



**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

May 6, 2018

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF THE DUNES**

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# **The Order of Morning Worship**

## **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

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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.*

*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.*

*Our Bible Friends educational opportunity is available in the Nursery during the 10:30 service.*

### **Gathering Music**

#### **Invitation to Worship**

(8:30)

***Come, Now is the Time to Worship***

arr. Schrader

Chancel Choir

(10:30)

***The River is Here  
How Great is Our God***

Andy Park  
Tomlin | Cash | Reeves

#### **Welcome**

#### **\*Hymn of Praise #111**

***How Can We Name a Love***

(red hymnal)

#### **Scripture Reading**

**John 15:9-17**

(NT page 104 in the pew Bible)

#### **Response to the Word**

**Leader:** The commandment that we have from Christ Jesus is that we love one another, treating each other as beloved brothers and sisters. Abide in God's eternal love.

**People:** **We will let the power and joy of this commandment penetrate our hearts, preparing us for new growth in the Spirit. Amen.**

#### **Anthem**

***Let Us Sing, Jubilate Deo!***

Gilpin

Chancel Choir

*"Jubilate Deo! Laudate nomen ejus. Omnis terra laudate."*

*"Shout to the Lord! Praise his name. All the land praise His name."*

#### **Time for Children**

Pastor Lou

*10:30—K-5<sup>th</sup> grades will be lead to Children in Worship (our children's education program).  
Parents, please pick up your children following the service from their rooms in our lower level  
(rooms 8,9,11&12).*

### **Sharing the Word**

**\*(8:30) Hymn #500**

***Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart*** vs. 1, 3 & 5

(red hymnal)

**(10:30) Song of Praise**

***Come, Now is the Time to Worship***

arr. Schrader

Chancel Choir

#### **Scripture Reading**

**Acts 10:44-48**

(NT page 123 in the pew Bible)

#### **Sermon**

**God Chose You**

Rev. Louis Grettenberger

(8:30) **Song of Preparation #6180**

**Let Us Break Bread Together** vs. 1-3

(red hymnal)

### **Responding to the Word**

**Sacrament of Communion and Time of Offering** A Service of Word and Table II #12 (red book)

*Communion will be served by intinction. Come forward via the center aisle as the ushers direct to receive the elements, returning via the side aisles.*

*You may bring your offering and place it in the plates in the center aisle toward the front or by the center, rear sanctuary door.*

*Youth (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) dismissed for Sunday School during the 10:30 service.*

(10:30) **Communion Song** **Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)** by Houston | Crocker | Lighthelm

**Verse 1** 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

**Chorus 1** 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

**Verse 2** 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

**Bridge** 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 Saviour

### **Sending Forth**

**\*Hymn #571**

**Go Make of All Disciples**

(red hymnal)

**\*Benediction**

**\*Chimes**

**\*Parting Music**

**Sunday, May 6, 2018 Communion**

**Liturgists:** (8:30) Eldon Eldred (10:30) Eldon Eldred  
**Ushers:** (8:30) Dale & Pam Zurakowski, Dick Hanby, Bruce Buckley  
(10:30) Rich Cole, Don Adams, Gary & Karyn Gillan  
**Greeters:** (8:30) Gregg Kelly (10:30) Gregg Kelly, Brendan Kelly  
**Welcome Center:** (8:30) Larry & Marion Fitch (10:30) Joann Jarvi  
**Children in Worship:** (10:30) Gay Cole, Jen Cryst, Jennifer Taylor, Gynell Schaner  
**Nursery:** Karen Aspenson, Kisa Weesies  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Tom & Mary Kay Alguire

