



Ogden Dunes Community Church

The Dunes News

June 2012

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Session Highlights

Congregational Survey

An April 30 meeting of the session was called to review the work of the subcommittee charged with compiling the information from the Surveys. The follow-ups from this meeting were completed and a report for the Session's approval was submitted. It was moved that the results be accepted for submittal to the Committee on Ministry with a subsequent report which will include a narrative summary for general distribution to the congregation and for the Pastor Nominating Committee's use. The motion was seconded and passed. The submittal to COM will also include summaries of the listening sessions held in March and the report of Rev. Carter on the reconciliation sessions held at the end of 2011. Upon receiving this package, Jim Yackel will fast track it to the COM for approval, and once approved we will be cleared to establish a Pastor Nominating Committee.

Worship Services

The Worship Committee moved to go to one Service in the fall. The motion was seconded. Discussion led to a consensus to defer a decision and the motion was removed. Congregation members are urged to voice their opinions on this matter to elders.

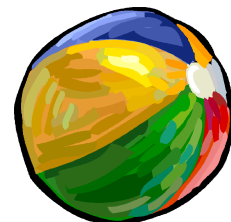
Kenny Easton will be leading Youth and Family and Friends Beach Services at 7:30 p.m. on June 8th, July 20th and August 17th.

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Special points of interest:

- ◆ Historical Society Presentation
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Sunday School

Last day of Sunday School is June 3rd

Pumpkin Run

The Pumpkin Run will be held October 21.

Father's Day



The Deacons will be hosting a Pie Social between the Sunday services on Father's Day, June 17th. Please plan on attending!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Babylon

Daniel's Courage in Captivity

June 11 to June 15

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with the closing and ice cream social on Friday beginning at 11:15 a.m.

Pre School ages 4 and 5

Grades K - 5th grade

PRIMETIMERS NEWS

Come join the Prime Timers Tuesday, June 19, at 12:00 noon in the Church fellowship room for their monthly program and luncheon.

The program for this month will be "Growing up in Portage Township & Countryside Park Museum" presented by Alton Goin.

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.

Book Review

If you are ready for a wakeup call from God, then it's time to read The Prodigal God by Timothy Keller! The front cover of the book lists the primary tenet of this writing as, "Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith." The book itself is centered entirely on the story we usually refer to as the Parable of the Lost Son. Keller suggests the parable might better be called the Two Lost Sons!

Most of us have always assumed the word prodigal in this story means "wayward" in relation to the younger son. However, the dictionary tells us it means "recklessly spendthrift." Keller further opens our minds by taking this definition to its ultimate by surprisingly telling us, "It means to spend until you have nothing left."

The book dramatically challenges our usual concept of the "good" son and the "wayward" son. It centers on the father who represents God. As Keller wrote, "Jesus is showing us...God's reckless grace is our greatest hope, a life changing experience, and the subject of this book."

Ruth Dyerly

NEW SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER SERVICES

Beginning **June 17th** through **September 2nd** we will be having our first service 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.



Historical Society Program

The Historical Society of Ogden Dunes will present a celebration of the Save the Dunes Council's 60th anniversary on Sunday, June 24 at 4:00 p.m. at the Ogden Dunes Community Church. There will be an interactive power point presentation by Susan MiHalo. Memories, historical facts and fun times in the Dunes will be shared.

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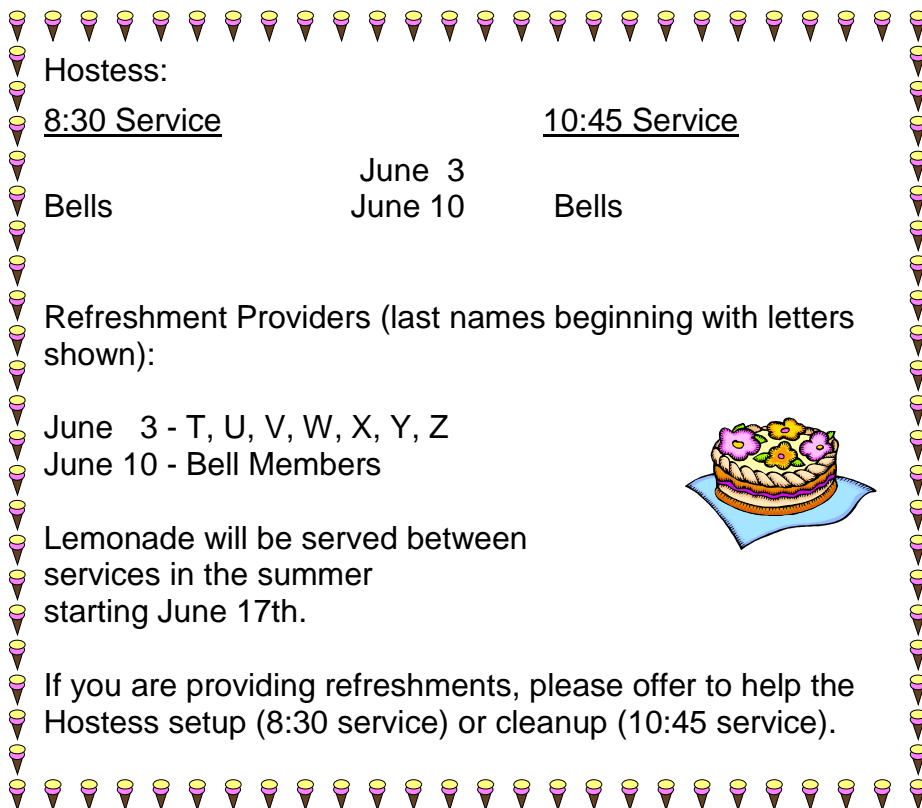
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The deadline for the next Dunes News is June 15th.

June Refreshments



Hostess:

8:30 Service

10:45 Service

Bells

June 3

June 10

Bells

Refreshment Providers (last names beginning with letters shown):

June 3 - T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

June 10 - Bell Members

Lemonade will be served between services in the summer starting June 17th.



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

Thank you

We would like to thank our choir for going to sing to Mr. Ribordy on April 29th. This was a wonderful thing, to bring some of our Worship to someone who cannot attend. The choir plans to do more of this as time goes on. Our choir has a very special ministry for our church and is beyond compare. Blessings to each and every one of them and Libby Larson for being the driving force.