



MESSENGER

Plainville United Methodist Church

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from the Pastor...

A story is told about “a man who went to a barbershop to have his hair cut and his beard trimmed. As the barber began to work, they started to have a good conversation. They talked about many things and subjects. When they eventually touched on the subject of God, the barber said, ‘I don’t believe that God exists.’

‘Why do you say that?’ asked the customer.

‘Well, you just have to go out in the street to realize that God doesn’t exist. Tell me...if God exists, would there be so many sick people? Would there be abandoned children? If God existed, there would be neither suffering nor pain. I can’t imagine a loving God who would allow all of these things.’

The customer thought for a moment, but didn’t respond because he didn’t want to start an argument. The barber finished his job and the customer left the shop. Upon leaving, he saw a man in the street with long, stringy, dirty hair and an untrimmed beard. He looked unclean and unkempt.

The customer turned back and entered the barbershop again and said to the

barber, ‘You know what? Barbers do not exist.’

‘How can you say that?’ asked the surprised barber. ‘I am here, and I am a barber. And I just worked on you!’

‘No!’ the customer exclaimed. ‘Barbers don’t exist, because if they did, there would be no people with dirty long hair and untrimmed beards, like that man outside.’

‘Ah, but barbers DO exist! What happens is that people do not come to me.’

‘Exactly,’ affirmed the customer. ‘That’s the point! God, too, DOES exist. What happens is that people don’t go to Him and do not look for Him. That’s why there’s so much pain and suffering in the world.’

Look for God. Go to God. Be a person who, when others look at us, bears the image of God and helps to show the way to God.

You and I just might help to clean up and trim a little piece of a lost world...a world that thinks that God does not exist.

As we know that God truly does exist, and that Jesus, raised on Easter to eternal life, lives to give us life, let us all embody this, show this, live this to the glory of the God we know and love. God be with you and bless you all.

Pastor Waldmann

BIRTHDAY DIMES
FOR MISSION

Thank you for bringing your Birthday Dimes on the last Sunday of the month in which you were born. Bring one dime for every year you are celebrating. Birthday dimes will support “**Project Linus,**” a mission project of our Sunday School.

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

SAMUEL WAZORKO, on 3/10, brother-in-law of Marjorie Wazorko;
BETTY HAWKENBERRY, on 3/16, Aunt of Karen Waldmann; **VERA HOLT**, on 3/27, Sister-in-law of Doris Hoha and Aunt of Karen Morrison;
FRANK CASTLE, on 3/29, Brother of Edna Groover; **CHRISTOPHER STASKY**, on 3/31, second Cousin of Melinda Rogers; **NOREEN GNAZZO**, on 4/2, first Cousin of Melinda Rogers;
SANDRA SACK, on 4/5, Mother of Joseph Sack; **CAROL MORSE RATLIFF**, on 4/8, 77-year member of PUMC, Mother of Phyllis Gediman, Tom and Mark Ratliff; **JENNIFER SCHILLER**, on 4/20, Daughter of Duncan Studley; and **ROBERT LYONS**, on 4/30, Cousin of Nancy Burns.

May God’s peace bless and keep you.

Vacation Bible School
Shake It Up Café
June 27 → July 1
6:00 → 8:00 P.M.
Children entering Grade 1 → those completing Grade 6

This year our church will be sponsoring an exciting VBS program
 ~ *Shake It Up Café* ~
 which will teach about being a follower for God through drama, crafts, games, mission stories, music and hours of fun.

Children will become chefs-in-training at *Shake It Up Café* – as we discover God’s recipe for living.

Registration forms are available from Karen Waldmann, Donna Burns, or by calling the church office @ 860-747-2328.

Anyone can attend, and we hope you will extend an invitation to friends and neighbors to be part of *Shake It Up Café.*

For more information, please contact Karen Waldmann at 860-747-2592 today.

Sunday School News & Notes:

On Sunday, May 29th –

Our students will gather for the last day of Sunday School classes and then lead the Children's Day Worship @ 10:00 AM.

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS SPECIAL SERVICE OF WORSHIP!

Monday, June 27th → Friday, July 1st

Vacation Bible School 6-8 PM
for students entering Grade 1 → those completing Grade 6.

Please see article on previous page.

Be sure to save these dates on your calendar today!

All-Church Family Picnic Sunday, May 29th Following Worship!

Please join us for a Family Picnic on our spacious lawn following our Children's Day Worship on May 29th.

Each family is asked to bring a salad or dessert to share.

