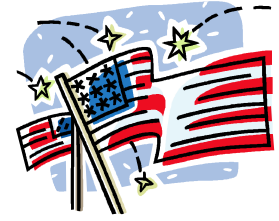




**Ogden Dunes Community Church**

**The Dunes**



*July 2012*

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## **Session Highlights**

**Pastor Nominating Committee** - after a discussion concerning the report the clerk submitted to the Committee on Ministry, Jim Yackel and Rev. Hudson, who had been empowered by COM to authorize the creation of a PNC, authorized the Session to proceed. A slate of candidates is being developed by Session to submit for a Congregational vote. A Congregational meeting to conduct this vote is scheduled for July 15 at 9:30 a.m. Session set the PNC size at 10 members. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the meeting provided the candidate is willing to serve and his or her name is submitted to the Clerk of Session\* no later than July 7.

### **Worship Services**

The Worship Committee moved to go to one 10 a.m. Service in the fall. The motion was seconded and passed.

Kenny Easton led a Youth and Family and Friends Beach Services at 7:30 p.m. on June 8th. Two more services are scheduled for July 20th and August 17th.

\* The clerk can be notified via e-mail at [baklimek@comcast.net](mailto:baklimek@comcast.net)

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### **Special points of interest:**

- ◆ Railcats Baseball Game
- ◆ Beach Worship





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

*"I tell you the truth, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony." - John 3:11*

One of the daily devotionals I use is called **Prime Time With God** which is delivered to me via email. So, amidst the vast amount of advertisements and various other messages, I have a daily Christian message for reflection. Often that message is just what I need to see at that particular time of the day. A few weeks ago, a short message about testimony was included in a daily reflection which got me thinking about our church and congregation.

One definition given for the word testimony is: an open declaration or profession, as in faith. The **Prime Time** reflection suggests that there are two distinct types of Christian workplace believers: Type One – enthusiastic followers who limit their effective use by God because of a lack of testimony and then there's Type Two - people who have developed a genuine testimony of what God is doing and continues to do in their lives. Type Two is the example associated most with the early Church. Ordinary people of that day, both men and women, were able to give powerful testimony of events and experiences that could only be explained as works of God.

Over the past few months, here in our own congregation, we have seen God working to raise up leaders, teachers, and even preachers. It is my belief that God desires to build a testimony in each of us by filling our lives with experiences designed to reflect the character and nature of Christ. Sometimes these events can be very devastating; however, they are ultimately designed to reveal His power in and through us even though it can be difficult to see that purpose as we live through the event.

Every one of us has a testimony. How would you rank yours -Type One or Type Two? What kind of testimony do you want to have or more importantly, what kind of testimony does God want you to have? As we continue on this journey together, remember that we are God's chosen vessels...vessels chosen to reflect His power and glory. By allowing God to work through us, we build that powerful testimony that God desires.

Jeri Kris

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## Sympathies

The Church extends our deepest sympathies to Ruth Dyerly and family on the death of her husband Rod on Monday, June 18th.

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

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## SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER SERVICES

Continuing through **September 2<sup>nd</sup>** we will be having our first service in the garden and the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.



## Elder in Charge

July 8	Jayne Mann
July 15	Jane Dickey
July 22	Ruth Dyerly
July 29	Mark Lecy