



I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT
ON ALL PEOPLE

ACTS 2:1-21

May 19, 2024

PENTECOST SUNDAY

United Methodist Church of the Dunes

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We Gather

Gathering Music & Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

Threshold Moment

Introit

"Lift Your Light"

McDonald
Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence!

People: Let your flame burn within us, stirring us to action.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives.

People: Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us from complacency.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessing on us.

People: Let your presence challenge us to proclaim God's presence and love in everything we say and do.

Leader: You belong to the Risen Christ!

People: Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go.

We Praise God

*Hymn #332

"Spirit of Faith, Come Down"

Recognition of Graduates

Graduate Blessing

God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth. Bless these graduates, and all those in our community and beyond who are moving on from high school and college. We thank you for those who taught them, mentored them, learned alongside them, and supported them along the way. Walk with them as they learn to navigate new places of learning and service. Take away any anxiety about the future and give them instead, steadiness and resolve through faith in you. Give them the courage to ask questions, and the openness to hear answers, moving them beyond conventional wisdom into new vistas of insight. Lead them by your light, fill them with your grace, and may those to whom love is a stranger, find in them generous friends. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Children's Time

Special Music

"The Prayer (with Lead Us, Lord)"

arr. Fettke
Chancel Choir

Call to Confession

Time of Listening

Prayer of Confession

We confess to you, Renewing Spirit, that we confuse unity with uniformity, and diversity with divisiveness. We speak and behave as if being a part of your family means assimilating others to our way of living. We deny and destroy the beauty you created in each person. We long to change these patterns, O Creator, but we do not know how. Teach us to value challenge. Help us to see strength in difference. And empower us to build your kingdom in creativity and love. Amen.

Spirit of Faith, Come Down
Hymn #332

Spirit of faith, come down, reveal the things of God,
and make to us the Godhead known,
and witness with the blood.
'Tis thine the blood to apply and give us eyes to see,
who did for every sinner die hath surely died for me.

No one can truly say that Jesus is the Lord,
unless thou take the veil away
and breathe the living Word.
Then, only then, we feel our interest in his blood,
and cry with joy unspeakable, "Thou art my Lord, my God!"

O that the world might know the all atoning Lamb!
Spirit of faith, descend and show
the virtue of his name;
the grace which all may find, the saving power, impart,
and testify to humankind, and speak in every heart.

Inspire the living faith which whosoe'er receive,
the witness in themselves they have
and consciously believe, the faith that conquers all,
and doth the mountain move, and saves whoe'er on Jesus call,
and perfects them in love.

Doxology
Hymn #94

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
Praise God, all creatures 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!



Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ² He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³ He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴ Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵ Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶ I will lay sinews on you and will cause flesh to come upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

⁷ So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them, but there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰ I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹ Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ¹² Therefore prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people, and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD when I open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

Breathe on Me, Breath of God
Hymn #420

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ And how is it that we hear,

each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be
saved.'

Every Time I Feel the Spirit
Hymn #404

Refrain:

Every time I feel the spirit
moving in my heart, I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the spirit
moving in my heart, I will pray.

Upon the mountain, my Lord spoke,
out his mouth came fire and smoke.
All around me looks so shine,
ask my Lord if all was mine. (Refrain)

Jordan river runs right cold,
chills the body, not the soul.
Ain't but one train on this track,
runs to heaven and right back. (Refrain)



This Week's Calendar

SUNDAY **May 19, 2024**

- 9:30 AM Worship – Sanctuary
- 9:45 AM "Celebrate Wonder" Sunday School, Room 8 (lower level)
- 10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship– Wiltse Center
- 10:45 AM Faith Linked – Ryder Lounge
- 6:00 PM Inquirer's Class – Ryder Lounge

MONDAY **May 20, 2024**

- 9:30 AM Yarn Lovers – Panera, Grand Haven
- 1:00 – 6:00 PM Piano Lessons – Sanctuary
- 1:00 PM Caregivers – Ryder Lounge
- 5:30 PM Chair Yoga – Social Hall
- 7:00 PM CROP meeting – Room 13/14

