



Ogden Dunes Community Church

The Dunes News

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July and August 2016

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For what other **great nation** has a god so near to it as the **Lord our God** is whenever we call on Him?

EVERDAY ACTS OF COURTESY TO PRACTICE THIS SUMMER

- Say..."Please." "Thank you." "Excuse me." "I'm sorry."
- If you are walking with someone who can't keep up your pace, slow down.
- Greet people you don't usually take the time to acknowledge.
- Listen. People appreciate it when you pay attention.
- Watch your language. Off-color remarks, curses, crude jokes are neither mature nor appropriate.
- Invite a neighbor over for a hamburger.
- Ask...a neighbor if anything is needed on your next trip to the grocery store, especially if they are elderly/or incapacitated...a co-worker if he or she could use a hand...a friend if you could help in any way.
- Thank God for food, clothing, shelter, family. For a new day. For life.
- **Add your own to these "summer courtesies."**

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The Pastor's Pen **"Be Conscious of Our Environment"**

The link between consuming less and caring for the environment becomes clearer when we consider what the makers of Dixie Products have identified as an "Environmental Hierarchy."

- REDUCE the amount of materials and energy used.
- REUSE products—design them for multiple vs. single use.
- WASTE-TO-ENERGY. Incinerate used products to capture inherent energy value.
- COMPOST. Reduce volume to landfill.
- INCINERATE. An alternative method to reduce volume to landfill or litter.
- LANDFILL. A Cache of materials for harvesting in the future.
- LITTER. Not an option.

As Christians, we have impoverished ourselves and supported a culture broadly careless about the stewardship of the earth and negligent of the arts and the creative centers of society.

As followers of Christ, we must contribute to the conversation of environmental issues. We can begin by acknowledging our failures and then demonstrating the truth—with all of its ramifications—that God has called humanity to have dominion over the earth.

We must work together to subdue God's groaning earth, caring for it as best we can, managing what isn't ours until the One (the Lord Jesus Christ) Who is coming soon to make all things new.

The truth of the matter is simply this: Good stewardship of the earth gives the followers of Jesus Christ a more credible witness when we do speak and participate on other "earthly" issues. Christians are God's mouthpieces, hands and feet in the world. Enjoy the summer but think of being a good steward of the environment.



The Sacrament of Holy Communion
will be celebrated on...

Sunday, July 3rd (both services)

Sunday August 7th (both services)

Sunday, September 4th (both services)

Summer Church Schedule



Please come and join us for our Summer Services. We have two services each Sunday.

- 8:30 a.m.— Service in the Memorial Garden
- 10:00 a.m.— Service in the Sanctuary

PARENTS KINDLY NOTE...A nursery attendant will be provided for both services.

Also, we have a Mid-Week Bible Study (every Wednesday) at 7:15 p.m. Our current study is on “The Theology of Divine Healing.” This is a five-week study. Topics considered will include:

“Healing — Whose Idea Was It?”

“Jesus and Healing”

“Is Healing For Today?”

“Why are Some Healed and Others are Not?” etc., etc.

DAILY REMINDERS

- “Life gets better when you get better.”
- “Old age isn’t so bad when you consider the alternative.”
- “Life is an attitude. Have a good one.”
- “The great lesson...is that the sacred is found in the ordinary, that it is to be found in one’s daily life, in one’s neighbors, friends and family, in one’s backyard...”

Church Picnic (Please Note)

Our summer church picnic will be on **Sunday, September 11th** this year in-
stead of in August. It will be on “Rally Sunday” which is the first Sunday of our
church year, as well as the beginning of our Fall Schedule.



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lead people to the
transforming love of
Christ.**

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

“Church Chuckles”



The sermon this morning: “Jesus Walks on the Water.” The sermon tonight: “Searching for Jesus.”

The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict.

The Pastor will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing: “Break Forth Into Joy.”

Don't let worry kill you off —let the Church help.



PRIMETIMERS NEWS



Bring your friends, family and neighbors with you when **Prime Timers gather Tuesday, July 19** to hear the Music of the 50's with Kim Wiseman of the Portage Public Library, a sequel to the well-received program she presented in 2015.

On **August 16**, Sara Anderson will acquaint diners with her facility dog and the wonderful characteristics. Sara is a resident of Ogden Dunes. Both programs are at the Ogden Dunes church at noon. A tasty luncheon and great fellowship are yours for \$8 per gathering. If you are not on the calling list, phone Jayne Mann at 218-3670 several days before the luncheon date. Hope to see you at our meeting.

