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Sunday, June 28

This special offering supports programs
that advocate for peace and justice at home
and around the world.

It witnesses to God's demand
for a faithful, just, disarmed and secure world.

Congratulations Graduates of 2009!

HIGH SCHOOL:

Brant DeLarme
Kelli Lotz

COLLEGE:

Belinda Hays earned a BA in
Environmental Studies from the University of Montana

Stephen Boyles earned a PhD in
Civil Engineering from the University of TX in Austin

Nick Paterno earned a BA in
Mathematics from the University of Montana



What a Week!

“Jesus is powerful medicine.” This statement from Native American roots was shared in a sermon at Annual Conference. I was touched by the strength of that simple/profound truth. What if to witness was simply speaking of the power of God’s truth each in our own lives have experienced? Could we (with warm invitation) witness then?

‘Don’t whine, naval gaze, glory in the past’ preached our Bishop Grant Hagiya ... We are called to participate in the loving, healing, renewing mission of Jesus Christ, whatever the statistics for the United Methodist Church, or our own congregation... we are challenged and excited to do ministry NOW! And remember in our UMC statement, “Open Hearts, Open Minds and Open Doors,” the doors open OUT as well as in. ‘Get out there and share the love of Christ.’

“Busting my buttons!” When Megan Ernst spoke so eloquently about the invitational church (especially from a Young Adult perspective), the whole floor of the plenary was still in rapt attention (that’s hundreds of folks!). Our Rev. Tom Slate received his 60 years ordained pin to thunderous applause. When I lifted my card for a PAGE’s assistance, response time was 7 seconds, Wow! (Thank you Kari Dutcher, Brian Allyn, Brandon Rogness) Our youth were amazing—including those who provided sound and video expertise (Asher DeLarme, Brandon Henrie). Who had the most colorful missional display at the Ministry Fair? I say, we did! -- Mardi-Gras type beads were bringing smiles and color to countless happy visitors to our site. Loni Stevenson was on the go for the Conference office and Pastor Shirley DeLarme was behind the scenes taking notes for the plenary session for hours. And you can be sure you were well represented by our lay delegates: Randy Alexander, Diane Windsor, Jim Christensen with Holly Emerson and Megan Ernst, and Ginny Christensen representing specific conference groups.

“Meanwhile back at the ranch...” (well I mean PUMC) The Men’s Breakfast of 30 was building faith-filled community, the Strawberry Feed was deliciously raising money to provide dental care for those in need and Monte Windsor was preparing his first sermon on Paul and reaching out...and so much more.

It’s was a grand week!

In the love of Christ, carry on, good servants of God.

Pastor Ann

LAWN CHAIR BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the church back yard.

July 9, 16, 23, 30

Pastor Ann will guide us through Philipians.

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mikidonc@mac.com

Rick Crozier, Music Team Leader
riclynn@msn.com

Tree Project

Many thanks to all the individuals that have made the tree project in the parking lot a success! First, a thank you to the individuals that served on Trustees at the time the previous trees were taken out. This was a heart-wrenching task to undertake, but for safety and liability reasons, it was appropriate. It makes the parking lot much safer for our most vulnerable populations. Yes, the city, via a complaint from a neighbor, instigated replacing trees in our parking lot. We probably need to thank the neighbor, too, because once the trees went in, we all knew the visual was improved! A big thank you to Larry Carney for establishing conversation with the city that helped us avoid a fine. A huge thank you to the Jim Brown family for memorial funds to purchase the trees, and to Jan Nelsen from Memorials overseeing that aspect of the project. To Randy Poleskie, Harry Hunke, Ken Davis, Bryan Hamer, and Dave Burgmeier for their labor. It took one day of labor to cut black top and another for digging, planting, and staking. And a special thank you to the Burgmeiers for sharing the use of their large equipment. To all of you, thank you, as the project has come together nicely. The trees in the parking strips will soon have protective covering. And we ask all of you to park with care around our new dependents! May they flourish!

Char Davenport, Trustees

Thanks for the Scholarship

I would like to express my gratitude to the church for all the support and the wonderful gifts that have been given to me. Thank you for the new Bible. I love them. I have already begun to read them.

