

# Edmonds United Methodist Church

## Beyond Sunday Morning - January 08, 2017

**Welcome Newcomers** - We invite you to stop by our Visitor Information Table in the Entrance Hall so that we can meet you and answer any questions you might have about EUMC.

### Today

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#### **Tour of the Church**

Newcomers are invited to tour our church after the 2nd service today. Your guide will meet you at the Visitor Information Table in the main entryway at about 11:45 am.

#### **Stewardship Update – Message from Our Lay Leader**

Our pledges continue to climb to \$716,692 with 214 pledges, and our lay leader, Bill Payne will update the congregation on our stewardship campaign. The finance committee is working hard to create a budget that can be approved by church council on Tuesday, February 7th. Everyone will receive a special packet updating you on our stewardship campaign and enclosed with it is a pledge card. So far, we've had 22 new pledges and 69 pledges have stepped up in their giving. If you're not sure whether you pledged in 2017, feel free to email Julie Trott at [juliet@edmondsumc.org](mailto:juliet@edmondsumc.org) to confirm your pledge. Auto-withdrawal with our GBC International ended on December 31st, and you will need to fill out a current agreement for our new bank, 1st Security Bank of Edmonds to maintain auto-withdrawal if you haven't already filled out a pledge card with this information. Our goal is to have all our pledges in by Thursday, January 12th, so committees have enough time to make final plans for 2017.

#### **Adult Spiritual Formation Sign-Ups | Today, Jan 15th & 22nd**

Consider tending your soul during these winter months, through participation in our ChristCare small groups, SoulSprings events, or The Way. Our new listing of 34 groups, events, and classes will be distributed this week, with sign-ups will beginning at church and online on January 8 and running through the 22nd – with most groups and classes starting the week of January 22. Please contact Terri Bartish, [terrib@edmondsumc.org](mailto:terrib@edmondsumc.org), for more information!

#### **Youth Group | 5:30-8:00pm | I New Series: A Hero's Call to Adventure**

Our first youth group of the New Year starts with a new theme! We will start discussing the Hero's journey while we learn how to hold each other in what may be the dark and scary places in life. We always begin with a game and a meal, then venture into our topic for the evening. Join us!

#### **A Journey**

As you journey into 2017, you are invited to visit the prayer area in the chapel, which has been enhanced by the Stephen Ministers. You will find meditations and quotes, among other things to help you on your personal journey. If you are searching for a quiet, calm, private space to reflect/meditate, you will find it here. Say a prayer. Leave a prayer. God will meet you in this Holy space.

### This Week

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#### **Faith Action Network director Paul Benz | Jan 15th**

Paul will be our guest preacher on Sunday, January 15. Paul has been a long time social justice leader in Washington state's religious community on numerous issues, and he continues to advocate for FAN's legislative agenda in Olympia. He is the lead organizer for FAN's growing Network of Advocating Faith Communities, which have pledged to partner with FAN to be advocates in the halls of power. Plan to attend a discussion of upcoming legislative issues following the second service.

### Beyond

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#### **"In Our Own Voices" a NAMI Presentation | Jan 22nd**

Please plan to attend "In Our Own Voices," a presentation by the National Alliance for Mental Illness on January 22, after the second service. This is an opportunity to hear from people who have a mental illness, how it affects them and their families, and how they can live their lives fully. This is sponsored by the Mental Health ChristCare group and the EUMC Stephen Ministry team. Questions: Terri Bartish, [terrib@edmondsumc.org](mailto:terrib@edmondsumc.org).

#### **Community Forum: "Voices we need to Hear" | Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> | 7-9 pm**

Edmonds UMC is hosting A Community Forum for Listening and Discernment". EUMC and the surrounding community will hear from representatives of the immigrant, Muslim, LGBTQ, and people of color communities about ways we can fulfill the United Methodist mission of working for the marginalized in our society. There will be a table for this and the January 21st Women's March on Seattle in the Wesley hall after each service. Those interested in either event can email [gregm@edmondsumc.org](mailto:gregm@edmondsumc.org) or [leahjdrennan@gmail.com](mailto:leahjdrennan@gmail.com).

