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Contact Information Updates Needed for New Church Directory



Please contact Nicole in the church office, or Sue Haas, with updates to your contact info (name, address, telephone [home and/or cell #] if you wish), and email address—so that we'll have current contact info for the new directory. Contact Nicole: 206-523-3040 or spcommunity@qwestoffice.net, or Sue.

Church Directory



Update

New SPCUMC Photo Directory Sign-up Now

Come one and all to have your photo included in the new church directory! Sue Haas will assign time slots for photoshoot sign-ups at coffee hours during all of June and the first week of July--at the Lifetouch sign-up table. Dates for the photoshoots are Tuesday, July 9 and Wednesday, July 10, 1:00-4:30 p.m. and 5:30-9:00 p.m. Photoshoots will last about 30 minutes. Bring your family for a group photo if you'd like, dogs included!

There will be no cost to you unless you wish to order your own copies, in addition to one free 8 x 10 photo per family, and the one in the directory. Also, volunteers are needed for the registration tables on photoshoot days. Contact Sue to sign-up or with questions.

From the Pastor—

To the Beloved Community of Sand Point Community UMC:

As our time together comes to a close, I simply want to extend my gratitude to each and every one of you for the ways in which you contribute to this community, to the body of Christ made present and alive here in Northeast Seattle. It has been my honor and privilege to serve as a pastor among you, to accompany you in this season.

I will continue to lift you each and this community together in prayer. I pray that God will continue to strengthen you with the richness of God's grace through the Holy Spirit. I ask that Christ LIVE in your hearts through faith. I hope your strong roots in love allow you grasp the power of love together with all believers, that you make know the love of Christ beyond all human knowledge and power.

And I pray that your past faithfulness is but a foretaste for the future God has in store for you. May you forever stride boldly into the future to which God beckons you; may you do the things that demand faith in our age; and may you continually be reminded of the good news that we are still becoming what God's grace will mold us to be.

"Go now in peace. May the love of God surround you everywhere you may go."
Pastor Nico



Farewell Pastor Nico and Laura!

Pastor Nico preached his last sermon Sunday, June 2nd, reminding those present that "we are the church" and "we are not who we will be".

Sarah Ritchey shared a beautiful blessing for Nico and Laura as many congregants gathered around to lay hands on the couple.

After the service, we gathered in Perry Hall for lunch, cake and an opportunity to hear their story and wedding and honeymoon plans. Sand Point Community UMC sends them off with love and wishes for a happy life!



July Birthdays

Matthew Hinck	7/1
Olin Keller	
Jeff Nemitz	7/6
Margie Sanders	
Teagan Dickson	7/9
Tiero Jenkins	
Nassim Pietsch	7/12
Aleksandra Bowell-Gutierrez	7/19
Nick Pietsch	7/21
Audrey Mullin	7/24
Karl Flaccus	7/26
Jerry Sheller	7/27
David Strack	
Dan McGrew	7/28

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

Perry Playdates

Mondays
9:30-11:30 a.m.
Perry Hall

All kids 5 & younger (& their caregivers) are welcome!



REMINDER:
Summer Office Hours
Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Church Calendar

Sunday (June 30)

Sunday School—9:30-10:00 a.m., Fireside Room
Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fellowship Hour—after Worship, Perry Hall

Monday (July 1)

Perry Playdate—9:30-11:30 a.m., Perry Hall

Sunday (July 7)

Sunday School—9:30-10:00 a.m., Fireside Room
Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fellowship Hour—after Worship, Perry Hall

Monday (July 8)

Perry Playdate—9:30-11:30 a.m., Perry Hall

Tuesday (July 9)

Church Directory Photo Shoot—1:00-9:00 p.m., Perry Hall
Church Council—6:30 p.m., Fireside Room

Wednesday (July 10)

Church Directory Photo Shoot—1:00-9:00 p.m., Perry Hall

Sunday (July 14)

Sunday School—9:30-10:00 a.m., Fireside Room
Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fellowship Hour—after Worship, Perry Hall

Monday (July 15)

Perry Playdate—9:30-11:30 a.m., Perry Hall

Sunday (July 21)

Sunday School—9:30-10:00 a.m., Fireside Room
Worship—10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fellowship Hour—after Worship, Perry Hall

Monday (June 22)

Perry Playdate—9:30-11:30 a.m., Perry Hall

Sunday (July 28)

Sunday School—9:30-10:00 a.m., Fireside Room
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.

