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**Investigation of vandalism at three Sultan churches continues;  
anyone with information asked to call Sultan Precinct**

Three churches in the city of Sultan were vandalized (two of them were also broken into) during the weekend of February 28 and March 1, 2009.

Sultan officers are asking anyone with information about these crimes to call the Sultan (East) Precinct at 425-388-6260.

The incidents appear to have happened one after the other sometime Saturday night/early Sunday morning. A Sultan police officer discovered the burglary/vandalism at Hillcrest Baptist Church early Sunday morning.

Churchgoers discovered the burglary/vandalism at Sultan Baptist Church and the vandalism at Mountainview Christian Fellowship later in the morning.

Vandalism appears to be the motive for the crimes (as opposed to taking items of value in the churches). Officers don't know why the churches were targeted.

All three crime scenes have been processed for evidence. The investigation continues. Sultan police also are working with the city's Block Watch volunteers to be extra vigilant about looking for and reporting any suspicious activity in the area.

The city of Sultan contracts for police services with the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office.

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