



**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 13, 2017**

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF THE DUNES

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The Order of Morning Worship

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2017

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Gathering

As the church gathers, please feel free to get acquainted with your neighbor.

A “•” invites you to stand, as you are able.

Please silence your cell phone.

Chimes invite us to quiet and listen for the Prelude

Prelude

- **Call to Worship**

Leader: Sometimes we get the feeling that we are the only ones that the Lord loves.

People: Open our hearts to see all the people who are loved by the Lord.

Leader: We want Jesus to be our sole possession.

People: But Jesus reaches out to all others in need.

Leader: Lord, forgive our selfishness.

People: Open our hearts to find healing and restoration that we might be better disciples. Amen.

- **Hymn of Praise** *When the Storms of Life are Raging (Stand By Me)* (red book) No. 512

- **Prayer of Confession** (unison)

All: Lord, you know us too well. You know how easy it is for us to come to you and to proclaim loudly of our faith when all is going well. But when the waters get rough and the waves threaten to swamp our little boats, we cry and wail in fear. We are sure that these waves will be the very things that destroy us. Over the wind and the waves you call to us to place our trust in you.

That’s not so easy for us. We are so used to getting lots of reassurances and written guarantees of safety. But still you call to us. Help us take our focus off the wind and the waves and place our gaze directly on you. Attune our hearts and our lives to hear your call and to respond in faith. For we offer this prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen.

- **Words of Assurance**

Leader: Don’t be afraid. Jesus is with you all the time. You are healed, forgiven, and loved. Come and live in the love of the Lord. Amen.

- **Gloria**

Glory Be to the Father

** (red book) No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

Sharing the Word

*The Scriptures are opened to the people through
the reading of lessons, preaching and music.*

Epistle Reading

Romans 10:5-15

(NT page 150 in the pew Bible)

• **Postlude**

Thank you to Jake Lubbers for providing our special music this morning. Jake grew up in the Muskegon area and graduated from Reeths Puffer and from Central Michigan University in 2015. He has a degree in Music Education. Presently he teaches band at Westshore Lutheran and Muskegon Catholic. He is a member of 5th Reformed Church in North Muskegon. May God bless you, Jake, as you share your music with us this morning and lead us in worship. **Thank you!**

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Sunday, August 13, 2017

Liturgists: (8:30) Carol Kirchner (10:30) Mary Huntington

Organist: Marna Jeffery

Ushers: (8:30) Barry & Bron Kram, Roger & Bonnie VanderMolen (10:30)

Greeters: (8:30) Donna Jean Lock (10:30) Jim & Linda Stellema

Welcome Center: (8:30) Dale & Pam Zurakowski (10:30) Edo & Kris Mestrom

Nursery: Karen Aspenson, Kisa Weesies

Coffee Fellowship: Bill & Niecey Emery, Rick & Jane Turner

Sunday, August 20, 2017

Liturgists: (8:30) Sandee Klop (10:30) Rich Cole

Organist: Marna Jeffery

Ushers: (8:30) Barry & Bron Kram, Roger & Bonnie VanderMolen (10:30)

Greeters: (8:30) Bill & Niecey Emery (10:30) Bob & Marcia Zenk

Welcome Center: (8:30) Dorothy Corradi (10:30) Dan & Debbie Starkey

Nursery: Karen Aspenson, Michele McCracken

Coffee Fellowship: Tom & Carol Bauer

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:

Ministers.....	All Members of the Congregation
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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY **August 13, 2017**

- 8:30 AM-12:00 PM Nursery Care (for children ages 0-5 years) – Nursery
- 8:30 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary
(Children Ages 5-5th grade may use a worship bag found in the Cry Room)
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center
- 9:30 AM Youth Fellowship Time – Wiltse Center
- 9:45 AM FaithLink Discussion Group “Fire Safety” – **Room 4**. Visitors are always welcome to attend this group.
- 10:30 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary
- 10:45-11:30 AM LEGOS Faith Builders – Wiltse Center
- 1:00-6:00 PM Lyttle Shower – Wiltse Center
- 2:00 PM Service at Grand Pines led by Herm Tanis

MONDAY **August 14, 2017**

- 9:15 AM Golf League at Crestview Golf Club
- 9:15 AM Mom's Club – Nursery
- 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Work Bee – Panera Bread
- 6:00 PM Quilt Guild – Wiltse Center
- 6:00 PM Dunesman – Social Hall
- 6:00 PM Youth Council – Conference Room

TUESDAY **August 15, 2017** **September Dunes Digest Deadline**

- 9:00 AM ROMEOS – at Vic's
- 6:30 PM Invitation & Welcome – Ryder Lounge
- 7:00 PM Finance – Library

WEDNESDAY **August 16, 2017**

- 8:30 AM Communion – Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Morning Coffee – Russ'
- 6:00 PM Children's Council – Conference Room
- 6:00 PM Holly Berry Bazaar Organizational Meeting – Ryder Lounge

THURSDAY **August 17, 2017**

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers – Social Hall

FRIDAY **August 18, 2017**

No Scheduled Activities

SATURDAY **August 19, 2017**

No Scheduled Activities

PLEASE KNOW THAT OUR WORSHIP SERVICE IS VIDEO-TAPED and the sermon only is posted for later viewing on our church website. Every effort is made to focus our camera only on the pastor. On very rare occasions, persons seated near the front of the church may appear in this sermon video. We do not have the time or facility to edit out these images. If you have objections to inadvertently appearing in a sermon video that will be posted on the church website, we would encourage you to find seats toward the back of the sanctuary. 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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE WORSHIP AUDIO/VIDEO MINISTRY. Training will be provided for our new, easy-to-use sound board. This vital ministry provides sound during Sunday morning worship services, DVD recordings of the service for those unable to attend worship and/or those who would like to re-watch the service, and the ability to post the recorded sermons online and reach anyone with access to the internet (we're on YouTube!) If you have any interest of feel called to learn more, please contact Pete Hicks at hicks_pete@yahoo.com or 616-994-9520.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PAGE 1

OPEN MINDS, OPEN HEARTS, OPEN DOORS: WELCOME to the Church of the Dunes. If you are a first-time visitor or a life-long member, we want you to feel at home in the circle of God's love. This is a place where all who come in the name of Christ are welcome. Please take time to note the persons sitting near you. If you see a new-comer in your pew, welcome them and invite them to the coffee hour. If a regular attender is missing, send them a card, or give them a phone call when you get home. When we pass the friendship pads, take time to put names and faces together. "For there is no longer Jew or Greek, male or female, slave or free, for we are all one in Christ Jesus."

MEET & GREET SIGN UP TODAY: If you are interested in attending a Meet & Greet with Pastor Lou please sign up during Coffee Fellowship in the Wiltse Center between services today. There are a few open dates for the end of August: August 27 at 5 p.m., August 28 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., and August 29 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. There will also be September dates available. You may call Vicki Reis at 616-607-2099 to sign up.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS IS SUNDAY, AUGUST 27. Children (and teachers) of all ages are invited to bring their backpacks for a special prayer and blessing from the congregation as they begin their new year.

NAME TAGS: If you would like a new magnetic name tag, please place write your name on the list on the clipboard on the table in the Cry Room near the name tag rack. For those who have requested new name tag during the past few weeks, your new one may be found in the rack. An alphabetical listing including name tag numbers may be found in the notebook located in the Cry Room near the name tag rack.

FAMILY PROMISE: Beginning August 20 Church of the Dunes will be hosting Family Promise. We expect to have 4 guest families. If you haven't taken the opportunity to participate in this very rewarding mission now is your chance. We need *overnight hosts, meal preparers & dinner hosts, drivers, help setting up and cleaning up* after our hosting week, plus some funds (mostly for gas). See the sign-up sheets on the Family Promise bulletin board near the office. Please contact Dave Hoffman at 616-847-8438 if you have questions.

ACTIVITIES INTEREST FORMS (aka Service Commitment Form) will be sent via email beginning August 15. Forms will be available at both entrances to the Sanctuary beginning on August 20. It would be greatly appreciated if the completed forms are returned by Sunday, September 17. This will give adequate time to prepare for the coming year. A new process is being put in place so everyone will be contacted for each activity they have indicated an interest in.

