



OVERTURE

The (Almost) Fortnightly Newsletter
Of Old Orchard Church
September 4, 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 below.

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 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 dismissed at 10:50.
- **Children's Worship** will begin to meet again on September 18 for Grades 1-5, See Mark Robertson with questions.

Sunday School News

- * Adult Class: **Disciplines for Disciples—A Simple Introduction.** Met for last time today.
- * **Children's Teacher Training:** Sunday, September 11 8:30 a.m. No classes.
- * **Fall Classes** for adults and children will begin Sunday, September 18 at 9:00 a.m.



OOC Youth Calendar

Youth Group meets on Sunday Nights @ 6 pm. Milligan House

September

Sept. 4 - Labor Day (no youth group)

- Sept. 9 – **FRIDAY NIGHT** – Concert for Japan @ Old Orchard Church featuring Amy Ruth Bartlett – 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 11 – 2011-2012 School Year Youth Group KICKOFF (pizza and games)
*6th graders invited¹
- Sept. 13 – **THURSDAY NIGHT** at Dairy Queen:



- come with Mark Robertson and enjoy a novelty while listening to great music. (***)note: this is not an official Youth Group event)
- Sept. 17 – **SATURDAY** @ 9 am. Youth Work Day to prepare the youth room for our Anniversary Celebration. We shall paint. We shall dust. We shall shampoo, rinse, repeat....
 - Sept. 22-24 – **THURSDAY TO SUNDAY:** OOC Anniversary Weekend! The Youth are large and in charge. Of the Hot Dog and Nacho Stand, that is, which will run from 2:30 to 7:30 on Saturday. Please sign up for a shift!



¹ Sixth Graders are officially invited to all Youth Group Events after January 1

Sing for Japan

AmyRuth Bartlett, Emily Roig, Caleigh O'Neal, Emma Glasgow, and Alyssa Catlin will be joined by some other local artists and musicians in a benefit concert September 9th, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. Money that is raised will either send the Bartletts to join the relief effort in devastated areas of Japan or be sent to other missionaries already helping. Please come enjoy the artwork, music, food and conversation and join us in sending our support to Japan. If you are unable to attend the concert, but want to contribute funds, checks are to be made to Kibou Counseling Services International LLC, (11116 South Towne Square Suite 105, St. Louis MO 63123) and not to Old Orchard Church. See Amy-Ruth Bartlett for questions.



Women's Bible Study: Morning & Evening

All ladies are invited to attend either the morning or evening Bible study on the book of Luke. Both studies will be using the same material and a similar discussion format in order for there to be continuity between the evening and morning studies.

Morning Bible Study is to start September 16 and the **Evening Bible Study** starts September 20! **Please sign up on the sheets circulating today.** Not sure, but interested? We want to know that, too. We will be ordering materials after Sept 5th.

What: The Gospel of Luke (with a parallel study of Luke for the children in the nursery)
When: **SEPTEMBER 16, 2011 thru May 4, 2012**
Friday mornings, 9:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Where: Milligan House living room
Led by: Betty McCracken
Childcare: available and free
Cost: \$20 one-time materials fee (confidential scholarships available if needed) due at first class

Evening Bible Study.

What: The Gospel of Luke (same materials as the morning)
When: **SEPTEMBER 20, 2011 thru May 8, 2012**
Tuesday nights, 7 pm
Where: Milligan House living room
Led by: Jessie Swigart
Childcare: **no childcare for the night class**
Cost: \$20 one-time materials fee (confidential scholarships available if needed) due at first class

--Melissa Nelson

Men's Bible Study

Men, join Hal Pendergrass starting on Saturday, September 10 at 7:15 a.m. at Milligan House for the Men's Bible Study. Talk to Hal if you have questions.

Men's Retreat

It's time to connect with one another while relaxing (fishing, hiking, or canoeing) at Camp Trinity in New Haven, MO (about one hour and fifteen minutes drive from St. Louis), so please join us for "Friendship with God and Men: reflections from our own men and time to enjoy one another." There are two lodging options: a dorm-style cabin and a campground. \$35 covers three meals and the dorm-style cabin; \$20 covers meals for those camping on the grounds. Pick up a registration form today. Cabin space is limited.

