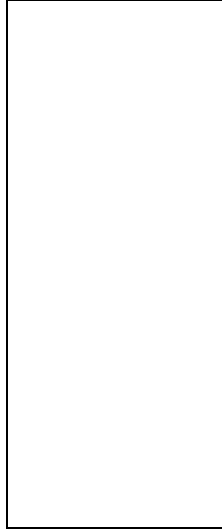


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**SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011 — 10:30 AM**

**REV. JOY A. BAUMGARTNER**

**“A PARTY SPIRIT”**

Perhaps the key to unity and peace in our world is hidden in the scripture where they were unafraid to speak and share their ideas even with those who believed and worshiped a different image of God.

**EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:1-17**

**Acts 2:1-13; 4:32-35**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO WEAR RED**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2011 — 10:30 AM**

**REV. DAVID BANDFIELD**

**“FATHER IN THE MIDDLE”**

**GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 11:15-32**

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

June 12, 2011

Ten-thirty O'clock

Liturgist.....Charles Gabler  
Greeters..... Michael Bushnell and Helen Elliott  
Altar Guild..... Jackie Stebbins

The flowers at the altar are provided by the Rose Standish Circle.

## THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST TRINITY SUNDAY

June 19, 2011

Ten-thirty O'clock

Liturgist.....Glen Anderson  
Greeters..... Bill and Sue Baldwin  
Altar Guild.....Marcia Cornell

The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God by a church member.

## **FLOWER SUNDAY JUNE 26, 2011**

Members and friends of Plymouth Congregational Church are invited to bring flowers from your own garden in vases to adorn the altar on **Sunday, June 26, 2011**. Share the beauty of your flower garden with the Plymouth Family. Flowers are requested to be delivered by 10 a.m.



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER OUR PLYMOUTH CHURCH FAMILY

### FORSYTH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, NC

Jeanne Bolton

### HOLT SENIOR CARE & REHAB CENTER, ROOM D7, 5091 WILLOUGHBY RD., HOLT

Ruth Fransisco

### BURCHAM HILLS

Erdine Phillips

Catherine Stow

Tom Tabler

### INDEPENDENCE VILLAGE

Marshall Ruhno

### HOME

Gary Beatty (roommate of Charles Gabler)

Maritza Christle (Melynda Christle's aunt)

Helen Draper

Lucy Finkel

Bunny Gruhn (Marcia Anderson's sister)

Marilyn Hastings

Barbara O'Neal (Lisa Bolton-Hunt's aunt)

Marlene Patterson

Allen Ropp (Clayton Ropp's brother)

Royal Snyder (Clayton Ropp's cousin)

Eleanor Thede (friend of Marilyn Hastings)

Gary Thomas

Heather Weldon

(granddaughter of Marilyn Hastings)

### SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN AFGHANISTAN

David Granger

### SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN IRAQ

Ray Underwood (nephew of Glen & Marcia Anderson)

### OTHER MILITARY SERVICE

John Chain, Jr. (nephew of David Chain) Coast Guard

Adam Hedlund (grandson of David & Margaret Hedlund) U.S. Air Force, Langley, VA

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JULY 1—15

*Birthdays*

- 7/1 Jean Foster
- 7/1 Morgan Glasscoe
- 7/2 Michael Barner
- 7/3 Debby Hoyt-Hawkins
- 7/4 Dena Fitzgerald
- 7/6 Melynda Christle
- 7/7 Patty Crouse
- 7/7 Nancy Dunn
- 7/7 Lynn Granger
- 7/7 Patricia Thomas
- 7/8 Asghedom  
Ghebremichael
- 7/8 Dick Gleason
- 7/8 Ryleigh Henrys
- 7/8 Layla Yahya
- 7/10 Lisa Bolton-Hunt
- 7/10 John Crocker
- 7/10 Joe Granger
- 7/10 Michael Schuon
- 7/11 Gennet  
Ghebremichael
- 7/11 J. Woodward Roe Jr.
- 7/11 Christian Walker
- 7/12 Kelly Jackson
- 7/14 Marjorie Melville
- 7/15 Christine Granger
- 7/15 Marshall Ruhno

*With Sympathy*

We extend our sympathy to Clayton Ropp and family on the death of his nephew, Ronald Thompson.

We extend our sympathy to Eleanor Smith and family on the death of her sister-in-law, Clara Srackangast, on May 29, 2011 at Galesburg, Michigan.