I would also like to thank the scholarship committee for awarding me the scholarship. I truly appreciate it. The money will be put to good use, not a penny will be wasted. Thank you so much,

Kelli Lotz

Graduate's Thanks

Thank all for coming to my graduation party. It meant a lot to me, and I had a lot of fun. I hope you did, too. I would like to thank the Scholarship Committee for their generosity, and the Congregation for love and support over the last ten years. You have been a great church family that I look forward to being part of for the future.

Brant DeLarme



It's Up and Down

What a roller coaster these last several months have been for the DeLarme family, and like a true extended family the Puyallup UMC family has been incredibly supportive. You helped us grieve the loss and celebrate the life of Lane's mother. You helped us celebrate Brant's graduation. And, you continue to hold me in prayer as both my health issue and the doctors' inabilities to address it persist.

An update on that: the tumor is benign and has not grown. However, it presses on the nerve that enables breathing with the right lung, leaving me short of breath most of the time. The surgeon who could have removed the tumor left town, probably forever, right after meeting me—what does that tell you?! Thank you for your ongoing prayers.

Pastor Shirley

Say a prayer for...

Tom & Judy Nelsons' family in the loss of Judy's mother, Audry Wallington

Rob Rehwinkel's brother, recently diagnosed with cancer, died at home. Keep Janet Evans and the Rehwinkel family in your prayers as they cope with this loss.

A joy - Saturday, June 20, Geoff Soderquist (son of Mary Soderquist) is getting married to Courtney Goetz

Danna Byers (Carolle Olson's granddaughter) on her safe return from St. Lucia Island in the Caribbean following a month of volunteering with a college group.

Doug Dethloff recovering from surgery

Allen (Jerri Isom's brother) dealing with Parkinsons

Alli Johnson fighting an infection

Kay Smyth fighting Leukemia

Bob Leonard at Linden Grove

Todd Bibler in treatment for Lymphoma

Jan Anderson in chemotherapy

Merilyn Miles being treated for cancer

Scott Holman, James Clark's nephew, fighting cancer

PNW Congregations that have closed this year: Pasco First UMC, Grandview First UMC, and Tacoma Asbury UMC.

New Church starts in Vancouver, WA, led by Mark McMurray, and in Post Falls, ID

Nursery Attendant Need

Our nursery attendant position is open at PUMC. We are looking for someone to ensure a Christian, safe, caring, and nurturing environment for infants and toddlers for approximately three hours during worship services on Sunday mornings and with variable additional hours for holidays, special events, and evening classes.

Required: age 18 or older, proof of current First Aid & CPR training, social security card, green card (if not U.S. citizen), and WSP background check. Pay range is \$9.50-11.50/hour. For information or application contact Pastor Shirley at 253-845-0547 or pastorshirl@puyallupumc.org.

Phoenix Housing

July 18-25 you can help host several families who are in transition from homelessness to independence. We will entertain the children, bring dinner for the families, keep them safe overnight and provide a quick breakfast before they leave for work and school. To volunteer for any of these opportunities, call Betty Chamberlain at 445-5485.

Rummage Sale



On August 1, Jane Harvey Circle will hold the Family Renewal Shelter Rummage Sale. You may bring your treasures to the church July 26th through the 30th.

If you need something moved before that, call Ruth Tervol at 253-845-8947 for pick-up or storage.

Church Campout

August 28—30
Alder Lake Resort

Register with Ginny Christensen for a campsite at 253-589-0222. Or join the campers for the Saturday afternoon picnic and family games open to everyone on Saturday, August 29th.

Unique Boutique

Make your handmade items for the Unique Boutique sale November 15th. Questions? Call or email Ruth at 253-845-8947 or rmtervol@msn.com.

Our Service Family

Our young people away from home in the service need your encouragement. These addresses have been updated for you through the diligence of Jean Boyles.

CPT Boyles, Brian
HHC/1-63 CAB
Camp Tryker
APO AE 09322

Jim Gisselberg's sons, both serving in Iraq now:
SSG Leif Gisselberg
332 ESFG/JDDC
APO AE 09315-9997

CW2 Adam Bercot (helicopter pilot in Iraq)
A Co., 2-227 AV
Unit #5011
Camp Taji
APO AE 09378

SPC Joe McCord (in Germany)
A Co, 1-6 IN BN
CMR 405 Box 4260
APO AE 09034-4260

WO2 Proffit, Jessica (in Iraq)
555 EN BDE, HHC
APO AE 09391

Please pray also for the following, we hope to have their addresses soon:

Kay & Merritt Smyth's grandson, PFC David Benkert, training in Kentucky and Maryland, then deploying to Afghanistan in the fall.

