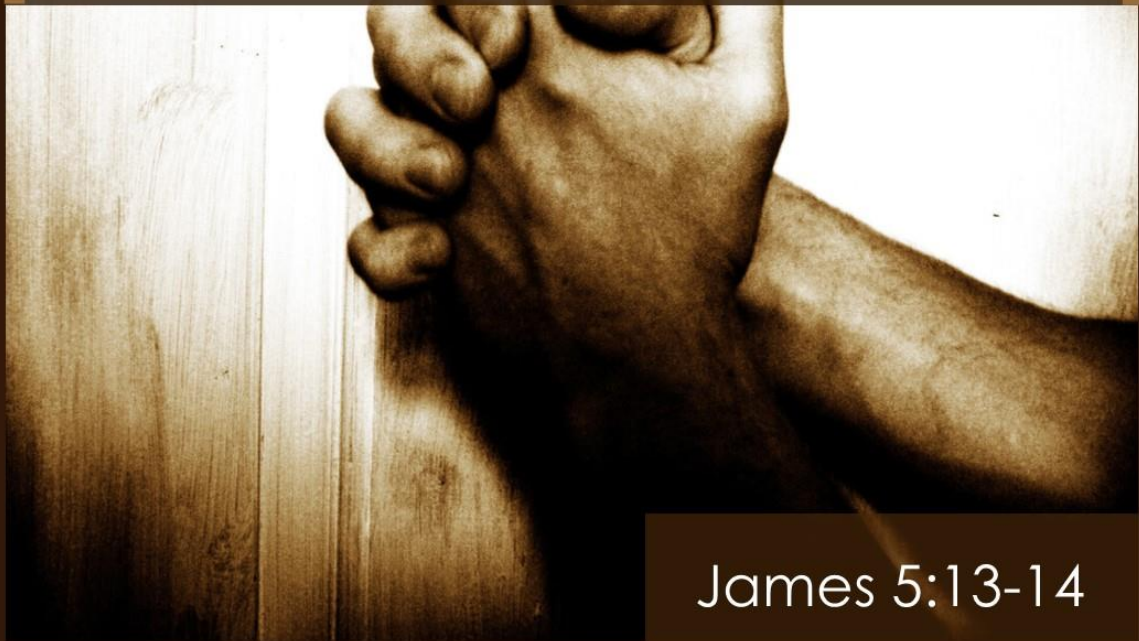


Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord.



James 5:13-14

**September 30, 2018**

**United Methodist Church of the Dunes**

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# **The Order of Morning Worship**

## **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

September 30, 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**

### **Welcome**

**(10:30) Kids' Choir**

### **Announcements**

### **Invitation to Worship**

**"He is Exalted"**

arr. Pethel

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

Leader: Are any among you suffering?

**People: Then let us pray.**

Leader: Are any cheerful?

**People: Then let us sing songs of praise.**

Leader: Are any among you sick?

**People: Then let us turn to each other for God's healing touch.**

Leader: The prayer of faith will save us,

**People: And God will lift us up.**

### **\*Hymn of Praise #170**

**"O How I Love Jesus"**

(red hymnal)

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

**Creating and rescuing God, your power amazes us. Yet even in our amazement, we take too long to turn to you, forgetting that you are the power that makes and saves and sustains us. Even when we claim your power, we often do so for our own success and comfort, ignoring your command to use your power on behalf of the weak, the small, and the vulnerable. In Jesus Christ, you show us that you are on the side of all people, but never at the expense of the weakest among us. Forgive us when we try to hoard you for ourselves and try to control who has access to your love. Forgive us when our greed, our control, and our scandals keep others from knowing you. Redeem us and transform us, O God. Open our hearts, our lives, and our ministries that we may become a doorway to your realm. Amen.**

### **Words of Assurance**

### **Response**

**(10:30)**

**"Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone"**

Newton/Tomlin/Giglio

### **Time for Children**

Pastor Lou

*(8:30 & 10:30) LEGOS Faithbuilders (for kids K-5<sup>th</sup> grade).*

*Teachers will lead the children to the Hosanna Room (lower level, room 8).*

*Parents may meet their children there after the service.*

Encouragement Moment

Rich Cole

Anthem

*“Soli Deo Gloria”*

arr. Hayes

### **Sharing the Word**

Scripture Reading

James 5: 13-20 (NRSV)