TUESDAY **May 21, 2024**

- 8:30 AM ROMEOs – Russ' Restaurant, Grand Haven
- 9:00 - 11:00 AM Pastor Lou's Office Hours
- 9:00 - 11:00 AM Open Pickleball – Wiltse Center
- 10:00 AM Mark Study – Room 2
- 11:00 AM Staff Meeting – Ryder Lounge
- 11:30 AM Finishing Well – Conference Room
- 6:00 PM Ruth Circle – Ryder Lounge
- 7:15 PM Bell Choir – Choir Loft

WEDNESDAY **May 22, 2024**

- 9:00 - 11:00 AM Open Pickleball – Wiltse Center
- 5:15 PM Supper - Wiltse Center
- 6:00 PM Guitar Club – Sanctuary
- 6:15 PM Yarn Lovers – Conference Room
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir – Choir Loft

THURSDAY **May 23, 2024**

- 9:00 - 11:00 AM Open Pickleball – Wiltse Center
- 10:30 AM Community Senior Choir – Sanctuary
- 3:00 - 6:00 PM Piano Lessons – Sanctuary

FRIDAY **May 24, 2024**

- Office Closed
- 3:45 PM Serve at Supper House

SATURDAY **May 25, 2024**

- 8:15 AM Cheer for Runners – Parking lot

Information, Events, and Activities

TODAY WE CELEBRATE GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

After the service, please come to the Wiltse Center fellowship area for a cake reception to celebrate.

BROWN BAG NON-PERISHABLE FOOD GATHERING

The bags of groceries you see at church today will be given to the food pantry at Love In Action.

NEW MEMBER INQUIRER CLASS – TODAY, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

If you would like to know more about Church of the Dunes or are considering becoming a member, this class is for you. The class will meet in the Ryder Lounge.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP – MAY 20, 1:00 PM

The group meets in the Ryder Lounge (main floor) and is open to all who are caring for a loved one with a long-term illness or diagnosis. (Meets a week earlier than usual because of Memorial Day.)

ROMEOS MEN'S BREAKFAST AT RUSS' – MAY 21, 8:30 AM

Retired Old Men Eating Out (ROMEOS) meet at Russ' Restaurant in Grand Haven on the third Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. for fellowship and conversation. All men are welcome.

ENCOURAGE RUNNERS IN THE "KICK OFF TO SUMMER" RUN – MAY 25, 8:15 AM

Help cheer on *hundreds* of 5K runners on behalf of Church of the Dunes. We will gather on the sidewalk at the bottom of the church driveway to cheer as runners pass on Sheldon Rd. To participate, meet in the church parking lot on Saturday, May 25 at 8:15 a.m. The event finishes at about 9:45 a.m.

MISSION MOMENT – MAY 26

During worship next Sunday, a representative from Gracious Grounds will provide a brief update on the work of the organization. If you would like to contribute and will do so by check, please make payable to Church of the Dunes and note "Mission Moment" on the memo line.

BLESSING OF THE BICYCLES – MAY 26, 10:45 AM

You are invited to bring bicycles, motorcycles, scooters, skateboards, rollerblades – anything with wheels that is not a car that you will use for fun or transportation this summer. After worship, we will gather in the church yard and Pastor Lou will say a blessing for riders.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP – MAY 26, 3:00 PM, OFF-SITE

This group will meet at a member's home; please contact the church office for location information. The book up for discussion is "The God We Never Knew" by Marcus J. Borg. To participate, get a copy of the book, read it, and join in the discussion.

NEW MONDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY – BEGINS JUNE 3, 1:00 PM

"Take The Flag: Following God's Signals in the Race of Your Life" by Rob Fuquay.

Mondays, 1:00 p.m., seven weeks, Ruth Woodward, facilitator

Sign up on the Adult Ministries bulletin board located near the church office or contact the facilitator. Books (\$10) are available at coffee fellowship time on Sundays in late May.

WORSHIP APPRECIATION PARTY – JUNE 5, 6:00 PM

This event is for all who help with worship – liturgists, tech team members, singers/musicians, greeters, Welcome Center volunteers, ushers, and communion preparers and servers. The main dish and beverages are provided. Please bring a dish to pass.

