our church? We urge everyone to prayerfully become a more well, vibrant, and healthy contributor to the God who blesses each of us. God calls us to return a tithe of God's blessings to God's work. Hear God's call and respond today.

SAVE THE DATE! ANNUAL HAM DINNER MAY 1ST, 2010



**Tickets go on sale
on March 28th.
Adults: \$10.00
Children 5-12: \$5.00**

**Call Karen Waldmann
@ 860-747-2592 for details**

A New Library for PUMC



**A new lending library will soon be located
in the Narthex of our church.**

On its' shelves will be books for adults and children for you to enjoy.

In order to borrow a book, just choose your selection and bring it home. When you have finished reading, just bring your book back, and place in on the shelf in the adult or children's section.

If you have books you would like to donate, please speak to Donna Burns.

Be sure to "check out" the new library!

Wanted! Needed!
Volunteers to join in planning
and working on a
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Our church is starting a new "fun" raiser by hosting a **Strawberry Festival** on **Friday, June 11th, 2010**
10 AM – 4 PM

To run the festival we will need volunteers for:

Drivers to deliver the shortcakes to local business: 5-8 drivers needed

- **Folks to Whip Cream:** 3-4 people
- **Folks to assemble shortcakes:**
3- 4 people
 - **Ticket and funds collector:**
1 volunteer
 - **Kitchen Supervisors:** 1 -2 people
 - **Publicity:** 2-3 people

The plan would be to make and sell approximately 200 - 300 shortcakes.

Shortcakes are ordered by local businesses, etc., and delivered during lunch hours. **PLEASE CONSIDER BEING A CONTACT FOR YOUR BUSINESS OR SCHOOL.**

The shortcakes would also be available to enjoy here at the church as well.

Please contact Greg Michaud at 860-793-9590, or email him at tg_Michaud@sbcglobal.net,

TODAY, and volunteer. A planning committee IS BEING FORMED.

Funds from the Festival will help further our mission & ministry.

New in the Sanctuary:
"The Family Quiet Corner"

A new space has been arranged in the rear corner of the sanctuary to provide a quiet corner for families with infants and toddlers.

This open space area provides a place where young children can safely play/read/be monitored by their parents during worship.

Parents can also avail themselves of the sound connected and staffed Crib Room on our lower level as well as the Narthex area which is also now sound connected.

We welcome our youngest members to enjoy this new space in our sanctuary.

Sunday School Announces a
New Sunday Morning Format

The Sunday School has added a new and exciting segment to our Sunday School hour.

Starting in Feb., students age 3 → Gr. 5 have been meeting at 9 AM in the Sanctuary for a brief time of PRAISE & PRAYER!

This 10 minute period, led by our organist and choir director, David McWilliams, along with Karen Waldmann and Sue

Underwood, is an opportunity for our students to learn new songs, memorize Bible verses, and have a time of prayer together before heading to class by 9:10.

Some of the new music will be shared during Morning Worship on Sunday, 3/28, Palm Sunday, and again on Sundays, 5/9 and 5/30.

**SEE YOU AT 9:00 a.m.
for PRAISE and PRAYER!**

Additional Security for our Church School and Crib Room

To add a measure of increased security for our Sunday School children and Crib Room, the back inside door to the Sunday School hallway will be locked at 9:10 each Sunday morning.

Access to the hallway can be gained through the door at the bottom of the stairs in the Narthex area.

In addition, a communications system between the Crib Room and the Sanctuary will soon be in place during Morning Worship.

These measures are in keeping with our "Safe Sanctuaries" policies. We are always working hard to care for our youngest member's safety.

Additional improvements to our Crib Room will be coming soon. Watch for them!

Sunday School Plans New Mission Outreach: "The Dimes for Birthday Project"

Starting on March 28, the Sunday School will sponsor a new program which will support a Children's mission in 2010.

The "Dimes for Birthday Project" will involve the whole congregation. It is simple and fun.

- On the last Sunday of your birthday month, bring in one dime for each year you are celebrating.
- These birthday dimes will be collected in a special box during morning worship.
- Everyone, from our youngest to our oldest member, is invited to participate.

- A make-up Sunday for folks celebrating birthdays in Jan. → Feb. of 2010 will be held on the last Sunday of April.

The dimes really add up, and will enable the Sunday School to generously support a mission centering around children in 2010.

