



Overture

The Pretty Much
Fortnightly Newsletter of

Old Orchard Church

June 19, 2011

Welcome!

Guests, we welcome you and thank you for coming! 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. Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. and is on a summer schedule. Please see page 2.

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.

Sundays @ a glance

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (SEE PAGE 2.)

10:15 a.m. Worship

*Get into the rhythm of things....
see page 7*

Old Orchard Church

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Web Site.....www.oldorchardchurch.org

Ron Lutjens, Pastor

See print copy

Mark Robertson, Director of Ministry to Youth & Family

See print copy for info

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See print copy.

Children's Ministry

NURSERY is offered for infants & children through kindergarten age. The nurseries are in the church building's basement.

Infant nursery for babies, crawlers, and very early walkers.

Toddlers 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 age 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 dismissal at 10:50 a.m. **Children's Worship, will not meet this summer.** See "Advises for Adults," p. 7.

"The grass is always greener...."

Where?
See page 3.

What's shakin' this summer with Youth Group?

Go to page 2. Go directly to page 2. Do not pass "Go." Do not collect \$200.



Sunday School Notes



	Adults	Children
JUNE	<i>Disciplines for Disciples: A Simple Introduction</i>	Sunday School for children will not meet in the months of June and July. But....
JULY		
AUGUST	Intergenerational Sunday School Class In August, after Summer Narnia (VBS), there will be an intergenerational Sunday School for 3 Sundays, to which we will invite attendees of Summer Narnia, which will have just finished.	

This class will focus on some of the classic spiritual disciplines we need to be learning and practicing if we are to keep our communion with God intimate, authentic and growing. We will focus in particular on learning how to meditate on God's Word—not simply on how to read it or study it but on how to *meditate* on it. What's that all about? Someone who has spent the past year going deeper in the discipline of meditation on Scripture recently wrote, *"The Word of GOD is truly powerful. I found it strong enough to stop me in my tracks."*

Join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Milligan House, to find out more. Childcare will be provided, but you will need to let Mark Robertson know. *This would be a great way to refresh your relationship with the Lord and renew your love for him in this 30th anniversary year!*

—Ron Lutjens

...starting June 26, kids in grades 1-5 are invited to go across the street to the Milligan House during Sunday worship to enjoy a short film based on the liturgy theme of that morning's worship service. This will take place every other week, so that kids are able to worship for the full service on occasion, and have the opportunity to watch a fun film on the other weeks. There will be a short Q&A at the end of each film, facilitated by two adults. We are looking for a few adults to rotate and help with facilitating this time. Please contact Mark Robertson if you are interested in helping. Thanks!!

Youth Group Summer Activities

High School Only! Summer Bible Study—every other Thursday @ 9 am @ Einstein's. (Next one: June 23). Stupendous!

Sunday, June 26, 2 p.m.—Serving @ Dell Haven w/ Grace & Peace, 2 pm (we'll just stay after church, go to lunch, then on to Grace & Peace)

Monday, July 4, morning—4th of July Parade. Pass out candy! Dress up like a zoo animal!

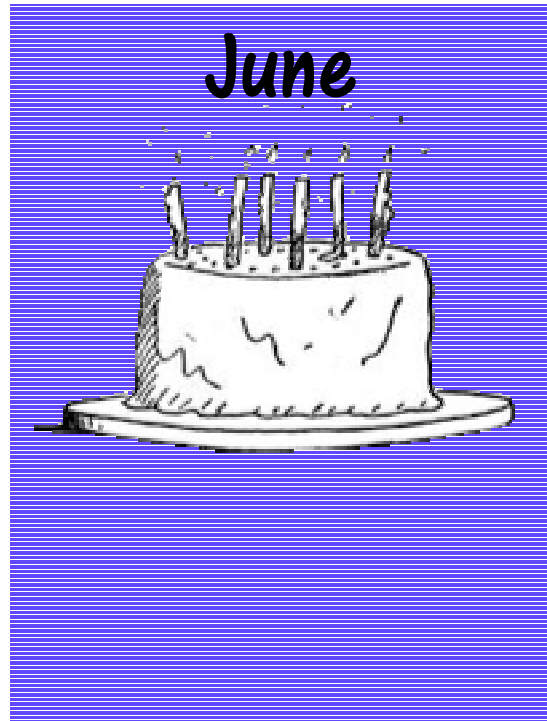
Friday, July 8, evening—Ice skating in the middle of summer, with Crossroads Youth.

