



## Annual Business Meeting January 29, Immediately after Worship

Calling all members of Plymouth Congregational Church, Fort Wayne! This is your personal invitation to attend this year's Annual Business Meeting. At this meeting, the Congregation will vote on the proposed changes to the Bylaws, the church budget for 2012, and the "Affirmation of Call ..." relative to the Special Congregational Meeting of February 11, 2001.

Lunch will be served by the Plymouth Youth as a fundraiser for youth activities. Please stay after worship to participate in this most important event in the life of Plymouth Church. Friends of Plymouth Church are also invited to stay for the meeting, have lunch, and see for themselves this portion of church governance. However, voting on the "Action Items" of the agenda is reserved for members only. I will see you there!

Eric Black, Moderator

### Ash Wednesday Worship, February 22, 7:00 pm

*Imposition of Ashes and Sacrament of Communion*

## A Night of Contra Dancing

Friday, January 27, 7:00 pm

Congregational Life is sponsoring a night of Contra Dance!

What is Contra Dance? It's a type of traditional folk dance (think of Virginia Reel) that is for everyone, children, families, couples and singles, ALL are welcome! Barry Dupen will instruct us on the dances, and he will be calling them. Spy Run Band will accompany with live music.

**WHEN:** Friday, January 27, at 7:00 pm.

**WHERE:** Plymouth Folsom Room

**COST:** \$3.00 per person. Light refreshments provided.

We must have a minimum of 30 participants. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the church. Deadline for signing up is Sunday, January 22. Let's all gather and dance away the winter doldrums. Questions? Contact Christine Leggett, [kinlegg@yahoo.com](mailto:kinlegg@yahoo.com) or 387-6800.

## Mardi Gras Monday Pancake & Sausage Dinner

February 20, 5:30-7:00 pm

The Congregational Life Committee will host a night of pancakes, sausages, clowns, balloons, face-painting, games, and fun prior to Lent. Join us in the Folsom Room for this all ages event.

Donations of pancake mix, syrup, sausages, and beverages are most welcome. Please drop them off at the church by Sunday, February 19.

## Next IHN Opportunity

Plymouth's next opportunity for hosting IHN (Interfaith Hospitality Network) is January 29-February 4.

A sign-up sheet is posted outside the downstairs office on the bulletin board. Dinner preparers and evening hosts are needed. You can choose to prepare one dish for dinner or team up with friends to provide the whole meal. Evening hosts can help by reading stories or playing games with younger children or just chatting with the guests. It takes only a few hours of your time to make a big difference in the lives of those who are without a place to call home.

If you have questions, please contact Laura Rudolph or Diana Swayze.

# In Our Prayers

## *Conditions of Special Need:*

Karen Anderson, Deb Conklin, Curt Conrad, Phyllis Eckman, Jeannette Kent, Carol Patterson, Gen Sinish, Ruth Smith, Bill Whitworth, Tina Worthman.

## *In the UCC, every day is a day of prayer for peace. Those serving overseas:*

Major Marc Lovelace, SSgt. Rick Foster, and David Worcester.

*Sympathy* is extended to Philip and Chrissy Dwire on the death of his father, Philip W. Dwire Sr., on January 1.

*Sympathy* is extended to Rev. Terry Anderson and family on the death of his father, Robert K. Anderson, on January 10.

## *Happy 100th Birthday Kay Walter!*

We invite everyone to participate in a card shower for Kay's 100th birthday on **January 23**. The preferred mailing address is 2711 Whitegate Drive, Fort Wayne, 46805

## Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Rev. John P. Gardner's Wednesday evening Bible Studies will discuss the following passages through the end of February:

January 25 ..... Mark 1:21-28  
February 1 ..... Mark 1:29-39  
February 8 ..... Mark 1:40-45  
February 15 ..... Mark 9:2-9  
February 22 ..... Psalm 25:1-10

## From the Senior Pastor

Dear Plymouth,

Somebody once said, "You can look back into the past. Just don't stare." It's wise counsel. It gives permission to ponder the significance of past wanderings, which is important for a people charged to remember (see Exodus 20:8; Psalm 77:11; Psalm 119:49-56; Luke 22:19; I Corinthians 11:24-25). Sifting the past with prayerful reflection promises discovery of an abundance of grace and mercy at work in our lives.

