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The Rev. Dr. Beryl Ingram, Pastor

Easter Sunday



Pastor's Perspectives

Hi there,

There are two issues on my mind, and the first one needs your IMMEDIATE attention: **THE NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**. We are not getting people signed up quickly enough to ensure that we get everyone in the book. I can tell you from over thirty years of experience as a pastor that people who aren't in the book can easily be overlooked by a *new* pastor. It is not an intentional slight. If they don't see you, they don't know you exist, and that leads to all kinds of unintended sadness on your part and theirs. **PLEASE SIGN UP** and help dispel this rising sense of **URGENCY** that could easily turn into **HIGH ANXIETY** for me. *Thanks!*

You can simply call the church at 206.523.3040 and speak with Sarah Ritchey or leave a message for her and she will go online and sign you up for the day and time you request and get back to you. **OR**, go online yourself and sign up. It is SO EASY to do, if you know how to use a computer. **OR**, this or next Sunday after worship sign up with pen and paper in the Perry Hall by writing your name in the time slot you choose on the day you choose and Sarah will enter the information for you. We will remind you a week prior to your session.

OK, that takes care of **THE NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**. Second thing is a follow up on my Care for Creation sermon last Sunday. Several of you have gotten back to me with ways in which you have changed habits to demonstrate your care for "this fragile earth, our island home," as one of the Great Thanksgiving Prayers of the Anglican Church of Canada names it. **Virginia Williams** writes, "I no longer drive my car. DARN! (To help stop air poisoning and ozone layer depletion." **JW Roundhill** made notes on his worship bulletin and handed them to me following worship: I maintain two compost bins, and installed commodes that use less water. I will be installing rain water containers for garden use. **Kathy Warnaca** writes that in addition to the normal recycling and taking reusable shopping bags with her, she makes her own weed killer with vinegar, salt, and dish detergent; replaces light bulbs with LED bulbs; buys low energy appliances when replacing old ones; uses environmentally friendly detergent to wash clothes; buys earth friendly diapers; closes off rooms not in use and closes vents to save heat; uses a reusable water bottle instead of buying plastic water bottles. (*Kathy, I loved your use of the word "normal" in your first sentence.*) Isn't it thrilling that we now think of recycling as a normal part of our lives?! **Stephanie Ferri** delights in using a tradition that began with her maternal grandmother who began making fabric bags to put presents in, instead of using wrapping paper. Stephanie loves buying special fabric with particular family members and friends in mind, and then gift bags are reused and recycled throughout the families and the generations. I love the whole idea!

So, what are you doing for Creation these beautiful Spring days? If you aren't doing anything yet, may God send you an angelic Muse to inspire you.

Faithfully, **Dr. B**

Calendar of Events

Wednesday (*Apr. 29*)

Chancel Choir—7:30 p.m. Sanctuary

Saturday (*May 2*) through **Thursday** (*May 7*)

Rummage Sale set-up

Tuesday (*May 5*)

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

Wednesday (*May 6*) and **Thursday** (*May 7*)

Rummage Sale set-up

Friday (*May 8*)

Rummage Sale—9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday (*May 9*)

Rummage Sale—9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Sunday (*May 10*) *Mother's Day*

Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary; Kim Herbert preaching

Community Hour—immediately after worship, Perry Hall

Tuesday (*May 12*)

Women's Lunch—12:00 noon, Fireside Room

Wednesday (*May 13*) through **Saturday** (*May 16*)

Photos for Pictorial Directory

Wednesday (*May 13*)

Bell Choir—6:30 p.m., Choir Room

Chancel Choir—7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Looking Ahead

Sunday (*May 24*)

Tent City 3—dinner prep. @ 2 p.m., delivery & serving approximately 5 p.m.

May Fellowship Hour Hosts

Jane Stevens & Jerry Zimmerman, Ana & Bill Eagen, James & Laura Kyle, Matt Hinck & Jill Seebergh, Ivaloe Meyer, Mary Johnson, Mela Erickson, Ursula Class, Nabil & Anne Istafanous, Jean & Paul McVicar, Jean Skirvin, Diane Chapel, Marie Horsley, and Sarah Bowell & Carlos Gutierrez

May Birthdays



We apologize if we missed your birthday. Please call the church office with your information so we may include you next time.

Melodies of Compassion for May will be donated to M-Bar-C Ranch, located on Whidbey Island and owned and operated by The Forgotten Children's Fund, a 501c3 charity. Their Mission is to **promote old-fashioned fun through a western adventure for a wide variety of children and adults.** The ranch provides a safe and enriching environment where everyone, despite physical, mental, or financial limitations, have the opportunity to enjoy being a kid for a day!

