



Ogden Dunes Community
Church

The Dunes News

January 2013

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Session Meeting Highlights

December 11, 2012

November Session Meeting - cancelled

Funerals - A revised copy of the policy for use of the building and services for funerals was discussed. A motion to adopt the revised policy subject to some minor changes was approved.

Pastor Nominating Committee Status - One hundred Pastor Information Forms have been reviewed by the committee. Phone interviews have been conducted with 15 of the candidates. Follow-ups are planned.

2013 Elders and Deacons - The nominating committee advised Session that it will submit to the congregation for vote the following names for Elders and Deacons for terms commencing 2013. Elders - Bill Bailey, Jill Wirth, Judy Selund, and Rebecca Hunt. Deacons - (3yr. terms) Judy Spornick, David Larson (Jr.), Anne Sampson, Anne Muntean, Sue Squire (2yr. term) Roger Winsor (1yr. term) and Tom Woodward (1yr. term). A motion was approved to call a congregational meeting immediately after the January 13 service to vote on Elders and Deacons with terms commencing 2013.

Congregational Annual Meeting - A motion was approved to call the annual congregational meeting immediately after the January 27 service at 11:00 a.m.

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Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting will be held on January 27, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. All members are expected to attend.

Annual Reports

Annual Reports from Committee Chairpersons and Staff are due in the office, in digital form (email, MS Word, etc.) no later than Jan 4th.

New Year Holiday

In observance of the holiday, the church office will be closed on Tuesday, Jan. 1.

Primetimers

There is no Primetimers for the months of January and February.



Youth Ski Trip

Join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship as we hit the slopes and learn about God's love.

When: Feb. 22 at 5:00 p.m. to Feb. 24 at 5:00 p.m.

Where: Center Lake Camp and Caberfae Peaks in Michigan

How Much: \$150 (minus earnings from fundraisers)

What You Need:

- Signed permission slip (health information and contacts)
- Warm cloths
- Overnight Items
- A parent or guardian chaperone (if under 6th grade)
- Spending money for souvenirs or extra snacks
- Snacks to share

Deadline: Payment and permission slip **MUST** be received by the ODCC office by Feb. 17th even if you a chaperon attending.

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

I am the elder most fascinated by the study of the universe. The Hubble telescope has taken some beautiful pictures of God's creation millions of light years away. The telescope is named after Edwin Hubble, an astronomer, who in the late 1920's formulated the "Big Bang Theory" and determined the universe indeed had had a beginning. Gen 1:1 states "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth". Science had proven that "Once upon a time there was no time." Our all powerful eternal God exists outside of space matter and time and has brought everything into being. For this alone He deserves our worship and praise.

But not only is our God all powerful, He is also a loving God. "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only son so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life". The entire reason for Christmas is God's love for us. God became one of us so that we could understand what He truly is and how much He cares for each of us. Our God existed in space matter and time to display His love for us.

Christmas seasons begins on "Black Friday". Thanksgiving Day is the day we give thanks for all our blessings and stuff. The very next day we are battling each other and long lines to get the best deal on more stuff. This is hardly the reason for the season. Let us each day remember Christ's love and obey God's highest commands. Let us Love God with all our hearts and souls, and love our neighbors as ourselves. I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and let us all continue to pray for each other, our PNC and our church in the coming year.

David Harbaugh

January Pulpit Supply

Sunday, Jan. 6	Anne Muntean
Sunday, Jan. 13	Rev. Phil Smith (Communion)
Sunday, Jan. 20	Rev. Nancy Becker
Sunday, Jan. 27	Rev. Phil Smith

Elder In Charge

Sunday, Jan. 6	Mark Lecy
Sunday, Jan. 13	Chuck Smothermon
Sunday, Jan. 20	Jeri Kris
Sunday, Jan. 27	Tom Cornwell

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Christ.**

**The deadline for the next
Dunes News is Jan. 15th.**

January Refreshments

Following the 10:00 a.m. Worship service, refreshments, including coffee, will be available in the Fellowship hall. If your last name begins with the letter of the day, please provide snacks of your choice. The host/hostess for the day will set snacks and coffee out for everyone's enjoyment after the service.

Hostess

Sunday, Jan. 6 U,V,W,X,Y,Z
Sunday, Jan. 13 A,B,C,D,E
Sunday, Jan. 20 F,G,H,I,J
Sunday, Jan. 27 K,L,M,N,O

Cheryl Engel
Julia Hoham
Claudia Kleyweg
Jill Green

Please call Jeri Kris at 926-8451 to volunteer to be a host/hostess for later dates.



Election of Officers

The session has set Jan. 13, 2013 immediately following worship as the date for election of officers. The nominating committee has a full slate of candidates to submit for election on that day. Any additional nominations from the congregation must be given to Bob Hartman, Patty Harbaugh or Chuck Smothermon by Dec. 30, 2012. If you plan to submit a person's name for nomination, you need to be sure that the person will accept the nomination.

The Church Officer
Nominating Committee