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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.

Sunday, Feb. 3      K,L,M,N,O  
Sunday, Feb. 10    P,Q,R,S,T  
Sunday, Feb. 17    V,W,X,Y,Z  
Sunday, Feb. 24    A,B,C,D,E



**Epigram**

- The loneliest place in all the world is the human heart when love is absent.
- Those who love deeply never grow old; they may die of old age, but they die young.
- 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.*

**Dates:** February 22nd (Friday) through February 24th (Sunday)

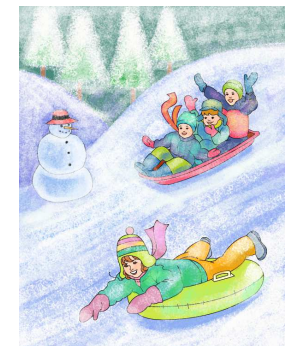
**Depart on Friday, February 22:** Ogden Dunes Community Church Parking Lot at 5:00 p.m.

**Saturday, February 23:** Skiing @ Caberfae Peaks and other activities.

**Sunday, February 24:** Worship Service at 8:00 a.m. Skiing and other activities. Back at Ogden Dunes Community Church parking lot about 6:00 p.m.

**Cost:** \$135.00 if you are renting equipment, \$110.00 if you are not renting equipment. Does not include spending money.

Reserve your spot by e-mailing or calling Mark Lecy [mlecy@comcast.net](mailto:mlecy@comcast.net) 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)

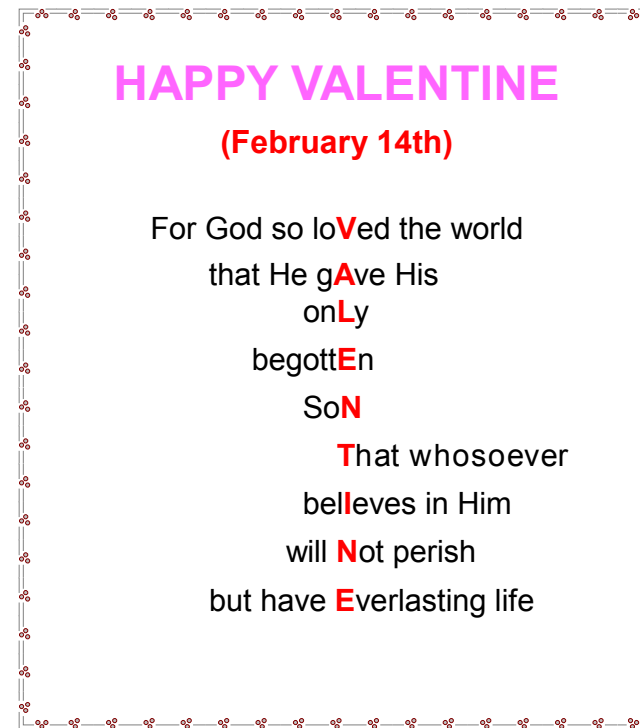
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study**

**Topic:** Study on Heaven

**When:** Wednesday Evening

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

- **Every Sunday, a nursery is provided with dependable Nursery Care Workers.**
- **There is "A Children's Moment" followed by "Children's Church" during the sermon.**



*"Love is not blind — it sees more, not less. But because it sees more, it is willing to see less."*

*(Selected)*

### **"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:

**First**, 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.

**Second**, 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.

**Third**, 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?**

## The Eleventh Commandment

Archbishop Usher was once wrecked on the coast of Ireland, and almost destitute of clothing he wandered to the house of a clergyman. The ecclesiastic was quite wary and somewhat cold and incredulous. "How many commandments are there?" he suddenly asked, thinking to detect an imposter.

"I can at once satisfy you that I am not the ignorant imposter you take me for," replied the archbishop; "there are eleven commandments." "No," was the sneering comment, "there are but ten commandments in my Bible. Tell me the eleventh and I will give you all the help you need." "There it is," said the archbishop, pointing to this verse: "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another as I have loved you."

- Current Anecdotes



## Christian Education

### Fully Known and Loved By God

By Stacy Layman

I peeled a piece of fruit for my three-year-old the other day. The task was not taken for granted. Instead, he exclaimed loudly in the kitchen, "Wow! Thank you, Mommy! You the best mommy! I love you so much!" And while my fruit peeling abilities might be impressive to him, they are nothing compared to someone who has spent time in school studying culinary arts, obviously.

As people, we can be greatly impressed with other people on a legitimate level. It is amazing to me that humans are smart enough to create a small computer that can fit in my pocket, and yet it holds more technology than the spacecraft that first landed on the moon. I am amazed when I look at artworks at the Art Institute created by some of the most creative people to ever live. I get chills when I listen to certain music because of how well it was written and how great it sounds.

God has made us brilliant, creative, and talented. He made us that way as a model after Him. And if we are so impressed by people, just think how impressive God is! How impressive is His omniscience - His ability to know all - He doesn't just see the impressive parts of you. He sees the deep, dark, innermost parts of you, your secrets, your shame, and you're regrets. And yet still, He loves you.

It is a challenge to communicate this to our children. I know in my life, I have secrets. I have made mistakes. And yet God still fully loves me. My children will grow up. They will have secrets. They will make mistakes. But it is important to know that the best love and forgiveness they will ever receive will not be from me. It will be from God. How amazing and impressive He is!

**"To be loved but not known is comforting but superficial. To be known and not loved is our greatest fear. But to be fully known and truly loved is, well, a lot like being loved by God. It is what we need more than anything. It liberates us from pretense, humbles us out of our self-**