The Ranch conducts a western adventure for the visiting children to have the opportunity to become the "most kid they can be" for the time they are here. There are no expectations set for them other than safe behavior standards. There are no limits to what they can try to do. Boys and girls can ride horses, be cowhands, dress up in the costume shop, explore the western town, eat chow, take a wagon ride, play games, do arts and crafts, and run, or walk, or roll pretty much any place they want. Please be generous with your Melodies' donations. (Marilynn Pray has been a volunteer at M-Bar-C Ranch for many years.)



Please pray for:

Curtis Bales — health issues

Congratulations & Best Wishes to:

Wendy (Warnaca) and John Briney —recent birth of son, William. Big sister is Erin and proud grandparents are Doug & Kathy Warnaca.

Brian & Ivette Nemitz—recent birth of daughter, Vivienne. Older sister is Jocelyn and proud grandparents are Marsha and Jeff Nemitz.



UMW Luncheon

Tuesday, May 12

12:00 noon, Fireside Room

Celebrating the Women of Sand Point

All women of the church are invited. Bring a sandwich; beverages and dessert provided.

We thank:

Kristy Blackman, Julie Conklin, Diane Fathi and Judy Keller — staffing the office while the office manager was on vacation.

Dave Blackman — ongoing help with newsletter mailing prep.

Doug Warnaca — installing safety windows in the office doors.

Mary's Place Luncheon

Jan and Peter Shapiro are sponsoring a table for the Mary's Place Luncheon, May 5, Noon, at Seattle Center. There will be car pools leaving the church at 11:15 a.m. We still have room at the table. Contact Jan if you wish to be at the table and/or will ride with us.

Please know that May 5 is also the "Give Big" day and, if you wish, your contribution can be increased. Check online with Give Big.

Thank you to Mary's Place Helpers

It was a busy week but rewarding to know that we were able to provide a safe environment for 5 mothers and their 9 children (ages 6 months through 10 years) this past week. We first thank **Tony Russo** (overall coordinator) and **Joan Bohn** (meal coordinator) for their amazing and unending leadership.

Next we thank those who helped with overnight stays, meals, hospitality and transportation:

Sylvia Abbott, Dr. B., Phil & Joan Bohn, Heather Boknecht, Fritz & Susie Bowman, Lynne & Mike Bush, Diane Chapel, Megan Dean, Lynn Ferguson, Bella Flaccus, Kim Herbert, Judy Keller, Corky & Jim Kozu, Jan Kreidler, Laura, James & Emerson Kyle, Dara Lockert, Judy Miller, Marsha & Jeff Nemitz, Jan & Blair Paul, JW Roundhill, Pam & Tony Russo, Sand Point Youth, Bev & Jerry Sheller, Karen Smith, Frances Taylor, Bruce Taylor, Kathy Warnaca, Jane Stevens & Jerry Zimmerman.

Special thanks to Stadium Cleaners for laundering the bedding before it was taken to the next shelter location..

New Church Pictorial Directory

We will have professional photographers coming to the church to take portraits for our new Sand Point Church Community UMC photo directory! Our new photo directory will be a wonderful gift for our incoming Pastor, Rev. Janelle Kurtz, to welcome her and help her get to know all of us!

Wednesday, May 13 12:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 14 12:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, May 15 12:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 16 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

There will be no sitting fees and no purchases required. Each family will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and directory for participating. Contact Sarah Ritchey if you have questions or would like her to schedule your appointment.



Rummage Sale — Coming Soon!

Friday, May 8th: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 9th: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Set-up for the Rummage Sale begins on **Saturday, May 2nd** and will continue daily through Thursday. Volunteers are needed to help set-up, sort, cashier, be on hand to assist during the sale and to clean-up after the sale is over. Please contact Ngaire Taylor with any questions about items you would like to donate. ****Note: items we cannot take are computers, printers, FAX machines, exercise equipment & adult clothing.****

Summer Day Camp - July 20-24

Sand Point will join other North End UMC churches to host our annual Summer Day Camp from July 20-24. We will host it at Green Lake UMC. We hope to make this Summer Day Camp our biggest yet, and so we need LOTS of volunteers! If you are interested in getting involved there are several ways you can do so, including:

Set up/Decorations: We will need help getting Green Lake UMC set up for summer day camp.

Student Check-In/Out Table: We will need volunteers to help parents sign their students in each morning and sign out at the end of the day.

Teaching Assistants: Help lead students through the days' activities.

Afternoon Care: A small group of students will be remaining at Green Lake from 3-5:30, after Day Camp, and we need help to lead them through a variety of fun activities.

Tear Down: We will need help taking down all our Summer Day Camp decorations and materials at the end of the week.

If you are available to help out, please contact Kim or Sarah.