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ALL-CHURCH CONFERENCE VOTE ON PARSONAGE

The Church Council met April 28th voting unanimously to accept the Parsonage Task Force's recommendation (also unanimous) to sell the parsonage. The Council then voted for an All-Church Conference, which will allow all church members that are present, the opportunity to decide through a simple majority vote whether the parsonage should be sold. Additional approval for the parsonage to be sold is also required from the Conference's District Board of Church Location and Building.

The All-Church Conference meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday May 26th at 7:00pm and will be chaired by our District Superintendent, Reverend Pat Simpson. An informational meeting to review how we arrived at the Council decision will be scheduled for the week of May 17th.

Pentecost Worship – May 31st

Pentecost falls on the 7th Sunday after Easter. The New Testament writers associate the events of Acts 2 with Pentecost, with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the disciples in the "upper room." Since the date of Easter changes each year, we celebrate Pentecost as early as May 10th and as late as June 13th. The liturgical color for Pentecost Sunday is red, symbolizing the fire of Pentecost as well as the color of the church. Perhaps the spirit of Pentecost also plays a role behind the Methodist insignia's cross and flame logo. Join us in worship on 5/31 with your brightest "flaming" colors of red, orange, or yellow.

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, here at Sand Point
- 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, May 13th

5:00 p.m. - Worship Meeting, Perry Hall

Thursday, May 14th

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

Noon - Harmony Circle Luncheon, Fireside Room

Saturday, May 16th

5:00 p.m. - Couples Date Night, Fireside Room & Perry Hall

Sunday, May 17th

11:15 a.m. - Living Wee/Dying Well Class, Fireside Room

Wednesday, May 20th

9:30 a.m. - Probus, Fireside Room

No Choir practices tonight

Thursday, May 21st

7:00 p.m. - Family Ministry Team, Youth Room

Monday, May 25th - Memorial Day - Church offices Closed

Tuesday, May 26th

Women's Bible Study—10:00 a.m., Fireside Room

7:00 p.m. - All Church Conference

Thursday, May 28th

7:00 p.m. - Men's Book Study, Fireside Room

Sunday, May 31st - Day of Pentecost

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service with Youth Choir from Atlanta

Tuesday, June 2nd

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

Wednesday, June 3rd

9:00 a.m. - Probus, Perry Hall

6:45—7:20 p.m. - Taize Worship

6:00 p.m. - Final Choir rehearsal & Potluck at Shapiros

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Living Fully, Dying Well – Enrichment Hour

Over the past several weeks, during the enrichment hour, we have been discussing what it means to grow older and to plan well. There is no shortage of laughter and compassion with this group of Sand Pointers. If you weren't able to attend the meeting when we discussed "The Five Wishes", don't hesitate to pick up a copy from Pastor Cathy. Copies are \$3 each. Aging with Dignity provides this too, to help communicate what you want if for some reason you could no longer speak for yourself. Five Wishes helps you determine five areas of decision making. 1) The person I want to make health care decisions for me when I can't, 2) The kind of medical treatment I want or don't want, 3) How comfortable I want to be, 4) How I want people to treat me, and 5) What I want my loved ones to know.

On **Sunday, May 17th**, **Blair Paul & Karl Flaccus** will be leading us in a session on **Endowments and Leaving a Legacy**. Come and join us for Enrichment Hour following the our Worship Service.

Graduations

Kevin & Karen Smith would like to share the joy of their daughter, Jessica's graduation this month from Willamette University with majors in Anthropology and French. Congratulations Jessica!

If you have a loved one that will be graduating sometime soon, please let Wendy know so she can publish the wonderful news in an upcoming *Sandpointer*. Drop information into her mailbox on the shelves outside the offices, send an email or call 206-550-8960.

Summer *Sandpointer* Issues Coming Up!

Deadlines (noon)

Friday, May 22nd
Friday, June 5th
Thursday, July 2nd
Friday, August 14th
Friday, August 28th

Mail Date:

Wednesday, May 27
Wednesday, June 10th
Wednesday, July 8th
Wednesday, August 19th
Wednesday, September 2nd

Youth Group

In May, the youth group will be back at Sand Point Community UMC. We will enjoy some great discussion, activities, events, and meals. Come join the group from 5-7pm in Lehmann Hall as we finish out the year in style.



VBS

Registration forms are available and we are taking sign ups now! Sign up quick and reserve your families spot at Camp EDGE July 13th-17th. Forms are available in the office or online.

Outdoor Summer Theater!

This summer Sand Point UMC will be hosting free family movies every Wednesday night on the front lawn starting on June 17th. The scheduled movies are posted around the church and online. Invite the neighbors and meet us at the movies!

Summer Camps

Still looking for good options for students this summer? Look no further than the United Methodist Camps. There are many different week long options in the four different camps across the State. Packets available in Perry Hall, or with Nate.

Christian Faith & Fitness Adventures (CFA)

At every church I have been a part of, I have started an Adventure group to enjoy the creation around us. Whether it be hiking, biking, X-Country skiing, kayaking – it has been a way to involve a variety of people with different interests. It's a great way to get to know people in the church, as well as a non-threatening opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to a "Church function". The first Adventure will include biking the Burke-Gilman trail on June 7th at 12:15 p.m.. We will start at the trail at 70th and go at least as far as Lake Forest Park, or perhaps even into Bothell Landing & back. We can decide our distance when we gather. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board outside Perry Hall. Talk to Pastor Cathy if interested.

Pentecost Sunday – May 31st

Join us in Worship as we welcome the Celebration Singers from Tucker UMC in Atlanta, GA. This 40-voice senior high choir has toured throughout the US as well as singing their way through England, Canada and the Bahamas. The Celebration Singers, Chapel Bells, and Carillon Ringers will be part of our Pentecost worship on May 31st.

NEEDED:

Home stays (2-3 youth or more per home) for 40 youth and chaperones on Saturday, May 30th. Hosts will meet the group at church on Saturday evening after dinner (around 7:30 pm). On Sunday morning, families will provide breakfast and a sack lunch for their guests and return them to church no later than 8:30 am.

As someone who took part in numerous home stays on choir tours throughout my high school and college years, I must say that this is a particular highlight when traveling with a group such as this. The kids and adults get to stay with families in the community and learn more about our community. Please consider hosting a few of our guests from Atlanta and show them the great hospitality of Sand Point Community UMC!!

Contact Jeremy Matheis to sign up or for more information.

Thank you!

***Happy 90th Birthday to Ralph Jenkins
on Thursday, May 14th!***

New Worship Service Offered Each Month

On the first Wednesday of each month we will offer a **Worship Service in the Taize tradition**. It's a quiet service filled with singing simple chants, meditation, silence, and lighting of candles as a form of prayer. Please plan to come to our next service on June 3rd in the Chapel anytime between 6:45 - 7:20 p.m.