



# The Grapevine

*"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower."*

John 15:1

## Calendar for November 1 –15

**Tuesday**, November 1

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class

**Wednesday**, November 2

9:30 a.m. GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Group

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday**, November 6 **DEDICATION SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. Mission Ministry Meeting

9:30 a.m. Worship - **COMMUNION SERVED**

9:45 a.m. Education

10:30 a.m. **CELEBRATION POTLUCK**

**Tuesday**, November 8

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class

**Wednesday**, November 9

9:30 a.m. GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Group

6:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting

6:30 p.m. Youth Group

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday**, November 10

12:00 p.m. **GRAPEVINE DEADLINE**

**Saturday**, November 12

9:30 a.m. Lefse Making

**YOUTH SLEEP-OUT FOR HOMELESS**

**Sunday**, November 13

9:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Education

10:30 a.m. Fellowship

11:00 a.m. Gal's Gathering

**Tuesday**, November 15

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

4:00 p.m. Presbytery Meeting

The House of Hope, St. Paul

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class

7:00 p.m. Worship Ministry Meeting

**From:** Rev. Anne Fisher, Transitional Pastor

THIS Sunday, November 6, is PPS@PP (Potluck and Pledge Sunday at Plymouth Presbyterian! AND you have an extra hour to make your dish to share and consider your financial commitment to PPC because Daylight Savings Time ends and we turn our clocks BACK!

Is it possible to separate our faith with what is going on in the world? Ben Carson, former Presidential hopeful, said, "Sometimes you put your Christian values on pause to get the work done." (October 14, 2016) I don't think we can be that casual with what Jesus teaches us.

This past Sunday we launched our Confirmation students into their journey that will culminate with their stating what they believe. The goal of confirmation is for these young people to confirm the baptismal vows that their parents made on their behalf. They will learn, during the year, that being a Christian is not a weekend hobby that one can shrug off when it is not convenient for them. We may struggle with difficult decisions and will sometimes regret that the choices we make are not in keeping with Christ's teachings. There is another name for putting our Christian values on pause; it is called sin. And that is something for which we are all held accountable.

Join us this Sunday as we dedicate our financial commitment for 2017 and we have a celebration Potluck. Every member and every dish counts!!



SAVE the following DATES for upcoming **Adult Education Opportunities**

**November 20:** Allie Tang will share her mission experiences in Hong Kong and Mainland China.

**December 4, 11, 18:** Rev Anne Fisher will lead an Advent Series 'An Adult Christ at Christmas'.

Adult Education is appropriate for middle school students and up. They are held after worship in the Fire Side Room.

**From: Matt Spoden**  
**Children and Youth Ministries Intern**

We have two exciting events coming up for the Youth Group.

**Sleep Out for IOCP** - On November 12, we will be participating in IOCP's Annual Sleep Out to raise money and awareness for homelessness. We'll sleep outside in boxes and it will be cold, so plan accordingly. Details about what to bring and the schedule will come soon. To sign up, either email Matt at [mspoden@plymouthpc.org](mailto:mspoden@plymouthpc.org) or sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board by the Youth Room.

**2017 Mission Trip** - Our Mission Trip this year will be the week of July 9th in Martin, SD. We will be working with the community doing service projects and working with kids. To register, please submit a Registration Form, a 2016-2017 Health Form and a \$50 deposit to Matt by November 8. The forms will be available on the bulletin board in the narthex or by emailing Matt at [mspoden@plymouthpc.org](mailto:mspoden@plymouthpc.org).



**November Book Club Selection**

**Changed** For meeting on Monday, November 28, the Book Club will be reading *The Pink Suit* by Nicole Mary Kelby, a fictional account of Jackie Kennedy's famous pink suit and the seamstress who made it. The Hennepin County Library has 50 copies in regular print, 12 audiobooks and some e-books. It is only 274 pages; you have plenty of time to read it and come to the November discussion.

**Mission Ministry - Joanne Mann**

Forty-one pounds of food donated in September was delivered to PRISM, Golden Valley. Their food shelves were very low and they appreciated the donation. Thank you for your contributions.

**The 363 Days Sandwich-Making on October 16 was Very Successful!** In 30 minutes we had 1,000 sandwiches made, in zip-top plastic bags and ready for Allan Law's crew to distribution later in the evening. Cleaning up was clearly a group effort. Thank you to everyone who participated!