Jason Brown, mechanic school then Ft. Riley, KS

Ryan Estes, to Everett this summer

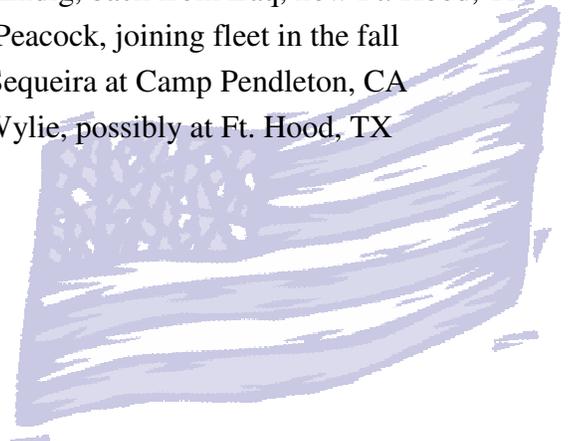
Kyle George, Ft. Lewis, not going to Iraq

Kelly Kindig, back from Iraq, now Ft. Hood, TX

James Peacock, joining fleet in the fall

Steve Sequeira at Camp Pendleton, CA

Dean Wylie, possibly at Ft. Hood, TX



June 28—July 11, 2009

| June 28 Sunday | June 29 Monday | June 30 Tuesday | July 1 Wednesday | July 2 Thursday | July 3 Friday | July 4 Saturday |
|---|--|--|--|---|---|--|
| <p>Peace with Justice Sunday</p> <p>8:15 am Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary</p> <p>9 & 10:30 am Worship Service</p> <p>12:30 pm Youth and staff VBS Training Doorbelling for Parkland VBS</p> | <p>10:00 am Staff Meeting</p> <p>7:00 pm VBS Leaders Wesley Hall</p> | <p>11:00 am Yoga Fireside Room</p> <p>7:00 pm Safe Sanctuaries Training Conference Rm</p> | <p>9:00 am Maintenance Team Fireside Room</p> <p>9:15 am Lectionary Conference Rm</p> <p>6:00 pm Music Team Sanctuary</p> <p>7:00 pm Youth Council Conference Rm</p> | <p>11:00 am Yoga Fireside Room</p> <p>6:30 pm Theology at the Pub</p> | <p>7:00 pm Everybody Movie Night Fireside Room</p> |  |
| July 5 Sunday | July 6 Monday | July 7 Tuesday | July 8 Wednesday | July 9 Thursday | July 10 Friday | July 11 Saturday |
| <p>8:15 am Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary</p> <p>9 & 10:30 am Worship Services</p> <p>4:00 pm Youth Band Sanctuary</p> | <p>12:30 pm Library Committee Conference Rm</p> | <p>10:00 am Staff Meeting</p> <p>11:00 am Yoga Fireside Room</p> <p>7:00 pm Worship Committee</p> | <p>9:15 am Lectionary Conference Rm</p> <p>6:00 pm Music Team Sanctuary</p> <p>7:00 pm SPR Conference Rm</p> | <p>11:00 am Yoga Fireside Room</p> <p>5:30 pm Youth Band Sanctuary</p> <p>7:00 pm Lawn Chair Bible Study church backyard</p> | <p>7:00 pm Wandering Women Fireside Room</p> | <p>8:00 am UMM Breakfast Hangar Inn</p> <p>9am—9pm Young Adults Build @ Habitat for Humanity</p> |

Youth News

Next Events Calendar

- June 28 Doorbelling for Spanaway/Parkland VBS, followed by ice cream at Baskin Robbins. Meet at Puyallup UMC at 12:30 (eat lunch before you come) and be ready to walk in whatever weather. Ice cream is on us. We'll decide together if we want to do a movie after, but the movie is on you. Those who can't do the movie will be brought back to their ride at the church by 4:30ish.
- July 5 Holiday—No Youth Group
- July 12 Vacation Bible School setup! All hands are needed! Let's do a movie after. Bring snacks to share
- July 13-17 VBS 2009, 8:30-12:30, staff devotions through daily cleanup.
- July 19 Destination Unknown—for real this time.
- July 26 Movie Night
- July 29 Armory Dinner—Middle School servers

