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Special points of
interest:



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Hello Plymouth Members!! I hope this finds all of you healthy and safe. I wanted everyone to know that the Operating Council has been very busy this past month!! And we bring exciting news to you!! First, Beth Picazo has found us two volunteers for the Operating Council, one for the Vice Moderator position and one for the recording Secretary position. So now we just need your vote on these two members so they can join the Operating Council as soon as possible. The volunteers are Kim Wessinger for the Vice Moderator and Carolyn Schoneck for the recording Secretary.

Secondly, we would like to announce that we have hired an Interim Minister!!! Rev. Rebecca Johnston will be starting February 1st, she is coming to us from Elkhart Lake, WI. We on the Operating Council interviewed two candidates and after careful consideration we felt that she was the better fit for our church.

With a new month upon us this means a bright future for our church. She will be commuting for a little bit, but we have her connected with a local realtor to find her an apartment soon.

Thank you for entrusting the future of our church to myself and the Operating Council.

Blessings to all!

Nikki Burd

Worship Opportunities for February

February 7 – 5th Sunday After Epiphany

Scripture:

Sermon Theme:

Note: The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be served.

February 14 – Transfiguration

Scripture:

Sermon Theme:

February 17— Ash Wednesday

Scripture:

February 21 – 1st Sunday in Lent

Scripture:

Sermon Theme:

February 28 – 2nd Sunday in Lent

Scripture:

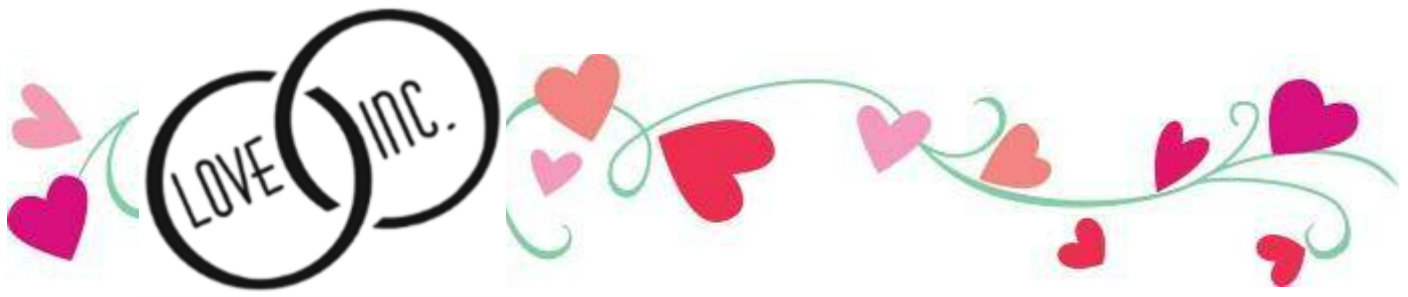
Sermon Theme:

March 7 – 3rd Sunday in Lent

Scripture:

Sermon Theme:

Note: The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be served



Current Needs for Love, Inc.

Boxed Variety Oatmeal
 Boxed Variety Cereal
 Jelly
 Canned Carrots
 Canned Soups
 Canned Corned Beef Hash
 Canned Beef Stew
 Bags of White Rice
 Bags of Brown Rice
 Canned Fruits with low sugar
 Shampoo
 Conditioner
 Body Wash
 Kids Bubble Bath
 Deodorant
 Items can be dropped off Monday-Friday from
 10a-3p at 480 S. Pine St.

The Missions Team has received notification that our Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes went to: Columbia and Hard to Reach Countries. Thank you to Plymouth Church for being so supportive of this mission. We are currently asking for donations of bar soap and toothbrushes. Please feel free to drop these off and place in our bin in the parlor.

Any cancellations due to dangerous weather conditions will be on our voice mail and on WISN Channel 12.





MISSIONS

Plymouth's mission thanks you for generously donating food to Love, Inc. Two full laundry baskets, one box and nine bags of groceries were delivered to Love on January 11 from our "Advent" collection.

For the January 20th meal Lori B., Katie S., Kathy P., Barb F., and Gidget B. prepared and baked a casserole of cheesy potatoes and ham. Deanna S. donated carrots and celery. Cranberry and apple chutney added fruit to the menu. Jackie K. baked brownies. Thank you is in order for the packers of this meal for 50, Betty P. and Evelyn P. If you missed a chance to help out, February 17 is our next meal, call Julie at 262-763-8404 or 262-492-4713.

Valentine's Day Cookies

February 7th is the deadline for this year's cookie sign-up for both bakers and recipients. If there is someone you know who could use a pick-me-up or if you are willing to bake, please contact the office with information including name, phone number (and address for recipient). You may email plymouthuccoffice@gmail.com or call 262-763-689



The Missions Team is excited to introduce our newest project. The Cozy Night Project TLC (Transitional Living Center) The purpose of the campaign is to provide a sense of security for children that are entering into the shelter. Bedtime is an important part of a child's routine. With donations provided each child entering the shelter would receive a tied fleece blanket (child size) with a pair of Pjs (flannel for winter and lighter for summer) along with a bedtime story book, and a stuffed animal.

All items will be NEW.

Fleece blankets will be handmade using two pieces of 1.5 yards of fleece. A variety of sizes of pjs will be needed and, of course, educational and age appropriate storybook Moving into a homeless shelter is very stressful.

Especially for a child.

Our intention is to not only provide a sense of security for our children but also to teach our mother's the importance of a bedtime routine.

All brand new, good quality items. No repurposed items!

