



*Where there is great love there are always miracles. --Willa Cather*

**Edmonds United**  **Methodist Church**

**March 10, 2019 - 9:00a.m. & 10:30a.m.**

# Welcome!

The heart of our church is joining together in gratitude and praise. You are invited to join us Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. in our Sanctuary as we sing, pray, laugh, and learn together. On the first Sunday of each month we share in Holy Communion, and whether or not you are a member of the church you are welcome as a full participant.

## Sunday Worship Services

**Childcare for babies and toddlers** (up to age 3) is available during both services in the nursery located in the Children's Center wing.

**Sunday School classes** for children three years old to 8th grade meet during both worship services.

After worship service share in cookies and coffee at **Coffee Hour** in the Wesley Room, located just to the right of the sanctuary.

Our Chancel Choir, Bell Choir, ensembles, and soloists of our **Music Ministry** enrich our worship.

## Grow

Our **Adult Spiritual Formation** ministry offers ongoing and short-term groups, Bible/book studies, retreats and special lectures. The Winter session begins February 3, with sign-ups on January 20 & 27.

We offer opportunities for **children and families** to deepen their faith through Sunday School, Youth Group, VBS, Family Camp, and intergenerational worship.

**Vacation Bible School:** July 15-19  
Who Is My Neighbor?: Exploring equity.

**Youth Group** (grades 7 - 12) meets Monday nights from 6:30-8:00p.m. in the Youth Hall. Join us for dinner and fellowship!

## Serve

Our **Children's Center** provides enriching and developmentally appropriate preschool and daycare for children ages 2.5-12.

Each week, **Edmonds Food Bank** assists over 325 families on Monday evenings and Tuesday mornings with valuable nutrition. Volunteers ages 9 and up are invited to serve Mondays from 3:00-6:00 p.m. in Kennedy Hall.

The **Thrift Shop** sells low-cost clothing and other items each Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday morning. Proceeds support mission projects locally and beyond.

Volunteers in our **Tutoring Program** provide one-on-one tutoring for children in Kindergarten through 6th Grade, Wednesday evenings from November through May.

The **Toy Shop**, provides a new book, stuffed animal, and toy for over 1,000 low-income local children during the holidays.

Our **Advocates for Justice** work to solve the root problems of hunger, homelessness, racism, homophobia, gun violence, and climate change.

**Youth Mission Trip** | July 28-August 2 | L.A.S.T.  
Learn about root causes of poverty and serve the homeless population in Portland.

**Intergenerational Service Learning Trip**  
July 24-28 | BorderLinks in Tucson, AZ and Nogales, Mexico. Learn more about the issues affecting migrants along the border. Ages 14 and up.

## Order of Service

Welcome! We invite you to complete the tear-off 'I Am Here' form at the side of this bulletin and pass it to the outside aisle where it will be collected by the ushers. Hearing assistance devices are available. Please ask an usher if you would like to try one this morning. As a courtesy to other worshipers, please turn your cell phone's ringer off. We encourage congregants to speak quietly during the prelude so the music can help us center ourselves on worship. Thank you!

### We Gather

**Prelude**      *O Mensch, Bewein' dein' Sünde Gross*      Hyun-Ja Choi  
*(O Mankind, Weep for Your Great Sin)*  
BWV 622 - Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

**Welcome**      Rev. Clarissa Fuentes

**\*Passing the Peace**

**\*Opening Hymn**      *We Are Called*      Black Songbook #2172

**\*Opening Prayer**      Tammy Jane

### We Proclaim

**Children's Message**      Jen McLaughlin

**Anthem**      *Light of the World*      Chancel Choir  
Karen Marrolli      Violin, Matt Weiss

**\*Scripture Readings**      Psalm 146:5-10; Mark 8:22-25

**Song of Preparation**      *Open Our Eyes*      Black Songbook #2086

**Prayer of Preparation**

**Sermon**      *Miracles of Jesus: The Blind See*      Pastor Clarissa

### We Respond

**Silent Meditation**

**Sermon Response**     *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

Slides

**Pastoral Prayer**

Tammy Jane

**Our Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

**Offering our Gifts and Our Lives**

**Invitation to the Offering**

Pastor Clarissa

**Offertory**

*Will We Ever Rise?*  
David Gungor & John Arndt

Chamber Ensemble

**\*Doxology**

*Take My Gifts and Let Me Love You*

Tune: HOLY MANNA

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Tammy Jane

**Announcements**

Pastor Clarissa

**We Scatter to Serve**

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Be Thou My Vision*

Slides

**\*Benediction**

Pastor Clarissa

**Postlude**

*Toccata on Aberystwyth*  
arr. David Bednall

Hyun-Ja Choi

*~You are always welcome to be seated and enjoy the postlude~*

# Beyond Sunday Morning

## **Immigration Listening Session | Today | 11:45a.m.**

A listening session on sanctuary will be offered after second service in the Chapel. If you would like to discuss questions or concerns that you may have about the proposal to become a sanctuary church, please plan to attend this session.

