

Ogden Dunes Community
Church

The Dunes News

April 2012

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March 13 Session and March 18 Congregational Highlights

Congregational Petition: At the February 28th Presbytery Assembly meeting the Church's Clerk moved that the Committee on Ministry's decision to terminate Rev. Morrison's pastoral service at ODCC be rescinded. The motion failed by a vote of 59 against, 34 in favor. With notable exceptions, it appeared that the Clergy voted against the motion and the Lay members of the Assembly voted for it. ODCC members in attendance were gratified by the support various members of the Assembly gave to the motion, but were disappointed with the Presbytery leadership who employed aggressive procedural tactics and misleading information to defeat the motion.

Interim Pastor Search: Session expressed its consensus that all efforts should be directed towards the call of a permanent pastor, and to by-pass calling another interim pastor if the Presbytery would agree to this. Jim Yackel, our appointed Transitional Care Consultant, said he would pursue this with the Committee on Ministry and was able to report back that COM has agreed that we can by-pass this step.

Permanent Pastor Search:

• Many Congregational Surveys have been returned. Session thanks those of you who have promptly completed the Survey and returned it. All who have yet to do so, are urged to complete it and return it by **March 31st.**

The Committee on Ministry has advised that with the completion of the last reflection session March 25th, compilation of the Survey results and the submittal of a report to it by Session, it will be in a position to approve the formation of a Pastor Nominating Committee.

Called Congregational Meeting:

- A motion authorizing Session to employ both traditional and non-traditional means to facilitate the pastoral search passed.
- A motion to call a Congregational meeting April 22nd to address changes to the bi-laws passed.

Inside this issue:

- Schedule for Lent
- Prime Timers

Special points of interest:

- ♦ Liturgists Needed
- ◆ Easter Egg Hunt



ELDER IN CHARGE PROCEDURES

Pastor contact: Bill Hudson,

revwmhudson@gmail.com, 219-736-0707,

current Moderator of Session.

Deacons should be notified if a shut-in needs a visit, a card or flowers from a service.

Hospitalization of member: Call nearest family member, if possible, to see if a visit from a pastor would be welcome. Rev. Hudson should be notified if a visit is welcome. Phil Smith could be an alternate, 219-938-4225.

Death: The office will handle this and notify Rev. Hudson if a service or interment is required. Brenda will know the procedures of an interment. If a service is desired, arrangements will be made for the date and time through Rev. Hudson or his substitute, and the deacons should be alerted to the need for food.

Sandpiper Preschool's Beer and Wine Tasting Spring Fling

April 21st 6:00-10:00 p.m.

Location: Ogden Dunes Fire House

To purchase tickets: \$18 in advance online until April 7th

\$20 in advance after April 7th or \$25 at door (per person)

online payments are encouraged at: www.sandpiperpreschool.com/payments/

or call 219-545-8655

Live and Silent Auction
100% of proceeds directly support
our educational programs at
Sandpiper Cooperative
Preschool
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Beer & Wine Tasting

Additional beer & wine available on a per glass price with the opportunity to buy full bottles or cases.

WE CARE!

Your help is needed to keep track of anyone needing a call from the church, or a visit. Let the Elder In Charge for the week know and the right people will get the message. We so care about everyone and don't want to miss anyone in need. Thank you.

Elders in Charge

April 1 Jayne Mann April 8 Paul Rake April 15 Mark Lecy

April 22

April 29 David Harbaugh

PRIMETIMERS NEWS

Come join the Prime Timers Tuesday, April 17 at 12:00 noon in the Church fellowship room for their monthly program and luncheon.

The program for this month is still to be announced.

The luncheon will be catered by Town and Country. Join us and bring a friend. We welcome guests and potential new members. Please honor your reservation. If you have any questions, call Anne Muntean at 763-4989.

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Celebrate Lent and Holy Week With Ogden Dunes Community

PALM SUNDAY, April 1, 2012 a Festival of Hallelujahs and Praise at 10:00 a.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 6, 2012 at **7:30 p.m.**, a service with Communion and the sorrow of the crucifixion. (This year we are having a service on Good Friday, instead of on Maundy Thursday.)

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE, April 8, 2012 at 7:30 a.m., on the front lawn of the church.

EASTER BRUNCH, April 8, 2012 following the Sunrise Service provided by the Ogden Dunes Deacons.

EASTER (Traditional) SERVICE, April 8, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Please note there will only be this one traditional service on this day. This service will include the Chancel Ringers.

EASTER EGG HUNT, April 8, 2012 following the 10:00 a.m. service.



Egg Hunt

The Youth Group will be sponsoring an egg hunt on Sunday, April 8th following the 10:00 a.m. service. Children who are in 5th grade and under are welcome to participate in the

Easter egg hunt at the church. Remember to bring an Easter basket or a bag to hold all the yummy candy and prizes you find!



"Be still and know that I am God". The Bible tells us over and over to be still, to be silent, so that God's voice can be heard in our hearts. In this time of reflection and searching for a pastor, we ask God to show us His will and the path He wants for ODCC. Once we pray we need to be still, empty our minds and LISTEN. How else can He show us the way? We will have time for listening in our worship. Please make time in your private lives to hear God's word.

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The deadline for the next Dunes News is April 15th

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April Refreshments

Hostess:

April 1 Patty Harbaugh (1 service only at 10:00)

8:30 Service 10:45 Service

Judy Selund April 15 Sue Squire Judy Skafish April 22 Judy Tarpo April 29 Julia Hoham

Refreshment Providers (last names beginning with letters shown):

April 1- M, N, O, P

April 8— Easter *Deacons Breakfast*

April 15—Q, R, S

April 22-T, V, W, Z

April 29—A, B, C, D

If you are providing refreshments, please offer to help the Hostess setup (8:30 service) or cleanup (10:45 service).

LITURGISTS NEEDED

If you have been a Reader in the past but did not go through the Liturgist training, we can still use your services. There is a wonderful booklet in the office that anyone participating in Worship should read. Also, if you would like to have some training, just let a member of the Worship Committee know. Carol Smith is the person to contact if you want to be a part of this group (938-4225).