

elements worship

"TUMBLEWEEDS"

Jeremiah 17:5-10



February 17, 2019

United Methodist Church of the Dunes
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The Order of Morning Worship

February 17, 2019

Elements Worship 10:30 a.m.

We Gather

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

Gathering Music Chimes

Gathering Song

"Let it Rise"

Davis

Welcome & Announcements

We Praise God

Call to Worship

Leader: It is a wonderful thing when members of the family live together in love and peace.

People: They shall be like trees planted beside flowing rivers.

Leader: May the church be one, just as Christ and God are one, that Christ may be glorified in us.

People: They shall yield good fruit in its season, and their leaves shall never wither.

Leader: The grace, mercy, and peace of the Lord Jesus be with you all.

People: And also with you! Let's worship God together!

*Hymn #417

"O For a Heart to Praise My God"

(red hymnal)

Time of Confession

Merciful God, creator of all that is, seen and unseen, our delight is in your word and we have a deep sense of your presence when we allow it to fill our lives night and day.

For the times when we listen to the advice of those who rebel against you, have mercy on us. For those times when we can be found with those who scorn you, Christ have mercy. We experience your blessings like a tree that is planted beside a never-failing stream. Forgive us, Lord, for those times when we do not bear the fruits of your abundance. Renew us by your blessing, so that we may prosper in your ways. Watch over us, so that the ways of the wicked pass from us. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Song

"Love is Like a Magic Penny"

Kids' Choir

Children's Time

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

Anthem

“In Christ Alone”

arr. Angerman
Chancel Choir

We Share the Word

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:17-26

p. 61

Worship Song

“Come Reveal”

Stockstill

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-10 (NRSV)

Sermon

“Tumbleweeds”

Rev. Louis Grettenberger

Pastoral Prayer

Time of Silent 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Respond to the Word

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love fails, your love remains steadfast. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have. By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world. Amen.

We are Sent Forth

***Final Hymn #127**

“Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah”

(red hymnal)

***Benediction**

***Chimes**

***Parting Music**

Sunday, February 17, 2019

Liturgists: 8:30 Karyn Gillan 10:30 Barry Huntington
Music: Chancel Choir
Sound Board: 8:30 Roger Cox 10:30 Blair Miller
Ushers: 8:30 Vaughn Umphrey, Rick Clapp, Ed & Liz Lystra
10:30 Kent & Weston Taylor, Tina & Tate Zellman
Greeters: 8:30 Susan Robertson 10:30 Sally Liebertz, Nancy Franczek
Welcome Center: 8:30 Jo Somerville 10:30 Joann Jarvi
Nursery: Kisa Weesies
Coffee Fellowship: Darcie & Rick Clapp

Sunday, February 24, 2019

Liturgists: 8:30 Carol Kirchner 10:30 Dave Hoffman
Music: Kids' Choirs
Sound Board: 8:30 Roger Cox 10:30 Don Woodward
Ushers: 8:30 Vaughn Umphrey, Rick Clapp, Ed & Liz Lystra
10:30 Kent & Weston Taylor, Tina & Tate Zellman
Greeters: 8:30 Jo Somerville 10:30 Sally Liebertz, Nancy Franczek
Welcome Center: 8:30 Carol Scherpenisse 10:30 Delores Quackenbush
Nursery: Michele McCracken, Kelly Grilley
Coffee Fellowship: Jim & Nancy Humphrey

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:

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This Week's Calendar

SUNDAY **February 17, 2019**

- 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Nursery Care – Nursery (*infant – young 5s*)
8:30 AM Traditions Worship – Sanctuary
8:45 – 9:45 AM Children In Worship – Hosanna Room (*room 8 lower level, grades K – 5*)
9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center
9:45 – 10:20 AM FaithLink Discussion Group - “Benefits of Animal-Assisted Therapy” – Room 4 lower level
9:40 AM – 10:20 AM Youth Sunday School – The Pit (*room 7 lower level, grades 6 – 12*)
10:00 AM Kids' Choir – Social Hall (*preK – grade 6*)
10:30 AM Elements Worship – Sanctuary
10:45 – 11:45 AM Children In Worship – Hosanna Room (*room 8 lower level, grades K - 5*)
11:30AM – 12:20 PM BBQ Book Discussion – The Death and Life of the Great Lakes by Dan Egan
11:30 AM – 12:20 PM DVD Bible Study “Exceptional Faith Lessons” – Room 13/14 Lower Level
11:30AM - 12:15 PM Youth Choir – Choir Room (*grades 7- 12*)
6:00 – 7:30 PM Youth Group – Youth Room (*grades 6 – 12*)
6:00 – 7:30 PM Children's Council – Rm 13/14
6:00 - 8:00 PM Inquirer's Class – Ryder Lounge

