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The Caller

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Living Roots	Sundays at 10:30 am
Youth Group	Sundays at 6 pm
Wed. Afternoon Bible Study	Wednesdays at 1 pm
Men's Bible Study	Saturdays at 7:30 am

Maundy Thursday Service	Thrs. March 29-7 pm
Good Friday Service	Fri. March 30 - 7 pm
Easter Sunrise Service	Sun. April 1 - 7 am
Easter Worship Celebration	Sun. April 1 - 10 am
Easter Egg Hunt	Sun. April 1 - 11 am

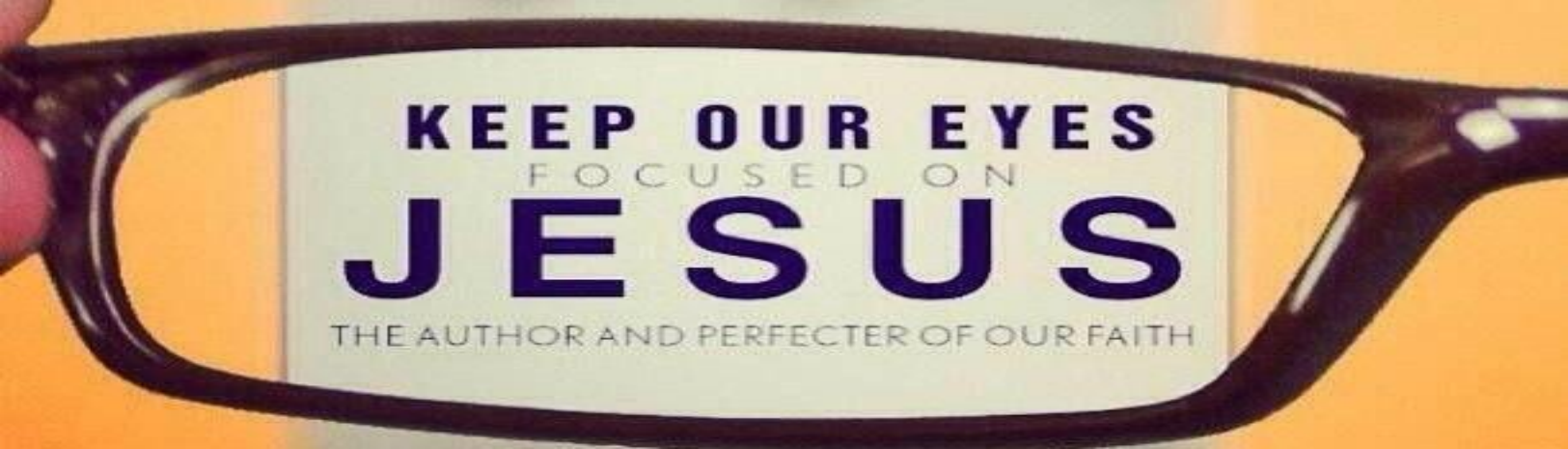
Northside Commons Dinner	April 5
May Caller Articles Due	April 20
Women's Luncheon	April 28
Rummage Sale	May 4 and 5
Mother's Day	May 14



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Youth Group Interim Director	Laura Burnett
Director of Music Ministries	Gloria Mayo
Business Administrator	Kathy Kirk
Worship Services	Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School Classes	Sundays 8:45 a.m.

Carry the cross  **and follow me.**
Luke 14:27, NRSV



An important reminder as spring sprouts by Pastor Allan

"Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith." Hebrews 12: 1-2

As the birds begin to chirp and the warm weather returns many of us will excitedly make our plans! Golf; Tennis; Swimming; Hiking; Shopping; Vacationing; Amusement Parks; Camping and many more activities to blow off steam and relax! These activities are not bad; in fact, we need time away from our regular routines! My prayer is "Dear Lord please let our little family enjoy Aunt Chookie and Florida for 2 hearty weeks this summer!" **Typically, what begins to happen right about now is that many Christians begin to "zone out spiritually"**. The sad thing is that all the wonderful works of *giving, service, study, and fellowship* become seasonal activities that we **might** visit later on, perhaps in the fall! What if we were "seasonal bill payers"? Would the Visa Company, the Mortgage Company, or the Insurance Company be thrilled if we took time off from paying? Absolutely not, and it wouldn't be long before we found ourselves in a financial mess!

We need to be careful spiritually not to lose our focus! Many of us at Plum Creek have built up such a wonderful faith over the years! You've gotten deeper in your walk, wiser in your talk, lovelier in your sharing with others. Wouldn't it be sad to lose ground in your spiritual life after growing so much? Let us make a commitment, with God's help, to do our best each and every day to continue to KEEP OUR EYES ON JESUS! We'll have many wonderful activities to distract us as spring arrives, but what if we decided that JESUS WAS GOING TO BE THE DISTRACTION?! Wouldn't that be a great decision to make?!

Stay Focused as the weather breaks! Enjoy yourselves, but don't forget that Jesus and all that He offers is your necessary source of renewal, sustenance, and growth!

With love, Pastor Allan

BIRTHDAYS

April 9 Harold Bartley
April 22 Rita Martin

If you know anyone who is 70 or older, please let the church office know.
We don't want to miss anyone.

