



Ogden Dunes Community
Church

The Dunes News

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www.ogdenduneschurch.org

Session Highlights

Church Information Form: The Committee on Ministry has approved the Church Information Forum (CIF) submitted by the Pastor Nominating Committee. Session was informed it had not yet been posted on the Presbytery web site but soon should be. We can expect to begin receiving applications from interested pastors once the CIF is posted.

Nominating Committee: Session approved a nominating committee slate of Chuck Smothermon, Bob Hartmann and Patty Harbaugh and set September 23rd, immediately after the worship service as a called congregational meeting for the purpose of electing the nominating committee. Once voted in, this committee's primary task will be to establish a slate of candidates for elders and deacons for terms commencing 2011.

E-mail Communications: Session shall supplement communications of important events in the life of the congregation with e-mail to congregants. Anyone who is not receiving e-mails from the church currently and wishes to be in the group directory should contact the office. Everyone is asked to contact the office with news that needs to be quickly conveyed to the congregation. Recent deaths and related visitation and funeral information are examples.

Inside this issue:

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

Special Points of Interest:

- ◆ Pumpkin Run
- ◆ PrimeTimers



"...An Elder shares..."

Ogden Dunes Community Church has a fantastic new website. Please go to www.ogdenduneschurch.org to see all the wonderful things happening at our church!

There are bright colorful photographs of our children at vacation bible school, our gorgeous gardens, and our choir members. With a click of your computer mouse on the headings, Who We Are, Sandpiper Preschool, Children & Youth, Bible Study, Music, Prime Timers, and the Memorial Garden, you may access dropdowns with more detailed information about the church. Under the section Who We Are is a history of the church, including the names of all our previous pastors, the dates they served, and a photograph of our pastors at the church's 50th anniversary celebration. Also under the heading, Who We Are is the story of the sanctuary glass windows created by Gloria Bourne, with her description of each window. Our monthly newsletter, The Dunes News may be viewed online, along with past editions.

The church calendar is set up on the homepage with the times and dates of the Bible study classes, choir and handbell practice, committee meetings, and other activities. To add events to the calendar please email our office manager Brenda at office@ogdenduneschurch.org. Brenda has done a wonderful job of setting up a mass email list of all our members and friends of the church. If you wish to add an email address to the list, please contact Brenda.

At the top of the website's homepage is a Members only section which contains our Members and Friends Directory, our Annual Reports for the past 5 years, our Photo Directory, and links to the Alban, The Presbyterian Leader, and the Center for Congregations. To access the Members only section you will need to enter this information:

User Name:

Password:

Our website is ever evolving and growing so please add your announcements of events or your favorite website link. The website was created by Scott Wills at Catalyst Marketing, located in the Marquette Mall Office Building in Michigan City. Information may be added to the website by emailing Scott at swills@catalyst-marketing.com. When you contact Scott, please thank him for the wonderful job he has done on our website.

Please also share your photographs. We would love to capture the history of the church through the photographs our members have taken over the years. Photographs of the dunes, the beach, and the Chicago skyline are welcome too. If you have photographs to add to the website, we would be happy to make copies and return the originals to you. You may give your photographs to any member of the technology committee, Chris Alkema, Karen Compton, or Julia Hoham. If your photographs are in digital form, you may email the photos to photos@ogdenduneschurch.org.

Through the DONATE link, you may donate to the church online. The gifts may be made in memory of loved ones.

Under the FORMS link you will find helpful information, such as the Liturgist Training manual, the Wedding Planning Guide, the Memorial Garden brochure, building use requests, and youth permission forms.

In the right hand corner of the website's homepage is the link to the Ogden Dunes Community Church Facebook site. Our facebook site has upcoming events, uplifting and inspiring words, and special messages from members of our congregation. If you are not a member of facebook, now is the time to sign up and join in the conversations.

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Please add our website www.ogdenduneschurch.org into your FAVORITES in your computer so you may access the website easily and often.

We will celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Ogden Dunes Community Church next year! The website captures all the enduring programs the church provides for our community. The Sandpiper Preschool has been educating children for over 30 years and this school year the classes are full! The Memorial Garden celebrates its 30th anniversary and the gardens look beautiful. The Prime Timers lecture series has been bringing interesting people to speak, providing wonderful lunches and fellowship for decades. Our new website and facebook site are excellent ways for our church members to communicate, to grow our faith, and to reach out in service to others in our community. Enjoy!

Julia Hoham



Ogden Dunes Community Church Pumpkin 5K Run or Walk

The Pumpkin 5K Run or Walk will be held on October 21st immediately following the 10 a.m. service. The cost is \$15 cost per person and a T-shirt and lunch are included. Proceeds will go to Heifer International. Please sign up by October 7th—the sign-up sheet is available in the church narthex.

Elders In Charge

October 7 Jane Dickey
October 14 Mark Lecy
October 21 Ruth Dyerly
October 28 Julia Hoham

October Pulpit Supply

October 7	Rebecca Hunt
October 14	Rev. Phil Smith
October 21	Rev. Phil Smith (Communion)
October 28	Bill Bailey

PRIMETIMERS NEWS

Come join the Prime Timers Tuesday, October 16, 2010 at 12:00 noon in the Church fellowship room for their monthly program and luncheon.

The program for this month will be presented by Ginger Brockwehl from SHIP (State Health Insurance Program). Questions & Answers About Medicare and the changes in the Health Care System will be discussed.

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.

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lead people to the
transforming love of
Christ.**

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

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October Refreshments

Beginning with the Sept. 9th 10:00 am. service, refreshments, including coffee, will be available in the Fellowship hall following worship. 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.

Sunday, Oct. 7—Q,R,S,T
Sunday, Oct. 14—U,V,W,X,Y,Z
Sunday, Oct. 21—A,B,C,D
Sunday, Oct. 28—E,F,G,H

Hostess

Judy Skafish
Judy Tarpo
Cheryl Engel
Judy Selund

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

Lost and Found

Please look in the narthex for items you may have lost. If they are not picked up by Oct. 31, 2012, they will be donated and no longer available.

Adult Sunday School

1 Corinthians Class:

Our next class will be 9:00 a.m.
Sunday, Oct 7th.

Please read ahead 1 Corinthians
2:6-16; on True Wisdom .