MONDAY **February 18, 2019**

- 9:30 - 10:30 AM Kids and Parents Coffee & Playtime – Wiltse Center
10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Work Bee – Panera Bread
11:00 AM – 4:00 PM Quilter's Workshop – Wiltse Center
6:00 PM SPRC – Rm 13/14
7:00 – 8:30 PM Bells of Glory – Choir Loft

TUESDAY **February 19, 2019**

- 9:00 – 11:30 AM ROMEOs - Rendezvous
9:30 - 11:30 AM Women's Study – Ryder Lounge
11:00 AM Staff Meeting – Choir Room
6:30 – 8:30 PM Invitation & Welcome Committee – Ryder Lounge
6:30 - 7:30 PM Webelos 1 – Scout Room

WEDNESDAY **February 20, 2019**

- 8:30 AM Communion - Sanctuary
9:00 AM Morning Coffee - Russ' Restaurant
9:30 AM Covenant Bible Study – Ryder Lounge
4:00 - 5:00 PM Kids' Connection – Wiltse Center (*grades K – 5*)
5:15 - 6:00 PM Supper - Social Hall – Menu: Sloppy Joes
6:00 - 7:00 PM Youth Small Groups – Youth Room (*grades 6 – 12*)
6:00 PM Knitters – Conference Room
6:00 - 7:00 PM Parenting Group – Room 4
6:00 - 6:30 PM Chimers – Choir Loft (*grades 2 – 6*)
6:00 - 7:30 PM “My One Word” Study – Ryder Lounge
6:30 - 7:00 PM Singers – Choir Room (*grades 2 – 6*)
7:00 - 8:00 PM Chancel Choir – Choir Loft

THURSDAY **February 21, 2019**

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers – Social Hall
1:00 PM “My One Word” Study – Ryder Lounge
7:00 PM Creativity, the Arts & God – Social Hall

FRIDAY **February 22, 2019**

- Pastor Lou's Day Off
3:30 – 6:00 PM UMCD serves at Supper House

SATURDAY **February 23, 2019**

- 3:00 – 5:30 PM Family Movie Time: Incredibles 2 – Social Hall
5:30 – 8:00 PM Blue & Gold Banquet – 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 10:30 a.m. 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.

INQUIRER'S CLASS MEETS TODAY from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Ryder Lounge on the main floor of the church. If you'd like to know more about Church of the Dunes or are considering becoming a member, this class is for you. If you choose to become a member at or after the class, you will be received into membership at an upcoming worship service (date to be determined).

PARENTS AND KIDS COFFEE & PLAYTIME meets Monday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Wiltse Center fellowship area. Coffee, tea and refreshments are provided; there are books, coloring books and plenty of toys for the kiddos to enjoy. Please join us! (This group does not meet if Grand Haven Area Public Schools are closed due to winter weather.)

ADULT CLASSES AND DISCUSSION GROUPS are held on Sundays and during the week too. The "My One Word" study is discussing a book by the same title by Michael Ashcraft. Two class times are offered: Wednesday evenings or Thursday afternoons; the class runs through early March. The Wednesday Evening Parenting Group meets weekly. Discussion focuses on a video series called "How to Teach Our Kids About God's Love." Please see the calendar section of this bulletin for meeting times and locations.

MOVIE "INCREDIBLES 2" THIS SATURDAY: Please join us at Church of the Dunes in the Social Hall (lower level) at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 23. Enjoy crafts, activities, and a showing of this upbeat and funny animated movie. Please come dressed as your favorite superhero. All ages are welcome and invited!

HUNGER SUNDAY is next Sunday, February 24. We will collect a special offering for Love In Action. Please make your check payable to Church of the Dunes and write Hunger Offering on the memo line.

MISSION MOMENT: Next Sunday, a representative from Habitat for Humanity will give a short presentation about the organization's work in our community. There will be a Mission Moment envelope in your bulletin next week; to make a contribution, please make the check payable to Church of the Dunes and write Mission Moment on the memo line of the check.

CAREGIVERS will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, February 25. All caregivers are invited and welcome to join us. At the meetings, we exchange helpful tips, learn about resources for support, and encourage one another.