## Beyond (Continued)

### Young Adult Small Group | Jan 23rd 6-8:00pm I A Night of "Hygge"

Winter is a time to seek out comfort, warmth and community. These values are ritualized in the Danish practice of Hygge, which means to enjoy life's simple pleasures. Our candlelight meal will consist of comfort foods like Swedish Cardamom Rolls, remembering what we are thankful for and setting intentions for the new year. RSVP on Facebook or with me at emilys@edmondsumc.org. - Emily Schuman

### Winter Contemplative Retreat | Jan 27-29th

The 3rd Annual Winter Contemplative Retreat is at Rainbow Lodge in North Bend. A wonderful time to live a weekend of quiet connecting with your spiritual life. Sign-ups are underway, check out the table in the Wesley Room. Contact Heather Bruno, heatherp@edmondsumc.org, or Terri Bartish, terrib@edmondsumc.org, with questions.

### Good2BGirl Middle School Girl Workshop | Feb 11th | 9am-5pm.

Growing in God and Becoming Me" is hosted by the organization Good2BGirl and is a workshop designed to help 6th -8th grade girls understand their identity in Christ as it relates to their value, self-worth and overall female design. Please register on the Good2BGirl website: good2bgirl.com or contact Emily Schuman emilys@edmondsumc.org for more information.

**Family Camp @ Indianola | June 23 -25** | Mark your calendars for a weekend on the waterfront! Camp activities include rope swinging, beach combing, gaga ball, campfires, crafts, men's devotional, and women's devotional, and downtime with friends – new and old!

### Vacation Bible School | July 17-21

Kids Ages 3 - Incoming 6th Graders enjoy science, singing, recreation, drama, crafts, and service. Registration opens in March.

**MOPS** | 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month from 9:30-11:30. | Moms of children newborn to kindergarten, please join our MOPS group for brunch, fellowship & speakers! Childcare is provided. Contact co-coordinators for more info: Heidi Morris - heidihaynes@gmail.com or Megan Harrington - meganharrington5@gmail.com

### Communications Team Wants You!

If you have a few hours each month to give, we want you on our Communications Team! We will be working on a variety of communication areas including reviewing the 2014 audit, expanding what communications we currently use and more. Interested??? Please email Myrna Pair at MDPJP2@gmail.com or call 425-672-7180.

### Coffee Hour Volunteers

We need two volunteers to help with the second service coffee hour on the 4th Sundays of the month. If you are willing, please call Jaquie Lusier @ 425-776-5118 or email: ljlusier@aol.com

### Sunday Office Host Volunteer

Are you interested in helping out on Sunday mornings? After many years of continual service, Valerie Thayer will be leaving her post. We are looking for one or more volunteers to fill this very important position. If interested, please contact Jen Luecken at jenl@edmondsumc.org.

Edmonds United Methodist Church is committed to being a Reconciling Congregation. If you'd like more information, please contact the church at 425-778-2119 or office@edmondsumc.org



Those with health concerns: Bob Brown, Vergie Knight, Annie Lamare, Keith Skore's father - Vergil following surgery, those undergoing cancer treatment.

Those experiencing grief: Aaron Franco-Ross on the death of his sister, and the family of Margaret Stalker; The family of Peggy Kennedy;

The peoples from the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle include: Iran, Iraq, Syria

### A simple prayer you may use:

*Loving and healing God, restore every member of our congregation. If they are worried, bring them peace. If they are broken, mend their spirits. If they are sick or infirm, cure their bodies, and renew their strength. If they are disconnected from family and friends, themselves, or even us, reunite them with the community that cares for them. Let us be present with them and them with us, so that we might all experience your grace and healing. Amen*

For pastoral care emergencies, call or text Pastor Adrienne at 425-375-6415.