Looking Ahead

In August

- Bullwinkels Family Fun Center
Swimming Somewhere
Spaghetti Factory & Complaine Worship
Volley Ball BBQ
- Sep 26 Christian Artist Concert at the Fair
advance tickets required
- Oct 3 U2charist Worship
- Oct 10 Confirmation Class Kickoff @ Parkland UMC
- Oct 16-18 Human Sexuality & Our Faith Retreat
- Nov 6-8 Ft. Flagler

YOUNG ADULTS*

(ages 18-33 ish)

Puyallup UMC is extremely proud of the leadership of the young adults that call this congregation home. You represent this congregation and the Christian faith well, but most importantly you represent Christ in ways that are true to Christ's being and purpose. Thank you for being our partners in ministry.

Thursday, July 2

6:30pm Theology at the Pub

Join us @ The Milton Tavern, no host eats & beverages, bring burning questions or theological stumbers, or just come hear what others say.
7320 Pacific Hw E (Hwy 99).

Saturday, July 11

9 am – 9 pm, Build, Bell, BBQ

Habitat for Humanity & Jamie's House

Come for all or part of the day. Bring a friend.
Contact Megan Ernst (678-6924) or Jamie Smith (230-4828) for details on time and address.



Saturday, October 3

6pm U2Charist Worship

Benefits ***Nothing But Nets***

For evolving calendar and updates through facebook (PUMC young adults), become a friend of Monte Windsor: monte@montewindsor.com

children's Ministry

(Preschool - Sixth Grade)

This summer live on the E.D.G.E.: Experience and Discover God Everywhere

July 13-17 learn about extreme sports, like:

- whitewater kayaking
- caving
- rock climbing and rappelling
- zipping on zip lines, from mountain to mountain
- mountaineering—mountain climbing with skiing.

We will also learn about God, Jesus, the Bible, and ourselves.



Appreciating Our Church Community

“If you want to build a ship, don’t drum up people to gather wood, divide the work, and give orders – teach them to yearn for the vast and endless sea.” – Antoine de Saint Exupery

This is the fourth and final installment in a series of articles sharing information from the May 2nd workshop on Appreciative Living entitled: *Finding the Positive Core When We Disagree*. Appreciative Living is based on the philosophy of Appreciative Inquiry, developed by David Cooperrider at Case Western Reserve in 1980:

- + A positive, strength-based approach to change;
- + Focusing on what we want more of
- + Finding the best in people and the world around them;
- and
- + Co-creating inspiring future images;
- + Finding and unleashing the positive core.

Appreciative Living revolves around three principles: **Appreciating the Present, Imagining the Ideal and Acting in Alignment**. In the first two articles we focused on **Appreciating the Present**, summarizing PUMC’s strengths, assets, achievements, opportunities, wisdom and our unexplored potential as identified by participants. In the third, we discussed **Imagining the Idea**. In this article, we will explore **Acting in Alignment**. *[What have you said to each of the first two principles?]*

Acting in Alignment

When we act in alignment, we reflect on our ideal image and commit ourselves to acting upon the small changes that we can individually make. As we noted before in the third article, each person asks: “What do I see as one of the most significant changes *I* could make that would have the greatest impact in helping me to achieve that ideal image?” And then, “What small step (change) could *I* make now that would align with the high impact change?” Finally, make a commitment to *acting on* that. Appreciative living is not about what others can/will do, but how *I can live appreciatively and respond appreciatively*.

Strategies for Appreciate Living involve seeing with an appreciative eye and finding the positive core in every situation. One way of changing from deficit based thinking to asset based thinking is to practice reframing. Some examples of reframing include:

| Deficit Based Thinking Message | Asset Based Thinking Message |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Why didn’t you ... | What was in your way? |
| That won’t work! | What could work? |
| Oh no! Not again ... | Things could be better, but I’ve seen this before. |
| I can’t. | I will try. |

[Now, how would you reframe these?]

| | |
|----------------------------|--|
| They just don’t get it. | |
| Whose fault is that? | |
| That’s just the way it is. | |

Appreciative Living invites us all to shift from a deficit based way of responding to everyday situations to a more asset based or positive approach. With practice, we can more easily find the best in people and situations. *[Are you ready to practice?]* Our leadership team is excited about the prospect of putting Appreciative Living into practice.