Yet looking back can be risky business. The ancient Greeks had a myth that told of Nemesis leading Narcissus to a reflecting pond, whereupon Narcissus was entranced by his own reflection. Unable to break the spell of his own internal stare, Narcissus died. Without question, he died in love. But it was limited love, confined to himself. Narcissus succumbed to his stare, for he could love no other.

Jeremiah the prophet once proclaimed: "Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls" (Jeremiah 6:16). Jeremiah understood the treasure worth seizing in the ancient paths. Great wisdom and insight and eternal truth are deposited there. Jeremiah also understood, the ancients ways merit more than our stare; they serve to inspire all present and future action.

January brings us opportunity to commemorate the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. While many of his writings inspire me, I'm particularly drawn to a speech King delivered in the last year of his life, just a few months before his April death in Memphis. Its title: "Where Do We Go from Here?" The speech is characteristically filled with rich language and memorable quotes. In part, King is reflective, looking back at the past. But he does not stare. Instead he issues a summons to "go out ... with a 'divine dissatisfaction.'" He challenges his listeners to be dissatisfied with poverty; with slums; with injustice. He further counsels: "We must walk on in the days ahead with an audacious faith in the future."

At the end of the month we will be gathering for the annual meeting of Plymouth Church. As is our custom, some time will be spent looking back into our past. But we dare not stare. The Jesus way should never be so stifled. Better that we pray for Holy Spirit, open hearts, and "an audacious faith in the future."

Sincerely,  
Rev. John P. Gardner

## Angel Tree Thanks

We, Diana Swayze, Director of Programs and Services, and Cher Jackson, Head Start Teacher, want to take this time to extend a heart-felt "Thank You" to all who participated in the Angel Tree program.

The generosity of the congregation and friends is overwhelming. The families we serve were grateful of all they received. A special thanks to Reverend Ruth for the special care she extended in preparing the gifts for each child.

## The Amazing Grays February Luncheon

### Attention: All who are interested in Lincoln and the Civil War!

The Amazing Grays will be honored by a return of Sara Gabbard, Lincoln Scholar from the Fort Wayne History Center, on **Sunday, February 12**, the day we celebrate Lincoln's birthday. She is very much in demand for her knowledge of Lincoln and the Civil War period. Her presentations are always very informative—anything but a stuffy history lecture, as some of us remember. Sara can make history come alive and relevant! Her theme will be "The North, the South, and God." She gives no clue as to how she will be approaching this topic. Come find out how she will develop this intriguing title.

Rhonda Eitsert and family will again be treating us with a delicious luncheon celebrating Lincoln and Valentine's Day. Lunch will be served immediately following the worship service. The menu for this luncheon is

*Chicken Kiev*  
*Rice Pilaf*  
*Broiled Asparagus and Mushrooms*  
*Cran-Raspberry Gelatin Dessert.*

The cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Be sure to get your reservations in early. Sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office no later than Friday, February 10, 5:00 pm.

## New Plymouth Peace and Justice Recognition

The Peace and Justice Subcommittee has established a recognition of the efforts and accomplishments of an individual working to provide justice and/ or peace within the community, state or nation. We are seeking nominations.

### Process:

1. Recipients can be from within or outside the community of Plymouth.
2. Recipients should be involved in continuous leadership addressing issues including but not limited to poverty, race, hunger, literacy, inequities in the justice system or work and society.
3. The nominator must submit background information describing the work of the individual. Provide full contact information for the nominator and nominee. The individual who is being nominated should be told that his/ her name is being submitted to ensure their consent.

The nominations are due **February 15**. Send the nominations by email attachment to [lrh22@frontier.com](mailto:lrh22@frontier.com), or to the Plymouth Church office, 502 W. Berry Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46802. Indicate: c/o Peace and Justice Subcommittee.

## Knife and Fork

Knife and Fork next gathers on **Wednesday, February 15, 11:30 am**, at Bob Evans in Apple Glen. The coordinator for the month is Bob Pugh. Please make your reservation with Bob or by contacting the church office by Tuesday, February 14.

## Next Bell Deadline

The next deadline for submission of material for *the Bell* is

**Wednesday, February 8.**

We encourage you to join our E-Bellers group to receive your *Bell* by email and save paper. Email your request to be added to the list: [bellonline@plymouthfw.org](mailto:bellonline@plymouthfw.org).

