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United Methodist Church**  
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Rev. Janelle Kurtz, Pastor

**Charge Conference**  
**Tuesday, October 25th**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Perry Hall**

Note: District Superintendent Rich Lang will meet with Staff Parish Relations Committee at 6:30 p.m.



## **Farewell Fellowship Dinner/ Brunch Groups-- Hello Community Dinners!**

This year Sarah Ritchey is organizing Community Dinners on specific Friday evenings in Perry Hall throughout the year (See Sarah's notice on page 5 for dates and themes.) These dinners will occur instead of our long-standing Fellowship Dinner/Brunch Group program (potlucks in members' homes) for the time being. If there is demand for the Dinner/Brunch Groups to resume in the future, we may start that program again. Looking forward to fun-filled turnouts for fellowship, sharing, and good eats at church! For more information, please contact Sarah Ritchey or Sue Haas.



## **Church Office Hours Slight Change**

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00  
and 1:00 —4:30 p.m.  
Friday: 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.



**Please Pray for:**  
Kristy Blackman—surgery today



Pastor Janelle blessing Marie Cribley's violin as she passes it on to Laura Martin

**Thank You from Virginia Williams**

*"A sincere thank you to all who sent cards and condolences on the death of Kenny, Jr.*

*Gratitude to the folks who sent wishes, flowers, fruit, and other goodies, and gave money in my name to celebrate my 100th Birthday. It's been a great ride! Go for it!"*  
*Virginia*

**Thank you to:**

- ◆ To **Blair Paul** and **Kevin Kurtz** for moving a huge bookcase from one of the Sunday School rooms to the nursery!
- ◆ To **Scott Baker** (neighbor and professional arborist) donated his services to trim the pine tree in front of the church.
- ◆ To **Lincoln Manahan** at Seattle Tree Preservation, Inc. for donating 4 large loads of arborist wood chips used to mulch planter beds on the church property.
- ◆ To **Doug and Kathy Warnaca** for delivering wood chips to the church from the removal of their large maple tree.

**Calendar**

- Tuesday (Oct. 4)**  
Men's Bible Study—10:00 a.m., Fireside Room  
Church Council meeting—7:00 p.m., Fireside Room
- Wednesday (Oct. 5)**  
Choir Practice—7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
- Thursday (Oct. 6)**  
Women's Bible Study—10:00 a.m., Fireside Room  
Staff Parish Relations Committee—6:30 p.m., Fireside
- Sunday (Oct. 9)**  
Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
Marie's Birthday Celebration/Fellowship Hour—after  
Worship, Perry Hall
- Tuesday (Oct. 11)**  
UMW Luncheon—12:00 noon, Perry Hall
- Wednesday (Oct. 12)**  
Bell Choir Practice—6:30 p.m., Choir Room  
Choir Practice—7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
- Friday (Oct. 14)**  
Community Dinner & Game Night—6:00 to 8:00 p.m.,  
Perry Hall
- Tuesday (Oct 18)**  
Men's Bible Study—10:00 a.m., Fireside Room

**Looking Ahead**

- Tuesday (Oct. 25)**  
Charge Conference—7:00 p.m., Perry Hall  
(DS Meeting with SPRC @ 6:30 p.m.)

**UM Women's Luncheon**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 11**  
**12:00 noon—Perry Hall**

All women in in our church community  
(and friends) are welcome! Bring a  
sandwich. Beverages and dessert will



**How to Find All Four Verses of the Star Spangled Banner**

(Info from Phyllis Ferguson)

Go to: [www.usa-flag-site.org](http://www.usa-flag-site.org); click on "Patriotic Songs"; click on "The Star Spangled Banner".



**Update on  
Bell Refurbishment  
by Marilyn Kraft**

Four or five years ago, Tiery Furman took me out to lunch and told me about a wonderful plan she had to honor three people who had influenced her life. Two of them had been her teachers, and I was the third. She told me she had decided to set up endowments in our names in the amount of \$5,000.

She said I could choose wherever I'd like for using the funds. After giving it some thought, I told her I'd like the money to go to the SPUMC music program, particularly the hand bells. These bells were purchased with the money we raised from our first summer musical, "The Sound of Music". I was the director of music in the church and was in charge of the dinner, accompanied the performance, played the part of the Baroness, and had two daughters in the cast.

I'm so grateful that the bells are being used in worship after buying them about 45 years ago.

Les realized they were badly in need of a tune-up and repair and sent them to Texas Bell Ranch this summer. He was advised that they were in need of total refurbishing, which would make them like new and would come with a lifetime guarantee. There is just enough money in my endowment, and I'm really happy to spend it in this way.

Do you have someone you would like to honor?

