

FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

love,
joy,
peace,
patience,
kindness,
goodness,
faithfulness,
gentleness,
and self-control



Galatians 5:22-23

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 1, 2017**

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF THE DUNES

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The Order of Morning Worship

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 1, 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.

Welcome

Choral Introit

Introit With Alleluias!

Arr. Harlan

Chancel Choir

Opening Prayer

Leader: Almighty God, even as the drums of warfare beat on through the night, even as the cries of injustice linger in the morning, even as the hustle of busyness rumbles through the day, quiet our hearts. Still our thoughts. Join us in our worship. Remember us in your mercy as we try to remember you, through the proclamation of your good news, in story and in song, and through the hospitality of your gracious table. Welcome us again, one Lord, Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

• Hymn of Praise

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

(red book) No. 89

Prayer of Confession (unison)

All: Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace: You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry. You have promised us the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished, too, Lord. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again. Transform us, at this table, and for this table, and send us from this table as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Leader: Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows. Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows. And even when our hearts feel barren, God's love overflows. Friends, you have been called and claimed by the God of all things, and by the abundance of God's grace, and by the power of God's love, your sins have been forgiven. Go in peace.

All: 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.*

Anthem

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

arr. Ellingboe

Chancel Choir

Informal Moments

Please be sure to sign the friendship pad as it is passed along your row.

Time for the Child In All of Us

Pastor Lou

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

8:30—Worship bags for children 5 and up are available in the Cry Room.

10:30—Toddlers-Young 5's may attend Bible Friends in the Nursery.

10:30—Children in Kindergarten-5th grades will be lead to their CIW rooms (8,9,11,12) downstairs.

Parents, please pick up your children at 12:15 from their rooms downstairs.

- **Hymn of Illumination** **We Are Singing** (black book) No. 2235-a
- **Scripture Readings** **Psalm 30** (OT page 487 in the pew Bible)
Philippians 4:4-7 (NT page 187 in the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Good News for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

**Character Wanted:
Joy: An Inside Job**

Rev. Louis Grettenberger

Response to the Word

We respond to God's Word by offering prayers, our gifts and our service for the world and one another.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

A Service of Word and Table "The Great Thanksgiving" (red book) No. 9

Communion will be served to you in the pews. Please take the bread, hold it until all are served, then we will commune together on this World Communion Sunday. The same will be done for the cup.

Communion Music

Come and Share Our Bread
Chancel Choir

by Tom Council

Offering

10:30--Youth (6th-12th grades) dismissed for Sunday School

- **Prayer of Dedication** (unison)
Gracious God, you create more than we could ever hope to return. You share more than we could ever hope to deserve. And yet, we pray, accept these humble gifts. May they honor and glorify you in all creation, and may they empower us for the work of witness and service, for the sake of justice, and for the sake of peace, now and forever. Amen.

Sending Forth

*The people are sent into ministry
with the Lord's Blessing.*

- **Hymn of Dedication** **I Come with Joy** (red book) No. 617
- **Benediction and Chimes**
- **Postlude**

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Sunday, October 1, 2017 World Communion Sunday

Liturgists: (8:30) Jan Stuart (10:30) Greg Preston

Organist: Marna Jeffery

Ushers: (8:30) Don & Ruth Woodward, Dick & Shirley Good
(10:30)

Greeters: (8:30) Jeanine Wolff (10:30) Barry & Mary Huntington

Welcome Center: (8:30) John North & Susan Klooster (10:30) Darlene Graska

CIW: Gay Cole, Crystal Dabrowski, Jennifer Taylor, Gynell Schaner, Pam Zurakowski, Laura Burns

Nursery: Karen Aspenson, Michele McCracken

Coffee Fellowship: Don & Vicki Reis, Bill & Vicki Fritsma

Sunday, October 8, 2017

Liturgists: (8:30) Marion Fitch (10:30) Jerry VanderMolen

Organist: Marna Jeffery

Ushers: (8:30) Don & Ruth Woodward, Dick & Shirley Good
(10:30)

