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Ogden Dunes Community Church seeks to joyfully lead people to the transforming love of Christ.

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

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February Refreshments



After the 10:00 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. The host/hostess for the day will set snacks and coffee out for everyone's enjoyment after the service.

Hostess

Sunday, Feb. 5	U,V,W,X,Y,Z	Julia Hoham
Sunday, Feb. 12	A,B,C,D,E	Judy Tarpo
Sunday, Feb. 19	F,G,H,I,J	Claudia Kleyweg
Sunday, Feb. 26	K,L,M,N,O	Margo Hartmann

Please call Sue Squire at 762-1428 to volunteer to be a host/hostess for later dates.

Epigram

- The Avaricious Person is like the barren sandy ground of the desert which sucks in all the rain and dew with greediness, but yields no fruitful herbs of plants for the benefit of others.
- HOPE is like the cork to a net, which keeps the soul from sinking in despair.
- HOPE is like the sun, which, as we journey towards it, casts the shadow of our burdens behind us.
- GOODNESS is the only investment that never fails, for "you will reap what you sow!!"



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Transcendent

We do not have to go to the universe to prove the existence of God from Design. We do not have to dig down into the bounds of earth, nor go up to the stars for proofs of divine existence. He (God) is not far from every one of us. As the Apostle Paul says: "In Him, we move and have our being;" and as Tennyson says: "Closer is He (God) than breathing, and nearer than our hands and feet." God is here. There is no escaping Him. The psalmist said:

"Where can I flee from Your Presence?
If I go up to the heavens, You are there;
If I make my bed in Sheol, You are there..."
(Psalm 139:7,8)

Humanity is under Moral law as well as Physical; and if humankind violates the one code or the other, a penalty will result in each case. For instance, I put my hand in fire and feel physical pain; that is proof that I have a Physical System. I perform a bad action, I feel the sting of conscience and the pangs of remorse; that is equally a proof that I have a Mortal Nature. Who made the act? I did! Who made the pain? Someone, not myself whom I call God!

Fosdick says it best when he wrote: "There need not be in religion, or music, or art, or love, or goodness, anything that is against Reason; but never while the sun shines will we get great religion, or music, or art, or love, or goodness, without going beyond Reason" — and that, my friend, induces "Faith In God."

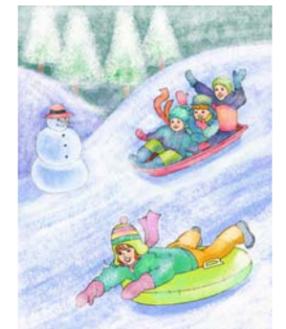
Where are you in life today? Are you living by Fate or Faith in God?? Whether you believe in God or not, it does not mean that He doesn't exist. Let's suppose there is a God, what will you do?

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- ◆ Educational Programs



Come And Be Part Of Our Educational Programs....

Christian Education

- Every Sunday morning there are two Adult Classes. One is taught by LeAnn McCrum in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. and the other by Phil Shank in the Parlor at 9:00 a.m.

- Wednesday Night Bible Study

Topic: Concerning spiritual Gifts

Begins: Wednesday, January 18th

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

This course of study will help you identify your gift. Your Ministry Gift, combined with your special personality produces a unique and dynamic ministry that is indispensable to the rest of the Body of Christ.

Every Sunday, a nursery is provided. There are two Nursery Workers. Your babies will be



“Something To Think About”

It is so true that our younger generation does not like the old traditional way of worship. As a result, many have drifted away from the faith. And it is no secret that there is an expanding gulf between traditional Christian teachings and contemporary moral values. As a result, three types of Christians have emerged:

First, there are the **CAFETERIA-STYLE CHRISTIANS**. This group of Christians chooses what pleases them and makes them feel comfortable. Sin, Hell, Repentance and facing a Holy God one day is minimized and is irrelevant.

Second, there are the **COUCH-POTATO CHRISTIANS**. This group is silent on the absolutes of God and His Word. Neutrality is the order of the day. They have a very pragmatic view of life. They don't "rock-the-boat" so to speak. Their views are relative.

Third, there are the **CONVICTIONAL CHRISTIANS**. While they talk about God's Love and Grace, at the same time, they confront the compromising culture with the Bible as the Rule for Faith and Practice.

WHICH ARE YOU TODAY?? Pragmatist? Neutralist? Or Convictional?

MOTIVES— "One In Ten"

There were 10 lepers healed by Jesus, but only one returned to give thanks. Notice, however, that our Lord did not recall His gift from the other nine because of their lack of gratitude. When we begin to lessen our acts of kindness and helpfulness because we think those who were the recipients did not respond appropriately for what was done for them, it is time to question our motives.

In fact, Jesus' admonition about Giving is this: "When you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing" (Matthew 6:3)

What are your motives in serving and/or giving? And remember that thankfulness is

HAPPY VALENTINE

(February 14th)

For God so loVed the world
that He gAve His
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That whosoever
belleves in Him
will Not perish
but have Everlasting life

Youth Ski Trip

Depart on Friday, March 3: Ogden Dunes Community Church Parking Lot

Saturday, March 4: Skiing @ Caberfae Peaks and other activities

Sunday, March 5: Worship Service at 8:00 A.M., Skiing and other activities.

Back at Ogden Dunes Community Church parking lot.

Look for further details regarding this trip in the days to come.

Reserve your spot by e-mailing or calling Mark Lecy

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