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Announcements & More for Old Orchard Church – October 11, 2009

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. See announcement for next adult class. If you would like to find out more about Old Orchard and what we are about, please fill out one of our visitor forms.

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. Children in grades 1-5 dismissed around 10:50 a.m. for Children's Worship in Milligan House.

Pastor Ron & Greg Roig Are Away

Ron Lutjens continues his Study Break through Friday, October 16.

Music Director *Greg Roig* left yesterday for the Ukraine on a mission trip teaching and will return Friday, October 23.

Today's Parlor Fellowship

All invited to stay today for food and fellowship after worship. We are honoring **Amy Lutjens**, Ron Lutjens' mother, as she prepares to move to South Carolina to be with her oldest daughter. Our hostesses are Gretta Kraft and Laurie Lowe.

Lunch at Milligan House

Please sign-up to join us on October 25 for a lunch after worship at Milligan House. See sign-up sheets today. Our hostesses will be Patricia Lee and Linda Lemen.

Sunday School News

FULL TIME JOB: TEXT, IMAGE, MUSIC

Until Christmas, the adult Sunday School class will focus on that difficult book of the Old Testament, Job. In addition to wrestling with the text, I intend to explore the impact this book had on two Englishmen, one an author and artist, the other a musician....class begins very promptly at 9:00 a.m. so that I may excuse myself at 9:50 to rehearse with the choir; class members can plan on using the last few minutes of each class to close in prayer. We meet in the Milligan House, and I welcome all comers to join the class. —Jim Lowe

Help for Harris Family

Many of you have all ready offered to provide meals (& other help) for Dawn and the boys over the next couple months. We also looking for volunteers to do shopping and/or cleaning as well. An e-mail is being sent out, but we are passing out a sign-up sheet today. Katie Mohler is coordinating non-meal help and Annie Kuhn is coordinating meals. Thanks for your care for this family, Durinda Hood for the Mercy Ministry

Calendar Notes for October

Wednesday, October 14. **Community Groups** meet. Friday, October 16. **Women's Bible Study.**

9:15 - 11:30 a.m. at Milligan House.

Friday, October 16. English Conversations.

4:30 - 6:00 p.m. at Milligan House

Saturday, October 17. **Men's Bible Study.** 7:15 – 8:30 a.m. at Milligan House.

Saturday, October 17. Women's Ministry Fellowship and Crafts. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Milligan House.

Sunday, October 18. **<u>Deadline</u>** for the "Food & Diapers Drive" collection. Bring food & diapers for those in need!

Speaker: "Remember Creation"

Sunday, October 18. 6:30 p.m. "Remember Creation: A Christian Introduction to Creation Care and the Ministry of A Rocha" in the parlor at the church building. Coffee & desert provided.

You are cordially invited to hear and talk with Rev. David Anderson of A Rocha Canada. A Rocha Canada is a national conservation organization working to show God's love for all of creation. No childcare provided.

Women's Ministry Fellowship and Crafts

Saturday, October 17, 2009 at Milligan House 10 am to 1 pm

Ladies, come join us for a time of crafting and fellowship! Bring your knitting, crocheting, sewing, scrapbooking, origami or other projects! Or, if crafting is not your thing but you still want to visit with friends, you can bring any other work you need to catch up on, or just bring yourself. Tables, chairs will be provided. Bring snacks for yourself or to share if you want to nibble on something while you craft. And feel free to invite friends from outside Old Orchard! If you have any questions, call or email Amy Butz.

Food & Diapers Drive

Sponsored by OOC Mercy Ministry Team When: September 13 – October 18, 2009

Please Note: Checks may also be given in place of food or diapers; please make it payable to Old Orchard Church and mark it for "Food & Diaper Drive."

Food will divided up and be given to families & individuals served by:

- Grace and Peace Food Pantry (St. Louis City) food pantry operated by Grace & Peace Fellowship
- Sunshine Ministries (St. Louis City) —food pantry is part of Sunshine Ministries' outreach program in North City
- Webster-Rock Hill Ministries —multi-church ministry of mercy in Webster & Rock Hill (continue on back page)

What Food to Bring:

Bring nonperishable items. Individual or family sizes. No glass please (easier and safer to transport).

Diapers & Baby Wipes to Bring

For Bethany Christian Services: Bring newborn size only diapers, and also gentle newborn wipes.

For Refuge of Nations: Diapers, sizes 3, 4, 5 for children of immigrants and refugees who Refuge of Nations works with.

"3 Nights Together"

Theme: "Beauty, A Window Onto God"
Mark your calendar for: October 28, November 4 & 11.
Wednesday, October 28. Meets at Milligan House. 7 pm
Wednesday, November 4. Second Night. Floral Designer
Jane Winter's talk: "Truth, Beauty, and Flowers"
6:30 p.m. Reception 7 p.m. Talk Meet in sanctuary.
Invite friends. Invitations in parlor.

Wednesday, November 11. Third Night. Meet in Community Groups in homes for discussion.

Childcare is provided for the first two nights for children up through 3rd grade. Contact Hannah Nelson by Sunday, October 18th to reserve a childcare spot (livurlife4god@gmail.com).

OOC Directory Update

Reid & Ann Stuber

See print copy for new address.

Articles for the 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 <u>signed</u> articles in the *Overture* box (in the coat room). The editor for the next issue is Prisca Rice with assistant Tamara Rice and will be out next Sunday, October 18. Deadline is today.

"Truth, Beauty, and Flowers"

We are encouraging the fellowship to come, and especially to a bring a guest to, Jane Winter's talk on Wednesday, November 4, titled, "Truth, Beauty, and Flowers." Jane is the owner of Wildflowers LLC and a floral designer of some reputation here in St. Louis. This is an illustrated talk Jane gave at the L'Abri Conference in Rochester, Minnesota a couple of years ago, and it focuses on how she uses flowers, in their remarkable beauty, to reflect what is true and good and beautiful in human life and relationships. The Bible teaches us to value and cultivate those things as good gifts from God.

Please do be praying about who you might invite. More invitations are available for you to give out, so please take a couple home with you. There will be a reception at 6:30 that night, and then Jane will speak at 7. Hope you can come!

--Ron Lutjens

Grace & Peace Winter Shelter

Dear Friends.

As you know, the Grace & Peace Winter Shelter welcomes in homeless women every winter starting in November and continuing through March. This is largely a volunteer ministry and we are in need of some new folks to join the volunteer team, specifically evening and overnight volunteers. Evening volunteers work from 6-10 on a given night and overnight volunteers from 6-6 most nights. Overnight volunteers are adult Christians and evening workers should also be adults but may be non-Christians with compassionate hearts. We know that it is sometimes hard to step out to work in a shelter solo, so we are suggesting and asking from several churches that you advertise to see if you could send us a few volunteers "Two By Two." It could be an evening and overnight person on the same night to work together, or two overnight volunteers who worked separately on separate nights, but had each other to compare experience and pray and with whom each could debrief. Training is 9 am-3 pm on November 7 and the shelter opens on November 10 at 6:30 p.m. if we get all the workers lined up. Men or women are welcome! Please contact Sarah Taylor at (see print copy) wintershelter1@gmail.com to sign up. For guestions. anyone is welcome to contact me, Melody (Burke) Perkins at graceandoeace1@sbcglobal.net.

Thanks and Many Blessings to You, Melody (Burke) Perkins, Team Leader, Grace & Peace Winter Shelter

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