

TRADITIONS worship



"ARISE! SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT
HAS COME, THE GLORY OF THE
LORD HAS DAWNED UPON YOU."

- ISAIAH 60:1

January 6, 2019

Epiphany Sunday

United Methodist Church of the Dunes

717 Sheldon Road, Grand Haven, Michigan

Pastor Louis Grettenberger

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The Order of Morning Worship

January 6, 2019 Epiphany

Traditions Worship 8:30 a.m.

We Gather

An "*" invites you to stand, as you are able. Please remember to silence your cell phone.
Nursery for children young 5's and under is available all morning.

Gathering Music

Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

We Praise God

Invitation Song

"Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow"

African American Spiritual
Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

People: The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

People: The people who live in the shadows see a glorious light!

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

People: The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan, making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord,

People: for God has done wondrous things!

*Hymn

"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light"

(#223 red hymnal)

Time of Confession

God of Light, we confess that we have gone astray and have left Your light. We follow the dim lights of the world of success and fortune. We follow the dim lights that call us to be more religious by following rules.

Forgive us for not following the ways of Jesus, who commanded us to love one another. Call us to be light-bearers of love, compassion and justice, in which the Mystery of Your Love is revealed. In the name of Jesus the Messiah, we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

*Hymn

"We Three Kings"

(#254 red hymnal)

Children's Message

Children are invited to join us downstairs in the Hosanna Room for our "Children In Worship" program.

Anthem

“The Light of the World”

Price/Besig
Chancel Choir

We Share the Word

Scripture Readings

Psalm 27: 1-5; 13-14
Matthew 2:1-12 (RSV)

Sermon

“Lift Up Your Eyes”

Rev. Louis Grettenberger

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Respond to the Word

Sacrament of Communion, Offering, and the Receiving of Star Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving – Epiphany

Leader...and we join with them and with all people to praise your holy name:

People:

Holy Lord, God of endless love, heaven and earth are surely full of your glory. The angels sang of it – we have been lavished with it. Blessed is he who was born that we might have life. Glory to God and on earth peace to all people.

Communion Music

“Shine On Us”

arr. Harlan
Chancel Choir

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have revealed yourself to us. Send us out into the world to see and bear witness to your revelation in all things, and invite all to come, taste and see your saving power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We are Sent Forth

***Final Hymn**

“This Little Light of Mine”

(#585 red hymnal)

***Benediction**

***Parting Music**

Sunday, January 6, 2018 Epiphany

Liturgists: 8:30 Bron Kram 10:30 Gregg Kelly

Music: Chancel Choir

Sound Board: 8:30 Rick Clapp 10:30 Roger Cox

Ushers: 8:30 Bruce Buckley, Ron DeNardo, Denver Todd, Gregg Kelly
10:30 Elizabeth Dales, Robert Zitta, Karyn & Gary Gillan

Greeters: 8:30 Ron DeNardo 10:30 Susan & Doug Thorpe

Welcome Center: 8:30 Larry & Marion Fitch 10:30 Darlene Graska

Coffee Fellowship: Sue Hafner

Nursery: Kisa Weesies, Judy Hanson

Sunday, January 13, 2018

Liturgists: 8:30 John North 10:30 Neal Miller

Music: Bells of Glory

Sound Board: 8:30 Roger Cox

Ushers: 8:30 Bruce Buckley, Ron DeNardo, Gary Erickson, Gregg Kelly
10:30 Elizabeth Dales, Bob Zitta, Bill DeBone, Gary Gillan

Greeters: 8:30 Phyllis Simmons 10:30 Janet Joiner

Welcome Center: 8:30 Pam & Dale Zurakaski 10:30 Dolores Quackenbush

Nursery: Michele McCracken, Madalyn Hanson

CHURCH OF THE DUNES CORE PURPOSE: We are a family of faith who seeks to grow in God's grace and love, challenges and equips all members to be faithful disciples, to share the Good News and demonstrate and reflect the love of God.

CHURCH STAFF AND CONTACT INFORMATION:

Ministers.....	All Members of the Congregation
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Covenant Missionaries.....	Dr. Lester & Debbie Dornon

This Week's Calendar

SUNDAY **January 6, 2019** **EPIPHANY/COMMUNION**

- 8:30 AM-12:00 PM Nursery Care
- 8:30 AM Traditions Worship – Sanctuary
- 8:45-9:45 AM Children In Worship– Hosanna Room (Room 8 lower level)
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center
- 9:40 AM Youth Sunday School – Pit & Youth Room
- 9:45-10:20 AM FaithLink Discussion Group "Good News"- Room 4 lower level
- 10:00-10:25 AM Kids' Choir – Social Hall
- 10:30 AM Elements Worship – Sanctuary
- 10:45-11:45 AM Children In Worship – Hosanna Room (Room 8 lower level)
- 11:30-12:20 PM BBQ Book Discussion – Ryder Lounge
- 11:30 AM DVD Bible Study – Rooms 13/14 Lower Level
- 11:30-12:15 PM Youth Choir – Choir Room
- 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Group – Youth Room, Wiltse Center, Social Hall

