OOC Tidbits

Announcements & More for Old Orchard Church, ♦October 31, 2010

Guests, we welcome you and thank you for coming!

- Child care services for infants through children in kindergarten are offered and located in the church building basement. Please see nursery details below.
- Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. and is offered for all ages. See note about Adult Sunday School 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 in the lavender or blue pads in the hymnal rack or on the chairs.

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.** For children in grades 1-5 at Milligan House. Meets during worship, dismissed usually at 10:50.

Adult Sunday School

"Dramas of Grace." We're watching stories in film of God's intrusion into the lives of people like us. Today we saw part 2 of a 2-part film on John Hus. Next Sunday, Nov. 7, we will view Part 1 of 2 part film, "Uganda: Ready to Forgive, An African Story of Grace". Please join us @ 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings.

--Ron Lutjens & Larry Chambers

Three Nights Together

God and the Funny: Christianity on Humor Final Night: Wednesday, November 3
No House Church this month.

Meet in your Community Groups this week.

After hearing from **Ed Koehler** (October 20) and now this **Dr. Dave Peters** (October 27), we now will have a third night, this Wednesday, November 3 to take time in our Community Groups to discuss this topic and ask some very practical questions. A group discussion will also be at Milligan House on November 3, 7:00 p.m. for guests outside our church who came to the talks and for one or two community groups.

Congregational Meeting

The Session is calling for a congregational meeting!

When: Wednesday, November 17, 6:45 p.m.

Where: OOC Sanctuary.

Purpose: To discuss and vote on the recommendation of the Pulpit Committee and the Session to hire *Mark Robertson* for the position of Director of Ministries to Youth and Families with a view to his becoming, upon ordination, Pastor to Youth Families.

Members are required to attend and we need a quorum. Child care will be offered, but you need to sign-up or let Hannah Nelson know.

Next Parlor Fellowship: a Farewell to the Butz Family!

Please join us in two weeks, November 14, for a **Parlor Fellowship** in honor of **Jim**, **Amy** and **Josiah Butz**; they will be here to have Josiah baptized. Jim is now serving as a youth director at Memorial Presbyterian Church. Laurie Lowe and Sylvia Mitchell are hosting. Please sign up to bring food.

Congratulations! A Baby Boy!

Ben & Sara Dodd welcomed their son, **Levi Jonathan** at 4:50 a.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 2010. 9 lbs. 6 oz., 21 oz. All are well!

Ron's Sabbatical

Our senior pastor, Ron Lutjens, is taking the second half of his sabbatical. It started Thursday, October 21 & will go through Thursday, November 4. Pray for a productive and refreshing time away. See Mark Tucker or one of the ruling elders if you have pastoral needs.

Joint Reformation Day Worship Service

All invited to Missouri Presbytery's Joint Reformation Day Celebration **tonight** at 6:00 p.m. Dr. Mike Honeycutt, Associate Professor of Historical and Practical Theology speaks on "The Church Reformed & Always Reforming." It's at Chesterfield Presbyterian Church, 15037 Clayton Road Chesterfield, MO 63017. (636) 394-3337

Lost And Found

We have an accumulation of items left here and we'd like them to find their way back into the hands of their owners. Please check over the next couple weeks for your lost items and if not picked up by owners, OOC will claim it for charity and give it away after November 7.



Daylight Saving Time Ends

When? Next Sunday, November 7, 2 a.m.

Help Update the OOC Directory

We are looking for updated and new info for the directory. If you are new at OOC and want to be included, please fill out a form (they are on the literature table in the parlor) or email the church office. A committee (mostly by e-mail) has been contacting those in the present directory to get your updated information. Deadline for getting your information in: next Sunday, November 7. If you are new and aren't sure by the 7th whether to be listed, please let Durinda Hood know. Ouestions? See Durinda Hood.

