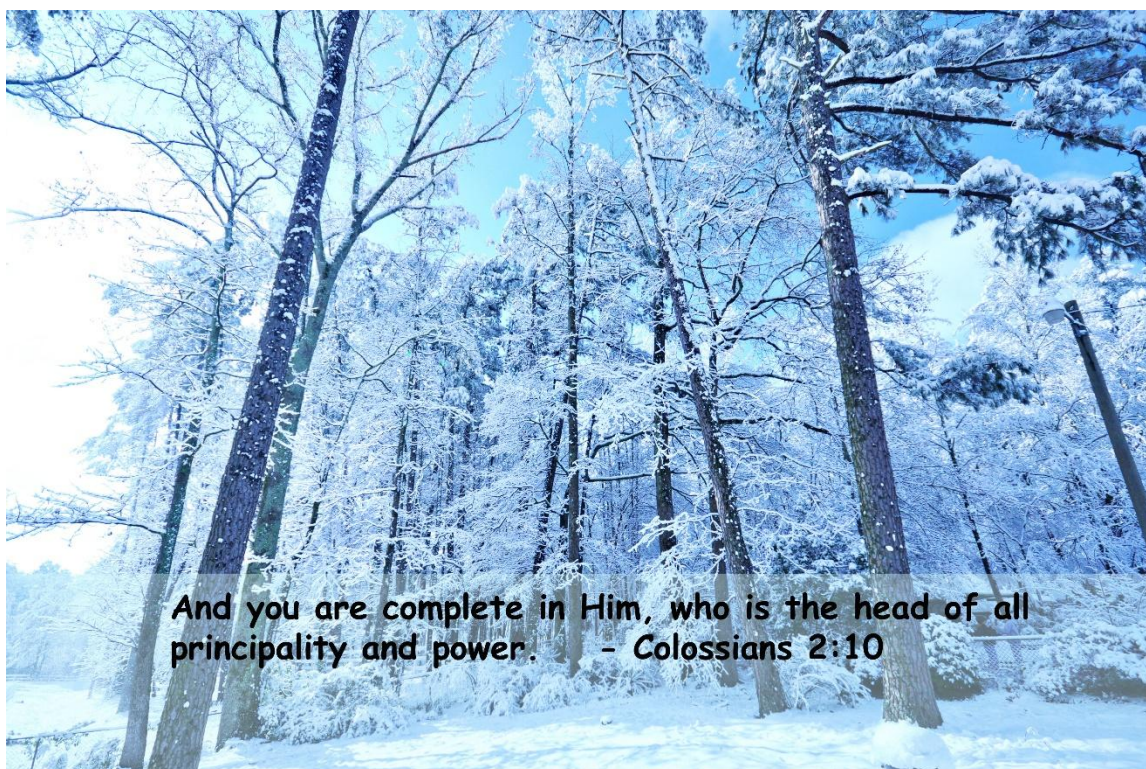


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And you are complete in Him, who is the head of all
principality and power. - Colossians 2:10

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
January 19, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
2nd Sunday After Epiphany**

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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

Visitors: Welcome! Please fill out the Visitor Card.

CALL TO REFLECTION

Liturgist

PRELUDE *The Goodness of the Lord* — Douglas E. Wagner

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor

INTROIT *Christians, We Have Come to Worship* — Joel Raney

• **Sanctuary Choir**

◆ Please stand if you are able

◆ **CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Based on Psalm 36)*

Liturgist

Leader: Markets rise and fall, kingdoms come and go, snow falls and then spring follows. What never changes is God's perfect love - even when there are those who plot mischief and accept evil.

People: **Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.**

Leader: God's right ways are like mighty mountains. God's ability to see what is true, and what leads to life is deeper than the oceans.

People: **You are all about redeeming, saving, finding, healing, and bringing life to both humans and animals alike.**

Leader: How exquisite is your love, O God! How eager we are to find shelter beneath the wings of your grace.

People: **We come here to eat our fill at the banquet of new hope and truth you spread, as you fill our glasses and hearts with the Eden's life-giving spring water. You're a fountain of cascading light, God, and you open our eyes to the light of Jesus.**

◆ **HYMN OF PRAISE #145**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist

In the light of Christ, we see the darkness of our world and of our hearts. Trusting in God's saving love, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

You are the Light of the world, but we often choose to close our eyes to the light You bring. We insist that the way we see things is the right way of saying things. We are confident our answers are best, even when they don't work. We allow ourselves to be conformed to the world, rather than being transformed by You, Jesus. Forgive our stubbornness, Lord, and open our minds and hearts to Your truth. Help us to be a new creation. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Mark Fenstermacher

Hear the good news: the truth of Christ is God's grace is sufficient to forgive us and make us whole.

◆ SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

(At this time, we ask worshippers not to shake hands or hug during the Sharing of the Peace, as an expression of our care for one another.)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Glory to God — Vasile, Arr. Raney

• 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 **HYMN #2165** *Cry of My Heart*

◆ **Response:** Doxology

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

◆ **Prayer of Dedication**

CHILDREN MAY BE DISMISSED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Liturgist

Old Testament: Proverbs 3:5-8, 13-18

New Testament: Ephesians 4:14-24; Matthew 7:24-29

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Four Words that Will Change Your Life: Wisdom

The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher

Leaving to Live out the Word

◆ **HYMN OF SENDING OUT #326** *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

◆ **THE CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Pastor

◆ **THE CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION** — *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

◆ **POSTLUDE** *God Almighty Is* — Edward Broughton

Assisting Us In Worship Today

Interim Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Mark Fenstermacher

Liturgist: Jayne Mann

Ushers: Margo Hartmann

Accompanist: Sharon Shepard

Sound Booth: Dave Pratt

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 begin again on Wednesday, January 22, 2025.

ASSISTANCE NEEDED

We are working on updating the church website and are asking if anyone has any recent pictures (within the last 6 months) that they are willing to share with us so that we can add them to the church website, to please email them to Nancy Tatum at njtatum@yahoo.com.

RESPONDING TO THE WILDFIRES

As fires sweep across Southern California, relief work has already begun by Christian and other relief groups. ECO has yet (as of today per their web site) to announce the denomination's efforts but here are some on-line ways to give to highly respected faith groups:

Samaritans Purse - samaritanspurse.org

Lutheran Relief - give.lwr.org

United Methodist Committee on Relief - umcmission.org

American Red Cross - redcross.org

Catholic Relief Services - support.crs.org

Please pray for those harmed by these devastating fires. Take a moment today or tomorrow to respond with a gift to one of these groups.

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.

Prayer Corner

Ellie Babbitt and her family, The Bailey Family, Michael Bain, Lisa Baughman, Dale, Derrick, Jane Dickey, Patty Harbaugh, Bob Hartmann, Rebecca Hunt, Sarah Hunt Maldonado, Marcy Mongoven, Jayden Nelson, The Ragon Family, The Ribordy Family, Ann and Walter Sampson, Kathy and Phil Shank, Cordie Swanson, The Tarpo Family, 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.

Notes:

The Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 20

9:45 a.m. Footprints Reunion Group

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

5:15 p.m. Chancel Ringers
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

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

Proverbs 3:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.
In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.
Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and turn away from evil.
It will be a healing for your flesh and a refreshment for your body.

Happy are those who find wisdom and those who get understanding,
for her income is better than silver and her revenue better than gold.
She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her.
Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor.
Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.
She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called happy.