



OVERTURE

The Newsletter of Old Orchard Church

June 6, 2010

Welcome!

Welcome to our worship. We invite you to use our **child care services** for infants through children in kindergarten, located in the church building basement. Please see nursery details below. Our **Sunday School** is offered for all ages and meets 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Churchwide Sunday School begins today, Sunday, June 6.

If you would like to find out more about Old Orchard and what we are about, please fill out one of our visitor forms in the lavender or blue pads on the chairs or in the hymnal rack.

Our Children's Ministry

Nursery is offered for infants & children through kindergarten age. Our nurseries are in the church building basement.

★**Infant nursery** for babies, crawlers, & very early walkers.

★**Toddler nursery** for children who are walking up to three years of age.

Children who turn three from January-August are invited to attend preschool worship starting September 1. Children who turn three from September-December are invited to attend preschool worship starting January 1.

★**Preschool worship** for ages 3 through kindergarten. Three-year-olds (see above) and four-year-olds are welcome during the whole service. Five-year-olds remain upstairs in the worship service until dismissed at 10:50.

Children's Worship will not meet during the summer. For children in grades 1-5.

*** CHURCH BUSINESS ***

Call for Congregational Meeting

Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 6:45 p.m.

Please note: if you need child care for this meeting,
please sign up or let Hannah Nelson know.

The elders of Old Orchard Church have called a congregational meeting for the following purposes:

- 1) To complete a disciplinary process begun some months ago concerning one of our members;
- 2) To erect a pulpit committee that can be set in motion to find a candidate to replace Mark Tucker, Associate Pastor to Youth and Families in the likely event that Mark will resign his work at Old Orchard this fall in order to devote himself full time to planting a church in the Midtown area of St. Louis City. The proposal before the body on June 9 will be to constitute as our pulpit committee the following: the Session (ruling elders Hurvey Woodson, Greg Roig, and Nate McKie; and teaching elder, Ron Lutjens) together with the coordinators of the Children's Ministry (Michelle Kraft, Kelli McKie, Jessie Swigart, and Margaret Wilke [Sunday School is presently without a coordinator]), together with two unrelated parents: one mother and one father, one of them to be a parent of a teen and one a parent of a child. At the meeting we will vote to add two parents to the committee.
- 3) To lay before the fellowship, for its feedback and advice, the budget projection for the fiscal year, July 2010-June 2011.

ATTENTION NON-MEMBERS: As always, we welcome non-members to attend this congregational meeting. However, please note that we ask you to come for the last two items only. For the first item of business, the matter of church discipline of one of our members, we will go into executive session—which just means that all non-members will be asked to leave for that part of the meeting. They may return when we finish with #1.

So if you are not yet a formal member of Old Orchard Church, and would like to come to the meeting, we are asking you to come at 7:30 p.m., at which time we should be finished with item #1 above and you will be welcome to join us.

By order of the Session, meeting on May 18, 2010.

~Ron Lutjens, Moderator of Session

Sharing of Directory Information

To the fellowship,

We are postponing the sending of the mailing addresses of those in the church directory to the PCA Foundation until we have time to explain more fully why we decided to do this without seeking permission from everyone. Some in the fellowship have reacted negatively to our decision, so we want to respect that. But we want the congregation to be assured that everyone will have the opportunity to opt out of this if they want to. We realize that people's personal information and where it goes is a sensitive issue these days. The elders need to take that seriously, and so we're willing to rethink what we decided.

~Ron Lutjens, for the Session

Guidelines on Giving Gifts for Individuals at Old Orchard Church

Gifts to individuals Love-gifts for random individuals cannot be channeled through the church and at the same time remain tax-deductible. Anyone wanting to give a gift to an individual is encouraged to give it anonymously (perhaps in cash or with a cashier's check, or with another member acting as the go-between).

If someone does want to make a contribution to the Deacons' Fund and suggest a person(s) who is in extreme financial need, such a suggestion should **not** simply be put on the memo of the check but should come in the form of a note to the deacons. But church members should understand that the giver's recommended use of the gift is purely advisory, being entirely at the church's discretion. The deacons' fund is set up to help people who are in need, and we will use the fund for that purpose.

