



“My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”

I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities; FOR WHEN I AM WEAK, THEN I AM STRONG.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10

**July 8, 2018**

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF THE DUNES**

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# ***The Order of Morning Worship***

## **Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

July 8, 2018

8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

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### **Gathering**

*\* Invites you to stand, as you are able. Please remember to silence your cell phone.*

*(10:30) Lyric sheets for the worship songs are available from the ushers.*

*Music for the worship songs is available in the narthex.*

*Worship activity bags for children 5 and up are available in the Cry Room.*

*Nursery for children Young 5's and under is available during both services.*

#### **Gathering Music**

##### **Chimes**

(8:30) **Welcome**

**Invitation to Worship**

**Hymn Sing**

**Announcements**

(10:30) **Welcome**

**\*Invitation to Worship**

**Worship Song**

*Holy is the Lord*

Tomlin | Giglio

**Announcements**

#### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: God's greatness is wondrous to behold.

**People: Everywhere we look, we can see the imprint of God.**

Leader: From the loftiest mountains to the crashing waters of the sea,

**People: There God's greatness stands majestically.**

Leader: God's greatness can be within the human heart.

**All: Let us honor and praise God as we worship him together!**

#### **\*Hymn of Praise #77**

*How Great Thou Art*

(red hymnal)

#### **Scripture Reading**

**Mark 6:1-13**

(NT page 38 in the pew Bible)

#### **Special Music**

*If You Say Go*

Thiel

#### **Prayer of Confession (unison)**

**Holy God, you know how stubborn we can be. You call us to serve others, and we stay in the coolness of our own homes. You would send us to where the hopeless live, but we are reluctant to leave the comfort of our complacency. You would feed us on the peace and joy of your word, but we pull our chairs up to the tables of those who serve false promises. Forgive us, God. Transform our defiance into disciple-ship, and our rejection of others into the resurrection of welcoming all people as sisters and brothers in Christ. Help us to love as faithfully as you have always loved us, and send us forth to take the good news of Jesus Christ to everyone we meet. Amen.**

## Assurance of Grace

Leader: We open our lips and confess our hearts. God hears our words and makes us new, sending us out to bring hope and joy to all the world.

People: **We hear the good news, we believe the good news, we will live out the good news. Thanks be to God. Amen!**

(8:30) \*Hymn of Response #378      **Amazing Grace**      (red hymnal)

(10:30) Song of Response    **Amazing Grace | My Chains Are Gone**      Newton | Tomlin | Giglio

Time for Children      Pastor Lou

(8:30 & 10:30) *LEGOS Faithbuilders (for kids K-entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade). The children will be led to the Wiltse Center following Time for Children. Parents may meet their children in the Wiltse Center after the service.*

Song of Preparation #2164      **Sanctuary**      (black book)

## Sharing the Word

Scripture Reading      **2 Corinthians 12:2-10**      (NT page 175 in the pew Bible)

Sermon      **Where Faith and Power Meet**      Rev. Louis Grettenberger

## Pastoral & Silent Prayers

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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.**

## Responding to the Word

Time of Offering      **Oceans**      Houston | Crocker | Lighthelm

*You call me out upon the waters, the great unknown where feet may fail  
And there I find You in the mystery, in oceans deep my faith will stand*

*And I will call upon Your name, and keep my eyes above the waves when oceans rise  
My soul will rest in Your embrace, for I am Yours and You are mine*

*Your grace abounds in deepest waters, Your sovereign hand will be my guide  
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me, You've never failed and You won't start now*

*Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders, let me walk upon the waters wherever You would call me.  
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander and my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior*

Response #94      **Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**      (red hymnal)

**Praise God from whom all blessing flow:  
Praise God, all creature here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

How wonderful it is and what a joy we have to return to God these gifts as tokens of the many blessings God has given to us. Let these gifts and our lives be used in service to others, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Sending Forth**

\*Hymn #2162

*Grace Alone*

(black book)