**Sunday, May 13, 2018**

**Liturgists:** (8:30) Carol Kirchner (10:30) Rich Cole  
**Ushers:** (8:30) Dale & Pam Zurakowski, Dick Hanby, Bruce Buckley  
(10:30) Rich Cole, Don Adams, Michele Dunlap, Rodney Zellman  
**Greeters:** (8:30) Gregg Kelly, Brendan Kelly (10:30) Bruce & Joyce Bowling  
**Welcome Center:** (8:30) Dick & Karen Hanby (10:30) Gregg Kelly  
**Children in Worship:** (10:30) Pam Zurakowski, Amanda Nixon, Pete Hicks, Alissa and Brandon Steury  
**Nursery:** Karen Aspenson, 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:**

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## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

<b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>	<b><u>May 6, 2018</u></b>	<b><u>Communion Sunday</u></b>
8:30 AM-12:00 PM	Nursery Care (for children ages infant-5 years) – Nursery	
8:30 AM	Worship Service – Sanctuary	
9:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center	
9:45 AM	FaithLink Discussion Group “MLK and the Holy Spirit” – Room 4 lower level	
9:45 AM	Carillon Ringers – Choir Loft	
10:30 AM	Worship Service – Sanctuary	
10:45-11:45 AM	(4 yrs.-5 <sup>th</sup> grade) Children in Worship – Worship Centers	
11:15-12:15 AM	Youth Sunday School – Youth Room & the Pit	
11:30 AM	BBQ Book Discussion – Ryder Lounge	
11:30 AM	CIW Team Lunch – Ryder Lounge	
11:30 AM	DVD Discussion Series – LL 13/14	
12:15-1:00 PM	Youth Choir – Choir Room	
6:00-7:30 PM	Youth Group Feast (Cinco de Mayo theme) – Social Hall, Youth Room, Wiltse Center	
<b><u>MONDAY</u></b>	<b><u>May 7, 2018</u></b>	
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Work Bee – Panera Bread	
6:00-8:00 PM	ASL (American Sign Language) Classes – Room 4 & 13/14	
6:30 PM	Homecoming Sunday Meeting – Ryder Lounge	
7:00 PM	Bells of Glory – Choir Loft	
7:15 PM	Men's Softball Game – Coast Guard Park	
<b><u>TUESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>May 8, 2018</u></b>	
9:30-11:00 AM	The Beatitudes Study – Ryder Lounge	
1:00 PM	Esther Circle – Ryder Lounge	
6:30 PM	UMW Board Meeting – Room 4	
6:30 PM	Worship Committee – Conference Room	
	Bear Den-Room 6	
<b><u>WEDNESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>May 9, 2018</u></b>	
9:00 AM	Morning Coffee – Russ' Restaurant	
9:30 AM	Disciple IV – Ryder Lounge	
10:30 AM	Kids & Coffee Playgroup – Nursery	
5:15-6:15 PM	Wednesday Night Supper (Spaghetti) – Social Hall	
6:00 PM	Disciple IV – Room 10	
6:00 PM	Finding Calm in an Anxious World Study – Ryder Lounge	
6:00 PM	Wednesday Women – the Pit (Room 7)	
6:00 PM	Knitters – Conference Room	
6:00-7:00 PM	Child Care (birth-1 <sup>st</sup> grade) – Nursery	
6:00-7:00 PM	Jr. Singers – Choir Room	
6:00-7:00 PM	Youth Small Groups – Youth Room	
7:30 PM	Chancel Choir – Choir Loft	
<b><u>THURSDAY</u></b>	<b><u>May 10, 2018</u></b>	
9:00 PM	Craft Circle – Ryder Lounge	
9:30 AM	Weight Watchers – Social Hall	
6:00-7:00 PM	Tiger Den	
7:00 PM	Creativity, The Arts, and God – Social Hall	
7:00 PM	Ruth Circle – Room 4	
	Wolf Den, Webelos I	
<b><u>FRIDAY</u></b>	<b><u>May 11, 2018</u></b>	
	Pastor Lou's Day Off	
	Faith-focused conference at Gull Lake Ministries	
<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>	<b><u>May 12, 2018</u></b>	
9:00- 12:00 PM	Children's Musical set decorating – Social Hall	
9:30-11:30 AM	Children's Musical Rehearsal	
	Faith-focused conference at Gull Lake Ministries	
1:00 PM	Visitation for Ruth Kelly	
2:00 PM	Service for Ruth Kelly	

