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

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June Refreshments

After the 10:00 am. 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, June 4	A,B,C,D,E	Sue Squire
Sunday, June 11	F,G,H,I,J	Barbara Fortner

Refreshments will be served between and after services in the summer for both services.

Global Days of Prayer

The churches in Portage along with other churches celebrate each year, 10 days to Pentecost Sunday, in the month of June. The following represents the dates and venues of the services in June.

Wednesday, May 31, 7:00 PM ---  
**Ogden Dunes Comm. Church**  
116 Hillcrest Rd., Ogden Dunes

Thursday, June 1, 7:00 PM ---  
**Crossroads Family Church**  
2386 Willowcreek Rd., Portage

Friday, June 2, 7:00 PM --- **House of Prayer Church**  
2738 Blake Rd., Portage

Saturday, June 3, 6:00 PM --- **Church of God of Prophecy**



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As kids focus their telescopes on the marvels painted in the sky by the Creator, they will discover the wonder among all wonders -- that the God who created everything there is -- the knowable and unknowable, the visible and invisible -- wants a personal relationship with them! Your kids are invited into our clubhouse to learn about the God that is over the moon in love with them!

**Galactic Starveyors**

JUNE 16 - 17  
7:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Overnight Teen Retreat  
Finished 7th - 12th Grades  
Teenager-approved food provided

**GALACTIC STARVEYORS**

JUNE 26 - 30  
9:00 AM - 11:45 AM

For children  
(Potty-trained) PreK through  
Finished 6th Grade

REGISTER ONLINE

Email Stacy at ODKidsChurch@gmail.com

DRIVE THRU REGISTRATION

in front of the church from Noon - 2 pm  
June 11 (for teens and kids) & June 18 (for kids)

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**The Pastor's Pen**  
**"Creation and God"**

One of the highlights of my childhood is when we lived in the countryside. I would sit on the steps on the outside of our home, look up into the clear blue sky and see millions and millions of stars. What a beautiful sight it was! I am reminded of David who wrote: "When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place, what is Man that You are mindful of him, the son of man that You care for him?" (Psalm 8:3,4).

Here are three facts about God our Creator:

Jehovah, **Our Creator, is very Creative**. Our Creator didn't just make one moon, one star, etc., rather He made billions of stars, herds, fish, birds—just to name a few. And what a variety!!

**Our Creator is Omnipotent**. He set all Creation in place. He sets them in their right place. When we consider the enormity of our universe, how can we ever fathom the greatness of God? Putting it all together, no wonder David exclaims: "O Lord, our God, how majestic is your Name in all the earth."

**Our Creator has Given Us A Task**. Rulership over all of creation is entrusted to us human beings. Look up into the sky. Look around you. Look beneath you. What do you see? You see Visual Aids describing the glory of God.

But that's not the end of the story. The Creator became Man. He revealed Himself through His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. He put aside His divinity and took on our humanity so that He can identify with us in all of our pains, sufferings, loneliness, sadness, helplessness and hopelessness. You think of something miserable in life, this Creator, this Christ has experienced it. He has identified with us all the way!

God's love for you is uncaused, unmistakable and undiluted. Nobody will ever love you like God. The expression of His love for you is seen through the Cross of Christ. Jesus paid the penalty for all our sins. So, don't misunderstand God's love for you. You can't do anything that would cause God to stop loving you! You can't say anything that would undermine God's love for you! Even if you don't believe in Him, God loves you nevertheless. Remember that true love is not based on the fact whether you accept it or not; rather, true love is based on the Grace of the Giver. This Giver is God, the Creator of the universe!

"O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pains we bear, all because we do not carry everything to

**PRIMETIMERS NEWS**



Join with the Prime Timers for their June 20 luncheon and program. Featured entertainment will be History of Magic with tricks performed by Jim Klodzen. Everyone is welcome.. No age restrictions! New retirees and those on summer breaks from their jobs are especially welcome.

Come meet with us to see what Prime Timers is all about for yourself. We meet at twelve noon in the Ogden Dunes Church fellowship hall. The price of a meal is \$9 which includes good humor to help digestion. Call Jayne Mann at 1-219-218-3670 to reserve your spot in

**A Word About Fatherhood (June 18th)**



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!

**Summer Schedule for Sunday Services**



***Beginning on Sunday, June 18th the summer services begin:***

- **8:30 a.m.—service in the garden**
- **10:00 a.m.—service in the Sanctuary**

***Come and begin the day in the house of God and***

**Father's Day**

The Deacons will be celebrating Father's Day on June 18th with pies for both services. David Andrew Larson will be providing the pies as a gift. Judy Spornick, who is in the Culinary Arts, will be preparing the pies.



**Congratulations Graduates**

The members of Ogden Dunes Community Church want to express their congratulations to those who are graduating this year. They are the following:



- Jared Dickey, son of Tom and Renee Dickey and grandson of Jane Dickey, will graduate from Lambert High School in Atlanta on May 31st.
- Bridget Hart, granddaughter of Barb Homme, graduated from High School.
- Kelly Hart, granddaughter of Barb Homme, received her Bachelor's Degree from Notre Dame.
- Ryan Hart, grandson of Barb Homme, received his Master's Degree from Notre Dame.
- David Homme, grandson of Barb Homme, graduated from high school.
- Hannah Kleyweg, granddaughter of Butch and Claudia Kleyweg, graduated from high school.