

### Ogden Dunes Community Church

The Dunes News

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# National Grandparents Day

## And Rally Day!

WHEN:Sunday, September 7thWHERE:Ogden Dunes Community ChurchSERVICE TIME:10:00 a.m.

• NURSERY is provided!

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• CHILDREN'S CHURCH is available during the service!

Come and Celebrate National Grandparents Day in church on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

\* Free hot dogs and chips for all grandparents and their grandchildren who join us for worship!





#### Worship Schedule

Our fall worship schedule begins on Sunday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m. The final 8:30 a.m. service in the Memorial garden will be on August 31st.

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### Special Points of Interest:

- Pumpkin Run
- Sunday Adult Bible Class

#### "God's Not Dead" Wednesday Night Study (6 week Course)

We are offering an exciting Bible Study based on the movie, "God's not Dead" using both movie and a Study Guide. The study will deal with two important topics:

- <u>First</u>, Real Life Situations will be examined and discussed. Biblical responses will be observed and their relevancy to us.
- <u>Second</u>, a renewed awareness of why we believe what we believe will be brought to light. Are we preparing to defend our beliefs? Do we know the Foundation of our Faith? This is where this study will help you.

"In today's anti-Christian culture, every Christian needs to have a firm foundation and be prepared to take a stand for his/her faith." This "God's Not Dead Study" is a must for everyone—both Christians and non-Christians.

- TIME: Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.
- WHEN: Starting on Wednesday, September 10th
- WHERE: Ogden Dunes Community Church

#### **Pumpkin Run**

The deacons will be sponsoring the 4th Annual Pumpkin 5K run/walk and fundraiser for Heifer International, a philanthropic organization that aims to provide sustainable food, via livestock, to those in need around the world on Sunday. October 19th immediately following the church service (11:30 a.m.). The admission fee is \$20.00 which includes lunch and a Tee shirt. You can sign-up at the church bulletin board, Kratz Field, and both tennis courts around town. Please designate on the check memo line "Heifer International". The deadline for signing up is October 1, 2014.



Sunday, S	Sept. 7
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Sunday, S	Sept. 21
Sunday, S	Sept. 28

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Hostess

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 7. 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.

#### History of "National Grandparents Day"



In 1973, West Virginia began a statewide campaign to set aside a special day just for grandparents. This first Grandparents Day was set by Governor Arch Moore.

Through concerted efforts on the part of individuals interested in preserving their heritage, this campaign was headed by Marian McQuade of Fayette County, mother of fifteen children.

Senator Jennings Randolph (D-WV) was especially instrumental in this project. In 1973, Senator Randolph introduced a resolution in the United States Senate and in 1978, five years after its inception, Congress passed legislation proclaiming the first Sunday after Labor Day as National Grandparents Day.

September was the month chosen, signifying the "autumn years" of life, and today this event, begun by only a few, is observed by thousands throughout the United States.

#### From The Pastor's Pen

God is a Forgiver. When we repent and ask for forgiveness, we will not be refused. "If we confess our sins," the Bible says, "God is faithful and just to forgive our sins..." (1 John 1:9).

There is only one solution for sin-guilt and that is forgiveness. God is a forgiving God. He pardons our sins. For instance; <u>Murder</u> is not unpardonable. David confessed his sin and was forgiven (<u>Psalm</u> 32:5). <u>Theft</u> is not unpardonable. The penitent thief on the cross was pardoned (<u>Luke</u> 22:43). <u>Blasphemy</u> is not unpardonable. Paul was a blasphemer and he was pardoned (1 <u>Timothy</u> 1:13). <u>Adultery</u> is not unpardonable. The woman of Samaria was saved (John 4:7-42). **Unrepentance is the only unpardonable sin**.

To repent our sins does not mean that we torture ourselves in agony over them. God will not forgive any better if we make ourselves miserable. He does not judge our emotions. Finding peace within is attainable by confessing our sins to God and accepting His Son as Lord and Savior.

#### **PRIMETIMERS NEWS**

Come join the Prime Timers' at noon on Tuesday, September 16, in the Church fellowship room for a catered lunch (*\$8.00*), a great program and fellowship with friends and neighbors.

Guest speaker will be Ogden Dunes' own Jim Biancotti, the first Certified Master Recycler in the State. Jim will share his knowledge with us about recycling – how to, what to, and why to.



Visitors are welcome! For reservations or questions call Karel Kearl at 763-6493.

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Sermon Titles			
Sunday, September 7 Sunday, September 14 Sunday, September 21 Sunday, September 28	"Becoming A Palm Tree Christian" "Save Your Scraps for the Master Tailor" "No Turtle Objects to Mock Turtle Soup" "True Friendships: Who is a Friend?"		
OPEN INVITATION to 1 Thessalonians Bible Class			

## When:Starting 9:00 am, Sunday September 21, 2014 (for 5 weeks)Where:Fellowship parlor

We will study concerns to 51 AD Thessalonians which also apply to our times, such as:

How do we strengthen ourselves morally and spiritually to endure the rising tide of persecution and paganistic pressures?

What assurances are there that God will raise the righteous into heaven?

On Sunday September 21, we will discuss how 1Thessalonians, Chapter 1 answers the following two study questions:

How do Christian virtues of faith, hope and love change lives?

What will Christians experience when Christ returns on the Day of Judgment?

Please reply (via <u>georieger@frontier.net</u>) with your internet address if you would like to receive a weekly class announcement and summary of previous class discussions.