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LEGACY WALL DEDICATION



Everyone is invited to our legacy wall dedication ceremony on Sunday, May 5, following our 11 o'clock morning worship service. Refreshments will follow the ceremony.

This designated location in the church building is where church members and visitors can view historical items and a display commemorating our history. It also serves as a place where the true essence of the church motto, "Faith is a Journey," is real and well understood.

It is hoped that this center of history of the life of this church will serve as a special place where people can recognize that the people who created and served this church over its 112 years of existence were very special and that this is a place where God is honored for posterity.

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Saturday	May	4
Sunday	May	5
Sunday	May	12
Saturday	May	18
Sunday	May	19
Tuesday	May	28

<i>Church Work Party</i>	10:00 AM
<i>Legacy Wall Celebration</i>	12:00 PM
<i>Mother's Day Breakfast</i>	9:30 AM
<i>Movie Night</i>	6:00 PM
<i>Potluck and Annual Business Meeting</i>	12:30 PM
<i>Lunch Bunch at Wedgwood Broiler</i>	11:45 AM

PASTOR SEAN'S ARTICLE



We're coming down the homestretch of our G.P.S. year, God's Path to Success via the spiritual disciplines. To recap, for the last nine months we've been deliberately engaging in the spiritual disciplines of prayer, meditation, solitude, and service. We've been doing this in order to discern God's will about the big-picture future of our church. By big-picture future I don't mean specific outreach or service ministries, or even one signature ministry that we might become known for in the neighborhood. Big-picture future means the more basic and broad question of if we even *should* have one or multiple outreach or service ministries, whether we should pour our efforts into outreach *or* service, whether we should begin the process of a dignified death whereby we close the doors permanently, whether we should choose one demographic and really try to reach out to them alone, whether we should think about merging with another congregation, whether we should continue on with our current balance of outreach and service ministries, etc. Answering the big-picture question will dictate everything that we do moving forward. It will determine our very identity. Therefore, what's to come in the near future is of *enormous* importance!

I want to give an update on what comes next. Sunday, June 2, will be critical. During coffee hour on that Sunday we'll be discussing with one another and sharing with the group what God has laid on our hearts regarding our future. My hope is that what we volunteer during that meeting will not be spur-of-the-moment opinions, but will be the result of our thoughtful reflections on what God has been revealing to us during our prayer, meditation, solitude, and/or service sessions. If there is nothing resembling a consensus on our future, or if we are uneasy about what looks to be a developing majority opinion, at the end of the discussion we'll "table" the issue by spending another month to two months in continued and more vigorous engagement in the disciplines. I will explain that tabling process if it comes to it (hopefully it doesn't). Otherwise, if a satisfactory consensus is established by the end of our discussion on June 2, we'll take the summer to clarify results before unveiling a plan of further action at Kickoff Sunday in September. Either way, we will need some level of certainty about the big-picture by mid-August so that I and the Leadership Team can make next-steps preparations for the 2019-2020 church year.

Please come to our June 2nd meeting prepared to share your thoughts. If those thoughts came about through a one-time-only flash of insight, or a persistent and nagging idea, or a God-nudge here and there, or a slowly building sense of certainty confirmed more and more each time you performed your spiritual discipline of choice, any of those scenarios are perfectly fine, so long as you can genuinely say your thoughts came about as a consequence of being in dialogue with God.

Pastor Sean



Evergreen Association



June 4 is *Take Your Pastor/Church Leader/Family to the Ball Game!* The Seattle Mariners will be playing the Houston Astros. Tickets are \$14.00 each. Contact Clem at clem@ea-abc.org or 253-859-2226. **Be sure to order your tickets by May 21, 2019.** There are a limited number of tickets on hand.

July 20 is the Black Caucus Sponsored BBQ, Bake Sale, and Auction! The festivities begin at 12 noon at Cedar River Park, Renton. The food is delicious and the fellowship awesome! More details forthcoming.