--See Ed Killeen for more information



Our Library

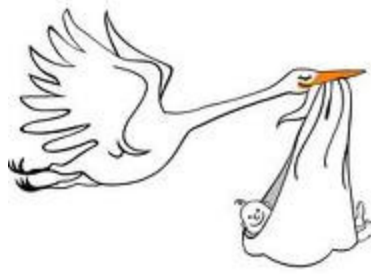
Please browse our selection of books in the vestibule by the kitchenette. More books are in our library rooms, located in the Milligan House on the first floor by the kitchen and bathroom. Enjoy!!

***Do you have a copy of The Help by Kathryn Stockett you would be willing to loan me for a month? Thanks! Durinda Hood

Lawn Mowing - Please sign-up!



We continue to look for people to mow the lawns at the church building/Milligan House and at the home of Willie Lee, disabled who lives in Rock Hill. **Bill Grady** coordinates lawn mowing at the church/Milligan House, and **Mark Robertson** is currently coordinating lawn mowing at Willie Lee's, but we are looking for a new coordinator for Willie's lawn mowing. Interested? See Mark Robertson. Sign up sheets are circulating today! For questions, please contact Bill Grady or Mark Robertson.



More blessings on the way for OOC

- What?** A baby shower!!
Who? Lina Gentry, Tami Smull and Brittany Smith
Where? Milligan House
When? Saturday, September 17 at 1 p.m.
Details: The women of OOC are invited to a baby shower for Lina Gentry, Tami Smull and Brittany Smith. Each woman is having her first baby, so that means they need...EVERYTHING!!! They are all registered at Target; in addition, Brittany is registered at Amazon.com, and Lina and Tami at Babies R Us. If your budget is tight, you may contribute to a group gift. If you so desire, please give your contribution to Karen Reinheimer or Jessica Burdette by Sunday, September 11.

If you are able to bring a plate of refreshments to the shower it would be appreciated. An OOC shower is a special way to fellowship with one another.

--Hospitality Ministry

And one blessing delivered!



Harriette Giliamarie Brown, Monday, August 29. 7 lbs. 3 oz.
Born to David & Jennifer Brown.
Dulce welcomes a sister!



OOC Anniversary Dates

Day of Prayer: September 7, 2011

30th Anniversary Weekend Celebration:

September 23-25, 2011

(for further details, refer back to the information sheet handed out last week!)

Photo Albums – Your Help Is Sought!

Let's fill the wall!!

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 family now, in 2011. (Please write on a separate paper the date of photo and your names.) 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 samples on the wall in the vestibule. And watch for more photographs on the wall!! Thanks for your help!!

Other photos from various years are also wanted.

Please submit photos to Barb Winters or Durinda Hood. Envelopes are in the parlor for you to use.

*** Please note: all photos submitted become the property of Old Orchard Church. We'd prefer copies on photographic paper. Thank you so much!

Next Overture!

You are invited to write for any issue of our newsletter, the Overture! We welcome submissions of articles, art, short essays, poetry, etc. All submissions should be signed by the person submitting them. You can place your signed articles in the Overture box (in the coat room), or email them to the church office. The next issue will be out Sunday, September 18. Deadline for articles next Sunday, Sunday, September 11.

Another Editor Is Sought!

New Editor Wanted! If you can take a turn once every couple months editing the Overture, please let Durinda Hood know.

Shepherd Center's Announcements

From time to time, I am putting into the Overture opportunities that might be of interest to seniors or people you know who are seniors. Here are a couple of the latest offerings.

—Durinda Hood

Gayle McHenry, Executive Director of Shepherd's Center writes: "Shepherd's Center is an interfaith volunteer organization that provides programs and services for older adults. Our goal is to enable them to continue living vital and independent lives as their situations change. This fall we celebrate "Our Lucky 13" years of service to older adults in our community."