THE CHURCH STAFF

- Rev. Joy A. Baumgartner, Interim Minister
- Rev. David Bandfield, Associate Minister
- Lisa Bolton-Hunt, Assistant Minister
- Margaret Wallin, Assistant Minister
- Betty Briggs, Director of Rel. Ed.
- Joan Chandler, Administrative Assistant
- John Dale Smith, Dir. of Music/Comm./Events
- Dr. Penny Draper, Ass't Director of Music
- Tina M. Thompson, Financial Secretary
- Ronald L. Silky, Sexton
- James J. Triantaflos, Ass't. Sexton



REV. JOY BAUMGARTNER

**PASTOR'S PASSAGE**

This lovely spring time is filled with much beauty as flowers begin to bloom, lawns green and people are once and again out walking, running and just appreciating nature. But we also find beauty within the Church as we celebrate worship and special occasions each Sunday.

On Memorial Sunday, our acolytes gave light to the Veteran's Candle as we gave thanks for all who gave their lives in service to our country. Then, during the service, family members and friends came forward to light a candle in memory of a loved one who passed into eternal life during the past year. At the end of the service, we looked at that table, the red cloth the sign of the Holy Spirit and the candles aflame in memory of over 30 loved ones as we sang of the saints of God and we saw beauty as well; the beauty of our belief that God is with us always, even after death.

This past Sunday we recognized all those who have volunteered their time and talent to

provide music for worship here at Plymouth. What a celebration! Our children sang and were recognized, the bells played, the choir sang out as instruments were played in praise of God and Christ's Church. Beauty filled our hearts with inspiration and new life!

**This Sunday we will celebrate the Birthday of the Christian Church at Pentecost Service. Red is the color of the day** as we celebrate the Spirit of Christ that not only permeated the lives of those followers generations ago, but continues to inspire us even today. Instruments and voices will once again fill the Centrum and our children will sing and dance as they celebrate "This Little Light of Mine" as they dance and pass the light. What a day it will be. **Wear Red!**

There is a spirit growing through love and cooperation and kindness and welcome. That Spirit is Christ alive and well. A new time is upon us as the new members of Boards and Committees take their places at the table and the work of Christ in this place continues. Let's celebrate a new beginning. And let's always walk forward..... together with Christ. And let's determine to truly .....

.....**BE THE CHURCH**

My Blessings and Love,  
Joy



**Sunday, June 12, 2011**  
**Following Worship**

**Please bring a dish to pass.**

Sponsored by the Board of Deacons



**SAVE YOUR ITEMS FOR THE GARAGE SALE**

Start going through your closets, attics and garages and save your gently used items for the Nearly New Garage Sale to be held on Friday and Saturday, October 21st and 22nd.

There is a room available for your special treasures. You may bring your jewelry now to the church office.



To  
**MARGARET BOURNE**  
 who will celebrate her 93rd  
 birthday June 23rd

ADDRESS:  
 c/o Elizabeth Doyle  
 30615 Old Stream Street, Southfield, MI 45076-5345

**GRADUATES TO BE HONORED THIS SUNDAY**

If someone in your family is graduating from high school, college or university, please call the Church office and let us know the individual's name, institution and degree earned.

Graduates will be recognized for their achievements during worship on Sunday, June 12.



*Thank you for the cards that were sent for my birthday and my recent surgery. I miss everyone and appreciate your thoughtfulness.*

*I have had no pain after the second day from the surgery.*

*Phyllis Ammons*



## MEMORIAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The following recipients received \$750 each

### WILBUR MYERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Josselin Draper  
Christian Freburg  
Lindsay Hunt  
Jennifer Smith  
Courtney Sunstrum  
Robert Van Kirk  
Jennifer Joy Yocum