## Thank You!

The Foods Resource Bank Task Force would like to take this opportunity to thank the Benevolence Subcommittee for their support of this mission project with an Emma Feigley Grant. It is a special honor to be able to live out her mission by providing for people in need around the world.

## Wednesday Live Menus

### February 1

*Chicken Enchiladas*  
*Beans and Cheese*  
*Chips and Salsa*  
*Salad*  
*Fruit and Dessert*

### February 8

*Baked Potato Bar*  
*Chili*  
*Salad*  
*Fruit and Dessert*

### February 15

*Chicken and Noodles*  
*Mashed Potatoes*  
*Corn*  
*Salad*  
*Fruit and Dessert*

### February 22

*Spaghetti*  
*Green Beans*  
*Bread Sticks*  
*Salad*  
*Fruit and Dessert*

## Interested in Doing Brunch?

To all Plymouth women and friends of Plymouth women who have ever said “Let’s do lunch” and then never acted on it! This is for you! Meet us for brunch (breakfast/lunch) at Bob Evans Restaurant (on Coliseum Blvd. across the street from Northcrest, next to Paneras) at **9:00 am, the last Monday of the month, January 30**. Bob Evans will reserve a space for us and promises to serve us cheerfully. No agenda, no dues, no age limits, no dress code, and no reservations are necessary. Just bring yourself, a friend (if you wish), and a big smile!

If you are interested in this “trial run” of a breakfast club, but you are not able to attend on that day, please let us know or email Lois Steere at [acsteere@gmail.com](mailto:acsteere@gmail.com).

Carol Shedd, Lois Steere and Dee Smith

## Allen County Public Library Film: “Brother Outside – The Life of Bayard Rustin”

On **Saturday, February 18**, the Allen County Public Library will host a showing of the film, “Brother Outside: The Life of Bayard Rustin.” The film is scheduled to begin at **2:00 pm** and will be followed by a panel discussion.

Bayard Rustin (1912-1987), a close associate of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was an American leader and advocate for social movements for civil rights, as well as gay and lesbian rights. By all accounts, he was the chief architect of the famous March on Washington, which took place on August 28, 1963, where Dr. King delivered his “I Have a Dream” speech.

Bayard was raised as a Quaker. He embraced the values that recognized the worth of dignity of every human being and the importance of treating everyone with love and respect.

## Share Your Shopping, First Sunday Each Month

Wellspring Interfaith Social Services Food Bank is the recipient for our food donations.

Recent information from Wellspring identifies certain needed items which are infrequently donated. When you make selections at the grocery, please consider the following: Powdered Milk (prefer boxes with individual packets); Cooking Oil (32 oz. or less); Flour (5 lbs. or less); Cake or Muffin Mixes; Juice; Shampoo and Toothpaste.

Your donations are greatly appreciated – especially in this tough economy. You are doing a fantastic job of keeping the food box and peanut butter tub filled for Wellspring! Thank You.

F 1 Terry Anderson  
Dave Cornwell  
e 2 Allen Haynes  
3 Jakob Feasel  
b 4 Theo Garcia  
5 Jim Eitsert  
Marjory Leas  
r 6 Dick Hill  
7 Ginny Laudadio  
8 Jim Graham  
u 8 Dee Harding  
11 Nicholas Gass  
a 11 Jeff Moore  
Bill Whitworth  
r 12 Paul Demaree  
Ruth E. Phillips  
13 Robin Grissom  
y 14 Colette Legg  
Dulanna Rothert  
15 Gale Cunningham  
Sara Hodges  
16 Allyn Beifus  
Christopher Butler  
18 Wally Bonham  
Kris Jensen  
Halley Woehner  
B 19 Kiley Dove  
Andrew Spath  
i 20 Donna Childs  
Chuck Knox  
r 21 Blaine Schroeder  
Nick Eitsert  
t 22 Brian Augspurger  
Riley Kuhns  
Ren Moore  
h 23 Elle Hollingsworth  
Verne Mitchell  
d 24 John Escosa  
Kevin Lawrence  
a 25 Karen Anderson  
Linda Balthaser  
Robert Hartwig  
y 27 Martha Cummings  
Claire Roney  
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## UCC Justice and Peace Network

Each January, the JAPN issues a year-in-review summary, along with a list of continuing action issues.