## **Lenten Prayer Service | Tonight | 7:00p.m.**

During this season of reflection we are offering three contemporary services of music and prayer on Sunday evenings. The worship will revolve around visual art and centering prayers from local artists Scott Erickson and Justin McRoberts and their book, *Prayer: 40 Days of Practice*, providing an opportunity for us all to reflect on our intention during these forty days. Join us in the Sanctuary tonight at 7:00 p.m. and again at the same time March 24 and April 7.

## **General Conference Table Talk, Bothell UMC | Tonight | 7:00p.m.**

There will be a Table Talk 3.0 regarding General Conference outcomes at Bothell UMC this evening. All are invited to attend! For those who reserved a seat on the bus, it will depart the church at 6:15p.m.

## **Upcoming Youth Group Activities**

-March 17 | 5:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Whirly Ball. Costs \$20 Meet at Church at 5:30p.m. Pick up at 8:30p.m. (transportation provided) Open to Grades 5-12  
-April 12 Youth event for 7th-12th grades.

## **Roots and Wings | March 23 | 9:00a.m. | EUMC**

This year's Roots and Wings conference will be held at our own Edmonds UMC. The Greater Northwest Area's Innovation and Vitality Team will be leading us throughout the day, in worship, plenary session, conversations, and workshops revolving around the three key practices that we believe are present in every vital congregation. These practices are namely, inclusion, innovation, and multiplication. Early-bird registration is \$20 per person until March 15, and \$30 per person thereafter & at the door. Scholarships available. To request a scholarship, please contact Hollie, hswanson@pnwumc.org or at (206) 870-6814.

## **Post-General Conference Review - What are Next Steps for Edmonds UMC? | March 24**

Please join after each service for a review and wrap-up of the controversial and disappointing decisions of the special General Conference at the end of last month. Keith Skore, our Annual Conference Lay Member and District Lay Leader, will review key actions and describe how our congregation will retain its values as it deals with an increasingly hostile General Conference.

## **Our Whole Lives (OWL) Faith & Sexuality Series for 8th-12th Graders | March 24, April 14, 28, May 5, 12, and 19 | 6:30-8:00p.m. | Youth Hall**

OWL values self worth, sexual health, responsibility, justice, and inclusivity. This series models and teaches caring, compassion, respect, and justice. It helps high school-age youth address their attitudes and values, their feelings about themselves and their sexuality, and their attitudes toward others' sexuality. Taught by Jen McLaughlin and Shannon Speight. To register: email JenniferM@edmondsumc.org.

## **The Mission Endowment Committee Invites Applications for Ministry! | April 1 Deadline**

The Mission Endowment Committee is charged with the dispersement of both Kathlyn James and Dave and Kris Gillespie endowment grants. The Kathlyn James Endowment distribution funds are grants dispersed for ministries which serve families and children in poverty, with priority given to ministries which provide, or have provided, service opportunities for the EUMC faith community. The Dave and Kris Gillespie endowment distribution grants are dispersed to existing outreach ministries which focus on making disciples of Jesus Christ in the community and which provide funding for a specific outreach not covered in the regular budget of the ministry. Applications can be found on the church website at [edmondsumc.org/ourchurch/member-login](http://edmondsumc.org/ourchurch/member-login). The application deadline for both funds is April 1, 2019. The Mission Endowment Committee looks forward to partnering together with EUMC members to share God's love through serving others. Questions? Contact Ron Heitritter.

# Beyond Sunday Morning Cont...

## **Join the Edmonds United Methodist Annual Retreat for Women: Resilience for the Soul | May 3-5**

It is vital for women to have time to connect with each other and recharge their reserves. This year's retreat, May 3-5, at Warm Beach Camp and Conference Center, focuses on resilience - vital for our well-being. Our keynote speaker is Danae Ashley. Danae is an Episcopal Priest, Therapist, and Friend of the Church. Registration includes room for two nights, six meals, and access to the full agenda. In addition, the Cascadian Lodge rooms have been fully updated and refreshed! Learn more and register at [edmondsumc.org/family](http://edmondsumc.org/family)

## **All Church Baby Shower**

For those creative souls who like to knit, quilt, sew or crochet, now is the time to get started on making a blanket or clothing for infants or young children. In honor of Mother's Day, we collect clothing items and infant supplies to distribute to local shelters. Put your creative talents to work for a good cause. More information next month.

## **From the Immigration Team....**

Copies of the Sanctuary Proposal, its appendices and the Frequently Asked Questions document are available in the narthex every Sunday. Please pick up a copy and familiarize yourself with the proposal! Your questions and comments are invited.

## **Would you like to be the ears and shoulders of God?**

Be a Prayer Partner after service on Sunday. Prayer Partners are those who offer an ear to listen in time of need. Needs will vary from grief, health, family, loneliness, even joy. Listening is most important, and confidentiality is pertinent. After listening, offer a prayer. If further help is needed, offer the person a Stephen Ministry card to contact someone for further communication. This is not a fix-it position, but merely an avenue of encouragement and love from God via you. We hope to get enough volunteers, so each prayer partner will only need to be there once every other month. Please contact Jacque Benjamin at 410-708-6267 or [jacquez.benjamin@gmail.com](mailto:jacquez.benjamin@gmail.com).