BE PART OF THE LENT BANNER PROJECT: The Church of the Dunes Arts Council invites you to help create banners that will hang in the sanctuary throughout Lent. All ages are welcome and encouraged to help on February 27 during Wednesday supper in the Social Hall (5:15 – 6 p.m.), and again on the evening of Wednesday March 6. You don't need special skills; all supplies are provided. Just show up to be a part of this exciting project.

PANCAKE TUESDAY CELEBRATION: Please save the date for this fun, active time to share with your Church of the Dunes family. All ages are invited! The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 with a great dinner of pancakes, sausage and an assortment of toppings – you can be creative. After supper we will have games, crafts, activities and lots of fun for all ages. United Methodist Women are hosting; the suggested donation is \$5 per person or \$12 per family. Donations received will go to missions.

Budget and Attendance Update

<u>2019 Weekly Offering</u>	Received 2/10	Weekly Average
For Operating Expenses	\$9,623	\$11,466
<u>Weekly Attendance</u>		
Sunday Morning Worship	Last Week: 291	Last Year: 287

Worship at Church of the Dunes

Sundays

8:30 a.m. Traditions traditional worship and music
10:30 a.m. Elements traditional & modern worship and music

Third Wednesday of the Month Communion

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

a hymn or two, time for prayer, a short message, and communion

Sunday Mornings

You are invited and welcome! Stop by these classes and activities every week or drop in when you can.

ADULT CLASSES AND DISCUSSION GROUPS:

FaithLink meets to discuss a timely topic or issue, 9:45 – 10:20 a.m., Room 4, lower level.

BBQ (Basic Beliefs & Questions) will discuss chapters 2 and 3 of The Death and Life of the Great Lakes by Dan Egan today. This group meets on Sundays at 11:35 a.m. in the Ryder Lounge. Please provide your own book.

Ray Vander Laan DVD Bible Study meets to discuss DVDs that weave historical, cultural and geographical perspectives of Biblical stories and times. 11:30 – 12:20, Room 13/14 lower level.

YOUTH:

Youth Sunday School for grades 6 – 12 meets from 9:40 – 10:20 a.m. in “The Pit” (room 7) classroom on the lower level.

Youth Choir practices in the Choir Room, located behind the front of the worship space, from 11:30 a.m.– 12:15 p.m.

CHILDREN:

Children in Worship (CIW) Sunday School for grades K - 5 takes place during both the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. worship services, beginning right after the Children’s Message 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 children at the classroom.

Kids’ Choir for children pre-K through grade 6 meets from 10:00 – 10:25 a.m. in the Social Hall on the lower level (beneath sanctuary).

NURSERY is available for infants through young 5s. The nursery is located on the main floor of the church.

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 Darlene Ogle's family, in celebration of her 80th birthday.

BROWN BAG THANK YOU to all in your congregation for the blessing of food for our Central Pantry! The shelves are well stocked for each of our ten pantries. With all the closures and bitter temperatures in January, we still had nearly 200 households receive food from the pantries. We also provided emergency boxes during the closures of schools and the government. Your assistance to keep food on the shelves allows those in our community to be fed and to stretch their dollars for other needed items such as heat and medical needs. You are a blessing to those in need! Cheryl Youngquist, Operations Director, Love In Action Tri-Cities

FROM THE MISSIONS AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMISSION: On Thursday, January 24, a check for \$1379.50 was delivered to the Grand Haven Tribune office for the local Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Association (CGPOA). This check was the result of your generous offering to help Coast Guard families during the recent federal government shutdown. Since gift cards and food contributions were abundant, CGPOA was especially appreciative of the monetary gift. The money could be used for utility bills and other financial emergencies for Coast Guard families. Thank you so much for your contributions.

THANK YOU: Dear Church Friends, Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers and the very thoughtful cards I received for my 90th birthday. They were all so very nice. I appreciate them very much. Merrill Fisher

PLEASE JOIN WITH OTHERS AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE PRAYING FOR: Community Development for All People, Columbus, OH, and Delbert Groves, Missionary.

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Feb 19	Carol Wilhelm
Feb 20	Amy Ackerman, Jeffery Metzler
Feb 21	Brian Land
Feb 22	David Foster, Ray Tooker
Feb 23	Raymond Mieras, Melvin Scherpenisse, Nancy Wagner
Feb 24	Kassidy Bush (15), Rose Umphrey (92)

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.