



OVERTURE

The (Almost) Fortnightly Newsletter
Of Old Orchard Church
June 17, 2012

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 for all ages usually meets at 9 a.m. (except this **SUMMER** and during some holidays). Please see note below for more.

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** For children in grades 1-5 meeting at Milligan House. Listen for dismissal announcement, usually around 10:50 am. See Jessie Swigart or Mark Robertson for questions.



NO SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUMMER. NO SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUMMER.

Summer Youth Group Schedule

Here's some of what the Youth Group is up to this summer. See Mark Robertson for more.

- ❖ Saturday, June 23, 9 am – 11:30 am – Serving with the Shepherds' Center
- ❖ June 29 – July 9 – Brazil!!! Pray for Us
- ❖ Saturday, July 21 --- Wacky Warriors Paintball in Wentzville; \$25 per person
- ❖ Tuesday, July 31 – Six Flags Day; \$30

Summer Narnia: Prince Caspian!!

Dates: Tuesday, July 24 through Saturday, July 28

Mark your calendar & volunteer! Fill out a volunteer sheet, (find one in the parlor) give it to Kelli McKie or put it in Kelli's mailbox in the coatroom.



Lunch at Milligan House



You are invited to a meal on Sunday, June 24 after worship. Please sign-up on sheets circulating today. Nancy Weir and Martha Gaither are hosting with the Barrs CG helping to set-up and clean-up.

PCA General Assembly

Pastor Ron, and Ruling Elder Currie Bishop to Be Away at General Assembly: June 19-22 (next week). Pray for the men as they meet and decisions made on behalf of the whole denomination.

Art Show – Date Changed!!!



Call for entries! Plan to attend!

Was FRIDAY, JUNE 22, Now July 13! 6-8 P.M.

Submissions are needed for the upcoming Arts and Crafts Show: Quilts, Pottery, Sculpture, Stained Glass, Collage, Paintings, Jewelry, etc... will all be accepted. Please consider contributing something to the show! See Barb Winters or James Schaefer if you have additional questions.



Winter Shelter Rummage Sale

Grace & Peace's Winter Shelter for homeless women will hold its annual Rummage Sale on two weekends: August 17 & 18 and August 24 & 25. Start setting aside your used clothing, toys and household items in "excellent or new" condition to donate. Collecting items begins in July 5. Donation Hours: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., M,W,F & 10:00 a.m.-4:30 pm T-TH. Drop off at 622 Clara Avenue, 63112, the side entrance to Grace & Peace Fellowship. If anyone is willing to take a load of stuff from OOC people, see Durinda Hood so we can make arrangements.

Leftover Lost and Found



There were bags of clothing left from our recent lost and found table, plus various dishes, including a large glass bowl, that the diaconate want to donate to the Grace & Peace Winter Shelter. The clothing includes clothing for a probably preteen girl, some younger child's jacket, sweaters, etc. If this was intended for someone in the fellowship, please e-mail the church office (office@oldorchardchurch.org). Otherwise, we plan to give it all away.

Grace & Peace Winter Shelter – Update Letter

Please see the Mercy Ministry bulletin board for the full letter. Some of you may have received it in your home. Here are a few highlights:

- Sheltered 40 women over their season of opening
- Many of these women have been long-term homeless
- Half of the women were 50+ years of age
- 32 women have history of mental illness
- Many volunteers struggled to be at the Shelter, and on time
- Finances were tighter than in previous years, having received \$1428 less in donations than projected; however, they spent \$2,500 less than projected (there was a giant donation of paper goods & personal care items from a local high school that helped greatly)
- Work is being done this summer at one of the Cornerstone Housing Corporation buildings to rehab for Shelter guests who have jobs. Work days are being scheduled to do demolition and rehab work. If you are interested in helping with this project or serving as a point person for it, please let Durinda Hood know.

And please read the letter for more about the Shelter, including two of the guests you can pray for.

--Durinda Hood

Lawn Mowing



Thanks to all who have been signing up! Still looking 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. **Mark Robertson** and **Bruce Cook** are currently mowing Willie Lee's and welcome people to help and take a turn!! Sign up sheets are circulating today! For questions, please contact Bill Grady for church's lawns or Mark Robertson or Bruce Cook for Willie Lee's.



Men's Bible Studies

The Saturday morning Bible Study for men will not meet during the summer, but the Friday study will continue to meet from 6:30 – 7:30 am at the Milligan House (639 Amelia 63119). We are studying Ephesians.

Men's Monthly Social

1st Fridays, 5-6:15 pm at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, Webster Groves 63119. Our next social is scheduled for July 6th. *For questions about the Men's Ministry, see Ed Killeen.*

Mission Gate

You are invited to contribute to a collection for Mission Gate, a prison ministry. At Mission Gate, "(o)ur vision is to turn lives from crime to Christ through regeneration, rehabilitation and reintegration. In our nine-month program, our trained and certified counselors and educators help "born again" ex-offenders to be all the Lord would have them to be physically, mentally, educationally, vocationally and spiritually."

—from Mission Gate's website at <http://www.missiongateministry.org>.



As part of Mission Gate's "aftercare" ministry, men are given personal care kits and two changes of clothing when they are released. Mission Gate also does follow-up with ex-prisoners who are professing Christians. They have guest homes in St. Louis and Cuba, Missouri. We will be collecting the following items until June 24:

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| ❖ Shaving cream | ❖ Toothpaste |
| ❖ Razors | ❖ Toothbrushes |
| ❖ Towels | ❖ New men's underwear (in the package) |
| ❖ Washcloths | ❖ Gently used (OR NEW) men's clothing |

He has showed you, O man, what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

(Micah 6:8)

--Sponsored by OOC's Mercy Ministry—

The Brazil Team Needs Craft Supplies!

In order to provide the children with a great experience with crafts related to our Narnia story, we are collecting the following supplies **by next Sunday, June 24**:

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| ❖ Crayons (boxes of 24) | ❖ beads |
| ❖ construction paper (all colors), | ❖ glue-on jewels |
| ❖ school glue, | ❖ pipe cleaners |
| ❖ stickers (lots and lots of stickers, and different types of stickers) | ❖ poster paint (red, yellow and orange) |

There will be a bin in the back of the church marked 'Brazil;' please place items here.

--Mark Robertson for the Brazil Team

Mini Work-Day—Plan To Be There!

Mark your calendar for a morning work day on **Saturday, July 14**. Sign-up and details will be forthcoming! Questions? See Denny Reinheimer or Durinda Hood.



Need a good book to read this summer? Check out our library! Please browse our selection of books in the hallway 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!!

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 (put in subject line: for Overture). The next issue will be out Sunday, July 1. Deadline Sunday, June 24. Liz Romines, editor.

AARP Safe Driving Class Offered by Shepherd' Center

On Monday, August 27, from 9 am – 1 pm, Shepherd's Center will offer an annual AARP Safe Driving Class. Cost is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members. Registration by August 22 is required, call 314-395-0988. Check with your insurance company to see if you will receive a cost reduction for attending. For 50+ years of age.

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