Gifts for Short-Term Mission Trips If the Missions Ministry has approved someone's short-term mission trip, then the church will channel funds for that mission trip. You can put the name of the person with the words "mission trip" in the check memo.

*** GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP ***

Sunday School

"Come To Me"

OOC Summer Churchwide Sunday School

Matthew 19:14

Four weeks on growing childlike faith by looking at Scripture and the lives of people who have served children. Each summer we host our Churchwide Sunday School for all ages (0-100) to come for fellowship, laughter, and growing together in Christ. 9 a.m. in the Milligan House, each Sunday morning in June. Food and coffee provided.

There will be no Sunday School in July.

Tender Mercies Prayer

This is an opportunity to pray for our adult covenant children who are not walking with the Lord. Many of these young adults were baptized at OOC and we promised to pray for them. We will meet at 9:00 am at the Milligan House for a time of sharing and prayer on *Saturday, June 26*. Our plan is to meet every other month from now. If you are interested, but not able to make that date, contact Betsy Roig .

*** OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE ***

"Dry Goods" Food Pantry Collection

We are collecting the following items for the Grace & Peace Food Pantry through Sunday, June 20: **pasta, rice, macaroni and cheese, box meals ("dry goods")**.

They presently have a good stock of canned goods. This pantry serves neighbors of Grace and Peace Fellowship (PCA) in the City of St. Louis. –*The Mercy Ministry Team*

Cornerstone Work Day

We invite you to serve on **Saturday, June 26** from 9 a.m. to noon for a work day at Cornerstone Housing Corporation. Projects haven't been finalized yet, but probably will be cleaning out basements. Perhaps your community group would like to make this a project you do together! Phil Patterson is the point person for this. Let him know you want to come! Look for the sign-up sheet.

Lawn Mowing

Please sign up!

We are looking for people to mow the lawns at the church building/Milligan House and at the home of Willie Lee, who lives in Rock Hill and is disabled. **Bill Grady** coordinates lawn mowing at the church/Milligan House, and **Mark Robertson** coordinates lawn mowing at Willie Lee's. Sign-up sheets are circulating today!

For questions, please contact Bill Grady or Mark Robertson.

Narnia Children's Summer Program (aka VBS) Update

OOO Families, please register your children for this summer's Narnia program by July 9 if you plan for them to attend! We've received over 50 registrations since the form was put onto the church website. This is already more than half of capacity for VBS. We prioritize OOO and unchurched families that register, but after July 9, we will be opening all remaining slots to registered families on a first come, first served basis.

Also, given that we expect to hit capacity this year again, we are still in need of many more volunteers (especially teachers & assistants) to help make this program successful. Please pick up a form off the table in the sanctuary, and prayerfully consider how you might help.

~Kelli McKie

*** A NEW BABY & A THANK YOU ***

New Baby Arrival!

Congratulations to Ian and Jill Storm on the birth of their second son!

Oliver Neil Storm was born Monday, May 31. 8 lbs, 13 oz, 20 in.

A Big Thanks

Dear ladies (and gents) of Old Orchard,

I want to thank each and every one of you for your love, prayers and the generosity shown at my recent baby shower. I received so many lovely and thoughtful things, including all the cloth diapers that I am going to need! That is no small gift! Even if you weren't able to make the shower or give me a tangible gift, I have felt showered with love and blessings from all of you from the time we announced that we were expecting a little one. We are very well cared for at Old Orchard and are grateful that God placed us in this community.

With Affection, Amy and Jim and Baby Butz

*** NEARLY-SUMMERTIME GATHERINGS ***

Wedding Invitation!

All are invited to Alyssa Santoyo & Chris Catlin's wedding this Saturday, June 12, 2010 at 2 p.m. at Old Orchard Church. Please see invitation on bulletin board. RSVP to Alyssa's cell or e-mail her.

