



Ogden Dunes Community
Church

The Dunes News

September 2013

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August Session Meeting Highlights

August 13, 2013

PNC - PNC presented information on Rev. Sewdin to whom they presented a call and who accepted. A request for a congregational meeting to approve this call was made and by motion Session approved a congregational meeting after the second service on August 25th. Reverend Sewdin will preach at both services prior to this congregational meeting. PNC presented a financial package associated with the call. At a follow-up meeting, Session engaged in a detailed discussion of the total impact of the package and prayed about the decision to be made. Then the financial package was approved unanimously.

Congregational Picnic - The church picnic was held August 25th following the Congregational meeting.

Stewardship - A motion was approved to hold Consecration Sunday on November 3rd with minute for mission messages about it in September and October.

Mission - By motion, Session approved the Mission Committee's sponsorship of participation in Habitat for Humanity's October 5th building project in Lowell. A team of volunteers will spend 7:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on the project. If you are interested in participating, both skilled and unskilled volunteers are needed.

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September Pulpit Supply

Sunday, September 1	Jeri Kris
Sunday, September 8	Paul Rake
Sunday, September 15	Rev. Phil Smith (Communion)
Sunday, September 22	Rev. Phil Smith
Sunday, September 29	Chuck Smothermon



Elder In Charge

Week of Sept. 1	Jill Wirth
Week of Sept. 8	Tom Cornwell
Week of Sept. 15	Jeri Kris
Week of Sept. 22	Jayne Mann
Week of Sept. 29	Julia Hoham

DIDuKnow?

Beach Worship

Friday, September 13 from
7:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Consecration Sunday

Consecration Sunday will be Nov. 3
following the 10:00 a.m. service.
Brunch will immediately follow
worship.



You Are Invited

ODCC IN CONCERT WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

ENJOY GREAT MUSIC... NOSH... MINGLE

AFTERNOON RECITAL

3 Pianos... 2 Pianists... 2 Vocalists

*Sunday, September 8, 2013 at 2:30 p.m.
116 Hillcrest Road, Ogden Dunes, IN*



*October 5 – Build in Lowell, IN
Register or Questions: 762-1184*

Pumpkin Run

The Pumpkin Run is a 5K run and fundraiser for Heifer International, a philanthropic organization that aims to provide sustainable food, via livestock, to those in need around the world. The event will take place on October 20th. There will be a \$20 entrance fee and "Pumpkin Run" T-Shirts, beverages, and food will be provided after the race. There will be a sign-up poster in the narthex and people can contact David Larson Jr. with any questions.



PRIMETIMERS NEWS

Come join the Prime Timers Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 12:00 noon in the Church fellowship room for their monthly program and luncheon.

The program for this month is "Art Insights" presented by the Art Institute of Chicago.

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.



WELCOME REV. SEWDIN

Reverend Dr. Lloyd Sewdin has a Master of Divinity degree from Conwell Theological Seminary, a Master of Theology degree from Princeton Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He has been a Presbyterian pastor over the last 20 years and before that was a guest speaker for numerous denominations and organizations around the world.

Dr. Sewdin demonstrates a true heart for God and calling to the ministry, exuding energy of spirit and witness. In his sermons and interactions with his congregation, Dr. Sewdin relates God's word to everyday living through his in-depth grasp, understanding and recall of the scriptures. He evangelizes to congregants individually emphasizing each one's unique value by promoting a positive Christian value for their lives. His goal is to encourage and empower others in becoming disciples in doing God's work.

Dr. Sewdin's goals for God's church are to welcome all and to achieve a loving and sustaining environment where interest is openly shown for the welfare, growth and comfort of all and where openness to new ideas is encouraged. He seeks to promote a worshipping church that is open to the spiritual needs of those with a traditional background as well as those who desire a more contemporary form of worship.

Dr. Sewdin views breakdown of the family and marriage as among **the key issues facing the church today**. The wide generation gap is another with the task of the church to bring them together.

In his **"statement of faith"**, Dr. Sewdin affirms 1) that the Bible is the infallible word of God - the final authority for our faith and practice, 2) that God is an infinite, eternal spirit – unchanging in his wisdom, power, holiness, justice and truth and that He manifests Himself in three distinct persons ... Father, Son and Holy Spirit ... each of whom is the Godhead and 3) that humanity's sins were atoned for by Jesus' death and resurrection, providing reconciliation with God through faith in Christ. 4) The Holy Spirit gives life, energy, and movement to all creation. The Holy Spirit works with the unbeliever through "prevenient grace". Continuing about the Holy Spirit, Dr. Sewdin speaks of "pre-conversion state", effectual grace", "actual grace", and habitual grace". 5) "The church is God's covenant community of believers who are active participants..."

Dr. Sewdin's leadership style is that of a "servant –leader". He believes Christ alone is the head of the church.

Dr. Sewdin's wife, Barbara, is a caring, compassionate and deeply spiritual individual who actively supports and contributes greatly to Lloyd's ministry. She is a gifted singer. Barbara looks forward to adopting our church as her family.



Worship Schedule

Beginning **September 9th** we will be returning to our regular 10:00 a.m. worship service. Please mark your calendars.

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lead people to the
transforming love of
Christ.**

**The deadline for the next
Dunes News is Sept. 15th.**

September Refreshment Schedule

		<u>Hostess</u>
Sunday, Sept. 8	F,G,H,I,J	Jeri Kris
Sunday, Sept. 15	K,L,M,N,O	Joy Newton
Sunday, Sept. 22	P,Q,R,S,T	Jill Wirth
Sunday, Sept. 29	U,V,W,X,Y,Z	Julia Hoham

With the start of the fall schedule, the Hospitality Committee is again asking members of the congregation to provide refreshments for the fellowship time after the 10:00 service beginning on September 8. If your last name begins with the letters of the day, please consider bringing something to share for about 8-10. people. The Hostess will be responsible for preparing coffee, setting out refreshments, and cleaning up for that morning. If you are interested in volunteering to be a host /hostess for a future date, please call Jeri Kris at 926-8451.



Will you join the Mission Committee by being a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity?

October 5th
7:45 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Bring friends/family/tools/skills-
unskilled welcome too! Watch for
further details!