For instance, regarding public education:

- ◇ Address public school inequality by allocating federal resources for equity and pressing states to close opportunity gaps.
- ◇ Allocate Title I funds to support schools serving children in poverty through a fair formula, not a competition. Poor children should not lose federal support because their state loses a funding competition.
- ◇ Reduce reliance on standardized tests and test only in ways that improve instruction, measure real performance, and encourage exploration, imagination, and critical thinking.
- ◇ Support and improve, rather than punish, the public schools in America's poorest communities.
- ◇ Address issues outside school that affect school achievement such as racial segregation, concentrated poverty, and the need for pre-school that helps children before they fall behind.
- ◇ Reject market-based, technocratic policies and improve public education as the bedrock of our society and public schools as the anchors of communities. As a people called to love our neighbors as ourselves, we must insist that Congress balances the needs of each particular child and family with the need to ensure a strong public system that secures the rights and addresses the needs of all children.

Find out more by Googling UCC - and feel proud! You might even want to add your voice to advocate on issues such as the environment, food and agriculture, war, healthcare, etc.

## Adult Education Chapel Class—Hot Monogamy

Join us for a thoughtful and substantive presentation and discussion facilitated by Dave Jolliff and Sandy Moliere on **Sunday, February 5**, and **Sunday, February 12, at 9:00 am**.

They will present information on human sexuality across the life span with emphasis on the stages of the sexual experience, sexuality and the aging process, and relevant relationship issues such as intimacy and communication. The material covered will be appropriate for gay and straight, coupled and uncoupled individuals. There will be sufficient time for questions and discussion.

Dave and Sandy are a married couple, both enjoying retirement. Sandy is a retired elementary school counselor and is actively involved in Plymouth's "green" projects and participation on the Benevolence Subcommittee. Dave is retired from university teaching and a private counseling practice. He keeps busy with volunteering with the American Red Cross, Indiana Center for Middle East Peace, and offering the occasional workshop to various groups. They have four children and seven grandchildren. Both are trained and experienced OWL leaders.

## Youth Talent Show

The 2nd Annual Youth Talent Show is **Sunday, January 22, at 12:00 noon!** There is still room for you and your talent, so email Kara ([kkjaurigue@frontier.com](mailto:kkjaurigue@frontier.com)) to reserve your spot! We need singers, dancers, storytellers, and magic trick-doers. All talent welcome! If you want to come and watch, plan to bring a friend, enjoy a little lunch (a light lunch for a minimal donation will be available), and sit back and enjoy the show! We hope to see you there!

## Annual Business Meeting + Food = Youth

The Youth will be cooking, serving, and cleaning up LUNCH for the Annual Business Meeting on **Sunday, January 29**. All youth are to report to the kitchen at 9:00 am to help! Don't worry, Covenant Class, you can join us after church! Let Kara know if you are able to help. Get your apron on and let the cookin'-fun begin!

## \$Scholarship Opportunities\$

**Reminder: Completed applications must be received in the church office by February 15.** To request application packets or to receive additional information, call the church office (423-9424).

## Plymouth Rocks Returns!

**Friday Night, February 24**, featuring the band, *Endgame!* Come and dance the night away! Mark your calendar now! More to come soon!

## Gypsy at the Civic

**Seats available!** Plymouth Church has vouchers available for the Civic Theatre production of the Broadway musical, *Gypsy*. This musical follows the life of renowned stripper, Gypsy Lee Rose, from her early Vaudeville days to her ultimate and infamous stage career. *Gypsy* is considered one of Broadway's finest musicals, and Mama Rose as one of musical theater's most memorable characters.

This show is being performed at the United Arts Center, **March 3-18**. ***The 18 vouchers (one seat each) are available to you on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact Lettie in the church office to reserve your vouchers.***

These vouchers are made available as part of a sponsorship agreement between Plymouth Church and the Civic Theatre. Vouchers are also available for upcoming performances of *The Farnsworth Invention* and *Alive & Dead in Indiana*. More details coming soon!

## Staff Note

We welcome **Suzanne Studinski** to the Plymouth Church staff as our new Secretary/Communications Associate. Suzanne can be reached in the office, 423-9424 or [sls@plymouthfw.org](mailto:sls@plymouthfw.org), for scheduling meetings, adding items to the weekly bulletins, and general office needs.

Over the next few months, we will be transitioning the newsletter and website maintenance to Suzanne's desk. We also look forward to her serving as our FaceBook facilitator and helping us launch some new ways for us to communicate with our Plymouth family. Be sure to stop in, introduce yourself, and extend a warm Plymouth welcome!

## Letter from the Moderator

Hello Friends,

As I look out my window, the last remnants of the snow are blowing about in the air. The sun is shining even as the air is cold. I take this time to reflect on what we accomplished in 2011 and the challenges and implementations we look forward to for 2012.

At the October Election Meeting in 2011, the congregation passed the proposed Vision and Mission Statements. For 2012, I'm looking forward to integrating them into our Plymouth culture. It is my desire that we, as members and friends of Plymouth, write these statements on our hearts and use them whenever the question arises about the direction that Plymouth Church should go. It is my prayer that as we "pray for guidance for the journey" we recognize that continually creating an "inclusive Christian community" is part of that journey. As we "honor the mystery of God" we are supporting the mystery of each of our own journeys with God. As we "respond with spirits renewed" we will be up to the challenge of living out the "teachings of Jesus individually ..." As we move "courageously towards wholeness," we can live out the "teachings of Jesus collectively and globally." Let this be our hope and prayer.

The major physical challenge facing the church for 2012 will be the replacement of our boiler system. It is possible that we may spend all of this year studying the many options that are available to us. It is a complex project. It has many sides, and we need to have as much information as possible before taking action. I invite your prayers for those who will be involved with this project.

Another challenge will be the move towards digitizing our records. Dave Cornwell continues to make strides in his archival efforts of Plymouth's historical data. My vision would be to have our committee minutes and Executive Council Minutes dating back to some point in time we've yet agreed on in a searchable digital format. Additionally, I would like to see our Policy Manual digitized so that all members may have access to it.

We will be exploring the possibility of using flat panel monitors as a means to convey information to individuals coming into the church. We have a lot of events happening within the life of Plymouth Church. Finding a way to get the most information out to the most people is the challenge.

Finally friends, we begin the new year with our individual challenges and expectations. God bless you all in those as the year progresses. Don't forget to look around during worship for familiar faces, but look for the unfamiliar ones, too. Let's continue to look out for one another, to pray for one another and to support one another.

Take Care,  
Eric



## Adventures with Bylaws—Your Package Is Here



The Executive Council ordered it last January, with delivery in a year. As a result, the package is here now with the Revised Plymouth Bylaws of 2012. If you accept the package, the contents will be yours to use.

Your decision is due Sunday, January 29, less than two weeks after the appearance of this *Bell*, when the Congregation will vote on the package of revisions.

As you suspect, there are more changes than we have been able to mention in these five articles. Altogether, there are 70, including a host of fixes of word choice, punctuation, inconsistency, and outdated references.

Since September, the Church Office has offered a complete list of the proposed revisions, as well as a full set of the revised Bylaws with changes highlighted in italics. There is still time for you to obtain a set.

For an quick overview, we offer the following changes as the most significant.

***Standing Committees are to be called Boards.*** And Subcommittees become Committees, thus removing the confusion between two types of committees. With the return to the traditional name, members of Standing Committees will have seats on Boards.

***The relations with a Conference and Association are mentioned and clarified.*** They are parts of the UCC organization, and Plymouth should be active in both.

***Members of the clergy are to be called Pastors instead of Ministers.*** This title is more precise. Pastors are the particular type of Ministers who lead and care for congregations, the type that Plymouth particularly needs.

***A new Covenant appears.*** Rev. John P. Gardner has written a more concise version that continues the challenges for Plymouth members.

***A new section recognizes the volunteers who serve the Church outside the official Bylaws organization.*** Boards are to note and provide support to these important fellowship groups and teams that help with the operation of the Church.

***Annual sessions will orient elected personnel on the Bylaws and the operation of the Church.*** Recognizing that few members are familiar with the Bylaws, these will acquaint the newly elected officials with their responsibilities and refresh the returning office holders.

***The Executive Council is to establish policies for effective communication among members and with the***

***public.*** This should cover everything from minutes of meetings and articles in *the Bell* to the contents of the Church's website and ads in local media. Specific points will likely include responsibilities, opportunities, and the use of electronic technology.

***The Executive Council is to establish general rules for the Policy Manual and Operation Guide.*** This is a central compilation of decisions by Boards and the Staff to guide future actions. It provides a searchable record of key decisions that would otherwise be buried in minutes of meetings or memos. With increasing use, there is a need for organization.