**DON'T FORGET – THE FIRST
"BIRTHDAY DIMES" SUNDAY WILL
BE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 28th.**

WE PRAY GOD'S COMFORT AND PEACE BLESS THE FAMILIES OF:

ELAINE POWELL, 55, daughter of Norma Powell, departed this life on Jan. 13;

GLADYS FURREY, 97, member of PUMC since 1926, the longest continuous membership in our church, on Jan. 16;

MARSHALL E. LaCOMBE, 80, a 64 year member of PUMC, on Jan. 31.; **JAMIE**

SWAIM, sister-in-law of Deanna Becker, on Feb. 4; **BROOKE FRUCHTENICHT**,

niece of Lisa Levesque, who died the day after her birth, on Feb. 4; **DOROTHY**

OSBORNE, widow of The Rev. Wesley Osborne, who served PUMC from

1948~1950, Feb. 24; and **CAROL SMITH**, grandmother of Jeff Cedarfield, on March 7.

**NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES
and LAY LEADERSHIP
ELECTED OFFICERS' LISTS will
be emailed by the time this
Messenger is received, and available
to everyone else on the table outside**

the Church Office door.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE: SUNDAY SCHOOL ...9:00 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP.....10:00AM

APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

- 1 - Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion, 7 PM
- 2 - Good Friday Worship, 7 pm, Church Office Closed Today
- 4 - EASTER WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION, 10:00 AM
- 6 - Women's Club of Plainville, Meets, 7 PM
- 26 - American Red Cross Blood Drive, 11:30 AM to 5 PM-Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE for appointment.
- 15, 22, 29 - B.A.S.I.C Midweek Services, 7 PM
- 11, 18 & 25 - Sunday Choir Rehearsal, Follows Worship

MAY HIGHLIGHTS

- 1 - PUMC Annual Ham Dinner, 4:30 to 7 PM
- 2 - WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION, 10:00 AM, District Conference
- 4 - Women's Club of Plainville, 7 PM
- 9 - MYF Annual Mother's Day Bake Auction for Relay for Life
- 9 - June/July "MESSENGER" Articles DUE DATE
- 6, 13, 20, 27 - B.A.S.I.C Midweek Services, 7 PM
- 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - Sunday Choir Rehearsal, Follows Worship

(For more dates and times, also see full calendar on the last page.)



April Birthdays

- 2 - Parker Thompson
- 2 - Sarah Steele
- 5 - Jan Billings
- 7 - Brayton Tompkins
- 8 - Lois Hodlin
- 15 - **Grace Nelson- 82nd**
- 18 - Aimee Michaud
- 19 - Laurel Underwood
- 20 - James Lathrop
- 21 - Donald A. Angels
- 21 - Donald W. Angels
- 21 - **Marion Appleyard-94th**
- 21 - Claudette Lathrop
- 24 - Emily Blake
- 25 - Nicole Anglis
- 25 - Richard Dilg
- 27 - John Krom



May Birthdays

- 1 - Clarence Bangloy
- 3 - Carol Sparks
- 7 - Marie Larson
- 11 - Gary Willard
- 14 - Sue LaCombe
- 16 - Kate Johnson
- 19 - Christopher Pierce
- 21 - Kitty Delin
- 22 - Sarah Thompson
- 23 - Joellen Wexler
- 24 - Celine Bangloy
- 25 - Kaitlyn Grenier
- 25 - Doris Misenti
- 25 - Mitch Underwood
- 26 - David McWilliams
- 26 - Greg Michaud



Happy Anniversary!!!

April

- 15- Don & Deanna Becker
- 17- Edward & Dorothy Larkin-65th**
- 23- Greg & Tracey Michaud
- 28- David & Lisa Levesque
- 29- Donald & Ronnie Angels

March

- 1- Nik & Lena Kurtz-56th**
- 7- Perry & Sherry Cole
- 7- Robert & Grace Nelson-61st**
- 22- Ed & Carol Sparks
- 22- Russell & Karen Waldmann
- 23- Jeffrey & Ellen Cedarfield
- 23- Timothy & Nancy Keddy
- 30- Justin & Heather Tampellini
- 31- Peter & Jania Johnson

28 - Andrew Warren

26 - Chris Sparks

28 - Mary-Alice Silvestri

31 - Manuel Recinos

Any corrections, deletions or additions? Email the church, call the office or drop a note into the church office box in the narthex.



MYF HAPPENINGS

In February, the MYF enjoyed fellowship, bible study and fun activities together at "INHABIT 2010", a winter retreat held here at the church. We studied the book of Daniel and learned what it means to be in this world without conforming to it.

A special thank you goes out to Mitch and Sue Underwood, Ken and Donna Mousch, Danny Franceschini and Sue LaCombe for providing, and in some cases, cooking us meals. It was greatly appreciated.

The "Journey to the Cross" event scheduled to take place on March 28th, has been canceled and will be rescheduled for a future date.

The 4th Annual Mother's Day Bake Auction will be taking place on May 9th immediately following the worship service. This has always been a fun-filled event for both the MYF and everyone who participates. As the time grows near, we will be asking for donations of baked goods to be auctioned off. We all know church bakers are the best bakers around! Come join us and bring a special treat home for the special mother in your life!!!

