



Ogden Dunes Community Church

The Dunes News

March 2013

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Session Meeting Highlights

February 12, 2013

Pastor Nominating Committee - it was reported that to date 130 Pastor Information Forms have been received and evaluated. A candidate interview has been conducted and plans are to schedule more candidates for interviews.

Committee Assignments - the following committee assignments were made: Christian Education - Chuck Smothermon and Rebecca Hunt; Stewardship and Mission - Chuck Smothermon, Karen Compton, Laura Hannon and Jill Wirth; Worship - Jayne Mann, Jeri Kris and Julia Hoham; Evangelism - Jill Wirth and Bill Bailey; Hospitality (split off from Evangelism) - Jeri Kris; Property - Dave Harbaugh and Tom Cornwell; Finance and Endowment - Tom Cornwell and Paul Rake; Personnel - Paul Rake and Karen Compton; Technology - Julia Hoham. Bruce Klimek will remain as Clerk of Session on a month-to-month basis. Congregation members are urged to consider serving on a committee and should contact the respective Elder of the committee in which they are interested.

Digital Piano - Session approved the expenditure of funds to purchase a new electronic piano.

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Special Points of Interest:

- ◆ Easter Flower Donations
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March Pulpit Supply

Sunday, March 3	Rebecca Hunt
Sunday, March 10	Kenny Easton
Sunday, March 17	Rev. Phil Smith (Communion)
Sunday, March 24	Rev. Phil Smith
Friday, March 29	Rev. Phil Smith (Good Friday)
Sunday, March 31	Rev. Phil Smith (Easter)





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Invites you to join us as we celebrate
Lent and Easter

Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. Potluck/ Bible
Studies

March 10th, 10:00 a.m. Youth Sunday Worship Service

March 24th, 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship Service

March 29th, 7:30 p.m. Good Friday Worship Service

March 31st, 7:30 a.m. Easter "Sunrise" Worship Service
followed by an Easter Brunch

March 31st, 10:00 a.m. Regular Easter Worship Service

DIDuKnow?

Daylight Savings Time

Don't forget to set your
clocks one hour ahead on
March 10.

Good Friday

The church office will be
closed on March 29 in
observance of Good
Friday.



Flower Donations Sought

The regal white Easter lily is a fitting symbol of Easter, embodying purity, joy, hope and life. And, if you think about it, the shape of the lily itself, like a trumpet, proclaims that "Christ has Risen Indeed!" The Worship Committee is looking forward to preparing the Sanctuary for the glory of God on Easter Sunday, and your help would be appreciated. If there is someone you would like to honor on Easter Sunday, please consider making a donation for Easter Lilies. The donation for Easter Lilies is \$9.00 for a single bloom and \$17.00 for double bloom. Donations should be placed in the Offering Plate or turned into the office by Sunday, March 24th.



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

The following article in a Lenten devotional caught my eye and I thought that I would pass it along to all of you.

In Galatians 5:6 Paul states 'The only thing that counts is faith working through love. Faith and love are much on our minds during Lent. Our faith is directed to who Jesus is and what he does for our salvation, bringing us new, eternal life. In love we live out our salvation with our love, the love we have been given in Christ.

Living in Christian discipleship, we find faith and love together at every turn. The apostle Paul described the nature of the Christian life as being "faith working through love". This is the only thing that counts for Paul. In a real sense, this is the truest expression of who we are as Christian people: we live by faith and express that faith through love.

William Perkins (a British theologian from Cambridge who lived in the 1500's) put it in terms of two hands. By faith we take hold of Christ and his benefits- that is, what he has done for us in living, dying and being raised for our salvation. Faith is one hand. The other hand is the hand of love by which we give out "tokens of faith", said Perkins, both to God and to others.

As we live our faith, we express that faith to others by loving them with the same love we have for God, and which God has shown for us in Jesus Christ. The two hands work together. One without the other is incomplete. Both together express the fullness of the gospel. My words: As we move through the remainder of Lent and its theme of looking inwardly, let's ask God to reveal to each of us if both of our "hands are working properly" to the Glory of the One who created us and has called us to be His own.

See you in church,
Chuck



Elder In Charge

March 3	Tom Cornwell
March 10	Julia Hoham
March 17	Julia Hoham
March 24	Bill Bailey
March 31	Rebecca Hunt



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Church seeks to joyfully
lead people to the
transforming love of
Christ.**

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



March Refreshments

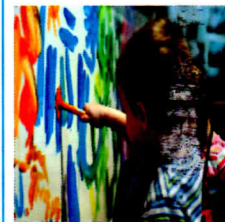
Following the 10:00 a.m. Worship service, refreshments, including coffee, will be available in the Fellowship hall. If your last name begins with the letter of the day, please provide snacks of your choice. The host/hostess for the day will set snacks and coffee out for everyone's enjoyment after the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

		<u>Hostess</u>
March 3	K, L M, N, O	Judy Selund
March 10	P, Q, R, S, T	Jill Green
March 17	U, V, W, X, Y, Z	Judy Skafish
March 24	A, B, C, D, E	Julia Hoham
March 31	Easter/Deacon's Brunch	

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



Sandpiper Open House



Do you want your child to experience a very nurturing and fun learning environment?

Join the Sandpiper Preschool for their Open House for the

Fall 2013/Spring 2014 school year on Wednesday, March 6 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Space is available for the 2-day class (must be 3 years old by August 1) and the 3-day class (must be 4 years old by August 1). For more information, call Peggy Lawrence at 219-775-4100 or go to www.sandpiperpreschool.com