- Do you want to Stay Strong and Stay Healthy? (for seniors)

Shepherd's Center will offer this proven effective class in collaboration with University of Missouri Extension. Sign up for this ten-week exercise class to help increase your strength and improve your balance. Classes are on Mondays from 1 to 2 pm, September 12 – November 14. Pre-registration is required, cost is \$30. Call Shepherd's Center @ 395-0988 for info.

- AARP Safe Driving Course (for seniors)

On Sept. 13 from 9 -1 Shepherd's Center will offer our annual AARP Safe Driving Course. Check with your insurance company to see if you will receive a reduction for attending. Cost is \$12 for AARP members/\$14 for non-members. Registration is required by Sept. 8, call 395-0988. Call instructor Roy Schuttenhelm at 842-0409 if you have specific questions.

Mini-Work Day

Old Orchard Church is seeking to partner with Webster-Rock Hill Ministries to bring Jesus' kingdom into our community. Three widows (in their 70's) need some very necessary routine maintenance done to their homes (painting awnings, shutters, kitchen cabinets; miscellaneous yard work; etc.). These are not difficult tasks, and they can be accomplished in half a day; we hope Saturday, October 1. If you would like to be a part of this experience, please contact Brent Helton.

–Brent Helton for OOC Mercy Ministry

OOC Directory Changes

Sean and Sarah Maney have eliminated their cell phone numbers and can be reached on their landline. Their new email address is: [see print copy]

Prisca Rice will be teaching or assistant-teaching English at the University of Paris X, in Nanterre, just outside of Paris proper. Her contract is for a school year plus a few months so she can be around for the end-of-year exams.

Part Time Teacher Assistant Position Available

Promise Christian Academy, a school for children with special needs, is accepting resumes for the 2011–2012 school year for a part-time Teacher Assistant, M–F mornings, for our lower school class. All resumes should be sent to mheintz@promisestl.org.

Tutoring Opportunity

You're invited to spread the gospel to the urban poor through tutoring a student in grades K-12 once a week for 1-1/2 hours. Firm Foundation Tutoring's North City program runs on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 4:15-5:45 for elementary students and from 6:00 – 7:30 on Tuesday and Thursday for middle school and high school students. The South City program is from 5:00-6:30 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Tutors choose which day of the week, time, and location works best for them. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Laurie Jones at:

(314)726-2302 ext. 233. Firm Foundation is a member of New City Fellowship and Restore St. Louis.

Calendar Notes

Sundays

- Sunday School: 9 a.m. Sunday School. See notes about exceptions!
 - Adult Class on “Disciplines for Disciples” will finish on September 4.
 - Teacher Training on September 11 at 8:30 a.m. No classes will meet.
 - Children’s classes will not meet again until September 18.
 - Fall Sunday School classes for all ages begin Sunday, September 18
- Worship: 10:15 to 10:50 a.m.
- Youth Group: 6-8 p.m. (see Youth Calendar for more details)

Church Office Closed

Monday, September 5 for Labor Day

Anniversary

- September 23-25. See Anniversary handout from last week.

Meetings

- Session Meeting: September 20, 6:30 p.m.

Fellowship

- No Parlor Fellowship in September. Contributions needed for our weekend anniversary celebration organized through Community Groups.

Women’s Ministry

- Women’s Morning Bible Study begins September 16 at 9:15 a.m.
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Children’s Ministry

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Mercy Ministry

- Mini Work Day (morning only) Saturday, October 1 at homes in Rock Hill (families served by Webster Rock Hill Ministries). See Brent Helton for more.
- Mission Trip to Joplin, Missouri has been postponed as MNA/Disaster Response has cancelled its active work there for the time being (their work is expected to begin again in the spring). We are in the process of exploring other avenues for a trip.
- **Collecting Relief Items** for Joplin Families

Salvation Army in St. Louis delivers relief items to Joplin each week and Old Orchard is taking up a collection to help! See the list below of items wanted. We are also inviting our neighbors to participate as well to bring items on the 24th to our celebration. We'll collect items between now and our Anniversary weekend, Sunday, September 25.
--*Mercy Ministry*

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| • Non-perishable food items | • Toothbrushes |
| • Salt & Pepper | • Toothpaste |
| • Shaving cream | • Deodorant |
| • Razors | • Bars of Soap |
| • Toilet Paper | • Shampoo |

Foreign Missions Prayer Requests for September 2011



1. Jon and Tanya Coody – St. Petersburg, Russia. Pray for Jon as he is raising support and the family will be travelling to Wyoming and Colorado this month and speaking in several churches. Pray that some of these churches and individuals will give them financial and prayer support. Pray for journeying mercies with the two children and refreshment for all of them in this beautiful part of our country.

