

**Et Cetera**

*Library*

- Browse through hundreds of books: Bibles, commentaries, devotionals, spiritual practices, health and wellness, mission and ministry, fiction, children’s works, and more!

*God Stories (the Written Version)*

- How has God touched your life?
- 40 stories for 40 days: your stories will be put into a booklet for Lenten reflection. Look for it on Ash Wednesday.

*Dead Sea Scrolls*

- *Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible: Ancient Artifacts, Timeless Treasures* will be at the Milwaukee Public Museum January 22 through June 6, 2010. It explores the archeological history of the Holy Land during the period the Scrolls were written.

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Psalm 117

Praise GOD, all you nations!  
 Give glory, all you peoples!  
 GOD’s love for us is strong;  
 GOD is faithful forever.  
 Hallelujah!



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Thank you for taking an interest in your spiritual life! We hope you will find in these selections something that grabs your attention and transforms your heart.

Phone numbers or email for facilitators or contact people can be obtained by calling the church office at (608) 835-3755 or Rebecca Otte, Director of Adult Discipleship at 835-3755 ext 33 or [rotte@wisconsinumc.org](mailto:rotte@wisconsinumc.org).

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- Saturdays 1:30-3:30pm.
- Provides inmates at Oakhill Correctional Institution with information and support.
- Contact Stacy Anderson or Anne Staton for more details.

*Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)*

- PUMC's next week is February 7-14th.
- Provides shelter for homeless families.
- A shared ministry of five area churches.
- PUMC IHN team works 3 - 4 times a year.
- Contact Peg Schmidt or Anne & Steve Staton.

*Prayer Shawls/Knitters' Group*

- First Monday of the month, 6-7pm.
- The knitters group is open to all ages & abilities, for prayer shawls or personal projects.
- Donate yarn or contribute toward the cost of yarn for a prayer shawl.
- Contact Rebecca Otte for more details.

*Prayer Chain*

- Be 'on call' to pray for those who ask for our prayers.
- Pray for the concerns and joys brought forward during church each weekend. A list is available from the church office.

*Food Pantry*

- Donate to the hungry in our community.

**Ministry opportunities***Ushers*

- Help visitors find their way, handle service logistics, hand out bulletins and make sure visitors are welcomed after the service .
- One Saturday or Sunday per month, or 5th weekend a few times a year.

*PowerPoint*

- One person needed for each service to run PowerPoint.
- Training and support available.
- Commit to one service a month or more.
- Contact Katie Grady for more details.

*Website Assistance*

- Opportunity for someone with website design experience to redesign the PUMC website.
- Contact Sandi Reichert, for more details.

*Mentors*

- Walk with those who are considering becoming members: help them discover groups, ministries, and friendships that strengthen their Christian faith.
- Contact Rebecca Otte for more details.

*Wednesday Night Supper*

- Help set up, bring a dessert, serve, or clean up
- Once per month or more often.
- Contact Anne Staton or Ladonna Smith.

**Ministry opportunities cont***Community Connections Prison Ministry***January 2010**

| SUN                        | MON | TUE                          | WED                           | THU | FRI                | SAT |
|----------------------------|-----|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|--------------------|-----|
|                            |     |                              |                               |     | 1 Taizé in Chicago | 2   |
| 3                          | 4   | 5 7-8pm<br>Home Bible Study  | 6                             | 7   | 8                  | 9   |
| 10<br>10:30 New Beginnings | 11  | 12 7-8pm<br>Home Bible Study | 13 6-7pm<br>Parenting Matters | 14  | 15                 | 16  |
| 17<br>10:30 New Beginnings | 18  | 19 7-8pm<br>Home Bible Study | 20 6-7pm<br>Parenting Matters | 21  | 22                 | 23  |
| 24<br>10:30 New Beginnings | 25  | 26 7-8pm<br>Home Bible Study | 27 6-7pm<br>Parenting Matters | 28  | 29                 | 30  |

**February 2010**

| SUN                               | MON   | TUE | WED                                 | THU | FRI | SAT                           |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-----|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-------------------------------|
| Jan 31<br>10:30 New Beginnings    | Feb 1 | 2   | 3 6-7pm<br>Tony Gittins             | 4   | 5   | 6                             |
| 7 9 & 10:30<br>Finding Shelter    | 8     | 9   | 10                                  | 11  | 12  | 13                            |
| 14 9 & 10:30<br>Finding Shelter   | 15    | 16  | 17<br>Ash Wed                       | 18  | 19  | 20 9-3:30<br>Off-site Retreat |
| 21 10:30am<br>Spiritual Practices | 22    | 23  | 24 6-7pm<br>Scripture Conversations | 25  | 26  | 27                            |
| 28 10:30am<br>Spiritual Practices |       |     |                                     |     |     |                               |

March 2010

| SUN                                  | MON | TUE | WED                                    | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|----------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
|                                      | 1   | 2   | 3 6-7pm<br>Scripture<br>Conversations  | 4   | 5   | 6   |
| 7 10:30am<br>Spiritual<br>Practices  | 8   | 9   | 10 6-7pm<br>Scripture<br>Conversations | 11  | 12  | 13  |
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| 28 10:30am<br>Spiritual<br>Practices | 29  | 30  | 31 6-7pm<br>Scripture<br>Conversations |     |     |     |

#### Notes:

ALL classes will have separate childcare activities available.

Program locations will be posted on the lobby sign between the entry doors, or on the website calendar.