MONDAY **January 7, 2019**

- 9:30-10:30 AM Parents & Kids Coffee & Playtime – Wiltse Center
- 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Work Bee – Panera Bread
- 7:00 PM Bells of Glory – Choir Loft

TUESDAY **January 8, 2019**

- 9:30-11:30 AM Women's Study – Ryder Lounge
- 11:30 AM Staff Meeting – Choir Room
- 11:30 AM Esther Circle at Vicki Reis' home
- 6:30 PM Worship Commission Meeting – Conference Room
- 6:30 PM Webelos 1 – Scout Room
- 6:30 PM Missions & Social Concerns Committee Meeting – Ryder Lounge
- 6:30 PM UMW Board Meeting – Room 4

WEDNESDAY **January 9, 2019**

- 9:00 AM Morning Coffee - Russ' Restaurant
- 9:30 AM Covenant Bible Study – Ryder Lounge
- 4:00-5:00 PM Kids' Connection – Wiltse Center
- 5:15-6:00 PM Supper-Social Hall – Menu: Lasagna Casserole
- 6:00-7:00 PM Youth Small Groups – Youth Room
- 6:00 PM Knitters – Conference Room
- 6:00-7:00 PM Parenting Group – Social Hall
- 6:00-6:30 PM Chimers – Choir Loft
- 6:30-7:00 PM Singers – Choir Room
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir – Choir Loft

THURSDAY **January 10, 2019**

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers – Social Hall
- 9:30 AM Craft Circle – Ryder Lounge
- 7:00 PM Creativity, the Arts & God – Social Hall
- 7:00 PM Cub Scout Committee Meeting – Room 10

FRIDAY **January 11, 2019**

Pastor Lou's Day Off

SUNDAY **January 13, 2019**

- 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Nursery Care – Nursery
- 8:30 AM Traditions Worship – Sanctuary
- 8:45-9:45 AM Children In Worship – Hosanna Room (Room 8 lower level)
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center
- 9:45-10:20 AM FaithLink Discussion Group "Obesity and Healthy Communities" Room 4 lower level
- 9:40 AM – 10:20 AM Youth Sunday School – Pit & Youth Room
- 10:00 AM Kids' Choir – Social Hall
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- 6:00 – 7:30 PM Youth Group – Youth Room, Social Hall & Wiltse Center

Welcome to Church of the Dunes

We are glad you are here today and hope you feel God's love. You are invited for refreshments in the Wiltse Center fellowship area during the time between the two worship services. Refreshments are also available after the second service. You are welcome to participate in the activities, events, and classes offered here. If you have questions or need directions to locations in the church, please ask a volunteer at the Welcome Center, our pastor, or an usher; they are happy to assist. Thank you for being here today. We hope to see you again soon. *Open minds, Open hearts, Open doors. The People of the United Methodist Church of the Dunes.*

Announcements

WEATHER CLOSING POLICY: When Grand Haven Area Public Schools has a weather-related closing, Church of the Dunes is closed too and all meetings and events are cancelled.

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE is Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m.

CARE CARDS MINISTRY sends signed greeting cards with an enclosed gift card to each Church of the Dunes young adult serving in the military or attending college. Today, next Sunday, and on January 20, please stop by the Wiltse Center fellowship area to sign the cards. Contributions to support this ministry are appreciated; to make a donation stop by the Wiltse Center on card signing days or contact Susan Thorpe at holbox04@gmail.com.

KIDS AND PARENTS COFFEE & PLAYTIME: Beginning tomorrow, Monday January 7 at 9:30 a.m., parents are invited to bring their kids to the Wiltse Center at church for an hour of playtime for kids in a safe and welcoming environment. This is a great time for parents to enjoy coffee and conversation with one another, too.

ESTHER CIRCLE meets this Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. for social time at the home of Vicki Reis. Cookies are always welcome!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PARENTS GROUP begins this Wednesday, January 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. The first three sessions will focus on a video series called "How to Teach Our Kids About God's Love." The videos, produced by 22:6 Parenting, explore ways to teach your kids that you love them, how God loves them, and how to be a champion for your child. All parents are welcome.

CREATIVITY, THE ARTS AND GOD, a creative arts faith-focused, weekly workshop at Church of the Dunes, begins again this Thursday, January 10. Anyone is welcome to join us, no talent required. Using a variety of art techniques and supplies, we explore different ways to discover and encourage our creative side. You don't need to sign up or bring anything—just come to class.

THE DUNES DIGEST is the monthly newsletter published by Church of the Dunes. If you do not receive it by mail or email and would like one, copies are available at the Welcome Center and on the small end table in the weekday entrance (lobby) area of the church. To subscribe, send an email to office@umcdunes.org or call (616) 842-7980.