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. Pray for someone to help prepare the DVD's that have been made of her seminars. Pray for her stamina and health.

3. Rob and Tünde Futo – Budapest, Hungary. Praise for good camps and seminars this summer as well as a good vacation for the family. Pray for Rob as he takes up his regular activities (teaching, preaching, clubs, etc.), for Tünde as she is already preparing for the choir's Christmas concert, and for the girls as they start school.

4. Gerry and Ruth Gutierrez – Huanta, Peru. Praise the Lord that the doctor's last report on Ruthie's condition (8/21) is that the cancer is not advancing. Pray for God's continued grace for Ruthie, Gerry and the family, that they will all be strengthened to accept God's will for Ruthie's life, whatever that is.

5. L'Abri Fellowship – England and Switzerland. Pray for both students and staff as the fall terms get under way. Pray for good relations between the guests. Pray that the staff will be sensitive to the needs of the students and have wisdom in dealing with them. Pray for the Lord's provision for financial needs, especially in the Swiss branch.

6. Dawn Miller – Madrid, Spain. Pray for Dawn as she adjusts to her time in the States and studying at Covenant Seminary. Pray that her studies will be helpful and encouraging. Pray that the Lord will lead her into fulfilling and fruitful service in St. Louis during this time as well as support and friendships at OOC. Pray for the ongoing spread of the Gospel among students in Madrid.

7. Joseph and Elfi Muutuki – Nairobi, Kenya. Pray that a godly Indian pastor can be found to pastor the multi-racial church that Joe has founded. Also pray that a good, Christian permanent home can be found for Inishma, the young girl who the Muutuki's rescued from an abusive father (who has since died).

8. Luciano and Luciene Pires – Goiania, Brazil. Pray for guidance and provision as they are both very tired and they need to make "timing" decisions about the future of their very fruitful work. Praise that relief has been found from allergies and Luciano's diabetes is under better control. Pray for more financial support.

9. Rene and Lani Quimbo – Mindanao, Philippines. Pray for protection, wisdom and spiritual and physical strength for the Quimbo's as they need to deal with many difficult and discouraging situations in their widespread, fruitful ministries. Pray that new believers will grow and withstand temptations. Also pray for the Lord to meet their financial needs.

10. Joel and Jessica Rinn – Verona, Italy. Pray that the Verona Bible studies will begin this month in an appropriate location and that there will be new participants. Pray for the church plant with military personnel in Vicenza. Pray for their four children who will start school Sept 14, as virtually the only Christians in their various schools. Pray for more financial support.



September Birthdays

9/2..... Nancy Rogers
9/3..... Brinson Hood
9/3/96..... Lilah Raquepaw
9/8..... Donna Pollihan
9/10..... Jessica Burdette
9/10..... Amy Grady
9/10..... Durinda Hood
9/10..... Po Sun Lee
9/11..... Maryann Kohl
9/14..... Dulce Brown
9/14..... Phil Patterson
9/14..... Chuck Schulte
9/15..... Dorothy Woodson
9/16..... Sophie Lockard
9/16..... Barbara Winters
9/17..... Sue VanHoornbeek
9/22..... Kelli McKie
9/22..... Valerie Powers
9/22..... Joel Rinn**
9/23..... Brianna Tamm
9/25..... Andy Gear
9/26..... Bill Rogers
9/27..... Amy-Ruth Bartlett
9/28..... Don Branson
9/30..... Michael Nelson
9/30..... Denny Reinheimer
**member of missionary family

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