## **CALENDAR NOTES FOR SUNDAY MAY 13, 2018** **Mother's Day**

9:35-10:25 AM Messy Spirituality Class – Ryder Lounge

## **Welcome to Church of the Dunes**

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We are glad to have you among us 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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**SUNDAY MAY 20 CHILDREN'S MUSICAL AND YOUTH PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** The children, youth, their parents, and other supportive adults have been working very hard to make May 20<sup>th</sup> a very special Sunday.

- The children will present the faith-based musical "Camp Wallaballa," at both the 8:30 & 10:30 worship services. The songs are inspiring and lots of fun, and the creative set will be a must-see.
- A pancake breakfast (pancakes, sausage, muffins, and fruit) will be served by Church of the Dunes Youth between the first and second service, and after the second service until noon. There is no charge for breakfast; free-will donations are welcome.
- Please join us on May 20 to support Church of the Dunes' kids and youth.

**CHILDREN'S MUSICAL SET CONSTRUCTION:** We'll be working on the set for the musical in the Social Hall on Saturday May 12 beginning at 9:00 a.m. If you've signed up already, thank you. If you've not signed up and would like to help, you're welcome to just show up. For more information, please contact Megan at [mhorist@umcdunes.org](mailto:mhorist@umcdunes.org).

**BROWN BAG SUNDAY** is Sunday May 20. Beginning today, brown paper grocery bags will be available after each service. If you would like to, please take one to fill with non-perishable food items and return it to church on May 20. There is a list on the bag indicating the food items most needed. The food will be given to Love in Action Food Pantries.

**ART EXHIBIT:** An exhibit of linoleum block prints by artist Elizabeth (Betsy) Steele Halstead is on display in the Ryder Lounge and in the hallway between the Ryder Lounge and the Library. The artist is a graduate of Calvin College and Fuller Theological Seminary. The works on display celebrate the richness of Christian symbols and Scripture, and integrate images and text. Please take some time to look at these remarkable works of art. The exhibit will be at Church of the Dunes until the end of May.

**ATTENTION GARDENERS:** It's time to clean up of the flower beds in the front of the church for spring. Would you be willing to lend a hand with this? If so, please contact Mary Merritt (616) 607-8647. Thank you.

**GRADUATION SUNDAY IS JUNE 3:** Are you (or a family member) going to be a 2018 high school graduate? We invite you to join us in a celebration of your accomplishments. We will recognize you at both services, and have a celebration for graduates between the first and second service. For more information on participating in Graduation Sunday, please contact Ashley at [aboersma@umcdunes.org](mailto:aboersma@umcdunes.org).

**LIBRARY WISH LIST:** Are you thinking about spring cleaning your bookshelves? The Church of the Dunes Library is seeking gently-used copies of a group of specific books. The book wish list can be found on the bulletin board next to the church office and in the Library.

**WHITECAPS BASEBALL GAME DAY IS ALMOST HERE** and the May 13 reservation deadline is only a week away. Please join us for the game at 2:00 p.m. on June 10. The ballpark opens at 1:00, with autograph signing and playing catch on the field from 1:15 – 1:30. Dale Zurakowski will be in the Wiltse Center today between services to take reservations. Tickets are \$12.50.