Greeters: (8:30) T & Bonnie Stone (10:30) Tom & Gail Ringelberg

Welcome Center: (8:30) Alice Furst (10:30) Shirley Batchelder

CIW: Pam Zurakowski, Jen Cryst, Kevin McCracken, Tracee Cole

Nursery: Karen Aspenson

Coffee Fellowship: Don & Jan Lipfert, John & Gwen Bartels

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

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>October 1, 2017</u>	<u>WORLD COMMUNION/CROP WALK</u>
8:30 AM-12:00 PM	Nursery Care (for children ages 0-5 years) – Nursery	
8:30 AM	Worship Service – Sanctuary (Children Ages 5-5 th grade may use a worship bag found in the Cry Room)	
9:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center	
9:45 AM	FaithLink Discussion Group “Hurricane Harvey” – Room 4 downstairs. Visitors are always welcome to attend this group.	
10:30 AM	Worship Service – Sanctuary	
10:30 AM	CIW Team Meeting – LL Room 13/14	
10:45 AM-12:15 PM	Children In Worship (Kindergarten-5 th Grade) – Rooms 8/9 & 11/12 downstairs	
11:15 AM-12:15 PM	Youth Sunday School – 9 th -12 th grades in the Youth Room, 6 th -8 th grades in the Pit (Room 7)	
11:30 AM	BBQ Book Discussion – Ryder Lounge	
11:30 AM	Ray Vander Laan Series – LL 13/14	
11:30 AM	Parenting Discussion Group – Wiltse Center	
12:15-1:00 PM	Youth Choir – Choir Room	
1:00-4:00 PM	CROP Walk	
6:00-7:30 PM	Youth Group Feast at Pottawatomie Park (WC for rain backup)	
<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>October 2, 2017</u>	
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Work Bee – Panera Bread	
6:00-8:00 PM	American Sign Language Classes – LL 13/14 & Room 4	
7:00 PM	Bells of Glory – Choir Loft	
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>October 3, 2017</u>	
9:30 AM	Living Prayer Study – Ryder Lounge	
11:00 AM	Staff Meeting – Ryder Lounge	
6:30 PM	UMW Board Meeting – Wiltse Center	
6:30 PM	Missions – Ryder Lounge	
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>October 4, 2017</u>	
9:00 AM	Morning Coffee – Russ’ Restaurant	
9:30 AM	Disciple IV – Ryder Lounge	
5:15-6:15 PM	Wednesday Night Supper (Bengal Tiger Chicken) – Social Hall	
6:00-7:15 PM	Men’s Study – Rooms 13/14	
6:00-7:00 PM	Jr. Singers/Chimers – Choir Loft	
6:00-7:00 PM	Youth Small Groups – Youth Room	
6:00-7:00 PM	Child Care (for children birth-1 st grade) – Nursery	
6:00 PM	Knitters – Conference Room	
6:00 PM	Disciple IV – Room 10	
6:00 PM	Present Over Perfect Book Study – Ryder Lounge	
7:30 PM	Chancel Choir – Choir Loft	
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>October 5, 2017</u>	
9:30 AM	Weight Watchers – Social Hall	
1:00 PM	Friends – Ryder Lounge	
7:00 PM	Creativity, The Arts, and God – Social Hall	
7:00 PM	Cub Scout Committee Meeting – Room 10	
7:00 PM	Mary Circle – Ryder Lounge	
<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>October 6, 2017</u>	
	No Scheduled Events	
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>October 7, 2017</u>	
	No Scheduled Events	

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.

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 newcomer 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."

HURRICANE RELIEF: We are accepting contributions for UMCOR's relief and recovery efforts for all of the recent hurricanes. Checks should be made out to Church of the Dunes. You may write "Hurricane Relief" on the memo line.

YOUTH GROUP FALL MISSION: The members of our Youth Group are working to put together fifteen cleaning buckets to send to UMCOR to help Texas and Florida with the cleanup from Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. We have a trifold board with tags on it that will be in the Wiltse Center Between Services on Sunday mornings. Each tag contains an item and a description of the item per UMCOR. Take a tag off the board, purchase your items, and bring the items to church with the tag attached to them. You may also contact Ashley Boersma during the week. If you wish to give financially, the youth will go out and purchase the remaining items we need to fill the buckets. Please turn in all donations by Sunday, October 8.

CROP WALK - Join us today at Spring Lake Christian Reformed Church. The walk should kick-off around 2 p.m. See Blair Miller in the Wiltse Center entryway for details to walk or to give.

THE DUNESMEN will meet on Monday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. Bill Cansfield has assembled a team that will share mission experiences from 1990 to 2017. All are invited, but please R.S.V.P. to Dave Hoffman at 616-847-8438 or dphoffman@gmail.com so he can plan the light meal.

SACRED AGING WORKSHOP: Saturday, October 14 from 9:00 a.m.-noon at Church of the Dunes. This workshop will explore the myths and truths about aging. Learn how to improve memory, when to seek the advice of a professional, find the community resources you never knew existed and stay connected with your cohorts! Any adult on the aging journey or caring for someone that is aging are welcome to attend, and it's FREE! Pre-register by email at gaylejycox@gmail.com or call 616-842-7980.

THE MONDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: will be meeting on Monday, October 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the Ryder Lounge. We will be discussing the book, *Strength in What Remains* by Tracy Kidder.