Saturday, July 23, morning—Car Wash for Japan!

July 26-30, morning --VBS. Sign up to help!

Questions? See Mark Robertson.

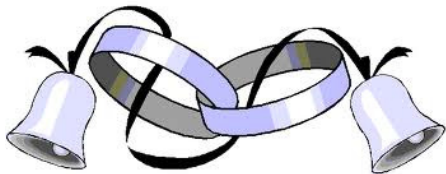
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 6/1..... Rebecca Skrainka
 6/4..... Margaret Wilke
 6/4..... Greg Zavaglia
 6/7..... Ryan Glasgow
 6/7..... Charlotte Maichel
 6/8..... David Roig
 6/9..... Dawn Miller**
 6/11..... Tanya Coody**
 6/12..... Willie Freist
 6/12..... Kathleen Shumate
 6/13..... Brendan Stuber
 6/13..... Reid Stuber
 6/14..... Preston Lee
 6/14..... Lani Quimbo**
 6/15..... Emmett Killeen
 6/21..... Christine Raquepaw
 6/23..... Gretta Kraft
 6/24..... Jack Nelson
 6/26..... Prisca Rice
 6/29..... Ed Killeen
 6/30..... Esther Dundore
 6/30..... Lydia Foss
 6/30..... Andre Marques



**member of missionary family supported by OOC

Wedding Bells

All OOC women are invited to a bridal shower to honor Anna Cushman. Anna and Kirk Norris will be married at Old Orchard on August 6th.



Are Ringing

WHERE: Milligan House

WHEN: Saturday, June 25 at 10:00 a.m.

HOSTESSES: Lina Gentry and Sandra Schulte

Anna is registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond, Pottery Barn, Macy's, and Home Depot. If your budget is tight you can contribute to a group gift. Please give your contribution to Lina or Sandra by Sunday, June 19. Please bring something for the refreshment table.

Please join your sisters in Christ in prayer and celebration for Anna.



The grass is always greener...IN WEBSTER GROVES!

We're at that season again—looking for people to mow the lawns at the church building/Milligan House and at the home of Willie Lee, a disabled citizen who lives in Rock Hill. **Bill Grady** coordinates lawn mowing at the church/Milligan House, and **Mark Robertson** is coordinating initially lawn mowing at Willie Lee's, but we are looking for a new coordinator. Interested? See Mark Robertson.

Sign up sheets are circulating today! For questions, please contact to coordinators:

Bill Grady: See print copy for phone numbers and emails.

Mark Robertson:

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OOO Calendar Notes

(an asterisk indicates further information elsewhere in this edition of the *Overture*)

- **Wednesday, June 22:** Moms' Group*
- **Saturday, June 25:** Bridal Shower*
- **Sunday, June 26:** Lunch @ Milligan House, after worship*
- **Tuesday, June 28:** Parents' Night*
- **Wednesday, July 6:** Moms' Group*
House Church @ Milligan House (6:00 p.m.: dinner; 7:00 p.m.: meeting)
- **Sunday, July 10:** Parlor Fellowship, after worship
- **Saturday, July 16:** Baby Shower @ Milligan House (10:00 a.m.; details forthcoming)
- **Wednesday, July 20:** Moms' Group*
- **Tuesday-Saturday, July 26-30:** Summer Narnia Week



News You Can Use



The Old Orchard Family Book Review!

Parents, this night is for you!! Please join us on June 28 @ 6:30 pm at the Milligan House, as we discuss devotional materials, and books and articles about youth issues like sexuality, peer pressure, and contemporary culture. We want to welcome everyone to share what resources they have found to be helpful over the years. Snacks and coffee provided. Childcare provided upon request, contact Mark Robertson.

Summer Narnia—Please Register!

Tuesday, July 26 - Saturday, July 30, 2011, 9:00 am – noon. OOC'ers, please register your kids. Registration is now on the OOC website. Be thinking about volunteering. See Kelli McKie for questions.

Next Lunch at Milligan House

Sunday, June 26 after worship. Hosting: Donna Pollihan & Linda Lemen. Barrs Community Group are helpers. Sign up to attend! Menu: pizza, salad and dessert.

