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Thanks For The Memories

Barbara and I would like to thank our church family and our wonderful friends of Ogden Dunes and Portage for giving us the privilege of serving them as your minister for the past 6 1/2 years.

As we enter into retirement after being in the ministry for more than 50 years, it will be a major transition in our lives. However, because of you and your loving support, we will leave here with many wonderful memories.

To all who sent personal notes and gifts and the notes from the Preschool, we say "thanks a million!" Also, the "parade of cars," (I stopped counting after 30) the fire trucks and the many "best wishes" was an overwhelming experience. Most of the people I knew, but there were some I didn't even recognize; however, I was made aware that our ministry had touched their lives. To God be the glory!

So, once again, thank you for your overwhelming love and support during our stay at the Ogden Dunes Community Church. We will leave here with cherished memories.

May the Lord bless you as you continue to serve Him faithfully.

Reverend Sewdin

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June Refreshments

After the 9:00 a.m. service, refreshments, including coffee, will be available in the Fellowship Hall following worship. If your last name begins with the letter of the day, please provide snacks of your choice.

Sunday, June 21
Sunday, June 29

Pie Day
K,L,M,N,O



Summer Schedule for Sunday Services

Beginning on Sunday, June 21st the summer service begins:

- 9:00 a.m.—service in the garden (One service only)

Come and begin the day in the house of God and then enjoy the rest of the day at the beach!!!

Father's Day

The Deacons will be celebrating Father's Day on June 21st with pies for everyone.



Kindly Note

Our regular service will resume on Sunday, May 31st. We will continue to do "social distancing" and take every precaution as required by the state of Indiana.

Summer Services: Our outdoor summer service will begin on Sunday, June 21st at 9:00 a.m. Please note that there will be one service only during the summer. If the weather is inclement, then the service will be held inside. We will continue to follow the directives of the state of Indiana.

Cell Group: Our home Cell Group will begin on Wednesday, June 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at the Armstrong's house. We invite everyone to come and share in this wonderful experience.

Please Pray: With the departure of Rev. Sewdin, please be in prayer that the Lord would send the right person of His choice to be your pastor. And pray that He would grant discernment to the congregation.

Also, we want to extend our deepest sympathy to Ralph Stinson and family over the passing of his lovely wife Sharon. There will be a memorial service in her honor at the church sometime in the future.

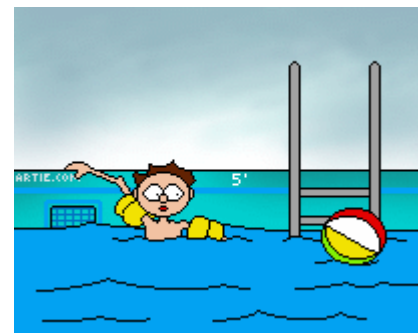


PRIMETIMERS NEWS



It is not known at this time if the June 16th Prime Timers meeting will be held as scheduled. Tentatively, Chuck Gard of Chesterton Garden and Feed will be the speaker. His topic will be "Container Gardening".

For more up to date information after June 3, call Judy Petrou at 763-2186 or Jane Mann at 219-218-3670.



A Word About Fatherhood (June 21st)



The "Father image" is an important concept in scripture. Here are some things the Bible says to men:

- ★ All Christian husbands are to love their wives "just as Christ loved the Church." (Ephesians 5:25)
- ★ All Christians husbands are to be kind and understanding to their wives. If a man does not live this way with his wife he will experience "unanswered prayer." (1 Peter 3:7)
- ★ Fathers are not to provoke their children to anger but to "bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4)
- ★ Learn to communicate with your family.
- ★ Express daily appreciation to the family but avoid flattery.
- ★ Be an example in word, action and lifestyle. Do what you Say! Actions speak louder than words!

Congratulations Graduates



The members of Ogden Dunes Community Church want to express their congratulations to those who are graduating this year. Unfortunately, we do not have any names to mention. However, we are very proud of your achievements and encourage you to pursue your education, either in college, a trade-school or on-line.

Know that the Ogden Dunes Community Church is very proud of you and our prayers are with you as you make and take the next transitions in your life.

Blessings on you! And may the Lord bless you and keep you; may He direct your steps and bless your future plans.

Memorial Garden Reorganization



Our church Memorial Garden was reorganized in 2019 with new officers. They are Phil Grenchik, President; Carol Smith, Treasurer; Jill Green Secretary; Judy Skafish and Mary Antone, Landscape and Garden Maintenance Chairs. It is with a great amount of thanks and praise that we recognize this group for their hard work, dedication and innovation in continuing efforts to make our Memorial Garden a "special place."