



OVERTURE

The (Almost) Fortnightly Newsletter
Of Old Orchard Church
November 6, 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 they are dismissed at 10:50.
- **Children's Worship** begins again today! Grades 1-5 will be dismissed to the Milligan House around 10:50. See Mark Robertson with questions.

Sunday School News

*** For Adults:** Please join us for Sunday School. We are finishing a class of looking into the idols of our hearts using Tim Keller's *Counterfeit Gods*. Breakfast and coffee will be provided. For questions please contact Margaret Killeen or Jonathan Shumate.

*** Four-week class begins November 13th: Becoming a follower of Christ**

Hans and Susan Bayer will be leading a class discussing what it means to be a disciple (“follower”) of Christ. Hans is a professor at Covenant Seminary and both Hans and Susan participate in ministries in the United States and abroad.

The subject of discipleship is broad and it is a discipline that is often overlooked by the Christian Community in the United States. Please consider setting apart this time in your week to grow and learn together with others in our church.

Classes begin November 13th and will be held from 9 to 10 am. There will be a one week break for Thanksgiving and it will finish up December 11th. If you have any questions, please see Margaret Killeen or Jonathan Shumate. Childcare will be available for infants and toddlers as well as Sunday School for all other children.

Winter Shelter Update

Winter months are coming! The Grace & Peace Winter Shelter for homeless women plans to open November 8. Volunteers are needed. Their September letter is posted on the Mercy Ministry bulletin board.

- For evening meals, and providing Sunday morning breakfast, contact Meals Coordinator, Rachel Jacobs-Soos [see print copy].
- To volunteer in the evening or overnight: Contact Volunteer Coordinator, Lou Carmichael or email [see print copy for contact info].

--Submitted by Durinda Hood for the Mercy Ministry

Photos—Keep them coming!

We'll collect photos through the end of the year!

Thank all of you who have submitted photos! We'd like to get more to put in a scrapbook. You still have a chance to find that old photo and give us a recent photo of your family! And please don't forget the little “write-up” each household is asked to submit:

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. Please answer these questions, as well: (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? See sample on the wall in the vestibule.

Please submit photos to Barb Winters or Durinda Hood.

***Please note: all photos submitted become the property of Old Orchard Church (unless you tell us you want it returned). We'd prefer photographic paper copies. Thank you so much!



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!!

Upcoming Praise Book Party!

We are nearly complete with the overhaul of the lavender Praise Book and will be retiring the supplemental blue folder. The blue folder was, from the beginning, a stop-gap measure, as we had no room to add any more songs to the Praise Book. We chose to remove many of the unfamiliar and rarely sung songs out of the Praise Book to make room for the songs in the blue folder. *We need about 10 people to show up for a few hours sometime soon for a "Praise Book stuffing" party, since old songs need to be taken out and new ones inserted.* Don't worry--the hole-punching will have already been done! Greg Roig is thinking maybe a Saturday morning (possibly Nov. 19?), or some evening, if that's better for folks. It probably will not be before the 3rd week of November. *But if you are interested in helping, please call Greg (or email him).* [see print copy for contact info]

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, November 20; Liz Romines is editor. Deadline Sunday, November 13.

New Overture Editor

We are looking for another editor for the Overture – to take a turn once every two months starting after the January 1. Please let Durinda Hood know or e-mail the church office (office@oldorchardchurch.org) if you are interested or want more information.



Christmas Sale

Kids 18 years and younger are invited to make Christmas presents that they can show and sell to others in the fellowship. Date of the sale: after worship Sunday, December 11. For those of you new to the church, our kids have displayed some wonderful talents and hard work in the past. Some have made candlesticks from things in the woods, wax candles, cookies, breads, note holders, marbled note paper, fire starters, wrapping paper, ornaments—lots of great gift ideas. Plan on buying a few last minute gifts! Our coordinator will be Mary Beth Glasgow. Please see her, kids, if you plan to make gifts.

On the Calendar

*Next Parlor Fellowship: Sunday, November 13. Sign up to bring food. Sharon Kern and Amy Grady, hostesses.

*Choir Meets: Thursdays at 7:15 pm. See Greg Roig.

*English Conversations: Meets Fridays: 4:30 to 6 p.m. at Milligan House

* Arts Ministry. All artists are invited to come! 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 10 at Milligan House.

*Leaders Meeting: The Session has called for a **Leaders' Meeting** for Tuesday night, **November 15, at 7 p.m.** at the Milligan House. This is an important meeting as we begin to take a fresh look at where we are as a fellowship. If you cannot attend, please let Ron Lutjens know.

*Stated Session Meeting: Tuesday, November 29. 6:00 p.m.





Thanksgiving Day Worship

*Thursday, November 24, 10:00 a.m. Please join us!

You are invited to bring something Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 24), at 10:00 a.m., to decorate the communion table that will be brought up during the first hymn. What to bring? Fruit, vegetables, colorful leaves, berries, pumpkins, squash, flowers, pine cones, etc., or anything you think reflects the beauty of creation. Parents, this is a great opportunity to take a walk with your children and gather treasures to bring.

