



# The Grapevine

*"I am the true vine,  
and my Father is the vinegrower."*  
John 15:1

## Calendar for September 1-15:

### Thursday, September 3

4:00 p.m. Bright Start Open House

6:00 p.m. Al-Anon

### Sunday, September 6

9:30 a.m. Worship - Communion

### Monday, September 7

Labor Day - Church Office Closed

### Tuesday, September 8

4:00 p.m. Presbytery Meeting at Calvin  
Presbyterian Church, Long Lake

7:00 p.m. Mission Ministry

### Wednesday, September 9

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

6:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, September 10

6:00 p.m. Al-Anon

### Saturday, September 12

9:30 a.m. Baker's Group

### Sunday, September 13

9:30 a.m. Worship

10:45 a.m. Education Kick-Off

### Monday, September 14

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

## Mark your calendars and watch for more information on these upcoming Events:

**September 20** - Gene Orr Preaching

**October 2-4** - Family Weekend at Clearwater

**October 4 and 11** - SERRV Sale

**October 11** - Chris Hagen Preaching

**October 25** - Deacons' Memorial  
Dinner & Service

Dear Friends:

September is always seen as a "kick-off month" in the church! It is when education opportunities take place, youth groups restart, Bible studies re-engage, the choir will begin rehearsals, as well as a host of other rituals and traditions being revisited.

As we move closer our December celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Plymouth Presbyterian Church, we will be having the Rev. Gene Orr as our guest preacher on Sunday, September 20. For those of you who may not know Gene, he was PPC's first interim minister upon Cal Cooper's retirement. Gene spent several years here helping the congregation with the transition and with the building addition.

One Sunday, September 27, we will have our first Adult Forum for the 2015-2016 church year. Each month we will be bringing into the church leading voices of the church. A minister and post-graduate student at Luther Seminary, Sanjeev Bhonsle, will be coming to speak about his summer teaching in the United Emirates and India. I've asked him to share his experiences with us so we might become a little better acquainted with the ministry taking place on behalf of Jesus Christ in these two regions of God's world.

So, I hope you are prepared for a year filled with joy, celebration, new insights, and a deepening faith.

All my best,

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### **Christian Formation - Pam Koehler and Stacy Larson**

We hope that you have had a great summer! We are getting ready for Sunday School and Confirmation in the fall and are looking for volunteers to help us with teaching Kindergarten - 7th grade. We are also looking for people who are interested in being a Mentor for one of our 2015-16 Confirmands or maybe you could prepare a meal or two for their Wednesday night meetings with Ewen. If you feel the calling, or would like more information, please contact Stacy Larson or Pam Koehler at [christianformation@plymouthpc.org](mailto:christianformation@plymouthpc.org).

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### **Worship Volunteers**

**Sunday, September 6**

Worship Leader - **Volunteer Needed**

Ushers - **Volunteers Needed**

Greeters - **Volunteers Needed**

Fellowship - **Volunteers Needed**

**Sunday, September 13**

Worship Leader- **Volunteer Needed**

Ushers - **Volunteers Needed**

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**Church Cleanup**  
Fall is upon us and it's time to spruce up God's house. Please join the Building and Grounds Committee on Saturday, September 26 from 8:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. as we tackle window washing, oiling the pews and chancel, sweep rock from parking lot, cut down a dead tree, sign lighting repairs and other general maintenance items. No experience necessary! We have experts on hand to handle all of your questions! Free coffee and doughnuts! Great fellowship! Many hands make quick work. Hope to see you there!



## **PRESBYTERIAN CLEARWATER FOREST**

### **PPC'S ANNUAL INTERGENERATIONAL FALL RETREAT**

**OCTOBER 2-4, 2015**

Are you ready to take a nice relaxing break after a crazy summer and the kids starting back to school? Does taking long walks in beautiful fall colored woods, sitting by a clear blue lake, testing your adventurous spirit on a ropes course, socializing with your friends and family from Plymouth Presbyterian, eating fabulous food or just having an opportunity for spiritual growth through personal reflection sound like a great weekend to you? Well, we have the perfect weekend get a way for you! Please join friends and family at Clearwater Forest October 2-4, 2015.

We have reserved Leaning Tree Lodge for the entire weekend.

This is a very laid back weekend with family style meals, bonfires, fishing, swimming (if you dare) possibly boating (weather permitting) and Sunday worship. You may arrive any time Friday afternoon and leave anytime on Sunday. If you can't come for the whole weekend that is fine also... come for the day or one night.



Please contact Kriss Peek or e-mail [fellowship@plymouthpc.org](mailto:fellowship@plymouthpc.org) for more information or to sign up. There is also a sign up sheet located on the board in the narthex and a Sign up Genius will be sent out.

We are really hoping for a large turn out this year. It is a great opportunity to get to know your church family members or even introduce your kids to the camp so they can become familiar with it before you send them off to summer camp/retreats! We always have a blast!!! Room fees will be coming out soon. Scholarships are available so we don't want the cost to keep anyone from coming and enjoying!