(NT page 213 in the pew Bible)

The Prayer of Faith

13 Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise.  
14 Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them,  
anointing them with oil in the name of the lord. 15 The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will  
raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. 16 Therefore confess your sins to  
one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is  
powerful and effective. 17 Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain,  
and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. 18 Then he prayed again, and the heaven  
gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

Sermon

**“Prayers of the People”**

Rev. Louis Grettenberger

Response

(8:30) #371

**“There is a Balm”**

(red hymnal)

(10:30)

**“Holy Spirit”**

Torwalt/Torwalt

Time of Prayer and Anointing

### **Responding to the Word**

Offering

**“Lord of the Dance”**

arr. Hart

\*Prayer of Dedication

### **Sending Forth**

\*Final Song

**“Lord of the Dance”**

(repeat twice)

Dance, then, wherever you may be,  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he

\*Benediction

\*Chimes

\*Parting Music

**Sunday, September 30, 2018**

**Liturgists:** (8:30) Karyn Gillan (10:30) Jan Lipfert  
**Sound Board Operators:** (8:30) Roger Cox (10:30) Blair Miller  
**Ushers:** (8:30) Bruce Buckley, Sam Easterly, Doug & Susan Thorpe  
(10:30) Doug Mitchell; Matt Horist, Cole Horist, Gary Gillan  
**Greeters:** (8:30) Dale Martin (10:30) The Zellman Family  
**Welcome Center:** (8:30) Dale & Pam Zurakowski (10:30) Betty Johnston  
**LEGO Faithbuilders:** (8:30) Pam Zurakowski (10:30) Justin Graegin  
**Nursery:** Kisa Weesies, Madalyn Hanson  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Bill and Vicki Fritsma

**Sunday, October 7, 2018**

**Liturgists:** (8:30) Sandee Klop (10:30) Gregg Kelly  
**Sound Board Operators:** (8:30) Gail Ringelberg (10:30) Don Woodward  
**Ushers:** (8:30) Jack & Char Grevel, Don Woodward, and Denny Stuart  
**Greeters:** (8:30) Dale and Pam Zurakowski (10:30) Pam and Rich Suchecki  
**Welcome Center:** (8:30) Larry & Marion Fitch (10:30) Darlene Graska  
**Nursery:** Kisa Weesies, 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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Covenant Missionaries.....	Dr. Lester & Debbie Dornon

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

### **SUNDAY**      **September 30, 2018**

- 8:30 AM-12:00 PM Nursery Care (for children ages infant-5 years) – Nursery
- 8:30 AM Traditions Worship – Sanctuary
- 8:45-9:45 AM LEGO Faithbuilders – Hosanna Room (lower level, room 8)
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center
- 9:30-10:20 AM Messy Spirituality – Ryder Lounge
- 9:40-10:20 AM Youth Sunday School – Pit & Youth Room
- 9:45-10:20 AM FaithLink Discussion Group “A trip to Israel and Palestine” – Room 4 lower level
- 10:00-10:25 AM Kid’s Choir – Social Hall
- 10:30 AM Elements Worship – Sanctuary
- 10:45-11:45 AM LEGO Faithbuilders – Hosanna Room (lower level, room 8)
- 11:30 AM-12:15 PM Youth Choir – Choir Room
- 11:30-12:20 PM DVD Bible Study “My Rock and My Fortress” – Room 13/14
- 11:30-12:20 PM BBQ Book Discussion – Ryder Lounge
- 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Group – Youth Room, Social Hall, Wiltse Center

### **MONDAY**      **October 1, 2018**

- 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Work Bee – Panera Bread
- 6:00-8:00 PM ASL Classes – Rooms 4 & 13/14
- 7:00 PM Bells of Glory – Choir Loft

### **TUESDAY**      **October 2, 2018**

- 9:30-11:30 AM Women’s Study – Ryder Lounge
- 11:00 AM Staff Meeting – Ryder Lounge
- 6:30-9:15 PM Lay Servant Classes – Rooms 13/14 & 10
- 6:30 PM UMW Board – Room 4
- 6:30 PM Missions – Ryder Lounge
- 6:30 PM Webelos 1 – Scout Room
- 7:00 PM Trustees – Conference Room