Please bring your own lawn chair as well as any lawn games you may wish to play.

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Drinks will be supplied by our M.Y.F..

Proceeds support the "Ignite" Retreat.

Hot Dogs - \$2.00

Hamburgers - \$2.50/Cheeseburger - \$2.75
with chili – 25¢ extra

FREE Drink with food purchase

Additional Drinks – just 50¢

ATTENTION: AMAZON.COM PURCHASERS

Did you know that you can help out our church whenever you order something from Amazon.com?

All you have to do is access Amazon.com through our church web-site.

It is simple:

- 1) Go to the church website:
www.plainvilleumc.org
- 2) Click on the e Book store link from the menu options on the bottom or left side of the page.
- 3) This takes you to a page where you can go right to Amazon.com by clicking on the first link.
- 4) After that – just shop. We will receive 4% - 15% of purchases as a donation to the church.

BUT REMEMBER – you have to access Amazon.com through our website.

Thanks to Mitch Underwood for setting us up as an Amazon.com associate!



Up-dates to the Printed Church Directory of February, 2011

1. New address for the Bangloy family...
6 Great Plain Dr., Plainville
2. New member of the Blake family...Colby.
3. New email for Phyllis Gediman...
pgedigirl@gmail.com
4. New email for Ralph Harris.
baraha@att.net

Copies of the Directory were emailed as well as copies made available in print on the table outside the Church office.



CONGRATULATIONS and GOD'S BLESSINGS to

Sarah-Margaret and Shawn Blake, upon the birth of their fourth child, COLBY GRAHAM, on April 27. Colby, born at New Britain General, weighed 8 lb./6 oz, and was 20½" long. Colin, Cohen, and Emily welcome Colby into their family.

It has also been announced that Forrest and Lisa Helvie are expecting the birth of their second child late this coming September.

We send you all our Congratulations and our love.



CONGRATULATIONS and BLESSINGS are given to

Yvonne (Dammar) and Richard Freckleton, married in a private ceremony in our church on Friday, May 20...

and Patricia 'Patti' (Walsh) and James 'Jamie' Ricketson, married in West Hartford on Saturday, June 4.

We wish both couples all the joy and happiness that God can give.

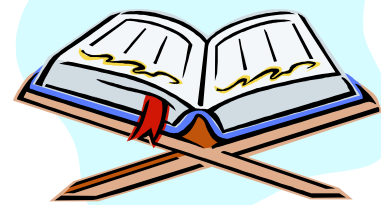


Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, thank you so much for the cards, phone calls, visits and hugs during our mother Carol's last days with us.

Your kind and loving support, thoughts, words and prayers will always hold dear within our hearts.

We would also like to give a special thank you to Pastor Russ.

Her Children,
Phyllis, Tom and Mark



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

The Book of Remembrance is a book started by the Church to remember people whom have passed away.

1. All Gifts to the Book should be given directly to the Memorial Secretary, whom is now Donna Burns.
2. All Gifts will go to the Memorial Fund thru the Memorial Secretary.
3. Forms to use for Memorial Gifts are in the basket in the Narthex.

Any questions please call Donna Burns at 860-747-1262.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE: SUNDAY SCHOOLResumes in September
SUNDAY WORSHIP.....10:00AM

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

- 5 - WORSHIP W- HOLY COMMUNION, 10AM
- 8 ~ 11 - New York Annual Conference, Hofstra University
- 10 - PUMC Strawberry Shortcake Festival, 10 AM to 4 PM
- 13 - Church Office Summer Hours Start-Office Closed Mons., Tues. thru Fridays 9 AM to Noon
- 19 - Happy Father's Day
- 5, 12 - Sunday Choir Rehearsal, Follows Worship, Resumes in September
- 6/27 ~ 7/1 - VBS Bible School, 6 to 8 PM

JULY HIGHLIGHTS

- 6/27 ~ 7/1 - VBS Bible School, 6 to 8 PM
- 3 - WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION, 10AM, MYF Meet, 5:30 PM
- 10 - August/September "MESSENGER" Articles DUE DATE

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



June Birthdays

- 1 - Tina Anglis Tardiff
- 2 - Lori Schilling
- 2 - Samantha Thompson
- 4 - Charles Kemp
- 5 - Shawn Piscitelli
- 6 - Gert Delin
- 7 - Amy Emery
- 8 - Perry A. Cole
- 9 - Susan Underwood
- 11 - Gil Demarest
- 13 - Juston Quinlan
- 15 - John Delin
- 15 - Kristen Fruchtenicht
- 15 - Caden Lee Tampellini
- 16 - Karen Greenier
- 18 - Brian Grenier
- 19 - James Brown
- 19 - Lisa Helvie
- 24 - Emily M. Corriveau
- 25 - Pam Kendall
- 26 - Kiersten Rolland
- 27 - Laurie Davies
- 30 - Zachariah A. Cole

