



**Ogden Dunes Community Church**

# The Dunes News

June 2013

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
JUNE 10 TO 14  
9:00 to 11:30 a.m.**



**Pre School ages 4 and 5  
Grades K - 5th grade**

Time travel back to ancient Athens with the Apostle Paul to learn of his journey to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Go to the Arena Games for Olympic training and visit the busy Athenian Marketplace for snacks, crafts, and songs.

Paul will inspire kids to share the truth of God's immeasurable love today! To register, call Brenda at the church office at 762-1184.

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## Special Points of Interest:

- ◆ By the Hand Club Visit
- ◆ Adopt a Garden

## A Word from the Mission and Stewardship Committee

In the past, Ogden Dunes Church has supported "By The Hands Club For Kids". On June 16, Susannah Schwartz, who is a director for the club, along with two of the children will be visiting us to share with us how the club works and what it has meant to a good number of inner city children.

We all know how important ministries like this are in providing children with a wonderful alternative to life on the streets. Be sure you make it a point to attend at least one of the services on that Sunday as at least two of the children will be sharing a word of testimony about what this ministry has meant to them.



## DIDuKnow?

### Sunday School

The last day of Sunday School is June 2.



## Elder In Charge

Week of June 2	Bill Bailey
Week of June 9	Jayne Mann
Week of June 16	Jeri Kris
Week of June 23	Julia Hoham
Week of June 30	Jill Wirth

## June Pulpit Supply

Sunday, June 2	Jeri Kris
Sunday, June 9	Rev. Phil Smith (Communion)
Sunday, June 16	Chuck Smothermon
Sunday, June 23	Jason Reese
Sunday, June 30	Paul Rake

## Thank You

I wish to convey my immense gratitude for the outpouring of love and affection shown to me during this long, arduous journey of recovery after my surgery. I received many beautiful cards and flowers that brought me hours of enjoyment.

During a conversation after church, I mentioned to a couple of friends that I was having some difficulty getting my wheelchair outside to the deck. That afternoon, two "angels" showed up with tools in hand and installed a temporary ramp. I can now enjoy the fresh air and sunshine!

I am so proud to be a part of this Church Family. The loving spirit that is offered to all who enter is truly a blessing and I believe it is the primary reason we have been able to maintain a viable God-centered church during the long absence of a pastor.

May God bless you all,  
Judy Spornick

## PRIMETIMERS NEWS

Come join the Prime Timers Tuesday, June 18, at 12:00 noon in the Church fellowship room for their monthly program and luncheon.

The program for this month presented by Will Kalinek will be "Inside Afghanistan".

The luncheon will be catered by Town and Country. Join us and bring a friend. We welcome guests and potential new members. Please honor your reservation. If you have any questions, call Anne Muntean at 763-4989.

## REMEMBERING

Last year at a church in Indianapolis, a sermon was given that included the suggestion—"remember the church that raised you." Jason Reese heard that sermon, took it to heart, and remembered his years at the Ogden Dunes Community Church. Then, he followed through with a letter, a generous donation, and an offer to give a sermon. Below is his inspiring letter. On Sunday, June 23rd, come to church, hear Jason's sermon, reminisce together, and thank him for his very generous gift.

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Re: \$10,000 Contribution

Dear Ogden Dunes Presbyterian Church:

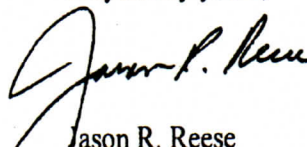
Hello. My name is Jason Reese. I currently live in Carmel, Indiana with my wife Jill and our three children. However, I grew up living in Ogden Dunes on Cedar Court. I lived there from 1976 to approximately 1997. My Dad is Rod Reese and my Mom is Lynne Reese. My sister, Kai Ball, currently lives on Beach Lane with her husband Nate and their three daughters.

I grew up in the Church. I attended Sandpiper Preschool. Mrs. Lavenda was my teacher. It was there that I met many of my first friends. Over time, we attended the Church and we participated in Sunday school, summer vacation bible school, etc. I acted in plays and sang in the children's choir right next to the same pulpit that's probably still there today. From the pews, I recall listening to dozens of sermons from Reverends Butcher, Russell and Becker, and enjoying the wonderful piano music of Mrs. Stinson.

I have enclosed a check for the sum of \$10,000 as a contribution to the Church. I would like to support the Church financially while sharing the First Fruits of my family's many blessings. Second, I'd like to offer this as a retroactive tithe to the Church for how much it did and has done for me. After all, it was there that I was introduced to God and his awesome power to love and forgive us. Though my faith lie dormant for a number of years after I left there, the foundation was laid and I am eternally grateful for that. I will always call the Ogden Dunes Presbyterian Church my "home".

May God continue to bless the people of the Church and may the Church always seek to be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ.

Prayerfully yours,



Jason R. Reese

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lead people to the  
transforming love of  
Christ.

The deadline for the next  
Dunes News is June 15th.

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## June Refreshments



Following the 10:00 a.m. Worship service, refreshments, including coffee, will be available in the Fellowship hall. If your last name begins with the letter of the day, please provide snacks of your choice. The host/hostess for the day will set snacks and coffee out for everyone's enjoyment after the service.

		<u>Hostess</u>
🍦 Sunday, June 2	U, V, W, X, Y, Z	Jill Wirth
🍦 Sunday, June 9	A, B, C, D, E	Julia Hoham

🍦 Lemonade will be served between  
🍦 services in the summer starting June 16th.



## NEW SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER SERVICES



Beginning June 16<sup>th</sup> through September 1<sup>st</sup> we will be having our first service in the garden and the 2<sup>nd</sup> service in the sanctuary.

Times will be:

8:30 a.m. in the garden  
10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Please mark your calendars and help others to know and remember.

## Adopt a Garden

It's time for our summer "Adopt a Garden" program. Only light weeding needed. Sign-up on the chart posted on the bulletin board outside the church office for your choice of garden area. Call Lee Hibbs for details at 762-1753.