Benediction

Chimes

\*Parting Music

**Sunday, July 8, 2018**

**Liturgists:** (8:30) Sandee Klop (10:30) Gregg Kelly

**Musicians:** (8:30) Paige Horist (10:30) Liberty Abraham, Paige Horist, Carla Kocher

**Sound Board Operators:** (8:30) Blair Miller (10:30) Roger Cox

**Ushers:** (8:30) Sam Easterly, Roger & Sandee Klop, Shirley Chappell

(10:30) Tina & Brooke Zellman, Gary & Karyn Gillan

**Greeters:** (8:30) Mike & JoAnn Anthes (10:30) Rick & Jane Turner

**Welcome Center:** (8:30) Dale & Pam Zurakowski (10:30) Darlene Graska

**LEGO Faithbuilders:** (8:30) Justin Graegin (10:30) Pam Zurakowski, Ian & Michelle Evans

**Nursery:** Karen Aspenson, Madalyn Hanson

**Coffee Fellowship:** Barry & Bron Kram

**Sunday, July 15, 2018**

**Liturgists:** (8:30) Robert Mann (10:30) Neal Miller

**Sound Board Operators:**

(10:30) Roger Cox

**Ushers:** (8:30) Sam Easterly, Bill Chappell, Roger & Sandee Klop

**Greeters:** (8:30) Roger & Bonnie VanderMolen (10:30) Darlene Graska

**Welcome Center:** (8:30) Harold & Gail Merz (10:30) Cathy Shick

**LEGO Faithbuilders:** (8:30) Kathy DeBone (10:30) Kathy Dahlstrom, Michelle DeVito

**Nursery:** Karen Aspenson, Kisa Weesies

**Coffee Fellowship:** Rob & Betty Roberts

**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:**

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

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

### **SUNDAY**      **July 8, 2018**

- 8:30 AM-12:00 PM Nursery Care (for children ages infant-5 years) – Nursery
- 8:30 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary
- 8:45-9:30 AM LEGO Faithbuilders – Wiltse Center
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center
- 9:30-10:20 AM Youth Sunday School – Youth Room
- 9:45 AM FaithLink Discussion Group “Loneliness” – Room 4 lower level
- 10:30 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary
- 10:45-11:30 AM LEGO Faithbuilders – Wiltse Center
- 6:30-7:30 PM Coffee and Conversation with Pastor Lou– Ryder Lounge

### **MONDAY**      **July 9, 2018**

- 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Work Bee – Panera Bread
- 10:00-11:00 AM Coffee and Conversation with Pastor Lou – Ryder Lounge
- 10:30 AM Dunes Golf League Scramble – Old Channel Trail Golf Course - Montague
- 6:00 PM Quilt Guild – Wiltse Center
- 6:00-8:00 PM ASL Classes Room 4 and 13/14
- 6:00 PM Youth Council – Conference Room

### **TUESDAY**      **July 10, 2018**

- Work Day on Stairway – Scouts
- 11:00 AM Staff Meeting – Ryder Lounge
- 1:00 PM Esther Circle going to Family Promise Day Center-meet in parking lot to carpool at 12:30 p.m.

### **WEDNESDAY**      **July 11, 2018**

- 9:00 AM Morning Coffee - Russ

### **THURSDAY**      **July 12, 2018**

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers – Social Hall
- 7:00 PM Ruth Circle – Ryder Lounge

### **FRIDAY**      **July 13, 2018**

No Scheduled Activities

### **SATURDAY**      **July 14, 2018**

- Work Day on the Stairway – Scouts
- 8:00 AM-NOON Highland Park Association Annual Meeting – Social Hall
- 11:00 AM Bridal Shower – Wiltse Center

### **SUNDAY**      **July 15, 2018**      **Dunes Digest Deadline**

- 8:30 AM-12:00 PM Nursery Care (for children ages infant-5 years) – Nursery
- 8:30 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary
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## **Welcome to Church of the Dunes**

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We are glad to have you 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, a 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.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**ESTHER CIRCLE** meets Tuesday, July 10. We will meet at church at 12:30 p.m. and carpool to the Family Promise Day Center at 2160 Crozier Ave. in Muskegon. You will have an opportunity to meet with the Family Promise staff and tour the facility. The hostesses for the meeting are Kathy Dahlstrom and Annette Allen. Devotions will be provided by Gail Merz. We are collecting used or new towels and sheets (queen- or twin size).

**BLANKET SUNDAY UPDATE:** On Sunday June 17, Church of the Dunes collected a special offering to support Church World Service's disaster relief efforts around the world. A key part of those relief efforts include providing versatile blankets for those recently affected by disaster. The offering totaled \$835. Thank you for your generous support of this important mission.

**FAMILY PROMISE THANK YOU:** Church of the Dunes hosted families from Family Promise from June 3 – June 10. We hosted three separate families during that week. A special thank goes to the 37 volunteers from this church provided a very welcoming environment for the guests. Thank you to the congregation and staff for being supportive and flexible during the hosting week. Family Promise helps families stay together as they work toward finding appropriate housing and sustainable independence. Church of the Dunes next hosts Family Promise from September 9-15. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Dave Hoffman at (616) 247-8438.

**POP TABS UPDATE:** United Methodist Women are no longer collecting pop tabs for Grand Rapids Community House. We wish to thank the men of Wyoming Park UMC who have been working on this mission for many years. They would sort, clean, and eventually sell the pop tabs and the money would be turned over to Community House. We also want to thank the Church of the Dunes for collecting pop tabs while this mission was going on. If you know of another organization that can use the pop tabs, please help them by continuing to save the tabs.

**A YOUTH ART SHOW** is being planned at Church of the Dunes. The theme is "Nature," based on Acts 4:24 "O Lord, it is you who made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and all that is in them." Students in grades 6 – 12 are invited to submit sculptures, paintings, or drawings to be included in the show. Art show organizers will mat paintings and drawings that are 8x10 and 11x14. It is requested that larger pieces be submitted ready to display. Watch upcoming bulletins for additional details about how and where to submit art for this show.

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS** are available if you would like one to use during the worship services. Please ask an usher or at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. If you would like one to borrow for more than just Sunday morning, there are several copies available in the church library. They are in a purple container in the northeast corner of the library.

**CHURCH OF THE DUNES IS ON FACEBOOK:** You're invited to like and follow us on Facebook. Enter United Methodist Church of the Dunes in the Facebook search bar to find the page. We hope to see you there.

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

### Weekly Receipts

For Operating Expenses

### 2018 Weekly Average

\$9,643

### Weekly Attendance

Sunday Morning Worship

Last Week: 322

Last Year: 242

## ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

**CLASS AND DISCUSSION GROUP SUGGESTIONS:** Plans are underway for fall studies and we would appreciate your input and ideas. Contact Jan Stuart at (231) 366-7252 or leave your suggestion on the forms provided at the Welcome Center.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUMMER SUNDAY CLASSES

**CHILDREN: LEGO FAITH BUILDERS** takes place in the Wiltse Center during both the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. worship services, beginning right after the Time for Children and ending at the conclusion of each worship service. Kids hear a LEGO-themed devotion and a Bible story, then build the story with LEGOs. Kids from kindergarten through entering grade 5 are invited.

**YOUTH: THE SKIT GUYS VIDEO AND DISCUSSION** meets from 9:30 – 10:20 a.m. in the Youth Room on the lower level of the church. The Skit Guys videos are fun to watch and offer great food for thought on a variety of faith-based topics. Youth in grades 6 – 12 are welcome.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. or by appointment. Please note: Pastor Lou's day off is Friday.

**WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Wednesdays at noon.

**DUNES DIGEST** is Church of the Dunes monthly newsletter. It is available by email or by mail. If you are not receiving it and would like to, please contact the church office at (616) 842-7980 or [jblanchard@umcdunes.org](mailto:jblanchard@umcdunes.org). To submit information or an article, please send it to [communications@umcdunes.org](mailto:communications@umcdunes.org), or leave it at the church office. The deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING IS AVAILABLE** at Church of the Dunes. Authorization forms are available at the church office. To sign up online, go to [www.umcdunes.org](http://www.umcdunes.org) and click the "Giving" tab.

## 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 Wednesday at noon each week at (616) 842-7980 or e-mail [jblanchard@umcdunes.org](mailto: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 ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Phyllis Simmons in memory of her husband Roger.

**THANK YOU** to my church family for all your kind thoughts and prayers. My surgery went well and I'm recovered and ready to attend Camp New Day next week with God's children. Your support during my surgery, along with the monetary and prayer support you lifted up for our camp, just reinforces my belief that we are a community of faith and together we can do anything. Larry Fitch

**PLEASE JOIN UNITED METHODISTS AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE PRAYING FOR:** Paine College, Augusta, GA; and James Perdue and Sun Lae Kim, Missionaries.

### MEMBERS AND FRIENDS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

July 9 Lisa Post  
July 10 Luka Ellis (7 yrs.), Gail Merz, Linda Taylor  
July 11 Joyce Bowling  
July 12 Darren Albaugh (8 yrs.), Sendy Grettenberger (15 yrs.), Ethel Kelly (93 yrs.), Amy Stielstra  
July 13 Richard Cole  
July 14 Donna Glockzin, Beth Sheffield, Beth Van Wieren  
July 15 Dan Brouwer, Michelle DeVito, Margaret Freeman, Blair Miller, Joan Riggs (90 yrs.)

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**THE WORSHIP SERVICES ARE VIDEO-TAPED** and the sermon is 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.

**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.