Men's Bible Study

Next study will be Saturday, November 6, 7:15-8:30 a.m. at Milligan House. Newcomers welcome! We usually meet the first and third Saturdays of the month and we are studying the book of Revelation. -- Hal Pendergrass

Women's Bible Study News

Both of the women's Bible studies are studying the book of Genesis. The **Morning Study** meets Fridays, 9:15 am - 11:30 am, in the Milligan House living room. Child care available. For more info, please contact Melissa Nelson. **Evening Study** meets Thursday evenings @ Milligan House 7-8:30 pm, and is led by Jessie Swigart. No childcare available. For more info, please contact Jessie Swigart. \$20 materials fee for either study (scholarships are available).

Paid Child Care Worker Needed for Women's Bible Study

If you or anyone you know and trust wants to make a little extra money, we need someone to assist Hannah Nelson in providing childcare in the church nursery on Fridays from 9:15 a.m-11:30 a.m. If you have kids, you are welcome to bring them along. Normal attendance is 2-8 kids. This position would run through April 2011. Please contact Melissa Nelson. Thanks!

--Melissa Nelson

Youth Group Calendar

Lunch today after worship. No Teen Fellowship tonight due to Reformation Day Worship service tonight. See Pastor Mark. **Teen Retreat:** November 5-7.

Adult Choir

Meets Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. Please see Greg Roig, music director, for questions.

Tender Mercies Prayer

Our next time together is Saturday, November 13 at 9 a.m. This is an opportunity to pray for our adult covenant children who are not walking with the Lord. Many of these young adults were baptized at OOC and we promised to pray for them. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Milligan House for a time of sharing and prayer. Our plan is to meet every other month for now. If you are interested, please join us. If you are interested and not able to make that date, contact Betsy Roig.

Thanksgiving Day Worship

Thursday, November 25, 10:00 a.m. Plan to join us!

Mark Tucker Farewell

On **Sunday, December 5,** 5 p.m. we are having a farewell time with the Tucker family. It will be a dinner and all are invited. The Hospitality Ministry and the Nelson Community group will be our hosts, but will be asking for food contributions. Please mark your calendar!

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 <u>signed</u> articles in the *Overture* box (in the coat room), or email them to the church office. The next issue will be out <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 7</u>, edited by Alyssa Catlin. Deadline for articles is today, Sunday, October 31!

Volunteer for the G & P Winter Shelter

We heard from Melody Perkins recently as she highlighted the fact that the Grace & Peace Winter Shelter is entering its 25th season of serving homeless women in St. Louis City. At last count (some heard about informally) we have at 16 (& more?) volunteers at the Shelter (including groups that provide meals & breakfast teams). **Thanks for volunteering!!** Volunteers for breakfast teams, meal (evening) providers, and evening & overnight volunteers are sought as well as people to pray. If you want to volunteer, please contact Melody Perkings at the Shelter (314.367.8959) or e-mail her at graceandpeace1@sbcglobal.net. Brochures about the Winter Shelter are also in the parlor on one of the tables.

Fall Family Carnival Invitation

When: November 6, 12 noon to 2 p.m. Where: Missouri Baptist University.

Includes a shoe drive for www.shoeman.org (bring new or used shoes to help send clean, fresh water to those who thirst). More Info: See flyer in vestibule for more. Julie Leslie at

314.392.2242 for questions.

Website: www.mobap.edu/fallfamilycarnival

Invitation to Art Festival at Central Presbyterian

Central's fourth annual juried art show and festival opens with an artist's reception and awards ceremony on Friday evening, November 12. The theme of the show is "Community." The exhibit will continue through November (M-F, 9:00-4:30, except November 25 and 26). The festival will also feature workshops on Saturday mornings, November 13 and 20 (free, but must register). All events are free and will take place at Central Presbyterian Church, 7700 Davis Drive (at Hanley Road) in Clayton. For more info visit www.centralpres.com/artsor call 314-727-2777. Brochures are on the literature table.

Central Christian School Admissions Open House

You are invited to attend Central Christian School's Admissions Open House on Friday, Nov. 12, 9-11 a.m. Located in Clayton, CCS educates a diverse student body of 275 children ages 3-6 grades. Call 314.727.4335 or visit www.ccsstl.com for more information.

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