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

### Weekly Receipts

For Operating Expenses

### 2018 Weekly Average

\$9,695

### Weekly Attendance

Sunday Morning Worship    Last Week: 397    Last Year: 329

## ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

*All are welcome to attend the classes and ongoing studies at the church.*

### **Evening Study: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World, Wednesdays, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., Ryder Lounge**

*Facilitator: Pastor Eldon Eldred*

*Anxious For Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World. Reading for Wednesday, May 9: pages 141-152.*

### **NEW STUDY BEGINS IN MAY**

### **Messy Spirituality, a book by Mike Yaconelli, Sundays, 9:35 – 10:25 a.m., Ryder Lounge, Begins May 13**

*Facilitator: Ruth Woodward*

Through this book, we will explore ideas that can cut us loose from the tyranny of ought-tos and the deep spirituality of being loved by the God who meets us and transforms us in the midst of messy and unpredictable lives. *The sign-up sheet is on the Adult Ministries bulletin board, located near the church office. Books will be available at the first class session.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM SEASON OPENER** is tomorrow, May 7. Our Church of the Dunes team plays the "Coasties" at Coast Guard Park in Ferrysburg at 7:15 p.m. Fans are welcome! Please come and cheer on the team on opening day. Interested softball players are welcome; the player fee is \$40. Please contact Mark Walling at [scoutmaster\\_mark@yahoo.com](mailto:scoutmaster_mark@yahoo.com) or (616) 843-4444 for more information. On Monday, May 14, the team plays the "Spare Tires" at 6:15 p.m. at Coast Guard Park.

**WOULD A SUPPORTIVE ELBOW** make your walk from the parking lot into church easier and more comfortable? Ushers and greeters are available to assist. To make advance arrangements for a Sunday, please call the church office by noon the Friday before. Or, stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex to pick up a bright yellow card that indicates your request. Place the card on your dashboard when you arrive so it is visible from the entrance. An usher or greeter will come out to assist you.

**UNITY CHRISTIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL** offers discounted ticket rates through churches for a limited time. This family-friendly, four-day Christian music festival takes place August 8 – 11 at Heritage Landing in Muskegon. For details, please stop by the Youth Ministry bulletin board, located in the hallway between the church office and the Wiltse Center.

**CONCERT TO BENEFIT FAMILY PROMISE:** Ruth and Max Bloomquist will perform a fundraising concert at Family Promise in Muskegon on May 18 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25. For details and ticket information, please contact Jim Merritt at (616) 607-8647 or [mjjacken@gmail.com](mailto:mjjacken@gmail.com)

**ESTHER CIRCLE** meets on Tuesday May 8 at 1:00 p.m. in the Ryder Lounge. Susan Thorpe will be speaking; the topic is "Caregiving for the Elderly (Dementia and Alzheimer's)." All women are welcome and invited to attend.

## 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 9:00 a.m. 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

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given by Joyce Martyn in memory of Doug Martyn

**THANK YOU:** We are so blessed to be included in the UMC Dunes family. The caring spirit of everyone at the UMC Dunes has been wonderful and so understanding, especially since my Parkinson's Disease diagnosis within the last two years and, most recently, since my diagnosis of bladder cancer. Special thanks are due the Ladies of the Panera Bread Prayer Shawl Group for the beautiful shawl, Pastor Eldon for his visit, and for all the cards, calls, prayers, and communications of concern. Thanks, also, for the beautiful basket of flowers from the UMC Dunes on the day after my first chemo treatment. Thanks, as well, to my wonderful caregiver of almost 58 years, Phyllis. Bruce Moody

**CHURCH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL BE CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** May 9- Mary Nelson (92 yrs.); 10-Jessica Boyer (16 yrs.), Connie Dean, Deborah Olson; 12-Rhea Eldred, Emily Jensen, Theron Stone; 13-Linda Daugherty, Marna Jeffery

**PLEASE JOIN UNITED METHODISTS AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE PRAYING FOR:** Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House, East St. Louis, Illinois; and Larry Schmitz and Carla Warnock, Missionaries.

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## INFORMATION

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

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

**FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY ON SUNDAYS:** The flower sign-up chart is on the wall outside the Wiltse Center. The cost is \$30; church office staff will order the flowers for you. For more information, please contact the church office at (616) 842-7980.

**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.