Ogden Dunes Community Church
Presbyterian

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The Ogden Dunes Community Church Mission Statement

Ogden Dunes Community Church is building a vibrant, God-honoring community of faith in Jesus Christ where God's global heart is demonstrated, God's power is evidenced, joy abounds, hope sustains, and reconciling love is the glue that binds us together.

"Ogden Dunes Community Church seeks to joyfully lead people to the transforming love of Christ."

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
April 27, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
2nd Sunday of Easter

Interim Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher Minister of Music: Elizabeth Larson

Gathering to Worship

"Let us enter God's House with reverence."

In the Name and Spirit of Christ, we offer a special welcome to each and every guest here today. All are welcomed and loved in this place! Join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We look forward to welcoming you and getting to know you. Please leave your contact information with us, so that we can share with you opportunities to grow, connect, and serve.

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Easter Alleluia* — Gilbert M. Martin

OPENING PRAYER **Pastor**

CHORAL INTRIOT *Christ Has Arisen!* — Daniel Mattix
• Sanctuary Choir

♦ Please stand if you are able

♦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Based on Psalm 150 & Acts 5)* **Liturgist**

Leader: When the truth came out, when the news of the resurrection spread, the early followers of Jesus were told by the authorities to BE QUIET.

People: If we were quiet, even the stones would shout HOSANNA. "Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the middle of God's great creation!"

Leader: Told to be quiet and stop telling others about the Christ who lives, Simon Peter answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority.

People: "The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom the religious authorities killed by hanging him on a tree. And yet God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior."

Leader: Even when the people in power were enraged, wanting to kill all those who were telling the world about the Crucified and Risen Christ,

People: Every day in the temple and at home they did not cease to teach and proclaim Jesus as the Messiah. "Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with tambourine and dance. Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

♦ **HYMN OF PRAISE #104** *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

♦ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** — *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; on the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

♦ **GLORIA PATRI** (*sing in unison*)

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.

CALL TO CONFESSION **Liturgist**

When we keep our fears and faults locked up inside us, it is hard to be healed and receive a new life. So let us open ourselves to God in confession, trusting the Lord's desire to give us God's peace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. Teach us, at Ogden Dunes, how to speak for you clearly and with love. Set us free to courageously invite others to follow You. Give us the patience to listen to others so we can know where they hurt and how they hope. When we are afraid to stand up to the authorities, make us strong. Forgive us and empower us to do at least one good thing each day for someone here or far away.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS **The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher**

Christ comes with God's freeing light and love into our locked places and shadowy hurts, resurrecting our spirits and breathing new life into us. As God's forgiven people, go into the world to bring peace, forgiveness, and new life to the world, in the name of Jesus Christ.

♦ **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC *Roll That Stone Away* — Ruth Elaine Schram
• Sanctuary Choir

Hearing and Responding to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE **Pastor**
Sharing of our Joys and Concerns /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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS **Liturgist**

Offertory *The Empty Tomb* — Gilbert M. Martin

♦ **Response** Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above ye Heavenly Hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

♦ Prayer of Dedication

SCRIPTURE READING: **Liturgist**

New Testament: Luke 24:1-12

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN MAY BE DISMISSED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

♦ **SONGS OF PRAISE #2023** *How Majestic Is Your Name*

#2022 *Great Is the Lord!*

SERMON *THE ROAD: Remembering the Words*

The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher

PRAYER

Leaving to Live out the Word

♦ **HYMN OF SENDING OUT** *I Love to Tell the Story* (see insert)

♦ **THE CHARGE AND BLESSING** **Pastor**

♦ **THE CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION** — *Because He Lives*

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

♦ **POSTLUDE** *Lift High the Cross!* — Arr. Gilbert M. Martin

Assisting Us In Worship Today

Interim Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher
Liturgist: Jim Wheeler
Ushers: Peggy Bain and Deb Miller
Accompanist: Sharon Shepard
Sound Booth: Dave Pratt and Amiel Newport

SANCTUARY WORSHIP

We ask that for the sake of the sacredness of our worship service; if you must leave the service early, please exit at the southeast doors (those closest to the church office). Ushers will be available to help direct you. Please remember that the pew outside the back of the sanctuary is reserved for ushers, those assisting in worship and others with special needs. Thank you.

PRAISE AND PRAYER

Please join us for Prayer led by Phil Shank on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Bible study at 7:00 p.m.

WE BELIEVE…

The following are among the main tenets of our faith. The five Solas were the biblical theology recovered and proclaimed during the Reformation Period. They are now part of our Reformed Theology.

- **Sola Scriptura** – The Bible is the sole divine written revelation.
- **Sola Fide** – Justification is by faith alone.
- **Solus Christus** – Jesus Christ is sole mediator through whose work we are redeemed.
- **Sola Gratia** – Our salvation is based on God's Grace alone.
- **Sola Deo Gloria** – All glory belongs to God alone.

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Prayer Corner

Ellie Babbitt and her family, Michael Bain, Lisa Baughman, Dale, Derrick, Family of Jane Dickey, Patty Harbaugh, Hartmann family, Rebecca Hunt, Sarah Hunt Maldonado, the McCrum family, Marcy Mongoven, Jayden Nelson, Cami O'Conner, Ann and Walter Sampson, Chuck Smothermon, Judy Spornick and her family, Cordie Swanson, Roger Winsor, Tom Woodward, our elderly shut-ins and caregivers, our troops overseas, our President and our country. The Missionaries we support (local, national and international). The Christians and all people in the Middle East and Europe. Those whose lives have been affected by the wildfires and hurricanes.

The Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, APRIL 27
10:00 a.m. Worship led by The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher
Nursery Provided

MONDAY, APRIL 28
9:45 a.m. Footprints Reunion Group

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30
6:30 p.m. Praise and Prayer
7:00 p.m. Bible Study

THURSDAY, MAY 1
5:15 p.m. Chancel Ringers
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

SUNDAY, MAY 4
10:00 a.m. Worship led by The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher
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Luke 24

1 But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb,
taking the spices that they had prepared. 2 They found the stone rolled away from
the tomb, 3 but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4 While they were
perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside
them. 5 The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the
men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not
here, but has risen. 6 Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7 that
the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third
day rise again." 8 Then they remembered his words, 9 and returning from the tomb,
they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.

Have A Blessed Week!