### DELORES HINSHAW SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Cassandra Dalton



## *All Women Are Invited to a Special Salad Luncheon*

*Tuesday, July 19, 2011 — 12:00 Noon*

*Call the church office at 484-9495 to make your reservation*

*Cost: \$5*



## AND STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

## SUNDAY, JUNE 19TH

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

## Everyone Invited

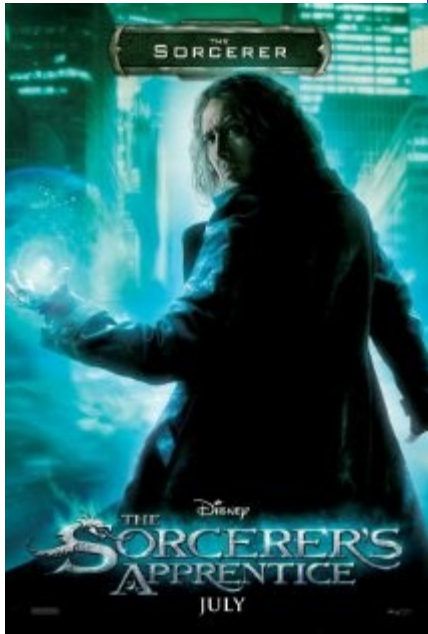
We are in need of donations of ice cream sundae toppings.  
There will be sign-up sheets following worship,  
or you may call the Church office.

Don't forget your loose change for the offering  
place on Sundays. This loose change is for the  
Sunday School Missions outreach.



**FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 6:45 PM**  
**JOIN US FOR PIZZA AND A MOVIE**  
**THE SORCERER'S APPRENTICE**

Balthazar Blake (Nicolas Cage) is a master sorcerer in modern-day Manhattan trying to defend the city from his arch-nemesis, Maxim Horvath (Alfred Molina). Balthazar can't do it alone, so he recruits Dave Stutler (Jay Baruchel), a seemingly average guy who demonstrates hidden potential, as his reluctant protégé. The sorcerer gives his unwilling accomplice a crash course in the art and science of magic, and together, these unlikely partners work to stop the forces of darkness. It'll take all the courage Dave can muster to survive his training, save the city and get the girl as he becomes The Sorcerer's Apprentice.



**CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011**

- 9:30 AM Living the Questions
- 9:45 AM Youth Group Discussion
- 10:30 AM Worship—Glory Service
- 10:30 AM Sunday School
- 11:30 AM Potluck Luncheon
- 11:45 AM Jr. and Sr. High PF

**MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2011**

- 7:00 PM Board of Trustees
- 7:00 PM Lansing Storytellers

**TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2011**

- 1:30 PM Michigan Camp Committee

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2011**

- 10:00 AM Clothes Closet
- 10:00 AM Alzheimer Male Caregivers
- 12:30 PM No Day But Today (NA)
- 6:00 PM Girlfriends
- 7:00 PM Lenten Book Discussion

**FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2011**

- 6:45 PM Movie Night

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2011**

- 9:30 AM Living the Questions
- 9:45 AM Youth Group Discussion
- 10:30 AM Worship
- 10:30 AM Sunday School
- 11:30 AM Ice Cream Social
- 11:45 AM Board of Deacons
- 11:45 AM Board of Music

**TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2011**

- 12:30 PM Women's Fellowship Board
- 7:00 PM Church Council

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2011**

- 8:00 AM Men's Morning Manna
- 12:30 PM No Day But Today (NA)
- 5:00 PM Mid-Michigan Genealogical Society

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2011**

- 10:30 AM Positive Vision Comm.

**RECOGNITION OF VETERANS AND FAMILIES**



Veterans and their families will be recognized during worship on Sunday, July 3rd. During the service, the anthem of each branch of military service will be played in a medley. If you, or a member of your family, have served this nation in that branch, you will be asked to stand as that hymn is being sung by the congregation.

## SUBSTITUTE ORGANIST SUMMER SCHEDULE

June 19	Grace Mackson
June 26	Doug Austin
July 3	Bruce Campbell
July 10	Glory Service
July 17	Bruce Campbell
July 24	Grace Mackson
July 31	Grace Mackson
August 7	Grace Mackson

## SPECIAL MUSIC FOR SUMMER SERVICES

June 12	Glory Service Quartet
June 19	David Chain
June 26	Ken Keel
July 3	Judith Evans
July 10	Glory Service Quartet
July 17	Jennifer Joy Yocum
July 24	Lydia Skrlec Erickson plus guests
July 31	Judith Evans
August 7	Glen Anderson
August 14	Glory Service Quartet
August 21	Men's Quartet
August 28	Judith Evans
September 4	David Chain



## Girlfriends

Wednesday, June 15 — 6:00 PM

At Vinaigrettes  
940 Elmwood Rd., Lansing 48917

Please call the Church office at 484-9495  
to make your reservation.

