



PDO Summer Program - Open Registration: Our Summer Program runs Tuesday through Friday each week in July. The program is for any child 2- to 5-years-old. Registration forms can be found on the Welcome Table at church.

Play Day Out Fall Registration: PDO is a wonderful program for 2-year-old children that began in 1989. Our philosophy is to provide a safe, nurturing and stimulating atmosphere for children, and provide experiences that promote social, emotional, and physical development through play. Don't delay - space is limited and we are filling up fast! For more information, contact Tina Lund, PDO Director, at 314-993-2429 or [tlund@laduechapel.org](mailto:tlund@laduechapel.org).

High School Sunday Classes: Rev. Mark Medina will lead the high school class on February 20 on *The Roots of Our Presbyterian Heritage* at 9:45 a.m. in the Upper Rooms.

News from the Music Office: The A Cappella Choir from Central College (Pella, IA) will sing at both services on March 13. We need host families for the 60 singers for Saturday, March 12. If you can help, please contact David Erwin. Spring Concert March 27 at 4:00 p.m. The Chancel Choir will present a concert of *Requiem* by Maurice Duruflé, which is perhaps the most beautiful of all the choral works of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Our choir will be joined by the choir from Second Presbyterian Church to form a choir of 70 voices.

Carillon Ringers' Tour: This year we are planning to travel to Indiana, Ohio, upstate New York, Vermont and Montreal from June 12-20. We are looking for venues in the areas of Buffalo, New York; Toronto and Montreal, Westfield, New York, and Cleveland or west of Cleveland, Ohio. If you have any contacts with a church that you think would be interested in hosting the Carillon Ringers, please contact Anne Peacock at 314-993-4771 ext. 3122 or [apeacock@laduechapel.org](mailto:apeacock@laduechapel.org).

Sunday, February 20, 2011  
Worship Services  
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
in the Sanctuary

Scriptures: Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18; 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23; Matthew 5:38-48; Psalm 119:33-40

Music Ministry : A quartet will sing *Teach Me, O God* at both services. At 11:00 a.m., the Chancel Choir will sing *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* and Genesis Ringers will play.

There are still spaces available for free voice lessons! Contact David Erwin if interested.

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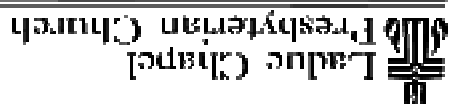
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*Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.*

*Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.*

*Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.*

*Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain.*

*Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.*

*Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.*

*Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.*

*See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.*

Psalm 119:33-40

## Church Closed Monday, February 21

The church will be closed on Monday, February 21, in observance of the Presidents' Day Holiday.

I knew I could play *Angry Birds*, film my sleeping dogs in HD, put my obsolete satellite dish on eBay, do FaceTime, listen to Pandora radio, keep my calendar up-to-date wirelessly, email my dinner reservations and calculate last month's mileage expense on my iPod, iPhone, or iPad in less than a few seconds. But confessing my sins? That was news to me. Yes, now there is also an app for that.



With Pope Benedict's blessing, some entrepreneurial young Catholics have created an app for preparing for confession. The good news: you simply punch in a few variables and the password-protected app will tell you what you're going to be in for. The bad news: you still have to go see your priest to receive absolution. There is no app for that! And, of course, it will cost you to download. \$1.99 to be exact. I wonder: Is this a down payment for an indulgence, now courtesy of your iPhone app upgraded for the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Who ever said the Pope was out of touch with his constituents?

The Archdiocese of Boston calls the app a "saving grace," to which, as a committed Reformed Christian, I want to say "no." God's grace does not cost \$1.99. It does not cost us a thing but it cost God everything. It cost God a son, God's beloved child, so that you and I might have abundant and everlasting life. The apostle Paul recognized long ago that we have been saved by grace through faith; by Christ's faith, to be precise. Luther rediscovered and championed this and was promptly excommunicated.

Had Luther lived today, he would have responded that when it comes to God's grace, there is no prep-app. We cannot download it on our mobile devices. It is always available to us even in places where there is no 4G network. No dropped calls, no dead spots. Just God's grace, plain and simple. During our second **Faith Formation Weekend** on **February 26 and 27** (see details on page 2), we can learn and experience once again in community what it might mean to live into God's amazing grace which is deeper and wider than our human imagination. Dr. Cynthia Rigby from Austin Seminary will lead us, teach us, and preach for us. I hope you can come. I know you will be glad you did.

Blessings,

*Deep and Wide: Living into God's Amazing Grace.*

Our Faith Formation Weekend is February 26 and 27 featuring guest speaker Rev. Dr. Cynthia Rigby, W. C. Brown Professor of Theology at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Often, we are not entirely sure what we mean when we proclaim "God's grace" in our lives and the lives of our neighbors. We are prone to reduce "grace" to a transaction rather than seeing its essential character of "being in relationship with God." During Faith Formation Weekend we will reclaim God's grace and learn more about how we can celebrate it in our daily lives of faith. Workshops for adults and children and youth will be held 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 26. Also, join us for Dr. Rigby's lecture in the Sanctuary at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 26. Dr. Rigby will preach on Sunday, February 27. Registration is required for lunch on Saturday. Please complete the form below and return to Emily Holman in the church office.

**Deep and Wide: Living into God's Amazing Grace  
FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION**  
Complete this form and mail or bring to  
Emily Holman in the church office by February 22.

Advance registration is required.  
Lunches will be provided on Saturday at noon.

