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Family Winter Retreat

Just one month from today, on February 6-7th, we will be taking our annual trip out to Lazy F in Eastern Washington.



This great trip has inner tubing in the snow, great food, friends, and we will even work on a service project to help those in need. It is a great break from the winter months with a change of scene, and a wonderful chance to spend quality time with family and friends. To sign up, please see Nate soon as space is limited.

Living the Questions

The popular video series *Living the Questions*, with Tony Russo will be back running, January 25th through February 8th, on Monday evenings, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Men's & Women's Bible Study Starting Sew Sessions



Cathy

Come join your Sand Point friends learning more about the Bible. Women resume their meetings on Tuesday mornings 10-11:30 a.m. starting January 26th. Men's resume Thursday mornings 9-10:30 a.m. starting Jan 28th, and 1st & 3rd Thursdays thereafter. Study yet to be selected. For input, talk to Pastor

Calendar

Regular Weekly Events

Sunday	10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship Service 11:15 a.m. - Fellowship Hour, Perry Hall 5:00 p.m. - Youth Group, at Haller Lake
Monday	7:00 p.m. - Bible Study, Fireside Room
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study 7:30 p.m. - AA, Lehmann Hall 7:30 p.m. - Alanon, Choir Room
Wednesday	7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Friday	6:00 p.m. - AA, Fireside Room
Saturday	7:30 p.m. - Alanon, Fireside Room

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, January 6th**
8:30 a.m. - Probus, Perry Hall
Chancel Choir Christmas Party, 6:00 p.m., home of Shapiros
- Thursday, January 7th**
9:00 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Fireside Room
- Friday, January 8th**
6:30 p.m. - Movie Night, Perry Hall
- Sunday, January 10th**
11:15 a.m. - Finance Committee, Fireside Room
- Tuesday, January 12th**
7:00 p.m. - Missions, Fireside Room
- Wednesday, January 13th**
3:00 p.m. - Harmony Circle Set-up, Fireside Room
Rehearsals resume for Bell Choir and Chancel Choir
- Thursday, January 14th**
Noon - Harmony Circle Luncheon, Fireside Room
- Sunday, January 17th**
11:15 a.m. - Memorials & Endowments, Fireside
- Monday, January 18th**
Church offices closed observing Martin Luther King Day
- Wednesday, January 20th**
9:30 a.m. - Probus, Fireside Room
- Thursday, January 21st**
9:00 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Fireside Room
7:00 p.m. - Family Ministry, Youth Room

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Altar Flower Donations for 2010

A heartfelt thank you to all who donated flower arrangements for the altar during 2009! The new 2010 sign-up chart is now posted on the bulletin board near Perry Hall. Flowers from either your garden or a florist are welcome. Instructions are on the sign-up sheet. For questions, please contact Sue Haas at sdbph@aol.com or 206-522-0693. Thank you.



Missions

The Melodies of Compassion for the month of January will be donated to Samaritan Center of Puget Sound. Since 1960 Samaritan Center, which was formerly known as Presbyterian Counseling Service, has provided high quality, faith-integrative, affordable counseling for individuals, couples and families throughout the Puget Sound area. They also provide education, consultation, mediation and other services for individuals, families, congregations and organizations. The staff of 31 therapists are trained at a master's or doctoral level and see clients in 22 locations in King, Kitsap and Pierce Counties. While their roots are in the Christian community, they are committed to providing care for people from all walks of life and all faith backgrounds. As an expression of God's love and compassion, the Samaritan Center seeks to restore hope, reconcile relationships and participate in the transformation of lives.

A Season of Thanks

Christmas was traditional, meaningful, and spectacular at Sand Point UMC this year. Our staff and volunteers work well together, and that produced a tasteful, beautiful and real celebration of Jesus' birth. It was one of the best ever!

Blessings for the New Year,
Berta Cohen



Movie Night

This Friday, January 8th, starting at 6:30 p.m., we will have a great showing of "*Monsters vs. Aliens*" in Perry Hall. Come and enjoy the movie and popcorn with us!

Sky High

Come join the fun in rooms made of trampolines on Saturday, January 23rd, at 1:00 p.m. Contact Nate to sign up and for more details. All are welcome!

University District Food Bank:

You likely have heard in the news that the number of people depending on the food banks has dramatically increased. We have an ongoing collection of non-perishable foods. Monetary gifts also are welcome. Checks may be issued to Sand Point Comm. UMC, indicating "food bank" in the memo section. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Sandpointer Deadlines

Mailed	Information Due
January 20	January 15
February 3	January 29

Arts Review from the Bethlehem Times on "Sleepover at the Stable" from eyewitness and actress "Shepherd" Jan Shapiro

A unique telling of the Christmas Story was dramatized at the Sand Point Church on Sunday, December 20, 2009.

Ian (Donkey) did double duty as acolyte and bringing Mary and Joseph to the manger. Truly a beast of burden, along with Brian (Mule) who did a quick change after the Nativity Play into acolyte robes to carry the light out into the world. Both actors were articulate and delivered their lines superbly.

Resident Goat Frances was truly well cast as a feisty, sarcastic, but eventually, a believer in Jesus. I believe she got the most laughs, second only to the brood of chickens. (Timothy, Jason, Zak, Tristan & Father Jedi Chicken Paul.)

The two lovely, warm girls, Sara and Joanna (Cows) showed how to welcome a stranger, especially a holy one. They delivered their lines with great feeling and style.

Maya (Mary) and Jake (Joseph) almost stole the show. The new father was feeding his baby boy straw, bouncing him, dressing and undressing him, much to the delight of all who could see the holy drama.

My favorites (but they were part of my own flock) were Dani and Anna (Sheep) who brought the news of the angel to the other animals. They had difficult lines, directly from the bible, but delivered them beautifully. They even followed the shepherd right on cue.

Kudos to the fine director, Nate, the costumer, Kessia, and all the parents who brought their fine young actors to share the Christmas story with their admiring and loving congregation.

It was my privilege to be a part of the drama this year.

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Very Special Birthdays Greetings

Irv Marr celebrates 103rd Birthday on
January 16th

Peg Knudson celebrates 95th Birthday on Jan-
uary 31st

