

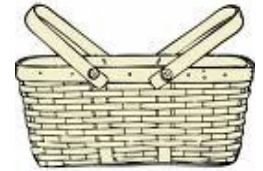
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All Church Picnic Sunday, July 12th



What is better than a picnic during the summer - having a picnic with all your church friends of course!

Following Worship this Sunday, July 12th, we will gather at noon down at View Ridge Park for a potluck picnic. Bring something to grill, and if you have a portable table and chairs, that would be helpful since we are not formally reserving the park.

Weed & Feed Garden Party & Lunch Saturday, July 11th



Come on out this Saturday to help clean up our church gardens. Bring your weeding tools, and extras if you have some to share.

We will be working from 9:00 a.m. to noon, then from noon to 1:00 p.m. we'll enjoy a hot dog lunch together! Company always makes the work go faster and certainly makes it more fun, so bring the family! Let's work together to make the church property a beautiful place for us all to enjoy.

Summer Camps

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

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 Haller Lake thru 21st

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, July 8th

3:00 p.m. - VBS Set Up
 7:00 p.m. - Heart of Christianity, Fireside Room
 7:00 p.m. - Movie Nigh, Lawn (or Perry Hall if rain)

Thursday, July 9th

6:00 p.m. - VBS Set Up

Saturday, July 11th

9:00 -1:00 - Weed & Feed, Church Gardens
 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
 7:00 p.m. - Movie Night, Lawn (or Perry Hall if rain)

Sunday, July 12th

Noon - All Church Picnic at View Ridge Park

Monday, July 13th

7:00 p.m. - Heart & Christianity, Perry Hall

Wednesday, July 15th, 22nd, and 29th

7:00 p.m. - Movie Night, Lawn (or Perry Hall if rain)

Thursday, July 30th

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

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Summer Sandpointer Issues Coming Up!

Deadlines (noon)
 Friday, August 14th
 Friday, August 28th

Mail Date:
 Wednesday, August 19th
 Wednesday, September 2nd

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Missions

'Melodies of Compassion' for the month of July will be donated to *Bibles for the World*. This organization was founded in 1971 and has provided millions of Bibles to over 100 countries. The mission of *Bibles for the World* is to share the Good News of God's love by ministering to the unreached, to the Church and to Christian leaders in developing nations, with a strong emphasis on India. In addition to distribution of Bibles, *Bibles for the World* also educates poverty-stricken children through affiliated schools in northeast India and in Delhi, and networks with Indian churches. The Indian branch of *Bibles for the World* founded the Trinity College and Seminary in 1998 to equip leaders to bring the Gospel to India. Please remember to bring your coins to church and drop them in the offering plate every Sunday!

Summer Office Hours

Summer office hours (for the office manager) have begun. The office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Monday through Friday, through 31 August.

Office volunteers are needed to help cover the office manager's vacation, the last week of July and the month of August. If you can help, please call the church office.

Summer Outdoor Movies



Join us every Wednesday this summer for a great movie. We begin at 7 p.m. on the church lawn (or Perry Hall if it is raining). These are family friendly movies so bring your friends and neighbors too!

What's up with some of our staff?

Did you know...that Nate & Kessia celebrated their 1st Wedding Anniversary on July 5th, that Jeremy and Jeff tie the knot later this month, and that Jan has been our office manager for 25 years this summer!?!?! Congratulations!

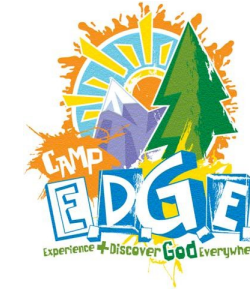


The Bishop's Task Force on Hope for the Children of Africa wants to express its gratitude for the generous gifts received at Annual Conference for the Jamaa Letu II project. More than \$104,000 was given or pledged toward the new building for the *boys orphanage*. Over \$13,000 was received in the Friday

morning in-gathering from local churches and individuals. A surprise gift of \$40,000 dollars was given through the Foundation. Then \$52,500 was ledged toward the challenge issued by Tom Wilson. The combined gifts to-date put us close to the \$225,000 estimate. Funds are still needed. If you would like to make a contribution, you may write a check payable to Sand Point Church, indicating in the memo section "HFCA/boys' orphanage".

North to Alaska for Pastor Cathy

I am a facilitator for new clergy entering our Conference. After three years of providing 4 spiritual retreats, the new clergy are then invited on an immersion VIM trip with the Bishop. I will be helping to facilitate this year's trip to Alaska July 31st-August 10th, as we learn more about ministry in Alaska. Although pastors are needed up north, I fully intend to come back to be in ministry at Sand Point. In my absence however, Rev. Judy Schultz (retired) will be available to assist with any emergency pastoral calls. Since Jan Kreidler will also be out of the office during this time, if you are in need of pastoral care Berta Cohen, Ana & Bill Eagen, and Marilyn Covey will be able to help field your calls and put you in touch with Pastor Judy.



Vacation Bible School July 13th-17th, 9 - Noon

Make your reservation today, by topping in to our church office for a registration form. You won't want to miss out on all the fun with all the this summer at Camp Edge!

Annual Conference Highlights

Each year, Annual Conference is like a family reunion, especially for clergy, and for Lay Members who have been many times before. Some of my personal highlights include:

- The Memorial Service where Sand Point was well represented as we remembered the ministry of Rev. Bill Welch & Rev. Bob Hicks – watching Dennis Welch & Rev. Tom Albright (Bob's son-in-law) light candles for these spiritual giants. We also remembered clergy spouses Margaret Welch & Kay Dean.
- Seeing Nate Goldbloom in action as he supervised the Youth Pages.
- The Ordination Service with Bishop Woodie White preaching on the familiar passage, "Feed My Sheep", based on the theme for the week, "Everybody Fed". I was also honored to be invited to lay hands upon one of our new clergy as our Bishop ordained him.
- Witnessing a Tongan congregation become chartered at Rainier Beach UMC and hearing their amazing choir.
- Raising \$14,000 for Nothing But Nets and over \$50,000 for Jama Letu Orphanage in Congo.
- Realizing what a practical & compassionate bishop we have in Bishop Grant Hagiya, not to mention a dynamic preacher.
- Hearing District Superintendent Pat Simpson read my appointment to Sand Point UMC for the coming year. I rejoice in the ministry in our Conference and in our church.

Serving with you,

Cathy