**Men's Bible Study  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays  
10:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room**

All men of the church are  
welcome to attend.



**You are invited to participate in  
Sand Point's Music Program!**

We have a place for people of all ages in the Music Program at Sand Point.

**Chancel Choir – Rehearses Wednesdays from 7:30 – 9 PM**

High School through adult singers are welcome!

**Handbell Choir – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 6:30 PM**

Handbell ringing is an intergenerational team sport at SPUMC! We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-7:30 PM. We play about once per month at the 10 AM service. Previous ringing experience is not necessary.

**Youth Choir – Rehearses each Sunday in the Chancel right after the postlude for approx. 15 minutes.** Young people in 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to sing in the Youth Choir.

**Special Music**

Do you sing or play an instrument? Please let me know if you would like to share your musical gifts at SPUMC.

We hope you will be a part of one of our welcoming musical communities at Sand Point!

Leslie Martin, Director of Music

## **Thank you to all who helped with the Mayor's Day of Concern for the Hungry ...**

Sylvia Abbott, Joan Bohn, Terri & Terry Cicero, Lynn Ferguson, Martha Price, Jan Kreidler, Bella Flaccus, Jerry Zimmerman, Jane Stevens, Doug and Kathy Warnaca

Lots of money was raised and multiple barrels were filled with food!

## **Parents' Night Out—Thank you!**

It is with joy that we share our gratitude with our volunteers and staff for their help with Parents' Night Out this past Friday, September 23rd. We had 13 children attend our event! Lots of laughs and fun was had by our kids and adults alike. Thank you to Sylvia Abbott, Bella Flaccus, Meredith McVicar, Adam Ritchey, and Doug and Kathy Warnaca who devoted their time and energy in making the evening a great success!

If you would like to help with the next Parents' Night Out or to reserve your child's spot for our December 16th Parents' Night Out, please contact Sarah Ritchey at [spclittleones@gmail.com](mailto:spclittleones@gmail.com) or 206-523-3040.



## **Trunk or Treat with Wedgwood Community Council**

Please mark your calendars and join us Monday, October 31st from 4-6 p.m. as Sand Point Community UMC participates in this year's Wedgwood Community Council's Trunk or Treat with the neighborhood!

We need your help to pass out candy and prizes with the whole neighborhood community along 35<sup>th</sup> Ave NE. We will be stationed in the parking lot of the Green & Pietsch Family and Cosmetic Dentistry office located at 7030 35th Ave NE.

All the Wedgwood stores and businesses open their doors this night to costumed characters big and small for this fun-filled event! Come as you are or come in costume for this celebration! A few cars will be needed to trick or treat from the car trunks. Chairs and tables will be made available to those who need to be seated.

We will be collecting candy for the evening as well. Please drop off any candy donations to the church office or to Sarah Ritchey.

*"In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a Holy Temple in the Lord. And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit." (Ephesians 2:21-22)*

Did you know that sharing a meal together fosters community? When was the last time you shared a meal with someone new or an old friend?

Eating together is about as basic and special an experience as we can have in life. From Thanksgiving dinner to sharing a hamburger at Dick's with friends, our relationships with other people almost always include food. We are shaped in eating meals with others.

Starting this Fall join us for Community Dinners throughout the year on specific dates. These dinners will be open for all in our community with the purpose for us to share in fellowship, nurture our friendships, and nourish our body and soul.

Join us **Friday, October 14th from 6-8pm**. This is a free event. Pizza dinner will be provided. If you would like to bring a side or dessert, please do! We will be meeting in Perry hall for dinner. And for fellowship we will be playing cards and board games together!

Please mark your calendars and listen for more details regarding the following dates...

**Friday, November 18, 6-8pm**

**Community Dinner and Mission Night for the Food Bank**  
Gather for dinner and fellowship. Bring along an item of non-perishable food donation.

**Friday, January 20, 6-8pm**

**Community Dinner and Game Night**  
Gather for dinner, fellowship, and a games.

**Friday, February 10, 6-8pm**

**Community Dinner and a Movie**  
Gather for dinner, fellowship, and a movie!

**Friday, April 21, 6-8pm**

**Community Dinner and Game Night**  
Gather for dinner, fellowship, and games!

**Friday, May 19, 6-8pm**

**Community Dinner and Treehouse Donation Drive**  
Gather for dinner and fellowship. Bring along a toy or kids' clothing for donation to Treehouse.

**Friday, June 9, 6-8pm**

**Community Dinner and Game Night**  
Gather for dinner, fellowship, and games!

If your spirit is moved and would like to help with these events or if you have questions about the Community Dinners, please reach out to Sarah Ritchey [206-523-3040](tel:206-523-3040) or [spclittleones@gmail.com](mailto:spclittleones@gmail.com).