Post-Wedding Reception

Editor's Note: Lina Stanly & Owen Gentry were married Monday, May 31 in Virginia. Owen and Lina are having a reception for St Louis friends on Saturday, June 19 from 7-10 pm. It will be held at [see print copy for address], Central West End, 63112. It will be a cocktail party. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share and your favorite cocktail glass. RSVP to Lina by **June 12th.** (see print copy for e-mail)

Parlor Fellowship

Our next one is next Sunday, June 13 after worship. Our hostesses: Amy Grady & Margaret Wilke. Sign up to bring food! We still need: Hummus and Pita Bread; Veggie Tray; Cheese & Crackers. We will be honoring our college and high school graduates.

Graduate: *Sharon Kern*, Associate degree in Nursing/Registered Nurse from St. Louis Community College at Meramec.

More Graduates: The following won't be present, but have received bachelor's degrees: *Toby Lowe* (son of Jim & Laurie Lowe) with a B.A. in English and Russian Studies from Hobart & William Smith Colleges. Toby will head out to Portland Oregon where he will intern at the Arbor School and also work on a master's degree. *Cecilia Liu* (who has returned to China) received both BS for Finance and BA for Religious Studies; and graduating from high school is *Amanda Tevebaugh*.

*** YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT NEWS ***

A Letter from Hannah & Her Trip to the DR

Dear OOC family,

As most of you know, I am going back to the Dominican Republic this June 19th - 26th. Last year in June, I went on a missions trip with Old Orchard Church to an orphanage in the DR, and had an incredible experience there. This year OOC isn't going, but I have an opportunity to join Graystone (a church in Georgia that OOC met while on our missions trip) and be part of their group. Many of you have supported me, and I am very thankful! I still have about \$400 of support left to raise, and if you already haven't supported me I would love for you to be a part of this opportunity by helping me raise this money. If you are not able to support me financially, please consider supporting me spiritually with your prayers. Any donation you are able to give will be GREATLY appreciated! Please make checks payable to Hannah Nelson. Thank you.

With love, Hannah Nelson

Summer RUF 2010

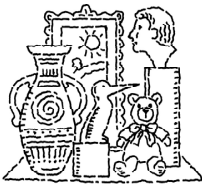
Who: All college students in St. Louis, including rising freshmen who have just graduated from high school.

What: Summer RUF will consist of a 4-part series of Large Group meetings. Large Groups will feature musical worship, peer fellowship, and preaching from God's Word by ordained pastors. This summer we will be studying the book of Jonah.

Where: The Chapel, at Memorial Presbyterian Church

When: Wednesday nights – June 2, June 23, July 14, July 28 – 7:00 pm

For more info: www.summerruf.blogspot.com



Youth Art Show!

Youth Art Show: Sunday, June 20

Must be age 21 and younger to submit art. All media.
All artwork must be labeled, ready to hang, and in Ron's study
by
Friday, June 18th.

If your child is participating, please let Cayce Zavaglia know.
If you would be willing to bring a fruit tray, please tell
Barb Winters, Jane Winter, or Cayce Zavaglia.

*** SHARE WITH US!! ***

Tell Us About It in The Overture!

Most of you know that our church's current theme is (Let Us) Press On To Know the Lord. (Hosea 6:3) We want to create a space here in the Overture for people to be able to share ideas of what is helping them to press on to know the Lord. Hearing from others' practical ways of doing this is helpful and encouraging. So please submit your book titles, experiences, & routines . . . anything that is edifying. Share what you are learning about Him, not in order to boast, obviously, but in order to give glory to God and to encourage the rest of us as we all Press On to Know the Lord. Submissions can be made electronically by e-mailing the church office or by placing a signed article in the Overture mailbox.

~Melissa Nelson

Next Overture

You are invited to write for any issue of our newsletter! We welcome submissions of articles, art, short essays, poetry, etc. You can place your signed articles in the Overture box (in the coat room). The next issue will be out Sunday, June 20. Editor will be Susan O'Neal.

Deadline for hard-copy submissions is next Sunday, June 13.

*** SUGGESTED SUMMER READING ***

Courtesy of Gail Barker, for the Library Ministry

All titles are located on the bookshelf next to the chair lift.

