

# 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  
December 7, 2025 10:00 a.m.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

Pastor: Rev. Austin Blaszczyński

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.*

**CARILLON**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Liturgist**

**◆ SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

**PRELUDE**

*In the Bleak Midwinter* — French Carol, Arr. Edward Good  
**Piano/Organ Duet**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Pastor**

◆ Please stand if you are able

## THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE (Based on Isaiah 11)

Blaszczynski Family

**All:** Today, we choose to live the story of peace, believing that true peace comes when we seek the flourishing of all God's creation.

**Leader:** We light this candle of peace as a sign of our commitment to bring Light to the places the world seeks to hide until that day when all creation lives together in harmony and abundance.

**People:** O come, O come Emmanuel.

### ◆ HYMN OF PRAISE #23

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Holy God, in more ways than we can count or call to mind, we have fallen short. In our sin—through the actions and words we have used—we have failed to live out your call for our lives. Forgive us we pray, and teach us to live as your ambassadors, representing the way of hope, peace, love, and joy. We pray this in the name of our Savior, Jesus. Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor

### THE SHEPHERDS SEARCH FOR THE KING

#### KIDS AT THE MANGER

##### Angels

Will Bardeson  
Lars Larson  
Naomi Larson  
Samuel Lehmann

Isaac Passo  
Roisin Toomey  
Landon Weaver  
Lyla Weaver

##### Shepherds

Evie Duffee  
Malin Larson  
Gabe Lambooy

Theo Lambooy  
Yuri Smith  
Elijah Wright

## ***Hearing and Responding to God's Word***

### **SCRIPTURE READING:**

**Liturgist**

New Testament: John 10:7-18

*Leader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

### **SERMON**

*The Good Shepherd*

**Rev. Austin Blaszczyński**

### **PRAYER**

### **OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS**

**Liturgist**

**Offertory** *All Is Well* — Smith & Kirkpatrick, Arr. Lloyd Larson

• **Sanctuary Choir**

♦ **Response:** Doxology

♦ Prayer of Dedication

## ***Celebration of the Lord's Supper***

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING**

### **THE INVITATION AND SHARING OF THE MEAL**

### **♦ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

*Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors,  
And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

## ***Leaving to Live out the Word***

### **◆ THE CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**Pastor**

### **◆ THE CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION — *Go, Tell It on the Mountain!*** (Please sing twice)

*Go, tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born!*

### **◆ POSTLUDE**

*Prepare the Way* — Mikael Franzen

## **Assisting Us In Worship Today**

**Pastor:** Rev. Austin Blaszczyński

**Liturgist:** Mark Lecy

**Ushers:** Margo Hartmann, Kathy Shank, Debby Bailey and Jill Wirth

**Pianist:** Sharon Shepard

**Sound Booth:** Amiel Newport

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## **GIVING THROUGH YOUR IRA:**

An IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) allows individuals aged 70 1/2 or older to donate up to \$108,000 per year directly from their traditional (non-Roth) IRA to a qualified nonprofit like Ogden Dunes Community Church - without counting the donation as additional income. This can be a tax-efficient way to satisfy Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) while supporting our Church. To make a QCD gift, instruct your IRA custodian to send the donation directly to ODCC. We recommend that you consult with your personal tax advisor.

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## **MORE WAYS TO GIVE**

We are excited to introduce an additional way to give financially to Ogden Dunes Community Church through online giving. To give online, simply visit [www.ogdenduneschurch.org/give](http://www.ogdenduneschurch.org/give). Your generosity is changing lives as we commit to joyfully leading people to the transforming love of Christ.

## Poinsettia Donation

Again this year, the Sanctuary will be decorated with beautiful poinsettias for Christmas Eve. If you would like to make a \$10.00 donation towards purchasing flowers, please have your money in by Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.



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## COAT DRIVE

Portage Resale Shop is in need of all size of winter coats for women, children and especially for large men. Bring them to church or take them to the Portage Resale Shop, 6450 Evergreen Ave., Portage. Thank you.



They are also looking for Volunteers. A background check is needed. See Debby Bailey if interested.

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## Ogden Dunes Prime Timers!! December 16, Noon. Please, RSVP!



Everyone is invited. You don't have to live in Ogden Dunes to lunch with the Ogden Dunes Prime Timers! If you want a nice lunch and some entertainment for only \$13, please come and bring a friend for food, fun, and fellowship! If you work from home, are retired, or just have Tuesdays free, take a break, join us!

### THE DECEMBER PROGRAM: WINTER WISHES

Come, enjoy a festive musical program celebrating the season. If you weren't in the "Christmas Spirit" before this, you will be singing and humming as you leave. Guaranteed!

Remember: Tuesday, December 16, Noon, \$13, 116 Hillcrest, Ogden Dunes  
Call or text Jayne Mann (219) 218-3670 or email [ogdendunesprimetimers@gmail.com](mailto:ogdendunesprimetimers@gmail.com)  
for more information or to RSVP. Please RSVP by Sunday, December 14.

## 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.

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## 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, Derrick, Patty Harbaugh, Hartmann family, Rebecca Hunt, Sarah Hunt Maldonado, Marlene McNally, Marcy Mongoven, Jayden Nelson, Cami O'Conner, Ann and Walter Sampson, Chuck Smothermon, Judy Spornick, Cordie Swanson, Family of Roger Winsor, Family of 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, DECEMBER 7**

10:00 a.m. Worship led by Rev. Austin Blaszczyński  
**Nursery Provided**

## **MONDAY, DECEMBER 8**

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Weekly Prayer in the Sanctuary

## **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9**

6:30 p.m. Session Meeting

## **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10**

6:30 p.m. Praise and Prayer

7:00 p.m. Bible Study

## **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11**

5:15 p.m. Chancel Ringers

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

## **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14**

10:00 a.m. Worship led by Rev. Austin Blaszczyński  
**Nursery Provided**

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## **Notes:**