# SHAKE IT UP CAFÉ COOKING FOR JESUS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AUGUST 8-12, 2011



**Monday Through Thursday  
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

**Friday  
11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
Please call the church office  
if you can help.

**WATCH CHURCH LIFE FOR MORE INFORMATION**

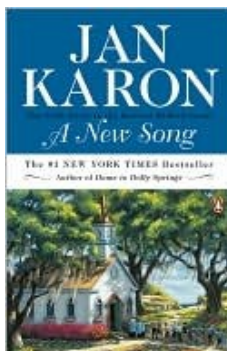


The Board of Trustees is in need of a Recording Secretary commencing with the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Board meetings are scheduled for the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library

Please call Joan in the Church office at 484-9495 if you can provide this very necessary service.

## FROM YOUR LIBRARY COMMITTEE...

June is audio book month. Your library offers you a **Jan Karon** book on cassette tape for your enjoyment. "**A New Song**" is a continuation of the interesting and heart-warming Mitford series. In this book Father Tim, the Episcopal rector in the small town of Mitford, retires only to find new challenges and adventures await he and his wife Cynthia when he agrees to serve as interim minister of a small church on Whitecap Island. Slip that cassette into your tape player and enjoy Father Tim's adventures. Your library has this series in book form also.

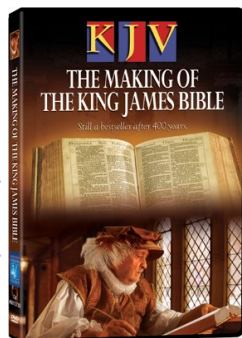


Remember the old days of downtown Lansing? "**Things Not Here Anymore**" is a 42 minute DVD produced by **WKAR**



-TV showing all the "old and familiar" places we grew up with and enjoyed. Using vintage photographs and interviews, a story is told of the lost landmarks that we knew so well. If you remember the old Michigan theater or the Home Dairy or many other favorite spots, you will enjoy this DVD.

"**The Making of the King James Bible**" is a 46 minute DVD marking the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of the King James Bible. This presentation brings to life the fascinating history of this great work, telling of the committee of 47 professors, with King James blessing, who began the task of creating a translation of the Bible acceptable to all. There are many translations of the Bible, but the language of the King James will stir the soul.



Whether you like to listen to cassettes, watch DVDs or just curl up with a good book, your Library can offer you great stories to fill your summer.

## YOUTH MUSIC

Dr. Penny Draper, Director

Andelycia Bevier  
Tiesha Bunkley  
Hannah Chappell  
Sarah Chappell  
Reggie Croffett, Jr.  
Cassandra Dalton  
Christian Dalton  
Gabriel Farnum  
Matthew Hachem  
Jaehee Han  
Siwon Han  
Tionne Heard  
McKenna Karn  
Larry Long  
David Love-Yager  
Sarah Love-Yager  
Eren Ntanyl  
Victor Ntanyl  
Karan Rai

## ACOLYTES

Tiesha Bunkley  
Hannah Chappell  
Sarah Chappell  
Reggie Croffett, Jr.  
Cassandra Dalton  
Christian Dalton  
Gretta Delaney  
Matthew Hachem  
Catherine Hawkins  
Tionne Heard  
Sarah Love-Yager  
Shawn Sparks



## PLYMOUTH CHOIR

John Dale Smith, Director

Glen Anderson  
Eleanor Berden  
Jean Bolley  
Phillip Brown  
David Chain  
John Crocker  
Bill Draper  
Penny Draper  
Lydia Skrlec Erickson\*  
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Sharon Granger  
M. Yvonne Groak  
Deborah Hoyt-Hawkins  
Ken Keel\*  
Bill McHarris  
Beverly Miller  
Ira Purchis  
Paul Rehfuss  
Mary Robison  
Deborah Stuart  
Roger Stuart  
Jennifer Joy Yocum\*

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## BELL CHOIR

Dr. Penny Draper, Director

Jean Bolley  
Lydia Skrlec Erickson  
Deborah Hoyt-Hawkins  
Daun Ketcheson  
Roy Ketcheson  
Beverly Miller  
Mary Robison  
Laura Sparks  
Alayna Young



## UPDATE FROM YOUR SEMINARIAN:

Dear Plymouth Friends and Family,

I wanted to give you an update on the status of my seminary journey. As I've recently mentioned in church, I have nearly completed all of my coursework. I have been so fortunate to be at Western Theological Seminary and to be learning from some really extraordinary faculty. Every course at Western has been a joy to me. I've loved learning to read scripture in the original languages of Greek and Hebrew, though I will admit learning new languages at my age has been challenging. Please ask me anytime to share with you my adventures in seminary, my mission trip to Mexico, my internships outside of Plymouth, these are all things for which I am blessed by your support.