July Birthdays

- 3 - Eddie Sparks
- 6 - Christopher Anglis
- 7 - Annelise Bouchard
- 8 - Sarah-Margaret Blake
- 9 - Madison Richardson
- 10 - Christina Sack
- 11 - Dot Ostroski
- 11 - Kathy Warren
- 12 - Jeffrey Cedarfield
- 12 - Connor Mozzer
- 13 - Noah Forrest Helvie
- 13 - Lucky Powell
- 14 - Paul Larson
- 14 - Karen Morrison
- 16 - Jane Dickman
- 17 - Robert O. Silverstri
- 18 - Brian Quinlan
- 19 - James Ricketson
- 20 - Laura Rogers
- 20 - Lisa Rolland
- 23 - Shirlie Killoran
- 24 - Jan Demarest
- 26 - Karen Waldmann
- 27 - Carol Corriveau
- 28 - Lena Kurtz
- 29 - Joseph J. Piscitelli
- 30 - Everett Johnson
- 30 - Cheryl Keddy



Happy Anniversary!!!

June

- 3 - Glen & Donna Carney
- 5 - Daniel & Lori Franceschini
- 6 - Christopher & Kathy Warren
- 7 - **Herb & Joyce Dirrigl-59th**
- 9 - **Dwight & Lois Nilson-55th**
- 11 - Jason & Lucky Powell
- 17 - William & Jane Buden
- 20 - Bill & Karen Morrison
- 25 - Manuel & Alison Recinos
- 27 - Mitch & Susan Underwood

July

- 2 - James & Debbie Brown
- 3 - Brian & Jessica Grenier
- 4 - Dean & Carol Corriveau
- 9 - **Larry & Pam Kendall-51st**
- 17 - Forrest & Lisa Helvie
- 31 - Robert & Diane Webster

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



The Church will be holding a
**STRAWBERRY
 SHORTCAKE FESTIVAL,**
 Friday, June 10, 10 am to 4 pm.

Do you love to whip cream (without making butter)?

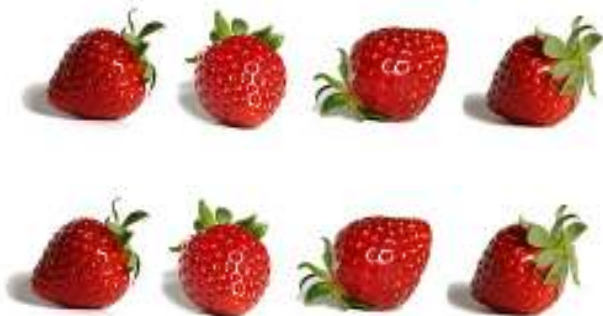
Do you love to assemble shortcakes?

Do you love to deliver?

Do you love to take orders for your office or business?

We need several volunteers to do this and it is on a Friday due to the deliveries to businesses which normally would not be opened on weekends. Shortcakes of around 10 or more can be delivered. You may also pickup shortcakes at the church or stop in and eat here!

Please contact Greg Michaud (860-793-9590) for any questions volunteering and/or any orders. Thank you.



**Plainville United
 Methodist Church
 Strawberry Shortcake
 Festival**



Volunteers needed –drivers, shortcakes assemblers and orders called in for delivery

**WHERE? Plainville United Methodist Church
 56 Redstone Hill
 Plainville, Connecticut**

**WHEN? Friday, June 10, 2011
 10 AM to 4 PM**

DONATION: \$ 4.00

**CONTACT: Greg Michaud (860)793-9590 or
 Church office (860)747-2328**

A BIG THANK you to everyone who helped make the Ham Dinner held on May 7th a huge success. The church was able to raise \$1700. Ten percent of our net profit will be donated towards a mission.

Also, we were able to donate 29 meals to the Plainville Food Pantry, which helped serve people in need.

What a great experience... working together serving our Lord.

God Bless everybody.



Do not forget your church when you are cleaning this spring and summer. We are again having a **TAG SALE** in September and would appreciate anything one person can carry to sell.

If you have larger items you must call the chairman, **Donna Burns**, before dropping it off.

