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Rev. Janelle Kurtz, Pastor



Sand Point Community at Treehouse August 5th 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Sand Point Community will be volunteering at Treehouse, a non-profit helping area youth in foster care, on August 5th from 9:30am-11:30am.

We will be helping with projects including sorting and processing incoming donations, getting merchandise ready to go into the store, and preparing the store for shopping days. At the start of the shift, Treehouse will give a brief overview and orient everyone to the projects for the day.

Treehouse has an online registration page for our group at <http://Wearhouse.kintera.org/2017>. Anyone who has not registered in advance may not be able to volunteer. Deadline to register is August 2nd.

The registration process is pretty straightforward, but it's helpful to know that the drop-down menu for "Programs" lists the different months. Select "August 2017" and our group is listed as "Sand Point Community UMC." All volunteers must complete the registration even if they have volunteered here previously.

If you have any questions or need help with the online registration please contact Sarah Ritchey.

From the pastor:

Greetings in the name of Christ,

I'm back from our Greater Northwest Annual Conference and it's official! I have been reappointed to serve the Sand Point community for another year! It is my joy and my honor to be able to say that. I am grateful to serve as your pastor!

These past two years, you have welcomed me as your pastoral leader. But more than that, you have invited me into your homes and your lives. You have entrusted me with your stories. You have shared with me your beloved traditions. You have been gracious on my hard days and you have rejoiced in our happy ones. You let me make a confetti mess on Easter and let me interrupt the 'Silent Night' of Christmas with kids ringing bells.

We have laughed together, lunched together, studied together. We have welcomed others into this "together" that we share. And yes, we have said goodbye to dear saints together.

We have unearthed time capsules that capture our past and we have commissioned a visioning team to dream about our future.

Dear friends, all I can say is that I am so looking forward to that future together. Because this is a place where I have known the Body of Christ. You are a people who have received the fullness of my humanity and loved me anyways. You are a people who could accept my vulnerability and affirm it as strength. This is a gift beyond imagination to me. I pray that I might be a gift to you, too.

Thank you for being church and entrusting my leadership in it. It is my great privilege!

Peace,

Pastor Janelle

*That's why, when I heard of the solid trust you have in the Master Jesus and your outpouring of love to all the followers of Jesus, I couldn't stop thanking God for you—every time I'd pray, I'd think of you and give thanks.
(Ephesians 1:15-16, The Message)*

This week

Sunday (July 23)

Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fellowship Hour—after Worship, Perry Hall
Tent City 3 Dinner—Dinner prep. @ 2 p.m., Lehman Hall; delivery & serving approximately 5 p.m.

Looking Ahead

Sunday (July 30)

Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fellowship Hour—after Worship, Perry Hall

Thursday (August 3)

SPRC—7:00 p.m., Fireside Room

Saturday (August 5)

Treehouse—9:30-11:30 a.m., 2100 24th Ave S #200

Sunday (August 6)

Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fellowship Hour—after Worship, Perry Hall

Monday (August 7)

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Summer Office Hours June 1—August 31

Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



July 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 July 2017 Little Free Library and Little Free Pantry

July Melodies of Compassion for our Little Free Library and Little Free Pantry

We as a church are committed to serving our community, one new way we are doing that is through the construction and installation of a Little Free Library and a Little Free Pantry. Money that is donated will go towards our stocking of the pantry and library. It is through these works of piety and works of mercy that make Sand Point a driven community of faithful people, full of adventurous spirits as we experience God's grace with one another.

Whether there is a need for food or a need to give, the Little Free Pantry and Little Free Library facilitates neighbors helping neighbors, building community. In all places, Little Free Boxes are for those who want and/or need to give.

If you are inspired and would like to help share in the stewardship duties of our Little Free Boxes, please contact Sarah Ritchey at splittleones@gmail.com or the church main office at 206-523-3040. Stewardship duties include checking in on the Library to make sure it is stocked with good books, keeping the Pantry stocked with good food, and making sure both boxes are well maintained on a daily basis.

Sand Point Community Family Summer Homework

With summer now in full swing, please look for your summer homework in your mailbox! Stick it on your fridge or bulletin board so that you may find helpful ideas and scripture suggestions to create family memories that will foster confidence, faith, strength, and readiness for school in the fall!

I look forward to hearing about your adventures!

Happy Summer!

Opportunities to Share Special Music this Summer!

People of all ages from both the congregation and the greater community are invited to offer music at our worship services this summer. Some ideas for summer music are: individuals offering their music; parents and children making music together; a small vocal or instrumental ensemble; friends or neighbors who might like to share their music with us.

Music for our services ought to be sacred or spiritual in nature, and I'm always happy to help you with selecting something to offer. Please contact me or see me on Sunday mornings if you would like share your musical gifts – I look forward to hearing from you!

Leslie Martin
Director of Music

Junior High / High School Youth helping with Tent City Meal Prep

Please mark your calendars for **July 23rd and August 27th** for Tent City Meal Prep from 2-4pm. This is a fun opportunity to chat other youth and church members, practice your culinary skills, and get a head start on earning your volunteer hours for the upcoming school year! If you plan to join us on these dates, please contact Jeff Ricco or Sarah Ritchey so that we know how many volunteers to expect.

SP Community Summer Movie Series

This is an ALL church and neighborhood event. Bring a picnic dinner and join your community on the church's front lawn for popcorn and a movie. Feel free to bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Some tables and chairs will be provided. Each movie will be part of a sermon series on the following Sundays during Worship. The movie will start at 8:00 p.m.

Friday, August 18th, 7-10pm —“Hidden Figures”

Friday August 25th, 7-10pm —“The Lion King”

Friday, September 1st, 7-10pm —“Homeward Bound”

Friday, September 9th, 7-10pm, —“Moana “

Update on Planned Church Building Repairs

It's time for our church buildings to receive some long-awaited TLC (tender loving care). The Church Council voted in June to authorize a fundraising campaign for a number of major repairs to the church buildings. Planned repairs include:

- Roof replacements for both the steep roof of the sanctuary and the flat roof of the office/chapel area (\$120,000)
- New windows for Perry Hall and the kitchen (\$20,000)
- Siding and soffit repairs (\$10,000)
- Conversion of a restroom for wheelchair accessibility (\$18,000)

With a 20% contingency, the fundraising goal for this list of capital repairs is \$200,000. A capital fundraising campaign is being planned to start soon with the goal of concluding by the end of the year.

We are stewards of church facilities that were built and maintained out of the love and financial support of generous individuals and families over the past 75 years. Now it's our turn to take care of these church facilities to preserve the role of Sand Point church in this neighborhood for the future.

Our church is home not only to our worshipping congregation on Sunday mornings, but we host many community activities and programs during the week and throughout the year. Did you know that over 120 children participate in the Boys and Girls Club program in our church? Also, about 60 families participate in the Sandhurst Pre-School program in our church.

Add to this list the 8 scout troops, 4 Al-Anon and AA groups, a foster parent support group, the local Probus Club, PEO, music rehearsals and recitals, and other activities. Our church plays a vital part in the life of this community.

Please stay tuned for more information about this fundraising campaign, and please respond generously when asked to support these important projects.

Questions can be directed to: Pastor Janelle, Bev Sheller, Kevin Smith, Keith Moxon, Steve Mullin, or Lynn Ferguson