### **WEDNESDAY**      **October 3, 2018**

- 9:00 AM Morning Coffee – Russ’ Restaurant
- 4:00-5:00 PM Kid’s Connection – Wiltse Center
- 5:15-6:00 PM Supper – Social Hall (Menu: Red Chili and White Chili)
- 6:00 PM Knitters – Conference Room
- 6:00-7:00 PM Youth Small Group – Youth Room
- 6:00-6:30 PM Chimers – Choir Loft (grades 2-6)
- 6:00-7:00 PM Singers – Choir Room (grades 2-6)
- 7:30-8:30 PM Chancel Choir – Choir Loft

### **THURSDAY**      **October 4, 2018**

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers – Social Hall
- 7:00 PM Cub Scout Committee Meeting – Room 10
- 7:00 PM Mary Circle – Ryder Lounge
- 7:00 PM Creativity, the Arts & God – Social Hall
- 7:15-8:30 PM Men’s Bible Study – Room 4

### **FRIDAY**      **October 5, 2018**

Pastor Lou’s Day Off

### **SUNDAY**      **October 7, 2018 Communion - CROP Walk**

- 8:30 AM-12:00 PM Nursery Care (for children ages infant-5 years) – Nursery
- 8:30 AM Traditions Worship – Sanctuary
- 8:45-9:45 AM Children in Worship – Worship Centers
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship – Wiltse Center
- 9:30 AM Messy Spirituality – Ryder Lounge
- 9:40-10:20 AM Youth Sunday School – Pit & Youth Room
- 9:45-10:20 AM FaithLink Discussion Group “Athletes & Activism” – Room 4 lower level
- 10:00-10:25 AM Kid’s Choir – Social Hall
- 10:30 AM Elements Worship – Sanctuary
- 10:45-11:45 AM Children in Worship – Worship Centers
- 11:30-12:15 PM Youth Choir – Choir Room
- 11:30-12:20 PM DVD Bible Study “The Time Has Fully Come” – Room 13/14
- 11:30-12:20 PM BBQ Book Discussion – Ryder Lounge
- 1-4:00 PM CROP Walk – Hope Reformed
- 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Group – Youth Room, Social Hall, Wiltse Center

## **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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**IT'S TIME TO RSVP FOR HOMECOMING SUNDAY:** *Homecoming Sunday is coming soon.* The planning team is adding the final details to this wonderful event scheduled for October 21. Come to the 8:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. worship service, attend coffee fellowship time, see a display of memorabilia and photos, and join us for the catered lunch following 10:30 a.m. worship. Don't miss it! RSVP by calling the church office or simply use the attendance pads circulated in your pew to add the number of persons in your party in the address column.

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS** are available if you would like to use one during the worship services. Please ask an usher or at the welcome center in the Narthex.

**HANDBELL RINGERS:** Church of the Dunes adult bell choir, Bells of Glory, is looking for more ringers. Would you like to join a great group of people and ring bells in the adult bell choir? Please contact Music Director Meg at [mhorist@umcdunes.org](mailto:mhorist@umcdunes.org). Rehearsals are on Monday evenings from 7 – 8 p.m. Bells of Glory plays for worship one Sunday per month.

**COOKIE WALK SAVE THE DATE:** Church of the Dunes' United Methodist Women will host the annual cookie walk on Saturday, December 1 in the Wiltse Center fellowship area. Shoppers can stroll through a variety of holiday baked goods, select some for purchase, and pay by the pound.

**USHERS FOR 10:30 WORSHIP:** You are invited to be a part of the important—and fun—work of ushering for worship services. Ushers are needed for the 10:30 a.m. service during the months of October, November, and December. This is a great way to serve the church. For more information, or to sign up, please contact Gary Gillan at (616) 842-1362. No experience? No problem. Gary and others are glad to help new ushers learn the duties.

**WELCOME CENTER:** There are openings for Welcome Center volunteers for the 8:30 a.m. service on dates in October and November. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board next to the church office.

**HURRICANE RELIEF:** The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is asking for disaster relief funds to assist victims of Hurricane Florence and Typhoon Mangkhut. For more information, visit [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org). You may also make a donation in the offering here at church. Please note UMCOR Disaster Relief in the memo line of your check.

