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 28, 2025 10:00 a.m.

Guest Pastor: Elder Phil Shank Minister of Music: Elizabeth Larson

Gathering to Worship

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 Joy, Great Joy — Jungst, Arr. Young

OPENING PRAYER Pastor

Please stand if you are able

♦ CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

Leader: The earth is the LORD's, for He created it.

People: Come, let us adore Him.

Leader: Worship the LORD in the beauty of His holiness.

People: Come, let us adore Him.

Leader: The LORD's mercy is everlasting.

People: Come, let us adore Him. Leader: LORD, open our lips.

All: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

♦ HYMN OF ADORATION #41 O Come, All Ye Faithful

CALL TO CONFESSION (Psalm 86:5,6)

Liturgist

For you, LORD, are kind and ready to forgive, abounding in faithful love to all who call upon you. Lord, hear my prayer; listen to my plea for mercy.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O LORD we confess that the ways of sin have a strong attraction and we often succumb to temptation. Restore in us a clean heart and lead us to a life of abundance in obedience to your will. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor

"Come, let us settle this," says the LORD. "Though your sins are scarlet, they will be as white as snow, though they are crimson red, they will be like wool." Know that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Congregational Carol Sing

MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN MAY BE DISMISSED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

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.

Hearing and Responding to God's Word

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Liturgist

Old Testament: Job 28:28

New Testament: Colossians 1:9-14

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Treasure of Wisdom Elder Phil Smith

PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

Liturgist

Offertory Congregational Carol - #25 Away in a Manger

◆ Response: Doxology◆ Prayer of Dedication

Leaving to Live out the Word

- ♦ HYMN OF SENDING OUT #40 Joy to the World
- **♦ 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

Joy to the World — Handel, Arr. Innes

Assisting Us In Worship Today

Pastor: Elder Phil Smith Liturgist: Jeri Kris

Ushers: Dave and Patty Harbaugh **Sound Booth:** Amiel Newport

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.

Sanctuary Choir and Chancel Ringers rehearsals will resume on Thursday, January 8, 2026.

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. Your generosity is changing lives as we commit to joyfully leading people to the transforming love of Christ.

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 through January 2026. Thank you.

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

PRAISE AND PRAYER

There will be no Praise and Prayer on Wednesday, December 25 and Wednesday, December 31. We will resume for Prayer led by Phil Shank on Wednesday, January 7, 2026 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.

Prayer Corner

Ellie Babbitt and her family, Michael Bain, Lisa Baughman, Derrick, Patty Harbaugh, Hartmann family, Rebecca Hunt, Sue Klimek, 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 28

10:00 a.m. Worship led by Elder Phil Shank Nursery Provided

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

New Year's Day-Office Closed

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4

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

Notes: