

# SANDPOINTER

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Sand Point Community United Methodist Church  
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## Holy Week & Easter Services

### Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m.  
The Children lead us in the Great Palm Procession

### Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.  
We remember the last night Jesus spent with the Disciples. Maundy is Latin for mandate, that we should love one another, as Christ loved us. We will gather for a simple meal. Followed by a service of Holy Communion.

### Good Friday

Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>F, 7:30 p.m. (details page 2)

### Easter Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, Lehmann Hall, 8 - 9:30 a.m.  
(details in youth column)

### Easter Celebration Worship.

Sunday, April 12th, 10:00 a.m.  
Our Easter worship celebrates the risen Christ! Music will include the Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, Children's Choir and live brass quartet! The service culminates in the traditional singing of Handel's "*Hallelujah Chorus*". After the service, everyone is invited to fellowship hour as the children embark on our traditional Easter egg hunt around the church grounds.

## 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, April at Wallingford  
**Tuesday** 10:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study, Fireside Room  
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, April 1st**

8:30 a.m. - Probus, Perry  
6:30 p.m. - Taize Service, Chapel

#### **Thursday, April 2nd**

9:00 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Fireside Room

#### **Friday, April 3rd**

9:00 a.m. - Aimmee Bertheau Recital

#### **Sunday, April 5th**

11:00 a.m. - Enrichment Hour, Fireside Room  
11:00 a.m. - Confirmation Class, Library

#### **Tuesday, April 7th**

7:00 p.m. - Trustees, Fireside Room

#### **Wednesday, April 8th**

3:00 p.m. - Harmony Circle Set-up, Fireside Room

#### **Thursday, April 9th**

12:00 Noon. - Harmony Circle Set-up, Fireside Room  
7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service, Perry Hall

#### **Friday, April 10th - Good Friday - Church Offices Closed**

7:30 p.m. - Good Friday Service, Sanctuary

#### **Saturday, April 11th**

10:00 a.m. - Noon - Choir Rehearsal

#### **Sunday, April 12th - Easter Sunday**

8:00-9:30 a.m. - Easter Breakfast, Perry Hall  
11:15 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt, Front Lawn

#### **Monday, April 13th**

7:00 p.m. - Parsonage Task Force, Choir Room  
7:30 p.m. - SPRC, Fireside Room

#### **Tuesday, April 14th**

8:30 a.m. - Missions, Fireside Room

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**Dale Wood's A Service of Darkness  
Chancel Choir of Sandpoint  
Community United Methodist Church**

This choral program, commemorating the suffering and death of Christ, is based on the ancient Tenebrae (Latin for darkness or shadows) and will be presented on Good Friday, April 10 at 7:30 PM.

Director: Jeremy Matheis & Organist: Lora Lee Brown

The emphasis in the service is on the disappearance of Light from the world with the death of Christ. The disciples experienced utter desolation and gloom with Jesus' arrest and crucifixion. They did not know, as we do, about Easter and the return of the Light and Hope with the resurrection.

The Tenebrae liturgy helps worshipers to experience something of the emptiness, hopelessness and fear of the disciples as they scattered and went into hiding. It consists of the seven last words, or phrases of Christ, interspersed with singing. Six lighted candles represent shadows of suffering that our Lord endured and are slowly extinguished as the service progresses until the only light remaining is the seventh candle; representing Jesus, the Light of the World. The Christ candle is then carried out of the sanctuary, leaving us in darkness and symbolizing Christ's death and burial.

Please plan to join us and invite your friends and family for this dramatic service of true meditation and reflection for everyone.

### **Enrichment Hour**

The last in the series "The Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations" will be April 5th at 11:30 in the Fireside Room. The Vahey Family will lead the session entitled "Extravagant Generosity". We have learned, laughed, and prayed together in a "we can improve" spirit.

Get your coffee in a paper cup and come join us.

## **Youth News Updates**

### **Easter Pancake Breakfast Revived**

Over 10 years ago there was a tradition of having an all church Pancake meal in Lehmann Hall . We are bringing back this wonderful tradition.

Join us in Lehmann Hall on Easter morning from 8-9:30. Stop by anytime to enjoy Pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit, OJ & milk. The meal is free. Any donations will go to support Sand Point Youth. Volunteers needed to help youth with cooking. See Nate to help. See you for breakfast!

### **Children's Country Home Service Project**

May 2nd we will go serve medically fragile students in Woodinville. We will plant flowers & read to kids. All ages are welcome to join this special outing. See Nate for details.

### **An Invitation**

Aimee Bertheau will be performing her Senior Recital in our sanctuary, Friday, April 3rd at 6:00 p.m. She is a voice major studying with Tom Harper at the UW. The program will include works by Debussy, Schubert, Satie, and 20th century composer Richard Faith. All members and friends of the church are invited and encouraged to bring guests!

## **Short-Term Classes Being Offered**

### **Living Fully, Dying Well**

Since my arrival at Sand Point UMC 4 months ago, countless people have talked with me about "aging issues". I'd like to offer a class where we can explore together, the many facets of living an abundant life, as well as intentionally planning how to face openly and unafraid the benefits and limitations of aging and end of life decisions. All of us will die and all of us think about death. But remarkably we seldom talk about it. To live fully and die well requires deep personal faith as well as a nurturing community of faith with opportunities to talk honestly about the mystery of death. This class will help us make careful, wise and prayerful preparation for meeting life's most important moments, tackling the practical, spiritual, & physical aspects of aging. We will use several resources including the book "Living Fully, Dying Well," and a document entitled *The Five Wishes*, helping you express how you want to be treated if you are seriously ill and unable to speak for yourself addressing medical, personal, emotional and spiritual issues. This class will be offered after worship late April into May. Look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside Perry Hall.

### **The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith: How we can be Passionate Believers Today.**

If you are looking for a study that will help you examine & articulate your faith, you are invited to join in a book study. Marcus Borg offers challenging insights about the heart of our faith. I need at least 6 people to commit to this 6 week class. Look for the sign-up sheet outside Perry Hall or talk to Pastor Cathy. We will decide a mutually convenient time to meet.

### **Upcoming Sandpointer Deadlines (noon)/Mail Date:**

Friday, April 10th

Wednesday, April 11th

Friday, April 24th

Wednesday, April 29th