Some resources: Hammond, Sue Ann. 1996. *The Thin Book of Appreciative Inquiry*, Kodiak Consulting.
 Jacqueline M. Stavros & Cheri B. Torres. 2006 second printing.
Dynamic Relationships, Unleashing the Power of Appreciative Inquiry in Daily Living, Taos Institute.

Peace and all good things,
Linda Henry



Sow a Song—Sow a Seed

June 27th, 6:30 pm, Zimbabwean Benefit dinner at Fircrest United Methodist Fellowship Hall, 1018 Columbia Avenue, Fircrest, WA. To purchase tickets (\$10 adults, \$5 children, families \$45) call 253-304-0867 or 253-473-7854.

Lazy F Summer Camp

Check on all the camps available at pnwumc.org/camping. On the link to Lazy F’s website you will see many exciting camps to go to. There are also registration forms. Here are a few, entering grades for next school year:

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Grand Camp | K-6 & Adults | July 6-9 |
| Night Owl | 8-10 | July 13-17 |
| Junior Wranglers II | 4-6 | July 19-24 |
| | (Limited to 20 campers) | |
| Backwoods Experience | 4-6 | July 19-24 |
| Junior High Way | 7-9 | July 19-24 |
| Senior High Camp | 10-13 | July 26-31 |
| Mid-High Wranglers | 7-10 | July 26-31 |
| | (Limited to 20 campers) | |
| Backwoods Challenge | 6-8 | Aug 9-14 |
| Lazy Daze | Older Adults | Sept 15-17 |

Korean Mission Trip

I am writing to inform you that there is still space to join us on our mission trip to Korea this October. I hope that you will prayerfully consider joining us. Also, please pass this message along to any clergy members or lay leaders in your district that you would recommend for this trip. Thank you.

Blessings,

Rev. Won Kie Kim

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UMW Assembly 2010

April 30—May 2
in St. Louis, Missouri.
Check www.umwmission.org for details.

Annual Conference Helpers

Congratulations to Megan Ernst for a finely delivered address to the plenary session of Annual Conference. Also, many thanks to our five youth who made us proud with their servant leadership the four days of Annual Conference: Brandon Rogness, Brian Allyn, and Kari Dutcher, who served as pages; Brandon Henrie, Asher DeLarme, and Youth Leader Loni Stevenson who served as part of the audio visual technical support team.

--Puyallup’s members to Annual Conference: Diane Windsor, Randy Alexander, Jim Christensen, Holly Emerson, Megan Ernst, Pastor Ann Berney, and Pastor Shirley DeLarme

Jubilaté!

2009 Summer Festival July
20-25
Spokane, WA

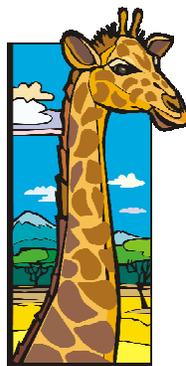


Get your registration form and festival details online at www.gbgn-umc.org/jubilate!/.

Missionary Janice McLain

Greetings from Lubumbashi,

I have made two trips to Zambia so far this year and will go again in May. I have been informed by General Board of Global Ministries that they have finally found a replacement for me when I leave next year. Her name is Alina Saucedo. Currently she is the AFE in LaPaz, Bolivia. She will be coming to L’shi April 1 and have 3 months to work with me before I leave at the end of June. I am so happy she has agreed to come. I was very worried about who they would find to do this job as it is very complicated and detailed.



Two work teams are coming to L’shi in the next two months. One from the PNW Conference and one from the OR/ID Conference. I am looking forward to having people from my conference here.