Be sure to read *Evergreen Notes*, the monthly newsletter of the Evergreen Association of American Baptist Churches. You can find it online at

<http://www.ea-abc.org/medianewsletter.html>

Mother's Day Breakfast



Everyone is invited to our traditional Mother's Day Breakfast, prepared by the men, on Sunday, May 12, from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Plenty to eat and lots of fellowship. Come, join the fun!

LAY LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



The Lay Leadership Team discussed the following **building projects**, which are not budgeted for, and will **need to be funded by private donations**:

- roof chemical treatment
- parking lot striping
- round table replacements (2)
- landscape clearing and barking

Milton Brown



The *Wedgletter* has been posted for people to access online at:
<http://www.wedgwoodchurch.org/wedgletters.htm>.

To hear sermons, click on the *Sermons* link.



The latest editions of our daily devotional booklets, *The Secret Place* and *Our Daily Bread*, are available in the narthex.

Be sure to pick up a copy of one or both for an inspirational way to start off the day!



MOVIE NIGHT AND BOOK CLUB SELECTION



May

- 13 – Ruth Halvarson
- 14 – Daphne Wiggin
- 22 – Michele Furtado
- 29 – Jeanne Halvarson
- 29 – Ann Ndirangu

The film *A Star Is Born* has been scheduled for showing on Saturday, May 18, at 6:30 PM. We gather at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a snack to share and a friend to enjoy an evening of entertainment!

The book club's current selection, *Out to Canaan*, is the fourth book in Jan Karon's "Mitford" series. The Mitford books are delightful—enjoyed by all. Everyone is invited to be a part of our group. Please, come join us.

June

- 1 – Christine Sutter
- 4 – Tiffany Damuth
- 7 – Bruce Sagor
- 11 – Robert Sillence
- 11 – Lev Koshkin
- 12 – Rod Romberger
- 13 – Rose Zelaya
- 19 – Gloria Festin
- 23 – Carl Festin
- 30 – Grace Edmark

CHURCH HUMOR



The Twenty and the One



A well-worn one-dollar bill and a similarly distressed twenty-dollar bill arrived at a Federal Reserve Bank to be retired.

As they moved along the conveyor belt to be burned, they struck up a conversation.

The twenty-dollar bill reminisced about its travels all over the country.

"I've had a pretty good life," the twenty proclaimed. "Why, I've been to Las Vegas and Atlantic City, the finest restaurants in New York, performances on Broadway, and even a cruise to the Caribbean."

"Wow!" said the one-dollar bill. "You've really had an exciting life!"

"So, tell me," says the twenty, "where have you been throughout your lifetime?"

The one dollar bill replies, "Oh, I've been to the Methodist Church, the Baptist Church, the Lutheran Church ."

The twenty-dollar bill interrupts, "What's a church?"

BULLETIN BOARD

Opportunities to Support our Greater Community



Just a reminder that used eyeglasses are still being accepted at Woodlawn Optical located at 8032 - 35th Avenue NE. Glenn will then forward them for use by those in need, both in mission areas here in the states, as well as out of the country.

Please continue to "feed" our food barrel. Pickup is the 2nd Tuesday of every month. Check the list below for other things needed besides food. At every pickup, much thankfulness is expressed for our kindness.

Marilyn Potts

Wedgletter Contribution

If you have a personal experience for *Journey Talk*, a book review, or an article you would like to share with us, please let Ellen Brown know by the 15th of the month and submit it to her by the 23rd.



**University
District
Food Bank**

Items Currently Needed

Food

Canned Fruits
Canned Soups & Stews
Canned Protein Items (tuna, corned beef hash, chili, peanut butter-especially crunchy)
Soy Milk/Rice Milk
Vegetarian Items (tofu, canned beans, soups, chili)
Pasta and Rice
Canned Vegetables (pasta sauce, peas, olives, etc.)
Cooking oil

Other Items

Bar Soap Toothbrushes and Toothpaste Toilet Paper
Shampoo Deodorant
Pet Food
Paper and Plastic Grocery Bags
Baby Diapers, Food, Formula and Wipes