The MYF is excited to participate in Relay for Life, June 5th and 6th at Norton Park. All proceeds from our fundraisers will be donated to Relay for Life. Your support of these events will be greatly appreciated. Watch for ways you can help!!!

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

March 21st - meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
 April 25th - meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
 May 9th - Mother's Day Bake Auction -
 immediately following worship service
 May 16th - meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
 June 5th & 6th - Relay for Life @ Norton Park -
 10a.m. - 10 a.m.



The **TAG SALE** will be in September and we are starting to collect your discarded treasures. They may be brought in on Tuesday mornings or left inside the back door marked TAG SALE. You may also contact Donna Burns at 860-747-1262 to make other arrangement. Let us make this another successful TAG SALE.

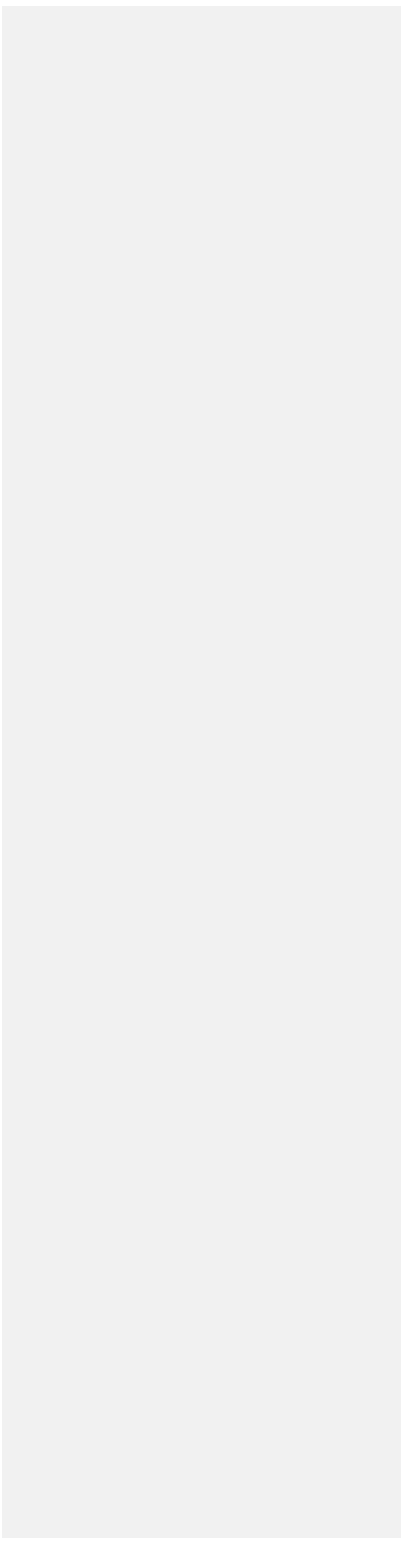
Also the Tuesday Ladies will be collecting your discarded treasures, so please keep them in mind as well.



Happy Easter - April 4, 2010



May 9, 2010





TUESDAY LADIES SCHOLARSHIP TIME:

Please submit any applications by May 2nd to the Church Office, Jan Billings or Nancy Burns. (Applications are available in the narthex on the table nearest to the church office.)



The Midweek Service will return with its original format of music, prayer and worship. Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning April 15th. The service will be held in the Merton Lamb Meditation Room downstairs.



American Red Cross
Together, we can save a life

A **Red Cross Blood Drive** will be held at the Church on Monday, April 26, 2010, from 11:30 AM to 5 PM. You must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health. Bring a photo ID or your Red Cross donor card. Call 1-800 GIVE-LIFE or visit www.givefife.org to make an appointment.



During June and July the children ages 3 and over will be invited downstairs to work on projects to be sold during the CRAFT FAIR IN DECEMBER. We are looking for people that would be willing to help work on this each Sunday during the Church Service. Please contact Karen Waldmann or Donna Burns regarding helping out.