THE DUNESMEN (MEN OF THE CHURCH OF THE DUNES AND GUESTS) have a special event coming up on Monday, August 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. Don Lipfert will be serving a homemade German dinner and his grandson, Justin, will be our speaker. Justin will share his experiences as a musher doing the grueling almost one-thousand-mile-long Iditarod sled dog race in Alaska. Justin is in town this summer with his lead dog. Please call or email Dale Zurakowski (616-414-7021 or zbleedgreen@gmail.com) or Al Kochanowski (616-446-0562 or alkochjr@gmail.com) if you plan to attend.

BROWN BAG SUNDAY: Our third Brown Bag Sunday for 2017 will be held on August 27 to replenish the food pantry at Love In Action. We will be distributing bags and shopping lists after both services today and August 20. Please take a bag or two, fill them up, and return them on or before the 27th.

LEGO FAITH BUILDERS: All Kindergarten-entering 6th graders are invited to join us as we learn we are designed like LEGOS: built for connecting to God and People. Discover God's great love and calling for each of us—through Bible stories and creative LEGO build time. LEGO Faith Builders runs all summer long (June-August) in the Wiltse Center during second service.

JOIN US FOR AN ALL-CHURCH END OF SUMMER BEACH DAY AT GRAND HAVEN STATE PARK BEACH on Sunday, August 27, from 2-4 p.m. Grab your beach gear and a snack to share. We'll meet at the beach playground followed by a time to swim. If you have pails and shovels bring them along—we'll have a sand castle building contest! Help end summer and ring in fall with UMCD friends!! Questions? Contact Laura Burns at lburns@umcdunes.org.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Weekly Receipts

For Operating

2017 Weekly Average

\$10,009

Weekly Attendance

Last Week: 276

Last Year: 247

THE MONDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: will be meeting on Monday, August 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the Ryder Lounge. The book, *The End of Your Life Book Club* by Will Schwalbe (UMW book) is available in the church office for check out. Please be sure to return the book by the evening of the meeting.

HOLLY BERRY BAZAAR ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: There will be an organizational meeting on Wednesday August 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ryder Lounge. Please try to attend if you are working on a booth or in any capacity for the bazaar. Questions call Marion Fitch at 616-296-0844

UMCOR SCHOOL BAGS PROGRESS REPORT: We are collecting school supplies for UMCOR school bags again this year. Our goal is 140 bags—more than we have collected in past years! Please help by buying supplies and leaving them in the box near the office. Questions? Contact Anna Cox or Gayle Cox at 850-0899.

School Kit Materials: **1 pair blunt scissors rounded tip only;** no plastic scissors, please (23 pairs donated so far). **3 pads of paper** spiral or top-bound pads; 150 sheets or less of loose-leaf paper can be substituted for 1 pad; combination of spiral, top-bound, side-bound, or loose-leaf paper is acceptable; no composition books, please (15 sets have been donated to date). **1 hand-held pencil sharpener,** must be at least 1 inch long; remove from packaging (37 have been donated). **1 30-centimeter ruler,** hard or flexible; cartoon characters are acceptable; no advertisements please (we have 34). **6 unsharpened pencils,** no advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please; cartoon characters are acceptable (48 sets have been donated already). **1 2-inch or larger-size eraser,** no advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please; cartoon characters are acceptable (we have 74!). **1 24-count box of crayons,** only 24-count boxes, please (57 boxes have been donated). The deadline for donating items is August 27.

DISCIPLE IV CLASSES TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 13, 2017: If you are interested in participating in this in depth study and a meaningful small group experience that will be meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday mornings and also at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings (two separate groups), please sign up on the Adult Ministries bulletin board located in the hallway by the offices. Study manuals normally cost \$40, but the sale price of \$34 has been extended through the month of August. The phrase “under the tree of life” conveys the promise of finding shelter, security, and rest in God’s love. In this 32-week study of the Old Testament Writings, the Gospel of John, the Epistles of John, James, Jude, and finally, Revelation, participants will see the entire process of living toward final completion of rest and reward. See Barry Kram or Jan Stuart for more information or if you have questions.