THANK YOU FOR DONATING YOUR CEREAL BOXES FOR THE CHILDREN'S BIBLE COVER PROJECT. When we set out to collect eighty boxes in three weeks it seemed almost impossible but you came through with generosity! We collected over one hundred boxes!! Be watching for the kids carrying their new Bible covers—and know that your cereal boxes are inside—your prayers and support surround them. Thank you for your continued prayers and commitment to our Children's Ministries. -Laura Burns

JUBILATION CHOIR: Jubilation Choir will sing on October 29 at both services. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays, October 11, 18 & 25 from 6:45-7:30 p.m. in the choir loft! Come sing!!!

HARVEST CELEBRATION PIG ROAST & POTLUCK: Sunday, October 8 beginning at 1:30 pm. at Neal & Mary Anne Miller's – 10856 Stump Street, Grand Haven. In case of rain we have reserved the Wiltse Center. Enjoy a walk in the woods, a hayride, trampoline, campfire, pumpkin hunt, apple dunking, horseshoe tournament and Intergenerational play led by Doug Devries. As an added treat, Pete Peterson has arranged for the Banjo Band to join us and entertain us with their music. Please bring 2 of the following: LARGE FAMILY SIZE SALAD, HOT VEGETABLE DISH, DESSERT, RELISH TRAY OR ROLLS to share, plus your own table service & favorite lawn chair. Coffee, cider and the delicious pig will be furnished. Reservation forms are available at the Welcome Center or from the church office. You can also RSVP at: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E4EA8AD28A0FB6-2017. The reservation deadline is Sunday, October 1. 10 a.m. Saturday Dunesmen meet at the church to load up tables and chairs to take to Neal's. Tear down Sunday after the festivities and return them to the church. Need a couple of guys to direct traffic and assist with parking, etc.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Weekly Receipts

For Operating

2017 Weekly Average

\$10,246

Weekly Attendance

Last Week: 310

Last Year: 371

SALVATION ARMY NEEDS: cereal, toilet paper, paper towels, dish soap, laundry soap, canned beef stew, and canned pastas such as ravioli and spaghetti-o's. Donated items may be placed in the basket in the Cry Room.

NAME TAGS: If you would like a new magnetic name tag, please write your name on the list on the clipboard on the table in the Cry Room near the name tag rack. Once your name tag has been completed you may find it on or near the clipboard. Please allow up to two weeks for your name tag to be completed. An alphabetical listing including name tag numbers may be found in the notebook located in the Cry Room.

MEET AND GREET UPDATE: There were thirteen hosts, one hundred twenty attendees and lots of great feedback. Thank you to all who participated. More Meet and Greets are in the works – more information will be provided.

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.

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 Wednesday 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 Rick and Darcie Clapp in honor of their 20th wedding anniversary on October 4.

Lola Yocum (Gayle Cox's mother) was moved to Heartwood Lodge this past week for rehabilitation.

Matthew Bauer and Emily Fries are pleased to announce their recent engagement to their Church family! Matthew grew up in our church and Emily currently resides in Ada, Michigan. They couldn't be happier and wanted to thank our great Lord for bringing them together!

CHURCH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL BE CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: October 2- William Fritsma, Jessica Woodward; 3-Bruce Buckley, Florence Dorn, Wynne Martin, Lydia Suchecki; 4-Adrienne Larson (15 yrs.), Dottie Strabel, Michael Zitta; 5-Mason Cook (2 yrs.); 6-Colleen Braden; 7-Chuck Garrod, Alex Mann.

PLEASE JOIN UNITED METHODISTS AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE PRAYING FOR: United Methodist Neighborhood Centers, Chattanooga, Tennessee; and Helen Lovelace, 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.

COMMUNION HELPERS NEEDED: We are requesting preparers and servers for upcoming communions. Please consider helping and head to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4eaea82caaf94-umcdunes> to select a day, time and job you'd like to sign up for.

November 5th and December 3rd are communion by intinction.

- Preparers: For each service we'll need 2 preparers. One preparer will also serve at seats.
- Servers: For each service we'll need 2 pairs of servers up front, in addition to the Pastor and Liturgist.

The Sign Up Genius site has each slot indicated. You will need to sign in with an email address and password. If you haven't used Sign Up Genius before, you'll need to create an account. It is super easy to use. You will get a reminder email from Sign Up Genius a week before your Sunday. You can also head to the link above at any time to view your slot. If you have any questions, please reply to Lori, or give her a call at 517-214-4931. If you'd prefer, we can sign you up and you won't need to log on. Just email or call Lori with your day/time and job preference.