Janice McLain
Area Financial Executive

VBS Supplies Needed

July 13-17 Camp E.D.G.E. will require varying supplies. If you are able to help, **call Sallie Nash at 253-973-2225 so there are no duplicates.**

Possible needs are:

SNACKS

4 pkgs. Ice cream cups

DECORATIONS

Butcher paper (blue, black)

Tissue paper

rolls of cellophane (blue, yellow, red, orange)

100' rolls plastic table cloth (green, blue)

3 bags white polyester/cotton batting

PRE-SCHOOL

3 rolls wrapping paper

3 rolls masking tape

50 shoe boxes

3 yellow paints

2 sets of blocks

2 bags foam flowers

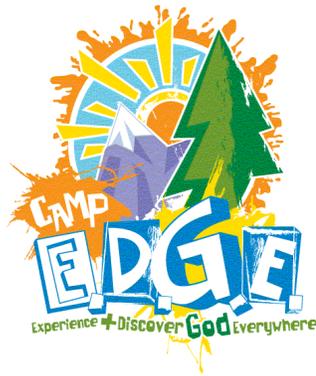
2 bags plastic animals

1 set colored markers

5 empty cardboard food boxes

1 set fabric pens

1 set multi-colored acrylic paint



DECORATIONS—LOANED ITEMS

5 Christmas trees with stands

Several large logs or driftwood

6 large potted plants (real or not)

1 bag of river rocks

8 artificial vines or greenery

2 tents, free-standing

2 sleeping bags

Several forest stuffed animals (raccoons, bears, etc)

2 backpacks

2 lanterns

Mountain bike

Skis or poles

2 helmets

1 small bag of fake salamanders, snakes or frogs

PRE-SCHOOL—LOANED ITEMS

4 dolls

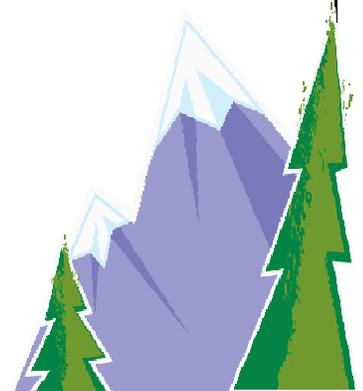
2 backpacks

1 set measuring cups

Large plastic tub with lid

8 yellow toys

Several picnic toys



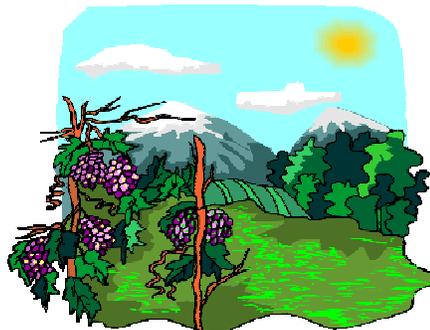
Our Church Yard is a Park

Thank you to everyone who has transformed the church yards into our own lovely park. Everyone should take a walk in the yard behind the garage and see the lush vegie garden and the trimmed grape arbor. It's a refreshing area to visit now.

The vegetable garden is a project of 5th & 6th grade Tweeners, with a special thanks to Renee and Gary Hartloff for their extra hours.

The grape arbor reshaping and the weeding of all the flowerbeds around the church are thanks to Tracy Holmes who chose our church for his community service project.

Our special thanks go to Craig Isom for his faithful lawn mowing and to the landscaping committee.



Lectionary

June 28

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

Psalm 130

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43

July 5

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Psalm 48

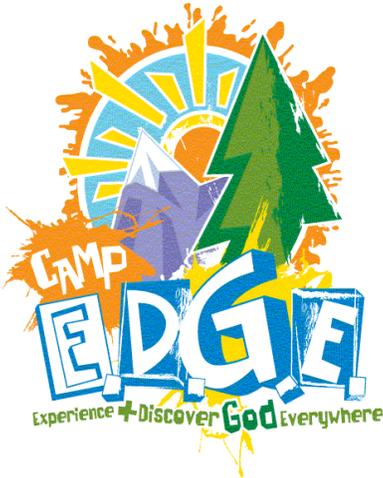
2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

Vacation Bible School

July 13—17

9 am—noon



Join us at Camp E.D.G.E.

Learn about God's work in our lives and the importance of living on the E.D.G.E. Trek to the Promised Land, to Bethlehem, to the Pharisee's House, to the Upper Room, and to Galilee.

**This is the big event of the summer,
a fun and rewarding experience
for our children.**

Registration is open to
Preschoolers out of diapers to 6th graders
Fill out pre-registration at Fellowship Hour



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