**Help Wanted:** Our Church is in need of a substitute lawn mowing person to help out when Don Kleweno is away on vacation. Please contact David Walters ([davew@edmondsumc.org](mailto:davew@edmondsumc.org)) if you are able to assume these duties on a temporary basis. Don is on vacation until the first week of April and as you all know the grass doesn't wait to grow when our faithful volunteers goes on vacation. Any help one or more people can do would be greatly appreciated.

## **Working Warriors**

Wanted-Willing workers to be members of the newly formed Working Warriors team who will assist the church in completing a wide variety of projects throughout the church both inside and out. Projects may last from one to several hours and may be completed in one day or several. Hours to work on projects are flexible. A sampling of projects includes: compiling a stained-glass window history, taking unwanted items to Goodwill, refurbishing worn-out looking rooms, re-organizing the Resource/Copy Machine Room, painting a small table, maintenance of outside property, taking out a dead tree, maintaining the library, and transforming the attic into more usable storage space. For a complete list of projects, additional information or to sign-up, contact April Judge, Church Administrator at [aprilj@edmondsumc.org](mailto:aprilj@edmondsumc.org) or 425-778-2119.

## **Participate in Worship Service**

If you want to read scriptures or assist in serving communion, now's the time to sign-up for your opportunity. We welcome all and will guide you on what to do. Follow this link <http://signup.com/go/xNMiwfO> to sign up or look for the clipboard being passed around coffee hour. If you have questions, contact Jen Rasmussen at [jenl@edmondsumc.org](mailto:jenl@edmondsumc.org).

**Those experiencing grief:** Coralie Shepherd on the loss of her brother, Gary

**Those with health concerns:** Don Holmes, Robin Seyfried, Marie Martin, Sonja Adams, Vicki Hoggins, Judy Hewitt's daughter-April, Jack Brock, Margie Jacobson, Claudia Mills, Margaret Barnes, Ben Hanchinamani, Tina Barner, Rev. Elmer Brunk, Marsha Hutto Emerson, Hillary Wagner, Rich and Vergie Knight, Sten and Jackie Leksén.

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

**The peoples from the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle include:** Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden

**A simple prayer you may use:**

We pray for all your people. Bring peace to those who fear, bring healing to those who suffer, bring comfort to those who grieve, and grow the joy of those who celebrate. We pray these things in the name of your Son. Amen.

**If you have an emergency (hospitalization, death)** you may dial this number: 425-778-2119 ext. 102. Please leave your name, phone number, and a brief message.

# I Am Here

March 10, 2019

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- Newcomer (fewer than 5 visits)
- I'm Visiting with/for:  
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- Edmonds UMC is my church home
- This information is a change
- I would like to receive a name tag.
- I would like information about becoming a member of this church
- Please add me to the email list: Weekly Announcements & Guidelights (electronic)
- Please add me to the mailing list: Guidelights (paper)

Please check all the boxes that apply for more information on a ministry or volunteer opportunity listed below...

## Grow...

I would like information about:

- Children's & Youth Ministries
- Adult Spiritual Formation
- Music & Arts Ministry
- Reconciling Team
- Advocates for Justice
- Having a Stephen Minister

## Serve...

I would like to learn about serving:

- Edmonds Food Bank Driver
- Thrift Shop
- Prayer Partner
- Tutoring

## Sign-Ups...

I would like information about:

- Youth Mission Trip
- Reading Scriptures
- Assist in Communion
- Roots and Wings
- Choir to Germany

## Leading Worship Today

### Lead Pastor

Rev. Dr. Sandy Brown

### Associate Pastor

Rev. Clarissa Fuentes

### Organist

Hyun-Ja Choi

### Music Director

David Hendrix

### Family Ministry Director

Jen McLaughlin

### Scripture Readers

Luke Van de Krol, Susan Morrow

### Acolytes

Adrian Fuentes, Jack Perry, Ella & Colin Ray

### Chamber Ensemble

Lars Katz Gaarde, David Hendrix, Lindsay Hogan, Nick Sanchez & Matt Weiss

### Front Office

Carolyn Malnes, Carol Hollyfield, Deborah Moritz

### BlueVest Team

Deb Hawley

### Altar Flowers

Julie Boyd

### Coffee Hour

Vanessa Bishop, Eileen Kelliher, Mark & Tamara Sutton

### Ushers

Bob & Gretchen Dixon, Bill Bengston, Chidi Okoro, Val Mosalsky, Carol Moore

### Transportation

Shannon Speight, Luke Van de Krol

### Visitor Flowers

Sherry Christianson

### Welcome Desk

Carol Swerk, Barbara Greco

### Sound & Projection

Ken Pickle, AP Van Meter, Marilyn McKinnon



RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

Edmonds United Methodist Church is a Reconciling Congregation, welcoming all LGBTQ persons. If you'd like more information, please contact the church at 425-778-2119 or [office@edmondsumc.org](mailto:office@edmondsumc.org)

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