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Ogden Dunes Community Church seeks to joyfully lead people to the transforming love of Christ.

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

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February Refreshments

After the 10:00 a.m. 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.

<u>Hostess</u>

Sunday, Feb. 4	F,G,H,I,J	Gail Armstrong
Sunday, Feb. 11	K,L,M,N,O	Keeli Grenchik
Sunday, Feb. 18	P,Q,R,S,T	Judy Skafish
Sunday, Feb. 25	U,V,W,X,Y,Z	Barb Fortner

Please call Sue Squire at 762-1428 to volunteer to be a
 host/hostess for later dates.

Epigram

- The Avaricious Person is like the barren sandy ground of the desert which sucks in all the rain and dew with greediness, but yields no fruitful herbs of plants for the benefit of others.
- HOPE is like the cork to a net, which keeps the soul from sinking in despair.
- HOPE is like the sun, which, as we journey towards it, casts the shadow of our burdens behind us.
- GOODNESS is the only investment that never fails, for "you will reap what you sow!!"



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Youth and Family Ski Trip

Who Can Come: It is not only for young people but for adults as well.

<u>Dates</u>: February 23rd (Friday) through February 25th (Sunday)

Depart on Friday, February 23: Ogden Dunes Community Church Parking Lot at 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 24: Skiing @ Caberfae Peaks and other activities.

Sunday, February 25: Worship Service at 8:00 A.M., Skiing and other activities. Back at Ogden Dunes Community Church parking lot about 6:00 p.m.

Look for further details regarding this trip in the days to come.

Reserve your spot by e-mailing or calling Mark Lecy <u>mlecy@comcast.net</u> or cell: 312-543-4276.

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Come And Be Part Of Our Educational Programs....

Christian Education

• Every Sunday morning there is an Adult Class taught by Phil Shank.

Study: The Book of Matthew

When: Every Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Where: In the Parlor (the Devon DeFauw Room)

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Topic: Prophetic Themes in the Book of Daniel **When:** Every Wednesday until Ash Wednesday

Time: 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

Every Sunday, a nursery is provided with dependable Nursery Care Workers. Also, in the service there is "A Children's Moment" followed by "Children's Church" during the sermon.



"Something To Think About"

It is so true that our younger generation does not like the old traditional way of worship. As a result, many have drifted away from the faith. And it is no secret that there is an expanding gulf between traditional Christian teachings and contemporary moral values. As a result, three types of Christians have emerged:

<u>First</u>, there are the **CAFETERIA-STYLE CHRISTIANS**. This group of Christians chooses what pleases them and makes them feel comfortable. Sin, Hell, Repentance and facing a Holy God one day is minimized and is irrelevant.

<u>Second</u>, there are the **COUCH-POTATO CHRISTIANS**. This group is silent on the absolutes of God and His Word. Neutrality is the order of the day. They have a very pragmatic view of life. They don't "rock-the-boat" so to speak. Their views are relative.

<u>Third</u>, there are the **CONVICTIONAL CHRISTIANS**. While they talk about God's Love and Grace, at the same time, they confront the compromising culture with the Bible as the Rule for Faith and Practice.

WHICH ARE YOU TODAY?? Pragmatist? Neutralist? Or Convictional?

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MOTIVES— "One In Ten"

There were 10 lepers healed by Jesus, but only one returned to give thanks. Notice, however, that our Lord did <u>not recall</u> His gift from the other nine because of their lack of gratitude. When we begin to lessen our acts of kindness and helpfulness because we think those who were the recipients did not respond appropriately for what was done for them, it is time to question our motives.

In fact, Jesus' admonition about Giving is this: "When you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing" (Matthew 6:3)

What are your motives in serving and/or giving? And remember that thankfulness is

Summer Camp at

Geneva Center 2018

The Session of the Ogden

Dunes Community Church

camp for any children that

are interested in attending.

will help with the cost of

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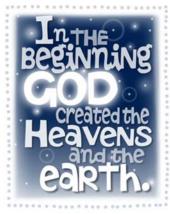
(February 14th)

For God so loVed the world that He gAve His onLy begottEn

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That whosoever belleves in Him will Not perish but have Everlasting life

Christian Education



"In the beginning" seemed like a very good place to start. So, this year in Children's Church we started in the beginning of the Bible with the story of how our Awesome God created

Awesome God created everything. He created all there is from nothing. Like the falling snowflakes outside,

y of how our

we are uniquely created. As we meet each Sunday, we will study the Old Testament stories about Adam and Eve, No-ah and the Ark, Joseph and his Coat of Many Colors, Jonah and the Big Fish, and Moses. My hope is that, as you read through the Bible this year, you will be able to talk with your children about these stories and learn more about our God who loves us and created us for a purpose.

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