Please indicate number of:  
Adults \$9.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Children (under 6th grade) \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Toddlers (through age 3) free \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please print clearly.

**CALENDAR**

An extended calendar is available at [www.laduechapel.org](http://www.laduechapel.org)

- Thursday, February 17**  
8:30 am PDO Advisory Committee Bickel  
9:00 am DISCIPLE II Gulick  
9:30 am DISCIPLE: CB Leutwiler
- Friday, February 18**  
7:00 am Food Bank Service Bldg
- Saturday, February 19: Bread Breakers 55+ Singles Meet (off site)**
- Sunday, February 20**  
8:15 am Infant Care Nursery  
8:30 am Worship Sanctuary  
9:30 am Fellowship Gathering Pl  
9:45 am Adult Educ Various Rms  
9:45 am Children's SS Educ. Wing  
9:45 am New Member Class Bickel  
9:45 am Youth Educ. Upper Rms  
11:00 am Worship Sanctuary  
Annual Congregational Meeting following worship  
12:15 pm Fellowship Gathering Pl  
12:15 pm FISH Sr. Highs Upper Rms  
3:30 pm Youth Choir Choir Rm  
4:00 pm Carillon Ringers Choir Rm  
4:00 pm JHAZ Jr. Highs Upper Rms
- Monday, February 21: Presidents' Day Holiday - Church closed.**  
7:00 am Food Bank Service Bldg
- Tuesday, February 22**  
9:30 am Mailing Angels Gulick  
9:30 am Program Staff Mtg Staff CR  
10:00 am Sewers/Tearers FH-N/C  
1:00 pm Women's Study Group Bickel  
4:00 pm Carol Choir Choir Rm  
5:00 pm Genesis Ringers FH-S  
5:00 pm Revelation Ringers Choir Rm  
7:00 pm APNC Bickel  
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Leutwiler
- Wednesday, February 23**  
8:00 am Men's Bible Group Leutwiler  
7:00 pm Session Leutwiler
- Thursday, February 24**  
9:00 am DISCIPLE II Gulick  
9:30 am DISCIPLE: CB Leutwiler  
6:30 pm Chapel Ringers Choir Rm  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Choir Rm

**Fast Forward**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9**  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
**SOUP SUPPER**  
6:30 PM  
&  
**SERVICE**  
7:30 PM

**AROUND LADUE CHAPEL**

**Family Bingo Night**  
Friday, March 4, at 6:00 p.m.

Join your church family in Fellowship Hall for our annual inter-generational bingo and pizza night! \$15 per household covers bingo supplies, small prizes, and a dinner of pizza, salad and dessert. We will have both picture and number bingo cards so that all ages may participate! RSVP to the church office at 314-993-4771, ext. 0.

**Women's Association Program and Luncheon is Tuesday, March 1**

Floral designer Caroline Kelsey brings the tools of her trade and invites us to a hands-on experience at 11:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Lunch will be served in Fellowship Hall at noon. RSVP to the church at 314-993-4771, ext. 0 for lunch (and childcare if needed) by Friday, February 25.

**Annual Congregational Meeting**

The Session has called for an Annual Congregational Meeting on February 20 at the conclusion of the 11:00 a.m. worship service to receive the 2010 Annual Report and to act on terms of call for the pastors.

**April Mission Trip to Nashville**

In May 2010, the Nashville area experienced severe flooding. Rebuilding will continue through the summer of 2012. A Ladue Chapel team will travel to Nashville on Sunday, April 3, work Monday - Friday, and return home on Saturday, April 9. To sign up contact the church office.

**Stewardship Pledge Update:** If you haven't sent in your pledge card yet, watch your mail! 2011 pledge cards were mailed to those who have not yet pledged. It's not too late! If you receive one and have pledged, please contact either Vicki Hampton or Wanda Hayman in the church office. Your pledge is critical to the body of Christ in God's world.

**Ladue Chapel Mission Site Tour**

Come to a fun-filled adventure and see Christ at work bringing new life, peace and joy to our neighbors in need. On this trip, you will see how you are helping at-risk children at Hosea House and Uni-Pres Kindercottage.

Saturday, March 5, 2011, 8:30am - Meet at church to board shuttle bus to go to Hosea House and observe our youth tutoring children and then to Uni-Pres Kindercottage Child Development Center. We should arrive back at church around noon.

**Cost:** Donations for *Hosea House* - food pantry items like canned goods, peanut butter; and *Uni-Pres Kindercottage* - boxed tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, Clorox wipes, liquid hand soap. See their wish list at [www.unipreskindercottage.org](http://www.unipreskindercottage.org)

**RSVP:** by Tuesday, March 1, to the church office.

**FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED** - 25 person limit. NOTE: if you need a ride to/from your home, please tell us when you RSVP.



**Adult Education Session V**

Choose from these classes which meet at 9:45 a.m. on Sundays through February 20:

- The Apostles' Creed (Fireside Room) *Leader: Dieter Heinzl*
- Family Matters: Strengthening Your Marriage, Family & Friendships (Mellow Library) We discuss issues that matter to families. Join us and enjoy free Deer Creek coffee! *Leader: Karen Adderton*
- Lectionary Learners (Yellow Room on Upper Level) *Various Discussion Leaders; Facilitator: Greta Talen, member of Ladue Chapel*
- Lessons from the People of Bellefontaine Cemetery (Fellowship Hall) *Leader: Carol Ferring Shepley*