DEATHS

Jim Cady March 6, 2018
John Martin March 6, 2018



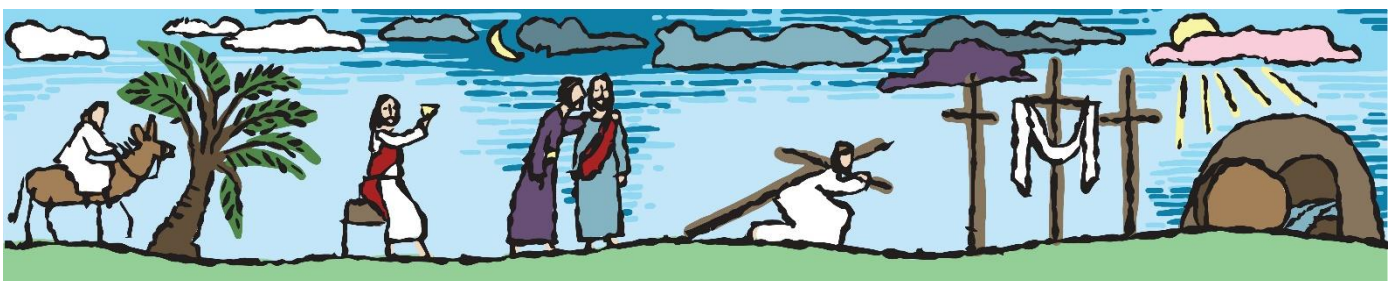
FEBRUARY FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Income: \$15,068.68
Expenses: \$21,085.36
Shortage year-to-date -\$12,696.04

FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry needs non-perishable items and monetary donations.

Please see Larry Sturchio if you have any questions.



RUMMAGE SALE!

It's almost here!

The annual Rummage Sale that has served the Plum community for over 50 years. Preparation is scheduled for the week of April 29 - May 5. (The actual sale is May 4 and 5.)

Are you spring cleaning? Downsizing? Donating stuff to charity?

Well, we await your "goodies" beginning April 29!

Along with your rummage would you consider spending some time setting up, sorting, pricing, and socializing as we prepare for the sale?

Rummage Sale Volunteer Opportunities

- Advertising (posters all ready) before sale.
- Help where needed
- Set Up Sun, April 29 from 2pm - 4pm.
- Clean Up Sat., May 5 after 2pm
- Sort donations Mon. - Thurs. April 30 thru May 3
- Drive leftover items to a charity. Sat., May 5 after 2pm

Help in the following areas:

- Kitchen (prep and sell)
- Electrical/small appliances
- House wares
- Something Special
- Jewelry
- Linens
- Toys
- Miscellaneous
- Call for baked goods/ donate baked goods / sell (circle areas)
- Cashiers (May 4/ May 5) circle days

Donated items:

Drop off 9am - 4pm or 7pm - 8:30pm
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday (until 4pm only)
Items should be in good condition, clean and appliances working
No computers, TV's, underwear, mattresses, organs or pianos

Need items picked up? (Call the church 412-793-4525 & leave name and phone number)

Thank You for your help!!! Joy Smith, Chairperson

Name _____ Phone _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Easter 7:00a-Sunrise Service 9:00a-Worship Team Practice 10:00a-Worship-Easter Celebration 11:00a-Easter Egg Hunt	2 6:30p-Cub Scouts 6:30p-T.O.P.S. 7:30p-Boy Scouts	3 7:00p-Mission	4 1:00p-Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study	5 4:00p-Northside Commons Dinner 6:30p-Worship Team Practice 7:00p-Girl Scout Troop 55150	6 6:30p-Girl Scout Troop 52353	7 7:30a-Men's Bible Study 9:00a-Mayo Party
8 8:45a-Sunday School 9:00a-Worship Team Practice 10:00a-Worship 10:30a-Living Roots 6:00p-Youth Group	9 6:30p-Cub Scouts 6:30p-T.O.P.S. 7:00p-Building and Grounds Meeting 7:30p-Boy Scouts	10 7:00p-Worship and Music 7:00p-Deacons	11 1:00p-Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study 6:30p-Stewardship Meeting	12 6:30p-Worship Team Practice 6:30p-Girl Scout Troop 53052	13 6:30p-Girl Scout Troop 58445	14 7:30a-Men's Bible Study 11:00a-Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet
15 8:45a-Sunday School 9:00a-Worship Team Practice 10:00a-Worship 10:30a-Living Roots 6:00p-Youth Group	16 6:30p-Cub Scouts 6:30p-T.O.P.S. 7:30p-Boy Scouts 7:30p-Session Meeting	17 6:30p-Girl Scout Leaders	18 1:00p-Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study	19 6:30p-Worship Team Practice 7:00p-Girl Scout Troop 55150	20 4:00p-Coreno/Hilinski Rehearsal 6:30p-Girl Scout Troop 52353 11:45p-Caller Articles Due	21 7:30a-Men's Bible Study 1:30p-Coreno/Hilinski Wedding
22 8:45a-Sunday School 9:00a-Worship Team Practice 10:00a-Worship (Communion) 10:30a-Living Roots 6:00p-Youth Group	23 6:30p-Cub Scouts 6:30p-T.O.P.S. 7:30p-Boy Scouts	24	25 1:00p-Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study	26 6:30p-Worship Team Practice 6:30p-Girl Scout Troop 53052	27 4:00p-Valimont/Plance Rehearsal 6:30p-Girl Scout Troop 58445	28 7:30a-Men's Bible Study 11:00a-Women's Luncheon 4:00p-Valimont/Plance Wedding
29 8:45a-Sunday School 9:00a-Worship Team Practice 10:00a-Worship 2:00p-Rummage Sale Set Up 6:00p-Youth Group	30 9:00a-Rummage Sale Set Up 6:30p-T.O.P.S. 7:30p-Boy Scouts					

