



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

John 15:1

Calendar for December 16 -31

Sunday, December 17

- 9:30 a.m. **Advent III** Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Education
- 10:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting
- 10:45 a.m. Prayer Chain Group
- 10:45 a.m. Youth Gift Wrapping

Monday, December 18

- 7:00 p.m. Pastor Nominating Committee

Tuesday, December 19

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, December 20

- 11:00 a.m. GIFT Group to SummerWood
- 6:00 p.m. PPC Youth Group—Christmas Party
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Building and Grounds

Friday, December 22

Church Office Closed for CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 24

- 9:30 a.m. **Advent IV** Worship— Carol Sing
- 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service
- 9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, December 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Tuesday, December 26

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Sunday, December 31

- 9:30 a.m. Worship

From: Rev. Anne Fisher,



Christmas Eve @PPC

Christmas Eve morning at 9:30 a.m. is the People's Choice Carol Sing! The choir will be singing.

4:00p.m. Family Christmas Eve Service will have an original story by Chuck Slocum.

9:00p.m. Service of Lessons, Carols and Lights. Like last year, the service will be patterned after the one my father did for many years. It is very close to my heart. His message began with the sanctuary in total darkness except for the light of the Christ candle. He proceeded to light candles as he spoke and gradually the sanctuary would be filled with light. As choir and members sang *Silent Night*, the congregation would silently process out with their lit candles. As the Sanctuary returns to darkness, the world receives the light.

I hope that your Christmas celebration will incorporate at least one of our Christmas Eve Services. May the light of God's promise shine in your hearts and reflect in your lives.

Blessings, Anne

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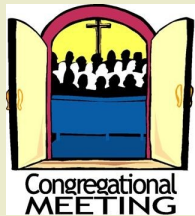
Christmas Eve Services:

December 24th

9:30 a.m. -which will include a Carol Sing.

4:00 p.m.- Family Service which will include an original story by our own Chuck Slocum.

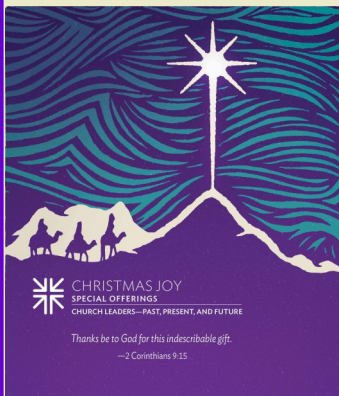
9:00 p.m.- which will include Candlelight and music by our choir.



A **Congregational Meeting** will be held Sunday **December 17th** for the purpose of electing elders and deacons.

Christmas Joy Offering

is one of our national offerings. Fifty percent received is designated as caring for church leaders who through circumstance unforeseen may need assistance during hardship. The other fifty per cent supports the continued ministry of



educating and forming Christian leaders in racially, ethnic Presbyterian schools. The Joy offering will be received on Sunday, December 17.

Celebration Handbell Choir Rehearsal is Wednesday, December 20th at 6:00 p.m.



Plymouth Choir Rehearsal is Wednesday, December 20th and January 3rd at 7:00 p.m.
(No rehearsal December 27th)

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR ADVENT and CHRISTMAS

Sunday Dec. 17, 9:30 a.m.,

Jazz Pianist Clint Clark

Sunday Dec. 24, 9:30 a.m.,

Christmas Carol Sing

Sunday Dec. 31, 9:30 a.m.,

Suzy Schultz, Soprano/Piano



THANK YOU FOR
Your Leadership
WITH US

Thank you for your Leadership:

In the new year we will be saying thank you to the class of Elders and Deacons who are finishing their terms. Elders who

are leaving are: Jan Lillemo, Kristin McMahan, and Liz Miller. For Deacons we say good-bye to: Mark Baker (Secretary), Ken Blankenship, Rick Lillemo (Treasurer), Melonie Robran (Moderator), and Deb Shatto.

The 2018 Deacon officers are Sandy Hawley, (Moderator), Ann Foote (Secretary) and Adam Ling, (Treasurer).



The Church Office will be closed

December 22nd and 25th and January 1st.



2018
**MINNESOTA
PPC SUPER BOWL
of Annual Meetings**

A week before the Super Bowl comes to Minneapolis, Plymouth Presbyterian Church will be having the **Super Bowl of Plymouth Presbyterian!** Also known as

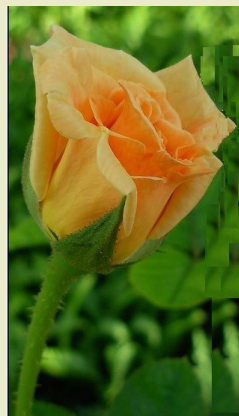
PPC's 27th Annual meeting, **of Annual Meetings** on **Sunday January 28th**-beginning at 9:30 a.m. No tickets are necessary to get a front row seat! You won't want to miss it. It is a package deal which includes Worship, Meeting and POTLUCK. Join us for looking at the past, present and future of PPC!



The next Grapevine will be published January 15th. **Happy New Year!**



Youth Christmas Party— the Youth Group will be having a Christmas party on **Wednesday, Dec. 20th from 6-8 pm** beginning with pizza at the church. We will have silly Christmas socks gift exchange!



We wish to express our appreciation to everyone at PPC for your prayers and cards. Carla's Aunt Shirley completed her radiation treatments, which seem to be successful. We are grateful for your support as we have dealt with Shirley's cancer and the passing of Carla's Dad.

Carla and Dave



The Youth will be wrapping Christmas Presents this



Sunday December 17th as a fundraiser for the **2018 Mission Trip to Indianapolis.**

Please bring your gifts to be wrapped.

Give a donation for this service.

Thanks, to generous friends for **Adopt-a-family.**



We have a three way tie thus far for your favorite Christmas Carols. *Joy to the World*, *Silent Night* and *What Child is This?*

VOTE TODAY For your favorite Christmas

**Carol to be sung
December 24th
at 9:30 a.m.**



At our 9:30 worship on Christmas Eve we will have a Carol Sing and we want to sing your top choices.

*Your choice needs to be found in our
Glory to God Hymnal*

Vote early and often! We will keep a running tally over the next three weeks. (Cast your ballot by email at office@plymouthpc.org)

Let's Sing_____

@9:30 AM on Christmas Eve Day!

*Merry
Christmas
from your
Staff*



*Tam Anne
Matt &
Haren*