**Clearwater Forest Give to the Max Day**

Clearwater's annual **Give to the Max Day** is coming on **Thursday, November 17th!**

**Clearwater Forest Changes Lives!** It provides countless opportunities for people of all ages to find themselves, be renewed, accepted and loved! Please partner with us in this amazing opportunity to continue to changes lives.

Your donation that will be matched by generous donors who have already pledged \$13,500!

**IT'S SIMPLE!** Go to [www.givemn.org](http://www.givemn.org) November 1 - 17 and make either a one-time gift, or spread your gift throughout the year with a monthly pledge. There are fantastic prize opportunities for those that pledge early, give during the day and a new incentive for those that cover the fees as part of their donation! **Thank You!**

**Worship Volunteers**

*To complete our worship leadership opportunities, please go to: [worship@plymouthpc.org](mailto:worship@plymouthpc.org)*

**Sunday, November 6**

**Worship Leader** - Matt Spoden

**Ushers** - PPC Session

**Greeters** - PPC Session

**Children's Message** -

**Fellowship** - **CELEBRATION POTLUCK**

**Counters** - Penny Dando; Bruce and Wendy Koenen

**Sunday, November 13**

**Worship Leader** - Ken Blankenship

**Ushers** -

**Greeters** - Bruce and Wendy Koenen

**Children's Message** -

**Fellowship** - Baker's Group - Lefse

**Counters** - Penny Dando; Bruce & Wendy Koenen

## Fellowship and Membership Ministry - Jan Lillemo and Rick Ackerman



**It's Lefse Time!** It's not too early to start thinking about Christmas, so mark your calendar for this fun, PPC tradition, on Saturday, November 12, at 9:30 a.m. Sign-up on the poster in the narthex and try your hand at this truly Minnesotan treat! If you have questions, see Penny Blankenship or Amy Leaf or email [fellowship@plymouthpc.org](mailto:fellowship@plymouthpc.org).

**A Gone Fishin' Christmas** Several times in recent years, a group of PPC folks have attended a fun Christmas play at Yellow Tree Theatre in Osseo. This year, they are presenting "A Gone Fishin' Christmas". Most of the dates in November and December are sold out, but on Sunday, November 13 at 2:00 p.m. there are plenty of seats available. Wouldn't it be fun if a whole bunch of us went that day? Instead of coordinating tickets through the church, just buy tickets at [YellowTreeTheatre.com](http://YellowTreeTheatre.com), and then meet there. But hurry, because tickets are selling fast! Questions? Contact Jan Lillemo or email [fellowship@plymouthpc.org](mailto:fellowship@plymouthpc.org).



## Worship and Music Ministry

Sandy Hawley and Laurie Latimer



**Choir Rehearsal** Choir rehearsal is Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. However, there will be no rehearsal on the following Wednesdays: November 2, 9 and 23. The Choir will not sing on Sunday, November 6.

**Hanging of the Greens - November 27** We will decorate the church for the Advent season on Sunday, November 27 following worship. All who are interested, please stay and help prepare our church for the coming of Christ.

**Poinsettias** Please order poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary! Information and order forms will be in the bulletin soon.



## Make a Difference in Your Community!



Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners (I.O.C.P.) is looking for volunteers – no experience required!

**Homework Club Volunteers (URGENTLYNEEDED)** Volunteers are still needed to help students (K-5) complete their homework, gain confidence in school and form meaningful relationships. 1-2 hours per week. Perfect for working professionals, retirees or high school students! No tutoring experience needed; training provided.

**Be a Donation Receiver** – Accept donations, assist people unloading and give donors a receipt for their items. Help is especially needed on Mondays.

For more information on all our volunteer opportunities, visit [iocp.org/volunteer](http://iocp.org/volunteer).

**Annual Community Prayer Breakfast Thursday, November 10, 7:15 - 8:45 a.m. at Wayzata Country Club** Greg Rye, Owner & CEO of R & R Business Development Company is the keynote speaker. The event is open to all and features breakfast, music from local musicians and liturgy read by local clergy. The cost is \$20, with all proceeds supporting Interfaith Outreach & Community Partners. Reservations at <https://iocp.ejoinme.org/PrayerBreakfast>.