ELDER SCAMS INFO SEMINAR – JUNE 6, 3:00 PM

The organization SafeSeniors will present information about harmful scams that target older adults. Tips to stay aware and safe will also be discussed. Contact the church office to sign up.

More Events to Note

Dunes Music Education Fund Celebration Recital

Sunday, June 2, 2:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Encourage these young musicians and welcome their families to Church of the Dunes. Free.

Red Skelton Tribute Comedy Event

Wednesday, July 31, 3:00 p.m. at Church of the Dunes

Tickets (\$27) are available now through Central Park Players, Grand Haven.

Whitecaps Baseball Game

Sunday, August 11, 2:00 p.m.

Let's go to the game at LMCU Stadium in Comstock Park (Grand Rapids area). Tickets (\$19) are available after worship on June 30 and July 7, or during church office hours until July 9.

All are 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.

Sundays at Church of the Dunes

Worship - 9:30 a.m. Sanctuary

For a link to the recorded livestream, visit www.umcdunes.org/worship.

Nursery - available during 9:30 a.m. worship

It is located a short distance down the hall from the worship space.

Sunday School for Children - Hosanna classroom (room 8), lower level

The pastor will dismiss students to Sunday school from worship after the Children's Time.

Coffee Fellowship - 10:30 a.m. - Wiltse Center fellowship area

Please stop by for fresh coffee and delicious refreshments.

Faith Linked - 10:45 a.m. - Ryder Lounge

Discussion of topics and current events from a faith-focused perspective. Open to all adults.

Notes from the Church Office

Church Office Hours

Monday -Thursday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. or by appointment.

Church of the Dunes would like to stay connected with you and to be supportive of you and your loved ones. If your contact information has changed, please let the church office know. If you or a family member is hospitalized, going to be having surgery, or is homebound and would like a visit, please let us know. Let us know, as well, if you have experienced a death in your family.

Praises and Prayers

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are from Michelle DeVito in honor of her Grandson Alex Houseman who is graduating from the University of Maryland with a master's degree in the classics.

A BIG THANKS GOES OUT TO Church of the Dunes United Women in Faith for funding and spreading all the new mulch in the prayer labyrinth and neighboring pathways behind the church. It looks beautiful!

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

May 19	Susan Hafner, Roger VanderMolen
May 20	Christian McDaniel
May 23	Janet Joiner, Roger Tharp
May 24	Ruth Hanson, Katherine Stahl (92)
May 25	Crystal Claus
May 26	Diana Adams

Giving and Attendance

<u>Date/Week Of</u>	<u>Offerings Received</u>	<u>Weekly Average Year-to-Date</u>	<u>Weekly Budgeted</u>	<u>Percent of Budget</u>
May 5	\$5,691	\$9,036	\$8,830	102.3
May 12	\$5,309	\$8,850	\$8,830	100.2

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/>.

May 12, 2024

Total attendance	260
In person	185
Online	75 (50 x 1.5)

Since one view may include more than one person viewing together, the Michigan Conference of the UMC recommends multiplying the number of views by 1.5 to estimate total online attendance.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Liturgist: Kay Cansfield
Acolyte: Cooper Comden
Music: Chancel Choir, Dianne Prieditis, Marna Jeffery
Technology: David Norton, ArSarNi Grettenberger
Greeter: Nancy Humphrey
Welcome Center: Carol Sue Scherpenisse
Ushers: Sam Easterly, Jane Brown, Heather Torrance, Ron and Tim Kurburski
Coffee Hour: Sherry Baker

Next Week – May 26

Liturgist: Jan Stuart
Acolyte: Leo Luebke
Music: Guitar Club
Technology: David Norton, Trevor Larkins
Greeters:
Welcome Center: Crystal Cederquist, Patrick Bresnahan
Ushers: Sam Easterly, Rich Cole, Doug Mitchell, Karyn & Gary Gillan
Coffee Hour: Pam & Dale Zurakowski, Sherry Baker

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 office hours are Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
For pastoral emergencies, please call Pastor Lou directly on his cellphone at 231-883-9806.