Rediscovering Catechism: The Art of Equipping Covenant Children by Donald Van Dyken

by Philip Yancey

The Jesus I Never Knew

What's So Amazing About Grace?

Reality and the Vision: Eighteen Christian Authors Reveal What They Read and Why (Ed.)

by John Bunyan

Pilgrim's Progress

The Holy War

Justification by an Imputed Righteousness

Doctrine of the Law and Grace Unfolded

The Psalms

How to Read the Psalms by Tremper Longman

A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23 by Phillip Keller

The Psalms and Hymns of Isaac Watts by Isaac Watts

God's Work in the World

Among the Soviet Evangelicals by Samuel Neskoly

A Distant Grief by F. Kefa Sempangi

He Gave Us a Valley by Helen Roseveare

Biography/Autobiography

Ruth, A Portrait: The Story of Ruth Bell Graham by Patricia Cornwall

Francis Schaeffer: An Authentic Life by Colin Duriez

Choices, Changes by Joni Eareckson Tada

Lighter Reading

Letters to an American Lady by C.S. Lewis

Twelve Baskets of Crumbs by Elisabeth Elliot

Vintage Muggeridge: Religion and Society by Malcolm Muggeridge; Ed. Geoffrey Barlow

Much Lighter Reading (all by G.K. Chesterton)

Seven Suspects

The Man Who Was Thursday

The Club of Queer Trades

*** BULLETIN BOARD ***

Pastors & office staff to be away!

Mark will be away June 18-28 and July 21-31.

Ron will be away afternoon of June 27-July 2 (PCA General Assembly),
and again July 5 – July 31 (Sabbatical).

Durinda Hood, Administrative Assistant, will be away June 13-June 23.

OOO Calendar

Wednesday, June 9. **Congregational Meeting** 6:45 p.m. (see above for more info)

Sunday, June 13. **Parlor Fellowship** (honor high school & college graduates)

Sunday, June 20. Father's Day. **Youth Art Show.**

Sunday, June 26. **Cornerstone Work Day**, 9 a.m. to noon.

Tender Mercies Prayer. 9 a.m. at Milligan House.

Sunday, June 27. **Lunch** at Milligan House (Sign-up June 13 & 20)

Tuesday, June 29 through Friday, July 2. **PCA General Assembly** (Ron to attend)

Youth Group Calendar

TODAY, June 6. Teen Fellowship **for high schoolers** at 5:30 p.m. in the Milligan House.

Friday, June 11. **Girls' Bible Study @** Einstein's 9 a.m.

Sunday, June 13. **Shakespeare in the Park.** 6:30 p.m. – late

Friday, June 18. **Guys' Bible Study @** Einstein's 9 a.m.

Sunday, June 20. 6-8 p.m. **7th Annual Father's Day Ultimate Frisbee & Ted Drewes**
(free for dads!)

Saturday, June 26. Destination unknown. Details forthcoming.

Sunday, June 27. No teen fellowship.

July Birthdays

7/2..... Marie Chambers	7/17 Katherine Lutjens
7/2..... Sara Dodd	7/17 Tori Tamm
7/2..... Ken Peck	7/17 Rena Tilford
7/3..... Chris O'Neal	7/18 Laurie Lowe
7/5..... Alyson McKie	7/18 Nancy Weir
7/5..... Jonathan Tevebaugh	7/19 David Brown
7/6 Dot Branson	7/19 Bryn McKie
7/6..... Micah Dodd	7/21 Jackie Fogas
7/9 Susan O'Neal	7/23..... Rene Quimbo**
7/9 Anne Woodard	7/23..... Marci Robertson
7/15 Yuxia (Lily) Ji	7/25..... Wendy Jennings
7/16..... Bill Grady	7/25..... Patricia Lee
7/16 Anaëlle Rinn**	7/28..... Ric Donovan
7/16 Isaiah Tucker	7/29..... Tara Battles
7/17 Ruth Killen	7/31 Mark Powers

**member of missionary/ministry family

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