Youth Group

Youth Group meets (most) Sunday Nights from 6 to 8 pm

- November 6 – Youth Group
- November 13 – Serving at Creve Coeur Manor
- November 20 – Young Life Turkey Day Chapel, 7 p.m. Location Hixson Middle School
- November 27 – Thanksgiving Weekend (no youth group)



Men's Bible Studies: Fridays & Saturdays

Both meet at the Milligan House (639 Amelia 63119)

- 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 7:15 – 8:30 a.m., a study in Revelation. Hal Pendergrass leads. Meets 11/19.
- 2nd and 4th Fridays from 6:00 – 7:15 a.m. a study in Joshua has started. Meets Friday, 11/11.

Men's Monthly Social

- 1st Fridays, 5-6:15 pm at Llewellyn's Pub, 17 Moody, Webster Groves 63119; meets December 2. For questions about the Men's Ministry, see Ed Killeen.

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. \$20 materials fee (confidential scholarships available). Both classes meet at Milligan House:

- Friday mornings: 9:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Free child care.
- Tuesday evenings: 7:00 p.m. No child care offered.

For questions, please contact Melissa Nelson or Jessie Swigart.

Need household help for the holidays?

Thanksgiving and Christmas are right around the corner, friends! If you could use some help cleaning the house in preparation for the holiday season, please contact me. I have over two years of residential cleaning experience; references available upon request. Jessica Burdette [see print copy for contact info].

OOC Directory Changes

If you are new and want to be added to the Old Orchard Church Directory, please e-mail the church office (office@oldorchardchurch.org) and we will e-mail you a form to complete and return to the office. If you don't have access to e-mail, please see to Durinda Hood. Or if you are currently in the directory and have changes, please e-mail them to the church office. See directory changes below.



See print copy for this information.

Jason & AmyRuth Bartlett

Ruth Killen

Dawn Miller

Betsy Tevebaugh

Foreign Missions Prayer Requests

- 1. Jon and Tanya Coody – St. Petersburg, Russia.** Pray for Jon as he will be preaching on Nov 6 at the Arrow Heights Baptist Church in Oklahoma. On October 30 he preached at a church in Wisconsin. Pray that these churches and/or individuals there will be led to contribute to their support. Pray for more opportunities to present their work. Pray for encouragement for Jon and Tanya.
- 2. Wilma Cross – Santiago, Chile.** On October 31 Wilma flew to the US. She will be receiving an honor from Columbia International University (her alma mater) and on Nov 3 will be speaking to students in a prison who are enrolled in a Bible course from CIU. She will visit her 95 year old mother in Florida, will speak in various places and celebrate her 65th birthday! She returns to Chile Dec 1. Pray for a blessed time.
- 3. Rob and Tünde Futo – Budapest, Hungary.** Pray for a fruitful ministry for Rob as he has a busy schedule speaking, teaching and counseling. Pray for Tünde as she prepares for Christmas concerts and a CD of the choir. Pray for health for them and the girls.
- 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.** Praise for good groups of students at both branches. Pray that the Lord will give wisdom to the workers as they give guidance. Pray for the students that their will hearts open to what the Lord has to show them. Pray for the Lord's provision for financial needs, especially in the Swiss branch.
- 6. Dawn Miller – Madrid, Spain.** Pray for Dawn for wisdom as she juggles studies at Covenant Seminary and ministry at St. Louis University with Cru (Campus Crusade). Pray for individual students to whom Dawn has ministered. Pray for the ongoing spread of the Gospel among students in Madrid.
- 7. Joseph and Elfi Muutuki – Nairobi, Kenya.** Pray for Joseph as he teaches at a Bible college and pastors the church that was formed to reach to Indian population in Nairobi. Pray for reconciliation between Indians and Africans. Pray for Elfi as she has a fruitful ministry among the women.
- 8. Luciano and Luciene Pires – Goiania, Brazil.** Praise that attendance at Colloquium events has remain steady after the move to their new apartment. Pray for Luciano's health. It appears that med induced hepatitis had made it difficult to control his diabetes for several months. Pray that the hepatitis will be gone and his diabetes will remain under control. Pray that more Brazilians will contribute to their 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 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 for a fruitful visit with PMI director Tom Hudson early this month. Pray for the Lord to work in the hearts of the various individuals that they have contact with. Pray for new, solid contacts for the work in Verona. Pray that the church plant in Vicenza with American military personnel will go forward. Praise that their four children in school are doing well.



November Birthdays

11/7.....Jill Donovan
11/10Thaddaeus Woodard
11/12Osman Gutierrez**
11/14.....Greg Roig
11/15.....Gerry Gutierrez**
11/17Riley Mullgardt
11/18.....Andrea Boldt
11/19.....Larry Chambers
11/22Ian McKie
11/23Cullen Boldt
11/23.....Mike Kuhn
11/23.....Luciano Pires**
11/24.....Abigail Peck
11/28/02.....Harry Barrs
11/29/93.....Noah Pendergrass

**members of missionary or ministry family

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