**CROP HUNGER WALK IS NEXT SUNDAY,** October 7. There is still time to sign up to walk or to donate in support of a CROP hunger walker. We have at least 10 walkers from Church of the Dunes so far. In recent years, Church of the Dunes' CROP walkers have raised *almost* \$3,000. Will this be the year that we break through that ceiling? Would you like to join us to help make a difference for the hungry? The walk begins at 2 p.m. at Hope Reformed Church in Grand Haven, with registration and a light soup meal before. See Blair Miller in the entryway near the church office to sign up to walk or to give, or call him at (616) 212-1040.

## BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE UPDATE

### 2018 Weekly Offering

For Operating Expenses  
September 9 Offering: \$7,909

### **Weekly Average Received**

\$9,273

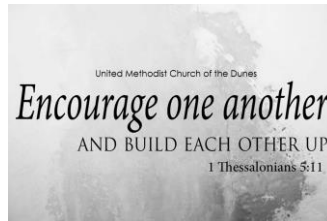
### **Weekly Average Budgeted**

\$10,645

### Weekly Attendance

Sunday Morning Worship      Last Week: 268      Last Year: 316

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Church of the Dunes is asking for your continuing support and prayers as it addresses a financial challenge. There was a significant decline in giving during the summer months. The shortfall in monthly offerings to budget in June was \$9,000. The shortfall was \$11,000 in July, and \$11,000 again in August. If you are in a position to catch up on offerings missed, or to assist with making up the shortfall, your gifts would be welcome and appreciated.



**ENCOURAGEMENT TEAM:** Today, a member of the Encouragement Team will share thoughts on the needs of our church and living the Good News. The team was formed to address the current operating budget shortfall and help our church move forward. Thank you for considering the important messages these folks have to share.

Last Sunday, Dave Hoffman spoke about how change can be a very good thing, and he encouraged us to share the Good News.

## LEARNING FOR ALL AGES

**CHILDREN:** LEGO Faith Builders takes place during both the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. worship services, beginning right after the Time for Children and ending shortly after at the conclusion of each worship service. LEGO Faith Builders meets in the Hosanna room (Room 8), on the lower level of the church.

**YOUTH:** Youth Sunday School meets from 9:40 – 10:20 a.m. Grades 6-8 meet in The Pit and grades 9-12 meet in the Youth Room. Both locations are on the lower level.

**ADULTS:** Several fall classes and discussion groups have begun, and others begin in the coming days and weeks. There are 10 classes offered this fall, on a wide variety of topics. Class descriptions and schedules can be found on the Adult Ministries bulletin board near the church office or pick up a flyer at the Welcome Center.

## 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 if you or a family member is hospitalized, going to be having surgery, or are homebound and would like a visit. Please let us know if you have experienced a death in your family. Because of confidentiality laws in place, we need you to keep us up to date. We would like to be supportive, and appreciate your help. Thank you.

## PRAISE GOD FOR

**THE FLOWERS** in the Sanctuary are given by Kyle and Kabri Martyniek in honor of their 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary and from Norma Scrivnor in memory of her husband Webb.

**THANK YOU** to the prayer shawl knitters for the beautiful shawl. I would also like to thank Pastor Lou and others in the church family for their phone calls, prayers, and calls. Rich Cole

**THANKS** to all my Church of the Dunes family for your thoughts and prayers, and cards, as I went through surgery and the start of my recovery (which is going well). Thanks also to the shawl group for my cozy shawl, and to Pastor Lou for your calls and prayers. Our prayers were answered as the portion of colon removed was non-cancerous. Again, thank you all and God Bless. Barry Huntington

**PLEASE JOIN UNITED METHODISTS AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE PRAYING FOR:** United Methodist Neighborhood Centers, Chattanooga, TN and Brian Vinson, Missionary.

### MEMBERS AND FRIENDS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Oct 1	Robert Zitta
Oct 2	William Fritsma, Jessica Woodward
Oct 3	Bruce Buckley, Florence Dorn (90 yrs.), Wynne Martin, Lydia Suchecki
Oct 4	Adrienne Larson (16 yrs.), Dottie Strabel, Michael Zitta
Oct 5	Mason Cook (3 yrs.)
Oct 6	Colleen Braden
Oct 7	Chuck Garrod, Alex Mann

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

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

**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-TAPED** and sermons are posted for later viewing on our church website. (Currently, we are experiencing technical difficulties with posting the sermons on the website, and are working to address the issue.) 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.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING IS AVAILABLE:** Sign up by contacting the church office or online at [www.umcdunes.org](http://www.umcdunes.org) and click the "Giving" tab.