Missing Vase

I am missing a vase. It is ceramic, cobalt blue. Maybe 6" tall. Not sure if it was brought to church on March 27 or April 25. If you have seen the vase or know where it has been put, please let me know. Phone number: (see print copy) or e-mail (see print copy).
--Barb Winters

Bring Food Any Sunday

We invite you again to bring **canned vegetables, fruit and tuna** any Sunday and drop it off to the box in the foyer. Webster Rock Hill Ministries is low on these items so we'll pass along to them what we receive. Thanks!
--Mercy Ministry Team

ZUMBA at OOC!!!

Two more weeks! FUN and exercise at the same time!! Tuesdays in June, 6-7 pm in the parlor. Take advantage of this opportunity. No charge. Bring your friends and neighbors, too! Contact me with any.
--Becca Skrainka

Next *Overture*!

You are invited to write for any issue of the *Overture*! We welcome submissions of articles, art, short essays, poetry, etc. All submissions, which should be signed by the person submitting them, may be put in the *Overture* box (in the coat room), or emailed to the church office. The next issue will be out Sunday, July 3 with Liz Romines editing. Deadline is Sunday, June 26.

Hosts Needed

Two hosts/hostesses are needed for the August 28 lunch, and one co-host for October 23. See Betsy Tevebaugh if you can help host one.

Moms' Group News

The Moms' Group will meet every other Wednesday at 9:15 a.m. during the summer. Geared toward mothers with young children at home, but all moms are welcome! Our next few dates will be June 22, July 6, July 20. The location will be emailed to the group each week we meet (because it will change based on weather). Please email Kathleen Shumate at kathleen.shumate@gmail.com if you want to be added to the list! Thanks!

Wanted to Borrow: Car Seat for Baby

Our daughter Jenny will be visiting us, along with her daughter Ruby Rose, from July 30 to August 16. We are looking to borrow a car seat suitable for a 15-month-old so that we can cart Ruby Rose around with us (including a trip to New York). If you have such a seat and you're willing to lend it to us, please let us know. Many thanks, in advance.

--Laurie & Jim Lowe

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OOO 30th Anniversary "Numbering Our Days, Finding Our Wisdom"

OOO Anniversary Funds

We are taking up three collections in conjunction with our 30th anniversary. *Please make checks payable to Old Orchard Church and designate it for which fund you want to give to.*

- **30th Anniversary Fund.** To help defray costs of the various things we are doing for our anniversary celebration. Designate: "Anniversary Fund."
- **Love Gift.** Recipients to be determined. One will be a be split between a far and a near-home missionary/ministry as a kind of thank-offering to the Lord for his mercies to us over these first 30 years. Designate: "Anniversary Love Gift."
- **Copper cross.** We're setting up a fund that folks can contribute to so that we can hire an artist/craftsman to build us a copper cross to go on top of the bell tower at the church. We are in the process of talking with people to get an idea of the cost of this. Designate: "Copper Cross."

So as the Lord leads, we do encourage the fellowship to give to one or more or all of these funds but cheerfully, with thankful hearts, and *above and beyond what you are already giving to help support the work of Old Orchard Church.* Warm thanks to you all.

--Ron Lutjens, on behalf of the Session and the 30th Anniversary Committee

Photo Albums – Your Help Is Wanted!

We have 3 projects in the works—and we need your contributions!

- **General Photo Albums.** If you have photos of OOC people/events, please get them to either Barb Winters or Durinda Hood.
- **Photo Book.** We may be looking for specific photos for it—watch for announcements.
- **Scrapbook of OOC 2011 People.** Each household attending OOC is invited to contribute two photos: one of your household around the time that you first came to OOC and a second photo of your household now, in 2011. You may include grown children even if they do not attend OOC. The third item is to answer two questions: (1) When and how did the Lord bring you to Old Orchard Church? and (2) How has the Lord used Old Orchard Church in your lives? These are meant to be brief of course! See sample page on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

Anniversary Celebration

September 23-25
OOO Grounds

OOC Directory Emendations



<i>Who?</i>	<i>What's new?</i>	<i>Please record this information:</i>
Peter Barrs	email	(See print copy for all of the items in this column.)
Jill Donovan	email	
Jacob, Katie, Emma, & Ian Mohler	address (as of June 23)	(They are nomads at present, so don't go to their former address looking for them. They are not there.)
Chuck & Sandra Schulte	address	8
	Sandra's email	
Russell, Brianna, Tori, & Sophia Tamm	address	