Each Basket Will Include

1: A Bedtime Routine Instructional Page to educate the parents on the importance of a bedtime routine.

2: A new fleece tied blanket (2-1 1/2 yard pieces of fleece)

3: A good quality stuffed animal (brands like TY, Gund, etc. No Dollar Store Animals)

4: A hygiene kit including toothbrush, toothpaste and a comb

5: An educational age appropriate book

6: A collapsible Canvas Storage Bin (10.5x10.5x10.75)

7: A pair of pajamas

We will be collecting items and putting baskets together as needed or as we get donations. There is a big bin in the parlor for items to be placed.

These completed baskets will be stored in a secured area at TLC and distributed as new admissions come in.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to this project we would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you for your support for our Missions.

- 2 - Sue Nelson
Sammi Lahti
Matt Pieters
- 3 - Amanda Ryan
- 4 - Kiffie Scott
- 5 - Brett Moen
- 6 - Dave Willick
Bill Wald
- 7 - Mary Skwierawski
Olivia Marty
- 9 - Kelly Diem
- 10 - Royce Kennedy
Stacy Striegel
- 11 - Meghan Peterson
Ellen Graham
Jordan Cowan



- 13 - Eric Lunderskov
Henry Zusan
- 14 - Emma Iselin
Elias Tremmel
- 16 - Brad Brenner
- 19 - Caden VanSwol
Olivia Greeter
- 20—Logan Hill
- 23 - Mollie Wang
- 24 - Donna Schellpfeffer
Tim Iselin
Abbillyne Mitchell
- 25 - Diane Hanson
Rob Oxley-Hase
- 27 - Sue Alby
- 28 - Chad Peterson
Aimee Bigelow



Ron & Pam Moersfelder
February 2

Glenn & Nicki Stoll
February 13

Terry & Katie Simenson
February 26



CONTACT INFORMATION

Thank you to those who have returned their updated contact information sheets. If you have not already done so, please complete the form included in this month's Epistle and return to the office via email:

plymouthuccoffice@gmail.com

or via USPS mail:

124 W. Washington Street; Burlington; WI; 53105



I was truly blessed to have received cookies and cards for Christmas.

Thank you —
Bob Kohout



Pray for the family of Robert H. Sandberg, 85, of Burlington, who passed away Saturday, January 2, 2021 at his winter home in Fountain Hills, Arizona.



FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee Hour	8 6pm Bell Choir	9 6:30pm Choir	10	11	12	13
14 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee Hour Valentine's Day Cookie Drop	15 6pm Bell Choir	16 6:30pm Choir	17 6:30pm Operating Council Meeting	18 Epistle Deadline	19	20
21 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee Hour	22 6pm Bell Choir	23 6:30pm Choir	24	25	26	27
28 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee Hour						



FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY	February 7 10:00 am	February 14 10:00 am	February 17 Ash Wednes-	February 21 10:00 am	February 28 10:00 am
DEACONS					
USHERS					
LITURGIST	John Gibbon	Lori Benstead		Don Howell	Carolyn Schoneck
FELLOWSHIP SERVERS					
AV OPERATOR					
NURSERY					
ACOLYTE					

**Deadline for the March issue of *The Plymouth Epistle* is :
February 21st**

PLYMOUTH UCC STAFF

Interim Minister
Kathleen O'Brien, Office Secretary
Stephanie Eveland, Financial Secretary
Becky Daniels & Tracy Freitag, Children's Ministry
Jeffrey Hughes, Custodian
Marty Baker, Wedding Coordinator
Diane Olson, Organist & Bell Choir Director
Jamie Kennow, Choir Director
Lisa Carnahan, Choir Accompanist

PLYMOUTH CHILDREN'S CENTER

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
Sara Trewyn, Program Director
Phyllis Hancock, Assistant Director



**, INTERIM MINISTER
OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday-Friday: 9:30 am to 4:30 pm
 If possible, please call ahead to make sure Pastor is available.

PLYMOUTH UCC OFFICE HOURS

Kathy: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
 Friday, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
 Steph: Monday & Wednesday, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Church Office: 262-763-6890
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Contact Information Form

We need to update our records, particularly since we have been unable to meet face to face. Please complete for each member of your household who would like to be included in the church directory. If there are certain months of the year pertaining to a specific address, please indicate so. Please circle any information you do not wish to have published in the Plymouth Yellow Pages but will allow church staff to have for communication purposes. Otherwise, leave blank.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	PHONE	AREA CODE	XXX - XXXX	ADDRESS
		CELL			STREET
		LANDLINE			CITY, STATE, ZIP
		CELL			STREET
		LANDLINE			CITY, STATE, ZIP
		CELL			STREET
		LANDLINE			CITY, STATE, ZIP
		CELL			STREET
		LANDLINE			CITY, STATE, ZIP
		CELL			STREET
		LANDLINE			CITY, STATE, ZIP



LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	BIRTH DATE	ANNIVERSARY	EMAIL ADDRESS
		mm/dd/yyyy	mm/dd/yyyy	

When finished, please return this form to the church office via e-mail: PlymouthUCCoffice@gmail.com or by mailing to Plymouth Church, 124 W. Washington St., Burlington, WI 53105



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We hope you like our monthly newsletter. It is such a great communicator of happenings at our church. However, if you no longer wish to be on our mailing list, please notify us by either mail, telephone (262-763-6890) or email - plymouthuccoffice@gmail.com

The word "LOVE" is written in a large, bold, pink font with a thick black outline. The letters are slightly irregular and have a hand-drawn feel.

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have **love for **one another**.
John 13:35 NRSV**