THE FLOWER CHART for 2019 is posted near the Wiltse Center fellowship area. You're invited to sign up to provide flowers for the worship space on a Sunday morning. The church office will order the flowers for you; the cost is \$30.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS provide 7 dozen treats (homemade or purchased) and help serve coffee during fellowship time between services. A staff member is available in the kitchen to guide and answer questions. Hosts are needed for coming Sundays; the sign-up sheet is in the kitchen on weekdays and on the coffee serving table in the Wiltse Center fellowship area on Sunday mornings.

THE UPPER ROOM devotional books are available at the Welcome Center and on the small end table in the weekday entrance area of the church. Please help yourself to a copy.

FROM THE SAFETY AND SECURITY TEAM: When you leave the church after an evening meeting or class, please be sure the doors close and fully latch behind you. Thank you.

Budget and Attendance Update

<u>2018 Weekly Offering</u>	<u>Weekly Average Received</u>	<u>Weekly Average Budgeted</u>
For Operating Expenses	\$9,893	\$10,645
12/23 Offering \$8,166		
12/30 Offering \$14,054		
<u>Weekly Attendance</u>		
Sunday Morning Worship	Last Week: 224	Last Year: 203

Sunday Morning Learning

ADULTS: Beginning today, BBQ (Basic Beliefs and Questions) will be discussing the book The Lemon Tree by Sandy Tolan. BBQ meets at 11:35 in the Ryder Lounge. All are welcome; please provide your own book. Other adult Sunday morning discussion groups continuing in January include FaithLink and the DVD Bible Study. Details are listed in the calendar. Attend every week or drop in when you can.

YOUTH GRADES 6 - 12: Youth Sunday School meets from 9:40 – 10:20 a.m. Grades 6-8 meet in The Pit and grades 9-12 meet in the Youth Room. Both locations are on the lower level.

CHILDREN GRADES K-5: Children in Worship (CIW) Sunday School takes place during both the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. worship services, beginning right after the Time for Children and ending at 9:45 and 11:45 respectively. Children In Worship meets in the Hosanna room (Room 8), on the lower level of the church. Please pick up your kids at the classroom.

Worship at Church of the Dunes

Sundays

8:30 a.m. Traditions

traditional worship and music

10:30 a.m. Elements

worship with modern and traditional components

Third Wednesday of the Month

8:30 - 9 a.m. Communion

hymns, a message, prayer and communion

Joys and Concerns

PRINTED "JOYS AND CONCERNS" If there are Joys and Concerns you would like printed in the bulletin, please contact the church office by Tuesday before 3:00 p.m. (616) 842-7980 or e-mail office@umcdunes.org.

Please, let the church office know if you or a family member is hospitalized, going to be having surgery, or is homebound and would like a visit. Please let us know if you have experienced a death in your family. In order to respect confidentiality, we need you to keep us up to date. We would like to be supportive, and we appreciate your help. Thank you.

This Week's Praises

THE FLOWERS in the Sanctuary are given by Robyn Daane to the glory of God and blessings for the new year.

THANK YOU: We would like to thank everyone who was involved in the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service. It was such a wonderful experience. God was truly in our Church and in our hearts at that service. Gail and Harold Merz

THANK YOU: Thank you for all the prayers, calls, and cards sent to me during my recent illness. The flower arrangement from the church really brightened my days as well. I also thank the ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry for the beautiful, warm and comfy afghan I was totally overwhelmed by their generous gift and kind note. It is indeed heartwarming to belong to such a caring church family. Sincerely, Sandee Klop

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Jan 07	Carol Lecocq, Guy Reece
Jan 09	Ar Sar Ni Grettenberger (12 yrs.), Sofia Grilley (15 yrs.), Ronald Kurburski
Jan 10	Terri Lyttle, Vicki Reis, Jennifer Taylor
Jan 11	Joseph Danicek, Al Evans, Candy VanWieren
Jan 12	Ashley Boersma, Lori Olthoff, Grant Taylor, Jillaena Weesies
Jan 13	Laura Burns, Edward Lystra

Information

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. or by appointment.

DEADLINES: Weekly worship bulletin, Tuesdays at 3 p.m.; Dunes Digest newsletter, 15th of the month prior.

IMPORTANT NOTES ON TAKING PICTURES: You are welcome to take pictures or video of your children during a musical performance in our worship services or other church activities; however, please refrain from posting any videos or photos to public places, such as Facebook or YouTube, as the musical performances are copyright protected and some parents may not have consented to public use of images.

THE WORSHIP SERVICES ARE VIDEO-RECORDED and sermons are posted for later viewing on our church website. Every effort is made to focus the camera only on the scripture readers and the pastor. On rare occasions, those seated near the front of the church may appear in a sermon video. If you wish to avoid inadvertently appearing in a sermon video that will be posted online, please find seats toward the back of the sanctuary.

ELECTRONIC GIVING IS AVAILABLE: To sign up, contact the church office or online at www.umcdunes.org