At this point, I have only one more class to complete in the fall, and a paper to write in order to waive another class. And, this summer I will complete a full term internship at Olivet Congregational Church, under the wonderful mentorship of Jack Brown whom many of you know. On May 25<sup>th</sup> I went before their church council for questioning accompanied by Matt Floding, Dean of Student in Formation for Ministry at Western Seminary. Matt and I presented to them the seminary requirements for full time placement and my experience and training. They unanimously approved my placement there, and I will be presented to the congregation as their summer intern at their July 12<sup>th</sup> worship service. I'm really looking forward to learning from Jack and the experience of full time ministry at Olivet. Please continue to pray for me as I begin this next step in ministry.

Because of this internship, I will not be with you this summer. I know the last time I was assigned to complete an internship outside of Plymouth, there was some confusion that I might have left Plymouth, so I want to assure you I am just away temporarily, and will return to you in the fall. I hope to graduate in May of 2012, God willing. I want to thank all of you for your support over these last seven years. It has been a long journey, but a very satisfying one. I feel so very blessed to have been taken in care by Plymouth, and to have attended such a fine institution as Western Seminary. I would ask only of you now that you continue to pray for me as I make these last few steps in my journey, and know how much each of you has meant to me in the process. As always I hold you close in my heart.

Grace and Peace,

Lisa

## From the Board of Benevolences **OPPORTUNITY AND NEEDS**

The Mobile Food Pantry distribution was a great success! Thank you to all of the volunteer workers and bakers whose energy helped make our guests feel welcomed and comfortable. GOOD JOB!

Hannah's House is in need of a part-time housemother. This position requires a dedicated Christian woman with a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. She must be able to take charge with strength and compassion. She should be mission minded and realize that the job is first of all a ministry. She'll work every other week from 3pm on Monday until 6pm on Wednesday. She would be required to spend the night on Monday and Tuesday. Her duties would include preparing a meal for the residents one evening, doing light cleaning as needed and leading daily devotions with the residents. Please contact Stephanie K. Johnson at 482-5856 or hannahshouse-lansing@gmail.com.

Volunteers are needed at the Maplewood Shelter. They are looking for a MORNING CHECKOUT ASSISTANT, 7:15-9:30am. This position is for a female volunteer who can multi-task and likes working with people. An EVENING CHILD-CARE ASSISTANT is needed from 7-8pm. She will provide support for the shelter staff with activities, lessons and child management. A background check is required. For more info call 485-0145 or email volunteers@lcrm.org.

Loaves and Fishes Ministries run Emergency Overnight Shelters and Transitional Housing Services. Please keep this valuable ministry in your prayers as they are facing increasing demand with the state's unemployment benefit cuts.

The Lansing Area Aids Network Walk will be held Sunday, September 25. See Chuck Gabler for more info.

Samaritan's Purse is asking for continued support and prayers for the people of Japan. The devastation there is worse than can be imagined. Living conditions are awful in the shelters; few toilets, fewer showers and no running water in some places. Even before the disaster, Japan had one of the highest suicide rates in the world. Experts predict an exponential increase as people succumb to despair. Samaritan's Purse is asking for PRAYERS first and foremost. If you can spare a donation, it is tax deductible. For more info call 800-665-2843 or [www.samaritanpurse.org](http://www.samaritanpurse.org).



The 2011 Lansing Walk to End Alzheimer's will be held on Sunday, September 18 at M.S.U.'s Auditorium Field. Register a team, join a team or sponsor a team. For more info call 999-3336 or email [www.alz.org/mglc](http://www.alz.org/mglc).

### **BI-WEEKLY CLOTHING CLOSET**

**JUNE 15—JUNE 29**

Plymouth's Clothing Closet located on the lower level will be open Wednesdays, June 15 and 29 from 10 AM until 1 PM for anyone needing gently used clothing. Please come help yourself. Someone will be there to assist you.

You may bring clothing to be given to the Clothes Closet on Sundays or during regular church office hours—8 a.m.—5 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. **There is a need of clothing for children and men.**