

Ogden Dunes Community Church

The Dunes News

August 2013

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July Session Meeting Highlights

July 9, 2013

PNC - PNC reports that the salary revisions to the Church Information Form have resulted in receipt of some very promising Pastor Information Forms from candidates interested in our church. The committee will be following up with these individuals.

Interments - A motion was approved to reaffirm the authority of Chuck Smothermon to conduct interment services in the Memorial Garden and to expand the authority to Elders.

Youth Director - A motion was approved to advertise the position of Youth Director. The current Youth Director's contract ends in August. Session specified that the current Youth Director would be considered for the new contract if he is interested. Any interested parties should contact Chuck Smothermon or Rebecca Hunt.

Beach Services - Kenny Easton is planning *Services on the Beach* August 16 and September 13 from 7:30 to 8:30 PM. Please be on the look-out for further information about these services.

Bi-Laws - the Trustees have a finished draft of revised bi-laws. Session will devote the August Session meeting to a review of this draft.

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Special Points of Interest:

- Church Picnic
- Sanctuary Choir
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August Pulpit Supply

Sunday, August 4 Sunday, August 11 Sunday, August 18

Sunday, August 25

Butch Kleyweg Rev. Nancy Becker Rev. Phil Smith (Communion)

Bill Bailey



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)

Elder In Charge

Week of August 4 Week of August 11 Week of August 18 Week of August 25 Julia Hoham Karen Compton Jayne Mann Rebecca Hunt

CHURCH PICNIC

It is official! Mark your calendar! The Deacons will be hosting the annual church picnic on Sunday, August 25th after the 10:00 a.m. service. Since this is a potluck picnic, we are requesting the following food items:

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Salads

J-R

Desserts

S-Z

Fruits and Vegetables

Meats and beverages will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Come join the Prime Timers Tuesday, August 20, at 12:00 noon in the Church fellowship room for their monthly program and luncheon.

The program for this month is "Rolling Across Iowa" presented by Duane Hibbs.

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.

"....An Elder shares..."

The Symphony of Life

Summer. This is the season when we awaken to the symphony outside our window. The Robins, Cardinals, Blue Jays and Crows all sing their praises. We take a moment to give thanks.

This is the perfect time of year to enjoy solitude, to meditate, and to give adoration.

In solitude the heart lets go of distractions, and we allow God to reshuffle our priorities to his purposes. In solitude we shift into stillness, gently becoming focused on the simple joys of life.

The Scripture can be pondered in our hearts as we meditate. Ignatius of Loyola taught that we should apply all our senses when we contemplate the peace and joy of the Lord. We hear the lap of the water along the shoreline. We see the fullness of life around us. We feel the heat of the sun. We taste the fresh foods from the garden. We sing our song of thankfulness.

Linger over a rose or a phrase of scripture. Pay attention to the small creatures. Enjoy a dip in the cool water. Take a stroll through the garden or park. Rejoice in the life all around. These can all be forms of adoration.

Thanks and praise to God for the Symphony of Life.

Submitted by Laura Hannon

SANCTUARY CHOIR/CHANCEL RINGERS

"Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful singing!" Psalm 100:1-2

Our 2013-2014 season of music at Ogden Dunes Church begins this month! Those who love music and would like to share their faith through music are welcome to join us. We welcome everyone - high school youth through adults - to sing with our <u>Sanctuary Choir</u>. Anyone interested in being a part of <u>Chancel Ringers</u> - high school youth through adults - and with some prior musical knowledge, please contact Libby Larson by calling the church: 762-1184. Start-up times are listed below:

Thursday, August 22 - Chancel Ringers - 5:45 p.m. Thursday, August 29 - Sanctuary Choir - 7:30 p.m.



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The deadline for the next Dunes News is Aug. 15th.

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NEW SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER SERVICES

Our summer worship services continue
through September 1st. The first service will
be held in the garden and the 2nd service in
the sanctuary.

Times will be:

8:30 a.m. in the garden
10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Please mark your calendars and help others to know and remember.

Beach Worship

Everyone is welcome to join the Ogden Dunes Community Church worship services at the West End of the Ogden Dunes Beach on:



- Friday, August 16th from 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Friday, September 13 from 7:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars. Kenny Easton will be leading the Youth, Family and Friends Beach Service. So grab beach chairs and invite a friend to attend!