Monday (June 29)

Perry Playdate—9:30-11:30 a.m., Perry Hall

From the Pastor—

Reflections on the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference

The PNW Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church met June 6-9 in Puyallup WA. This annual meeting brings together pastors and lay people from local United Methodist congregations and other Church leaders from around the Pacific Northwest. Although the conference stuck to much of its familiar form and routine, the unique moment we are in as a global denomination led to a significantly different feel, tone, and flow to our conference.

Bishop Elaine Stanovsky, our conference's General Conference delegates, and folks who have attended national organizing meetings in the past few weeks helped to frame our time together by providing information on the current state of conversations about the future of the United Methodist Church. The bishop shared deeply and personally in her annual address to the conference, saying: "I can't be silent in a church that won't see when the Holy Spirit is at work, that can't behold a new thing, that isn't able to listen or sing a new song. I'm a bishop of the whole church. I have seen the church move and change. I believe it is moving now."

The whole conference engaged in significant times of less structured conversations and table talks, sharing in smaller groups our fears and our hopes, our dreams for the future of the Church.

The list of the decisions made at conference is long. Many of the usual decisions were made (such as passing a budget that represents a small decrease yet again). Among the more moment-specific decision made by the body were: reaffirmations of our conference's non-conformity to rules that cause harm to our LGBTQIA+ siblings; requests that complaints against clergy be "triaged" so that those alleging real harm are processed ahead of complaints about LGBTQIA+ clergy and weddings and that conference funds not be used for such prosecutions;

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From the Music Director

I have enjoyed my tenure as Director of Music at Sand Point during the past seven years and have become very fond of you all; but it is now time for me to make changes that will allow Laura, Petey, and me to spend more time together traveling and doing other things that we enjoy. To this end, I have decided to leave my position as Music Director at SPCUMC, with June 23rd being my last Sunday in that capacity.

I want to thank everyone in the music program for their diligence, dedication, and kindness. I have enjoyed getting to know each one of you and I celebrate all that we have accomplished together in order to bring inspiring music to our worship services. It has also been a distinct pleasure for me to work alongside Yvonne Hoar, my dear friend and musical colleague, who cheerfully goes the extra mile to support us in our musical endeavors.

I wish all the people of Sand Point Community UMC the very best in the years to come and I thank you for the opportunity to serve this church through the ministry of music. Les Martin

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the creation of a task force to study possibilities for disaffiliation with the UMC; the creation of a task force to begin work on creating a separate legal entity in case the UMC does disband; and a petition to the General Conference to create a North American Central Conference (mirroring church structure outside of the United States that allows for cultural adaptations to the *Book of Discipline*).

More and better summaries are available on the conference website: www.pnwumc.org/ac2019.

Finally, hear this good news: In the midst of turmoil and uncertainty, the conference commissioned and ordained 12 new clergy members. We elected the people who will represent this conference in next year's General and Western US Jurisdictional Conferences. Our delegation includes youth, young adults, Pacific Islanders, people of Asian ancestry, LGBTQIA+ people - in short, our delegation a whole lot more like the church of the future than of the past. God is continuing to move and breathe and call leaders into the Church that is yet to be.

Melodies of Compassion July 2019 UMCOR

Melodies of Compassion for July will be donated to UMCOR - the United Methodist Committee on Relief. UMCOR is the global humanitarian aid and development organization of the United Methodist Church (UMC). UMCOR is a nonprofit 501(c) 3 organization operated under the auspices of the General Board of Global Ministries. *One hundred percent* of donations are directed to an earmarked project or relief effort.

UMCOR works through programs that address hunger, poverty, sustainable agriculture, international and domestic emergencies, refugee and immigrant concerns, global health issues, and transitional development. UMCOR is currently responding to the disruptive spring storms and flooding in the Midwest, massive flooding and death caused by cyclones in Mozambique, and deadly earthquakes causing much damage and many fatalities in the Philippines.

Please consider all those affected by these recent disasters as you give generously to July Melodies.

New Child Care Attendant



My name is Ayana Muwwakkil and I am an upcoming senior in high school.

I enjoy creating art, walking my dog, and playing piano. I love hot weather and going to the beach with my friends.

I have previous experience in childcare and currently babysit for several families!

Do You Need Your Lawn Mowed?

Aaron Banse, one of our young adults at church, has started a lawn mowing business for the spring and summer!

Aaron has good rates and an eco-friendly lawn mower to minimize his carbon footprint. And, he donates 10% of his profit to water1st.org. There are flyers posted throughout the church and office.

Contact Aaron