***Responsibility for the promotion of environmental stewardship is assigned to the Christian Education Board.*** This makes official a 2010 linkage.

***The Evangelism and Marketing Board is to arrange for Plymouth representatives at events organized by groups compatible with the Plymouth mission.*** This clarifies responsibility for opportunities to present Plymouth and to receive feedback on how Plymouth is viewed by the community.

***The limit for consecutive terms served by Board members is increased from two to three.*** A limit exists to assure room for new members. The increase recognizes that some Boards may need more time to learn all the details of their responsibilities. For a really dedicated Board member who has served more than the customary two terms and still wants to avoid a one-term break, there are several ways to stay in contact.

***Committee chairpersons no longer need Board approval to recruit Committee members.*** The old requirement was an impediment. Since the chairpersons will be working with whomever they recruit, they will be careful.

At this point, you may know more about the Bylaws than you intended. The revisions preserve the basic organization of the Church and try to make its operation easier. Your choice January 29 is between the existing Bylaws package and the revised one.

We thank again the groups and individuals who took time to give us their thoughts and suggestions. All were considered carefully.

As for us, three past Moderators with differing backgrounds, approaches, and styles, it has been a busy year; and we are still speaking to each other. It is a privilege to serve Plymouth.

Linda Balthaser, Barbara Bugg, Gordon Walter

## **Foods Resource Bank (FRB)—2011 Final Report**

EXPENSES: NORN'S PREBLE GARDEN (NOON MEAL)	200.50
SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST (farm expenses)	<u>4,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>5,200.50</b>
INCOME: JOHN DEERE FOUNDATION	500.00
TROXEL EQUIPMENT (local John Deere dealer)	500.00
PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL UCC	11,176.00
PLYMOUTH (corn bags)	666.64
SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	2,209.57
SALEM (corn bags)	515.70
SALEM UCC SCRIP DONATION	80.00
NOON MEAL DONATIONS	1,396.00
BAKE SALE and silent auction	420.50
KETTLE KORN	76.00
SALE OF 20 ACRES OF CORN	<u>18,994.88</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>36,535.29</b>
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TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>5,200.50</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31,334.79</b>

We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to this FRB program for 2011. It really has been a great project and a good year. The corn yield was 173 bushels per acre. This year the money will be split with Dominican Republic Bateyes and Uganda Teso. I'm sure we will be helping many, many people.

This is our 2011 FRB report; once again we would like to thank everyone from Plymouth and Salem for a very successful project and will be looking forward to next year.

Coordinators:

Rick Schilb - Plymouth UCC, Fort Wayne, IN

Kent Girod – Salem UCC, Decatur, IN

Plymouth FRB Task Force:

Gale Cunningham, Laura Rudolph, and Rick and Peg Schilb

# February 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>5</b> Share Your Shopping 8:00a Chapel Communion 8:30a Hospitality begins 9:00a Christian Education 9:00a Covenant Class 10:00a Worship&Comm. 11:30a Youth Ensemble 12:00p Middle School YG	<b>6</b> Office Closed 5:45p Yoga	<b>7</b> 10:30a Staff Meeting 11:45a Women's Book Study	<b>8</b> WNL Bell deadline 5:15p Bible Study 5:30p Children's Choir 5:30p Schola Cantorum 5:45p Dinner 6:30p Children's Choir 6:30p Renewal TF DVD presentation-FR 6:45p Bell Ensemble 7:00p We the Living-MR 7:15p Sanctuary Singers	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
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### **Tips from Environmental Stewardship**

**RE-USE POUR SPOUTS:** Re-use spouts from salt canisters on mason jars by cutting the lid with spout from your salt container, measuring to fit your canning jar ring and attaching to your mason jar. Fill the mason jars with anything you use often like sugar or non-dairy creamer.

### **Looking for our email addresses?**

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### **Plymouth Outreach Statement**

We welcome all who are seeking God's presence in their lives to join in our common mission through participation and leadership in this communion of faith. We recognize each individual as a child of God, believing that we are called to be one reconciled body of Christ with many members.

As Christians and members of Plymouth Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, we are a diverse group of people. We are persons of various ages, races, accomplishments and goals, abilities, sexual orientations, theological and political beliefs, socio-economic and ethnic backgrounds.

In our diversity, we find strength and a way to understand the inclusiveness of God.

**No Matter Who You Are, or Where You Are on Life's Journey, You Are Welcome Here.**