Letters to the Congregation

Hello everyone! We hope this note finds you all doing well. We just wanted to let you know that we have moved because of Scott's new job as Pastor of Grace Fellowship Church in Fayette, Missouri. We have moved to Columbia, which is a twenty minute drive from Fayette. Here are our new email and home addresses (phones will stay the same):

Scott & Rebekah Chaplin
See print copy for the address and cells & e-mail

((Scott-cell)
((Rebekah-cell)

Micah & Ruthie seem to be getting in the groove at our new place. Micah is attending Gymnastics Day-camp here in Columbia weekdays this summer; and Ruthie will be starting a program for preschoolers this Monday that will meet every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for the rest of the summer.

Thanks for all your prayers, encouragement, and support!

God bless,
Rebekah for the Chaplins

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The following are excerpts from a letter from the Grace & Peace Winter Shelter. The entire letter is on our Mercy Ministry bulletin board, as well as the flyer for their annual Rummage Sale for which they are collecting items in excellent condition.

June 9, 2011

Dear Friends of the Shelter:

This 25th season of the Grace & Peace Winter Shelter was beautiful and eventful, both painful and redemptive. We sheltered a total of 37 women, of whom 23 reported they had a mental illness and 16 reported substance abuse problems. We offered shelter more than 1700 bed-nights, with an average stay of 1.5 months. Some Guests stayed 118 nights! By self-report, three were Veterans, two had health care issues, and two had been in treatment programs recently. None reported

domestic violence in our surveys but we helped at least two get to safe houses. We found that many of our guests were receptive to the love and support we gave them! We also found that very few of the guests were repeaters, coming back after being here in previous years. The focus over the past several years on getting homeless people out of shelters is bearing some fruit. Praise God! With the economy still in sad shape, though, we had people calling every day for whom we did not have space. We were thankful to be working for the Lord to help these downtrodden ladies in His Name....

This was a tough, but rich, season. The winter was cold and wet and seemed long to us. But warmth abounded inside the Grace & Peace building! At the beginning of February, two staff and some volunteers kept the shelter open all day as it snowed with blizzard-like intensity all day! Our Bible Study leader reported that for most of the season, 7-8 ladies came to the weekly study and were very joyful in their testimonies about the Lord. A woman who was a safety threat last year returned and was kind and fun to be around. Two Staff were able, with the Lord's help, to receive strength and healing from fears that had arisen from threatening situations in the shelter last year. Many ladies moved in with families or into transitional housing or their own apartments. Six to eight guests came every Sunday to worship. Friends of the shelter came to pray for healing in the Shelter three different times. The whole team and the guests supported one another as several of us lost relatives in death. One woman lived through an episode of dangerously low blood sugar because fellow guests and then staff noticed and called emergency personnel. Had she been on the streets, she might have perished.

We received \$18 more in donations than we had projected we would need to spend. We also spent about \$900 less than we thought we would need to spend, and that will be used for the next season's costs. For both of these graces, we are very, very thankful!

Here in the beginning of June, we already are well into planning and preparation for the next season. We have just set the dates for this year's Rummage Sale. It will be two weekends again this year: Friday evenings, August 5 and 12, from 5-8 p.m. and Saturdays, August 6 and 13th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.! We need lots of help to make the sale happen, in two primary ways: Donations of sale items in very good condition, and volunteers to help sort and display merchandise beforehand, and man the sale in August! We would be very grateful if you and your family, small group, or church group would make a plan to collect and bring sale items, and give us names of people who will help throughout! We will start collecting Rummage items on Tuesday, July 5 and keep collecting all the way up to August 12 at noon! Note: this means there will be new merchandise for the second weekend of the sale! We want to make over \$4000 this year, and all the funds will be used to run the shelter! We need workers to help on many July and August days for the sale. (See the flyer to sign up!)

We are also working to gather the rest of the money we need to finish some crucial shelter upgrades: monitored fire alarms, sprinkler systems, and new window installation....we need to raise an additional \$45,000 by September, about \$20,000 of which will be used for these shelter items.... Of course, we will still need to raise all the needed funds for the shelter operations, so we will appreciate your prayers for people to be able and willing to donate for both our upgrades and our operations.

