

**January 10, 2021**

*Baptism of the Lord*

**United Methodist Church of the Dunes**  
717 Sheldon Road, Grand Haven, Michigan

**Lou Grettenberger, Senior Pastor**

**We Gather**

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

**We Praise God**

Invitation to Worship

Leader: The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

**People: Jesus emerges from the water.**

Leader: And a voice echoes through the blue expanse:

**People: "This is my child, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."**

Leader: Jesus is named and claimed.

**People: We come to the water. We remember we are named and claimed.**

Leader: Can it be so? What a thing to be named and claimed.

**People: Let us worship the one who names and claims us still.**

Hymn #545

*"The Church's One Foundation"*

Children's Message

**Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful Lord, we confess that within us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich and through Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Forgive us our sins, O Lord. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. When we are empty, fill us with Your spirit. When we are weak in faith; strengthen us with more of you. When we are cold in love; warm us, and make our hearts fervent for you that our love may go out to one another, to our neighbors and to the world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

May the God of peace sanctify you completely. And may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful. It is the Lord who will do this.

Reflection on Offering

Worship Song

*"Holy Spirit"*

Torwalt/Torwalt  
Meg Horist

**Prayer of Dedication**

**God of redemption and new life, we focus once more this day on the greatest gift ever given – Jesus, our Savior. As he was baptized by John in the Jordan, we were able to share in his baptism and receive the promise of sharing in Jesus' resurrection. As we leave a painful year behind and look with hope to the new year ahead, help us to live and give of ourselves as those who know every day what a great gift we have been given. May it move us to give our whole selves more freely! In the name of Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray, Amen.**

## We Share the Word

A Reading from the Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Hymn #420

*"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*

A Reading from the New Testament

Acts 19:1-7

Sermon

*"Come and Fill"*

Pastor Lou

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## We Respond to the Word

\*Final Hymn #404

*"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"*

## We are Sent Forth

\*Benediction

\*Parting Music

*\*Stand as you are able*



## Mark 1:4-11

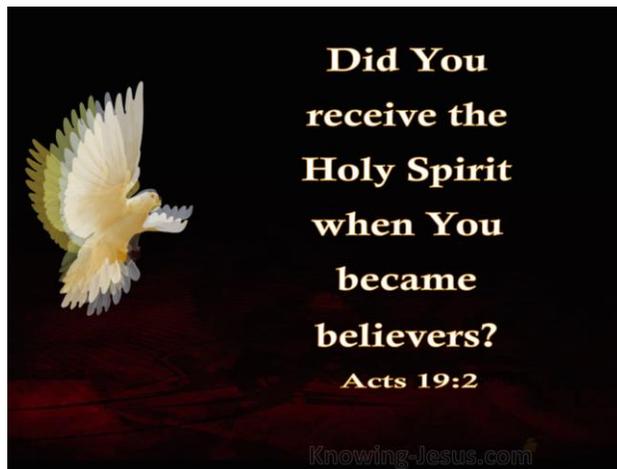
John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."



## **Acts 19:1-7**

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.



## **SERVICE PARTICIPANTS**

**Lou Grettenberger – Pastor**

**Carla Kocher - Announcements**

**Kay Cansfield – Online Liturgist**

**Megan Horist – Music & Production**

**Marna Jeffery – Organ & Keyboard**

Church of the Dunes is a family of faith which seeks to:

- grow in God's grace and love
- challenge and equip all members to be faithful disciples
- share the Good News
- demonstrate and reflect the love of God

## **CHURCH STAFF AND CONTACT INFORMATION**

Ministers:	all members of the congregation
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A staff member will answer calls to the church office (616-842-7980) from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. For pastoral emergencies, please call Pastor Lou directly on his cell phone listed above. Staff members are monitoring emails. The church building is still closed at this time.

Sunday, January 10, 2021

**Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Online Worship Service at [www.umcdunes.org](http://www.umcdunes.org)**

Visit [www.umcdunes.org/worship](http://www.umcdunes.org/worship) to view the online worship service. Each Sunday worship service will be posted beginning at 8:30 a.m. and is available to watch throughout the day and week. You can also find these on the church's YouTube channel. To find the channel, type Church of the Dunes YouTube into an internet search.

Announcements

**TO CONTACT STAFF:**

A staff member is answering phones Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Staff are available by email. For emergencies and pastoral care, please call (231) 883-9806.

**CHURCH OF THE DUNES IS ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM:**

In 2020, Church of the Dunes moved to a new Facebook page. To connect with the current Facebook page, log in and search for @UMCDunes. On Instagram, you can find Church of the Dunes at @churchofthedunes.

**IN-PERSON GATHERINGS PAUSED:**

In-person worship services and in-person gatherings on church grounds are currently paused. Masks and social distancing are required on church grounds – both indoors and outdoors. Thank you for your help as we work to support the good health of one another and our community.

## Welcome

*The United Methodist Church of the Dunes aspires to love as Jesus loved.  
We open our hearts, minds, and doors to all.*

*This congregation invites persons of all races, sexual orientations and gender identities, ages, abilities, and socio-economic status to participate fully in all aspects of the Christian life.*

## Praises, Prayers, and Thanks

**THANK YOU:** Dear Church Family, thank you for your ongoing prayers, love, and support following Harold's death. We will wait to plan a service until a time when it is safer to gather to celebrate his life. *Gail Merz*

**PLEASE JOIN OTHERS AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE PRAYING FOR** Amarillo Wesley Community Center, Amarillo, TX; and Eunha Kim, Missionary

### **MEMBERS AND FRIENDS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

Jan 11 Candace VanWiern  
Jan 12 Ashley Boersma, Jillaena Weesies (17)  
Jan 13 Ed Lystra  
Jan 15 Carol Finke

## Giving and Attendance

<u>Date/Week Of</u>	<u>Offerings Received</u>	<u>Weekly Average Year-to-Date</u>	<u>Weekly Budgeted</u>
January 3	\$10,700	-	\$9,385

To give by mail, please send offering to United Methodist Church of the Dunes, 717 Sheldon Road, Grand Haven, MI 49417. To give online, visit <https://umcdunes.org/give/>.

**Online worship:** As of January 5, the January 3 online worship service had 81 views. Each "view" may include multiple members of the same household watching together.

## Contact

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