## OOC Tidbits ♦ May 8, 2011 ♦ Announcements & More for Old Orchard Church

## 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 offered for all ages.

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**. For children in grades 1-5 located at Milligan House. Listen for dismissal during worship.

## 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!!

#### Baby Boy Born!

Nathan Schaefer was born May 4th, 2011 at 11:55 a.m. He weighed 7 lbs 14 oz and measured 19 1/4 inches and is healthy. Happy Parents: James & Jen Schaefer

## Sunday School News

Adult and children's classes resume today and will go through May 22. No Sunday School Memorial Day Weekend, May 29 and through the months of June & July. New Members last class, however, is scheduled for June 5. In August, after VBS, there will be an intergenerational Sunday School to which we will invite attendees of VBS.

**Parlor Fellowship:** Please join us! Hosted by Marci Robertson with the youth group. It is in honor of Covenant Seminary graduates: Chris Schwartz (M.Div degree), Sandra Ribeiro (counseling degree) and Susan Bayer (receiving a Graduate Certificate in Biblical and Theological Studies).

**Lunch at Milligan House**: May 22 after worship at Milligan House. Nancy Weir and Betsy Tevebaugh are hosting with the Jennings' community group assisting. Please sign up to attend and contribute food.

## Japan Relief Fund

Today is the last call for this fund--to collect funds for relief from the earthquake in Japan. Please write your check to Old Orchard Church and designate it "Japan Relief." Our collected gift will be given to Presbyterian Mission International (PMI).

# OOC 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

"Numbering Our Days, Finding Our Wisdom"

<u>May 14</u>: Picnic at The Easterlings' Farm. 10 to 2 pm Kick-off Picnic and

Farewell to Nelson & Kathy Jennings
See separate handout for map and more details.

Weekend of September 23-25:

Anniversary Celebration on OOC grounds

## English Conversations Class

Will not meet this week, May 13. Class will meet Thursday, May 19, 5 to 7 p.m. instead of Friday of that week.

#### Adult Choir

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

**Stated Session Meeting:** Tuesday, May 10, 6 p.m. at Milligan House.

Arts Ministry Meeting. Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m. at Milligan House.

## Men's Bible Study

Our next study will be Saturday, May 21 at 7:15 a.m. Newcomers welcome! We meet the first and third Saturdays of the month and are studying the book of Revelation. — Hal Pendergrass

#### Mom's Group

Tuesday mornings, 10 am-noon, See Kathleen Shumate for location. Geared toward mothers with young children at home, but all are welcome! Come join us to fellowship and share our joys, burdens, and wisdom together in this grand ministry to which we have been called. Talk to Kathleen Shumate, for more information or to be put on the email list.

## Youth Group

(Sunday evenings, 6-8 p.m., Milligan House basement except where noted)

May 8 - No Youth Group

May 15 - Joint Youth Group with Grace & Peace, 4:30 p.m., @ Grace & Peace

May 22 - End of Year Cook-Out

#### Budget Schedule--Reminders For Leaders!

Written Budget Reports Due: Sunday, May 15. Please get them to Durinda Hood. (office@oldorchardchurch.org)

<u>Budget Construction Meeting</u>. Tuesday, May 24 at 7 p.m. at Milligan House. For elders, deacons, deaconess, treasurer.

#### 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 next Sunday, May 15 with telecommuter editor Prisca Rice. Deadline for articles is today, Sunday, May 8.

## Lawn Mowing— Please sign-up!

We're at that season again—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, 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. (see print copy for contact info)

#### ZUMBA at OOC!!!

Sweep out your body's winter cobwebs while you HAVE FUN and exercise at the same time!! Tuesdays in May, 6-7 PM in the parlor. No charge. Bring your friends and neighbors, too! Contact Becca Skrainka with any questions.

#### Tender Mercies Prayer

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 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 21 at the Milligan House for a time of sharing and prayer. We usually meet every other month. If you are interested, please join us. If you are interested and not able to make that date, contact Betsy Roig.

## **OOC** Anniversary Funds

We are taking up three collections in conjunction with our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. See full descriptions in last week's *Overture. Please make checks payable to Old Orchard Church and designate it for which fund you want to give to.* 

- (1) <u>30th Anniversary Fund</u>. To help defray costs of the various things we are doing for our anniversary celebration. Designate: "Anniversary Fund."
- (2) <u>Love Gift.</u> Recipients to be determined. One will be a be split between a far and a near-home missionary/ministry as a kind of thank-offering to the Lord for his mercies to us over these first 30 years. Designate: "Anniversary Love Gift"
- (3) <u>Copper cross</u>. We're setting up a fund that folks can contribute to so that we can hire an artist/craftsman to build us a copper cross to go on top of the bell tower at the church. We are in the process of talking with people to get an idea of the cost of this. *Designate to: "Copper Cross"*

So as the Lord leads, we do encourage the fellowship to give to one or more or all of these funds but cheerfully, with thankful hearts, and above and beyond what you are already giving to help support the work of Old Orchard Church.

Warm thanks to you all, Ron Lutjens, on behalf of the Session and the 30th Anniversary Committee

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