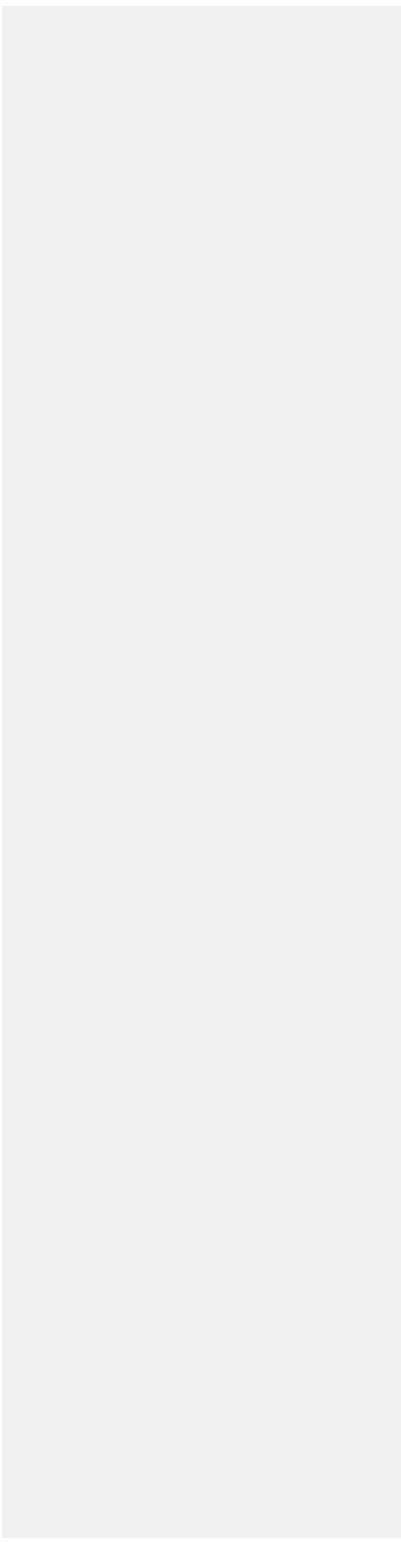
THANK YOU,

Karen and Donna








I would like to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who purchased butterbraids . The fundraiser made the Church a profit of \$344.00!

Thanks again and God Bless you,



APRIL 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY SCHOOL:9:00AM SUNDAY WORSHIP:10:00 AM				1 MAUNDY THURSDAY Worship with Holy Communion-7 PM	2 GOOD FRIDAY  Worship 7 PM Church Office Closed	
						
4 EASTER DAY  10:00 am - Easter Worship with Holy Communion	5 7 pm – Trustees Meet	6 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 6 pm - 6:45 pm Confirmation Class 7 pm - BSA 7 pm - Women's Club of Plainville 7 pm – Castle Apts.	7 7 pm - Education Comm.	8	9	10
11 9:00 am - Sunday School 10:00 am – Worship 6 pm - Venture Crew Choir Rehearsal follows Worship	12 NO Finance Committee Meeting	13 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 6 pm-Confirmation 7 pm - BSA	14 6 pm - Girl Scouts	15 7 pm - B.A.S.I.C Midweek Services 7 pm - SPRC Meeting	16	17
18 Native American Ministries Sunday 9:00 am - Sunday School 10:00 am - Worship Choir Rehearsal follows Worship	19 NO Church Council Meeting	20 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 6 pm - 6:45 pm Confirmation Class 7 pm – BSA 7 pm – Castle Apts.	21	22 7 pm - B.A.S.I.C Midweek Services	23	24
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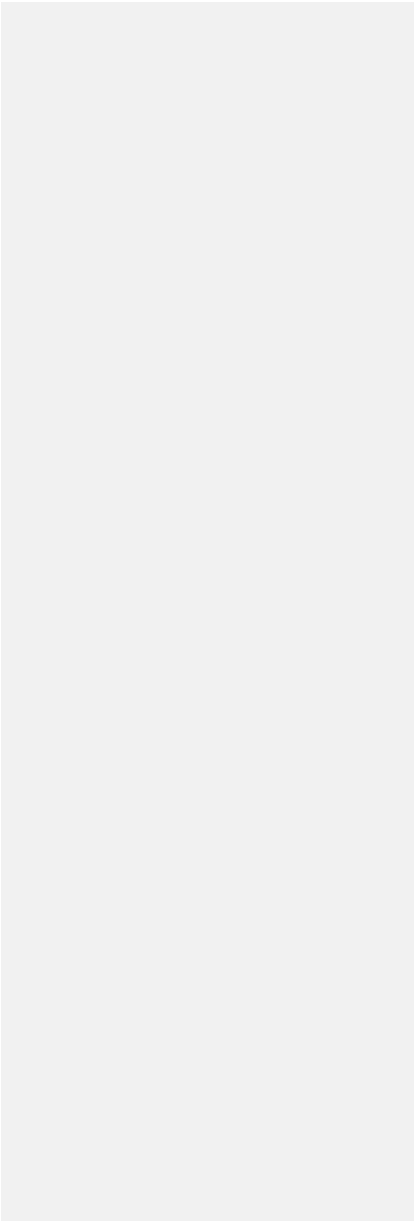
MAY 2010

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OUR PURPOSE

As members together in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the Plainville United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

GOD IS CALLING US TO BE AN OPEN, LOVING COMMUNITY OF FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN DISCIPLES.

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