Finally, we have learned that we are likely to need at least three new Staff this Fall, and I ask that you please pray for God to bring forth the people He calls to work here. We look forward to seeing what God does!

As is true every time I sit down to write these twice-yearly letters, I am deeply humbled by the provision that God has brought again this year. In the worst U. S. economy since the 1920s, we have still been able to be the hands, feet and voices of God's mercy in St. Louis, and he has used you to accomplish this. Thank you for your faithfulness in following Him in generosity. You are a blessing!

With Love from the Whole Shelter Team,

Melody Burke Perkins

WATER SAFETY TRAINING

for youths 5-17 years old



A flyer with registration is posted.

WHERE:

Webster Groves Parks and Recreational Center
33 East Glendale
Webster Groves, MO 63119

WHEN:

Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 21, 23, 28, 30, July 12, 14, 19, 21
10:45-11:15 A.M.

TO REGISTER, CONTACT:

Webster -Rock Hill Ministries (314-961-5082) *or*
Webster Groves Park & Recreation (314-963-5600)

PARTNERS:

Webster Groves Rotary Club, Webster Groves Parks & Recreation,
Sant Automotive, Commerce Bank, Schaefer Autobody Center,

FOREIGN MISSIONS PRAYER REQUESTS

JUNE, 2011

- 1. Jon and Tanya Coody – St. Petersburg, Russia.** Praise that Jon received his Master of Theology degree from Covenant Seminary last month. Pray for him as he will now be concentrating on raising funds and dealing with the many issues in preparation for their return to Russia, hopefully in September. Pray that Tanya will get her US citizenship and that all of them will get visas.
- 2. Wilma Cross – Santiago, Chile.** Pray that the Lord would continue to use Wilma's life and testimony to minister to the many people who she teaches and counsels. Pray that the Lord will guide others to help in the various aspects of her ministry.
- 3. Rob and Tünde Futo – Budapest, Hungary.** Pray for guidance as they are working slowly to develop a counseling center in Budapest. Pray for the Lord to send counselors to work with Rob. Pray for the marriage seminars that will be held this summer.
- 4. Gerry and Ruth Gutierrez – Huanta, Peru.** Pray for comfort for Ruthie as she is undergoing chemotherapy here in the US. Pray for Gerry as he cares for her. Though the doctor's prognosis is not good, they are praying that the Lord will give them more time to serve him in Peru.
- 5. L'Abri Fellowship – England and Switzerland.** Pray for both branches as the spring/summer terms began last month. Pray that God's truth will speak to both the non Christians and those who have other spiritual needs. Pray for sensitivity, wisdom and stamina for the workers. Pray for the Lord's provision for financial needs.
- 6. Dawn Miller – Madrid, Spain.** Pray for Dawn this month as she goes to India for leadership training and then as she will be saying goodbye to friends in Madrid and leaving for the US June 28. She will be having an extended time in the US, working part time with Campus Crusade in St Louis while beginning a Master's program at Covenant Seminary. Pray for Dawn in all these difficult transitions and adjustments.
- 7. Joseph and Elfi Muutuki – Nairobi, Kenya.** Pray for Joe and Elfi as they carry on their various activities: Joe's teaching at Daystar University, the multi-racial church which is growing, various outreach activities to reach Hindus from India and refugees from the East Congo, a ministry to physically challenged people, etc.
- 8. Luciano and Luciene Pires – Goiania, Brazil.** Pray for guidance and provision as they need to move soon and are looking for a new facility for their ministry and housing. Pray for Luciano and the children's health as they are suffering from severe allergies. Pray that the Lord will provide a vacation for them this summer.
- 9. Rene and Lani Quimbo – Mindanao, Philippines.** Pray for wisdom and spiritual and physical protection and strength for the Quimbo's as they have such numerous and varied ministries to care for. Pray for helpers in each of these ministries and pray for the Lord to meet their financial needs. Pray for the Lord's work in the hearts of the many people they contact.
- 10. Joel and Jessica Rinn – Verona, Italy.** Pray for encouragement and guidance as they need to regroup and are working out new strategies for the church plant since the loss of the ministry room and several former attendees. Pray for Joel as he disciples four young men who are committed to the work in Verona. Pray for their continued witness among the people in the little town where they live.

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