NO ELECTRONICS OR CLOTHING OR SHOES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The **Tuesday Ladies** are also accepting items on Tuesday during the morning. So do not forget them.

A **Bake Sale** will also take place as per usual, so please if no tag sale items we will accept your bake goods.

Thank you,
Donna Burns, Chairperson
860-747-1262



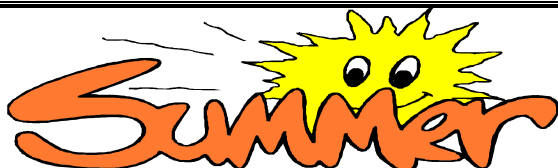
Producers of "Facing the Giants" and "Fire Proof" will be releasing a new movie call "Courageous" that will be coming out on September 30, 2011.

If you would like to see the first, second and third movies, the Plainville United Methodist Church will be having a screening of them on the dates listed below.

"Fly Wheel", Friday, May 13, 7 PM
"Facing the Giants", Friday, June 24th, 7 PM
"Fire Proof", Friday, July 15th, 7 PM.

Please come join us to enjoy these films.

Childcare will be provided.



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office Summer Hours will begin on June 13th and end on September 5, 2011.

The office we be closed on Mondays and be opens from 9 am to noon on Tuesday through Friday. Have a safe and happy summer.



June 19th, 2011





I would like to thank my church family for all the prayers and cards; I have received for my surgery and recovery. I would also like to give a special thanks to Pastor Russ for all the many visits he made to the hospital to visit me. My family and I appreciated all your kindness.

God Bless you all,








David Underwood.

JUNE 2011

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat																				
	<p>WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY SCHOOL:.....Resumes 9/11/11 SUNDAY WORSHIP:.....10:00 AM</p>																										
5	<p>10:00 am - Worship with Holy Communion Brownie Girl Scouts-6 pm</p> <p>Choir Rehearsal follows Worship</p>	6	<p>7 pm - Trustee</p>	7	<p>9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 7 pm - BSA</p>	8	<p>6/8 to 6/11</p>	9	<p>Annual New York</p>	10	<p>PUMC Strawberry Shortcake Festival 10 AM to 4 PM</p> 	11	<p>Conference,</p>	12	<p>Hofsta University</p>												
12	<p>Pentecost Sunday 10:00 am -Worship</p> <p>Choir Rehearsal follows Worship</p>	13	<p>Summer Office Hours Starts - Monday Closed Tues. to Friday 9am to noon</p>	14	<p>9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 7 pm - BSA</p>	15	<p>6/8 to 6/11</p>	16	<p>Annual New York</p>	17	<p>Annual New York</p>	18	<p>Annual New York</p>	19	<p>HAPPY FATHER'S DAY 10:00 am - Worship</p> 	20	<p>7 pm - Church Council</p>	21	<p>9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 7 pm - BSA</p>	22	<p>6 pm - Girls Scouts</p>	23	<p>Annual New York</p>	24	<p>Annual New York</p>	25	<p>Annual New York</p>
26	<p>10:00 am - Worship with Holy Communion</p>	27	<p>Vacation</p>	28	<p>9:30 am - Tues. Ladies</p>	29	<p>6/27 to 7/1</p>	30	<p>6 to 8 PM</p>	31	<p>6 to 8 PM</p>																

AA meets Sun, Mon & Wed at 7 pm; Al-Anon meets Mon at 7 pm

JULY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY SCHOOL:.....Resumes 9/11/11 SUNDAY WORSHIP:.....10:00 AM</p>						
						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 am - Worship with Communion	Independence Day 	9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
10 am - Worship August/September "Messenger" articles due date.	Church Office Closed	9:30 am - Tues. Ladies				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
10 am - Worship		9:30 am - Tues. Ladies				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
10 am - Worship		9:30 am - Tues. Ladies				
10 am - Worship						
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THE PLAINVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JUNE 2011 / JULY 2011

"MESSENGER"

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.

PLAINVILLE United Methodist Church
56 Red Stone Hill
Plainville, CT 06062

**FORWARDING AND ADDRESS
CORRECTION REQUESTED**

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PUMC Church Staff:

Pastor

The Rev. Russell Waldmann

Secretary

Mrs. Eliana Foertsch

The Organist/Choir Director

Mr. David McWilliams

Inside Custodian

Mrs. Pamela Kendall

Outside Custodian

Mr. Robert Burns

Church Office - 860-747-2328

Parsonage - 860-747-2592