Ongoing or regularly scheduled groups, events, ministry opportunities, and committee meetings are not listed. This calendar lists only **new** Adult Discipleship classes and events. Please go to [www.peoplesumc.org](http://www.peoplesumc.org) to find a complete calendar of events .

### Health and Wellness Groups

#### *First Monday: Senior Gathering*

- Nourish the Spirit with prayer, the Body with a potluck meal, and the Mind with a stimulating presentation.
- For the 50+ group.
- Contact Nurse Susan, 835-3755 ext 24.

#### *Clouds & Silver Linings*

- A small group that meets every two months.
- Support from a spiritual perspective.
- An uplifting environment that addresses our blessings in spite of our challenges.

#### *Care Team*

- Volunteers who meet with home-bound partners.
- Monthly team meeting.
- Regular connection and commitment with a partner.
- Requires a heart for listening and caring 1:1.
- Training provided.

#### *Hope Circle*

- 2nd Thursday of the month, 9:30am Sept-May.
- Women, mostly retired.
- Contact Judy McKernan for more details.

#### *Martha Circle*

- Third Monday of the month, 9:30am Sept-May
- Women, mixed ages, who meet in each other's homes for study and fellowship.
- Contact Irene Draper for more details.

**Committees***Adult Discipleship*

- Meets the second Thursday of the month at 5:30.
- Dedicated to the spiritual growth and formation of the congregation, through prayer, study, and service.
- Contact Rebecca Otte for more details.

*Living Our Faith*

- First Wednesday of the month at 5pm.
- Supports outreach ministries of PUMC (Wednesday Night Supper/Picnic, IHN, Soul Gardeners, Community Gardens, etc).
- Young people are welcome.
- The place for you to bring your passion for a service ministry.
- Contact Barbara Feeney for more details.

*Hospitality*

- Meets as needed, about every other month.
- Organizes the treats providers and hospitality team.
- Works to make PUMC a place of welcome to the stranger, the visitor, and those who are members and friends.
- Contact Rebecca Otte for more details.

*These are just a few of the committees that would welcome your participation. Ask Pastor Jon or any committee member for more details.*

**Taizé in Chicago**

FRI: Jan 1, 1:45pm-11pm, includes travel time

- Celebrate the new year with a prayer service of song, light, Scripture and silence.
- Carpool to Oak Park (Chicago suburb), share a meal, then join hundreds of others in prayer.
- Meet in the PUMC parking lot at 1:45pm.
- RSVP to Rebecca 835-3755 x33.

**Home Bible Study**

TUES: Jan 5, 12, 19, 26, 7-8pm

Facilitator: Dan Behrend

- Meet in Dan's home to discuss Luke and Acts
- All are welcome. RSVP to Dan at 835-5520.

**New Beginnings**

SUN: Jan 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30-11:30am

Facilitator: Stephanie Severance

- Discover opportunities for new beginnings through short films, Scripture, and discussion.
- Begin anew in your families, relationships, prayer life, and habits of health and wellness.

**Parenting Matters**

WED: Jan 13, 20, 27, 6-7pm

Facilitators: Anne and Steve Staton

- For parents/guardians/grandparents of children of all ages.
- Learn practical skills for common concerns.
- Focus on helping young people to be responsible, respectful, and self-disciplined.
- Centered on topics suggested by participants.

**Finding Shelter Series***I. Talk by Anthony Gittins*

WED: Feb 3, 6-7pm

- World-renowned theologian, author, and teacher.
- Speaking about mission and discipleship: what does it mean to be Christians?

*II. Book Discussion*

SUN: Feb 7, 9am and 10:30am

Facilitator: Barbara Heywood

- Read “Where There's Hope, There's Life: Women's Stories of Homelessness and Survival” by Anthony Gittins.
- “This book introduces readers to twelve homeless women in a way that will change our perception of the poor on our streets. Here, we encounter them in their own voices.... [In] the second part of the book, the author provides us with a theological framework that will free us from our fear and prejudice and allow us to share more fully in the hope which is offered to all people” (Liguori Publications description).

*III. Talk by Local Shelter Member*

SUN: Feb 14, 9am and 10:30 am

Speakers: TBA

- Continue the discussion of discipleship and mission in the context of homelessness.
- Learn from people in our own community
- Discover how you can live your faith.

**Lenten Retreat**

SAT: Feb 20, 9am-3:30pm

Facilitator: TBA

- Location: Holy Wisdom Monastery (north side of Madison).
- Begin Lent with time away, time to reflect, pray, time to be with others before God.

**Spiritual Practices Series***Cultivating the Spirit through Prayer and Reflection*

SUN: Feb 21, 28, Mar 7, 14, 21, and 28, 10:30am

Feb 21: Pam McIntyre, *Rhythm*

- Watch and discuss a short film on hearing God’s Song and live in tune with God.

Feb 28: Barbara Heywood, *Church Seasons*

- Why do they keep changing the colors? Is there a larger pattern and purpose to how we pray? Come find out.

Mar 7 and 14: Pam McIntyre, *Prayer*

- Prayer is essential in living the Christian life. Discuss how and why we pray.

Mar 21 and 28: Facilitator TBA, *Reflections*

- Share your God stories and find a path of personal reflection. Live the examined life!

**Scripture Conversations**

WED: Feb 24, Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 6-7pm

Facilitators: Diane Strohmer and Pastor Jon

- Informal discussion of the previous Sunday’s Scripture readings.