WE ARE INTRODUCING A NEW BANNER ON OUR ALTAR

RECOGNIZES THE LITURGICAL SEASON CALLED ORDINARY TIME

WHICH

After the Easter cycle (Lent-Easter-Pentecost) there is a period called *Ordinary Time*. This extended liturgical season offers a time to reflect on the meaning of these great events, from the coming of Christ through the sending of the Holy Spirit.

You may wonder why this liturgical season would ever be called ordinary! There is nothing ordinary about *Ordinary Time* as it is a time set aside for reflecting on and celebrating our call to follow Jesus day by day.

The term ‘ordinary’ is derived from the mathematical term ‘ordinal’ describing numerical order. We recognize *Ordinary Time* by the way we enumerate or order the Sundays following Pentecost.

As an example, today is August 13th the 10th Sunday after Pentecost in the liturgical season of *Ordinary Time*.

In addition to the primary color of green, which symbolizes the growth in Christ, other colors are occasionally used during this extended season to recognized special events and days.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRINTED "JOYS AND CONCERNS" may be placed on the backside of our blue Response Cards, which are available at the Information/Welcome Center in the narthex. You may also call the church office on or before Thursday at 9:00 a.m. each week or e-mail your request to jblanchard@umcdunes.org.

Please let the church office know in a timely manner if you or a family member is hospitalized, going to be having surgery, or are homebound and desiring a visit. Please let us know if you have experienced a death in your family. Because of confidentiality laws in place, we have no way of knowing unless you tell us. We would like to be supportive but we also need your help. Thank you.

PRAISE GOD FOR

The flowers on the altar are presented by Larry and Marion Fitch in honor of their 51st Anniversary.

Thank you dear friends for all the healing prayers, food, flowers, phone call and cards. You are a great family! Marj Bullerdick

A very warm thank you to all who sent me cards and email messages on my birthday. Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated and made getting a year older easier. Bonnie Stone

Thank you all for thinking of me. I appreciated all of the cards, flowers and visits. Ruth Kelly

Thank you for all the cards and best wishes on my "xxth" birthday! Bill Cansfield

CHURCH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL BE CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: August 14- Robert Rankin; 15-Ruth Actherhof, Dylan Cook (5 yrs.), Madalyn Hanson, Mary Huntington, Larry McLaughlin, Connie Peoples; 16-Lynnda De Vries, Bonnie Roth; 17-Richard Welch; 18-Mark Boyce, Paul Koons; 19-JoAnn Anthes, Robyn Daane; 20-Elaine Bolthouse, Leia Graegin (7yrs.).

PLEASE JOIN UNITED METHODISTS AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE PRAYING FOR: Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, South Carolina; and David Pay Guinkpa, missionary.

DEADLINES: Bulletins-Wednesdays at 3 p.m.; Dunes Digest Newsletter-the 15th day of each month.

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

NEED A HELPING ELBOW? Ushers and/or Greeters would love to lend you a supportive elbow, wheelchair, walker, or umbrella if it would make the walk from the parking lot to the sanctuary more comfortable and safe for you on Sunday mornings. Please stop by the Information Center (Welcome Center) to pick up a colorful card with the umbrella logo pictured here. Place it in your car in a window visible to the church's main entrance and a Greeter or Usher will come out to assist you. If you cannot pick up a card from church, or to request assistance ahead of time, please call the church office by noon on Friday with your name, which service you will attend, and car make and color, and we will make arrangements.

THIS EVENING WORSHIP ON THE WATERFRONT WELCOMES JACON CRABB to the Grand Haven Waterfront Stadium from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Jason Crabb is well known as one of the most compelling voices in any genre of music. With his power, range, and passion, he has moved easily among musical styles including gospel, country, pop and southern gospel. There is no cost, nor any tickets needed to attend W.O.W. A free will offering will be taken. Check out our website at www.worshiponthewaterfront.org. Any question? Call 616-842-6600.

FROM THE SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE: We are encouraging everyone to use the main entrance, by the offices, during the week. Please observe the signage that is posted. We are looking to enhance our security and provide better foot traffic efficiency. During the Sunday events, the regular entrances will be utilized.