

Ogden Offerings

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The **OGDEN UNITED CHURCH** is located at 7401 23 St. S.E.
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Bless my friends reading this right now. Show them a new revelation of Your love and power. Holy Spirit, I ask You to minister to their spirit at this moment. Where there is pain, give them Your peace and mercy. Where there is self-doubt release a renewed confidence through Your Grace

Ogden United Church Mission Statement



We are a community of Christians; called by God to worship; to study; and to serve together. We, as followers of the teachings of Jesus the Christ; believe our church is to provide a place in the community where all people may worship, and meet loving, caring people. We see our church as reaching out to the community, of which we are a part, by providing leadership and help to those who are hurting. We are committed to grow in faith as we attempt to understand Jesus' cal for us both as a congregation and as Christians with special gifts. May God be with us in our task as we ask ourselves WWJD? (What Would Jesus Do)

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Help Wanted

Volunteers, God Bless Them

Many will be shocked to find
 When the Day of Judgment nears
 That there's a special place in heaven
 Set aside for volunteers
 Furnished with big recliners,
 satin couches and footstools
 Where there's no committee chairmen,
 No group leaders or car pools.
 No bazaar and no bake sale,
 No bazaar and no bake sale.
 There will be nothing to staple
 Not one thing to fold or mail.
 Telephone lists will be outlawed
 But a finger snap will bring
 Cool drinks and gourmet dinners
 And treats fit for a king.
 You ask, "Who'll serve these privileged
 few
 And work for all they're worth?"
 Why, all those who reaped the benefits
 And not once volunteered on Earth.
 - Author Unknown

Volunteer Positions Needed



- Reading the Scriptures
- Greeting
- Collection
- Setting up for coffee
- Cleaning up after coffee
- Counting the collection money
- Phoning for special events
- Baking on special occasions
- Setting up for special occasions
- Cleaning up after special occasions
- Collecting stuff for garage sale
- Collecting stuff for silent auction
- Getting donations for special events/hot dog Sundays
- Getting seniors/people who need rides - to church
- Board positions

Sunday School News

All Children are welcome, come share with us!" We are using 'Seasons of the Spirit' curriculum, an informative, multi-age resource, in our Sunday School Teachings. We have traveled with our children through the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany and are now entering the Season after Epiphany. There are some interesting and fun things (Cave story area, listening path, crafts) planned for our little 'wise ones' leading up to Transfiguration Sunday on March 2nd. Come and Join Us! Don't forget our Hot Dog Sundays January 19th and February 16th - helping hands are always needed and appreciated. Remember; you are one of God's Wise Ones, so go forth to search out the love & light of Christ in everyone you meet.



Sunday School

Irish Friendship Wish

- ☘ May there always be work for your hands to do;
- ☘ May your purse always hold a coin or two;
- ☘ May the sun always shine on your windowpane;
- ☘ May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain;
- ☘ May the hand of a friend always be near you;
- ☘ May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.



Words of Wisdom



Happiness always looks small while you hold it in your hands, but let it go, and you learn at once how big and precious it is.

Calendar

Communion Sunday

January 5

Potluck Lunch Sundays

1st Sundays of each month:

January 5

February 2

Hot Dog Sundays

3rd Sunday of each month:

January 19

February 16

AOTS

January 6 - 7:30 PM

All men of the church are wel-

UCW

January 6 - 7:30 PM

Meeting - Upper Hall at OUC

All women of the church are

Board Meetings

January 13

February 10

Come As You Are

Tuesdays, starting February 4

7:30 - 9 PM

Drop-ins are welcome!

Annual Congregational

January 26, 2003

12 Noon in the Sanctuary.

Financial News

We successfully raised about \$1400 with our Change for the Better jar and matching donations! Congratulations and well done!

*To pledge or not to pledge
That is the question.
Whether it is nobler in a man
To take the Gospel free,
And let another foot the bill,
Or sign a pledge, and help
To pay the church expenses.
To give - to pay, aye there's
The rub - to pay,
When on a free pew plan
A man may have the sitting
free
And take the Gospel, too,
As though he paid,
And none the wiser be
Save the finance committee,
who
Most horrible men, can
Keep it secret.
To err is human; human too
To buy at cheapest rate.
I'm wise; I'll wait,
No work; I'll pray, not pay,
and
Let the other foot the bill.
And so with me
The Gospel's free you see!*

“God, grant us the grace as another year starts to use all the hours of our days Not for our own selfish interests and our own willful, often wrong ways, But teach us to take time for praying and to find time to listen to You, So each day is spent well and wisely doing what You most want us to do.”
-Helen Steiner Rice

**“If God brings you to it,
He will bring you through it.”**

Happenings at Ogden United

Come As You Are Begins in February



Come As You Are begins again Feb.4/03 from 7:30 PM to 9PM All are welcome! No previous Bible Study experience needed!! Drop-ins are welcome!!!



A Wish

Today...I wish you a day of ordinary miracles —
A fresh pot of coffee you didn't make yourself.
An unexpected phone call from an old friend.
Green stoplights on your way to work or shop.
I wish you a day of little things to rejoice in ...

The fastest line at the grocery store.
A good sing along song on the radio.
Your keys right where you look.



I wish you a day of happiness and perfection — little bite size pieces of perfection that give you the funny feeling that the Lord is smiling on you, holding you so gently because you are someone special and rare.

I wish you a wonderful day and many more to follow!

Annual Congregation Meeting

Annual Congregation Meeting Important Date!



Annual Congregational Meeting
January 26, 2003 12 Noon in the Sanctuary.

Ongoing Fundraisers for O.U.C.

Regal Representative:

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If you need products or the latest catalogues, please contact the above individuals as a portion of sales made through the church are returned to help support Ogden United.

Did You Know?

We have added some new components to our sound system and it's wonderful - especially the lapel mike for the minister and the choir mike. Still more to come, but slowly and surely - we are getting there!



Advertisements

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Life's Lessons



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Everything I needed to know about life, I learned from Noah's Ark...

One: Don't miss the boat.

Two: Remember that we are all in the same boat.

Three: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.

Four: Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.

Five: Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.

Six: Build your future on high ground.

Seven: For safety's sake, travel in pairs.

Eight: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the Cheetahs.

Nine: When you're stressed, float a while.

Ten: Remember the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.

Eleven: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.

Now wasn't that nice? Pass it along and make someone else smile too

