OOC Tidbits ♦ May 22, 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!!

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 Summer Narnia (VBS), there will be an intergenerational Sunday School to which we will invite attendees of Summer Narnia, which will have just finished.

Join us! Lunch at Milligan House: Today after worship at Milligan House. Nancy Weir and Betsy Tevebaugh are hosting with the Jennings' community group assisting.

Parlor Fellowship: June 12 with Margaret Wilke and Amy Grady hosting. Sign-up sheets start today after worship.

Congregational Meeting

Congregational meeting scheduled for **June 15** (6:45 p.m.) is to vote on <u>Currie Bishop</u>, standing for the office of elder, and to get feedback from the congregation on the <u>proposed 2011-2012 budget</u>. Child care will be offered. (Let Mark Robertson know if you will be using child care.) And please mark your calendar!

Budget Schedule--Reminder For Leaders!

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

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study will be taking a break for the summer. See Hal Pendergrass for questions.

OOC 30th Anniversary

"Numbering Our Days, Finding Our Wisdom"
Thanks to the Easterlings' for sharing their barn and pond with the fellowship for an enjoyable picnic last week! It was also a Farewell to Nelson & Kathy Jennings so we were able to share together with the Jennings our appreciation of them.

<u>Weekend of September 23-25</u>: Anniversary Celebration on OOC grounds. Mark that calendar!

Summer Nursery Schedules - Please get yours!!

Please pick up your nursery schedule for the summer. Also, please add Margaret Wilke's e-mail to you address book so her reminders don't wind up in your spam folder, (see print copy for address).

Thanks to all of you for your care for our children!

--Margaret Wilke

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, (see print copy for contact info), 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 22 (tonight) - End of Year Party. Bring \$3 for pizza. Games, enjoyment, peace and tranquility are free! 6 pm at the Milligan House.

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.

ZUMBA at OOC!!!

FUN and exercise at the same time!! Tuesdays in May & June, 6-7 PM in the parlor. It's not too late to join this motley crew; plenty of room! Take advantage of this opportunity. No charge. Bring your friends and neighbors, too! Contact Becca Skrainka with any questions at 314.560.5432.

OOC Anniversary Funds

We are taking up three collections in conjunction with our 30th 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



30th Anniversary!

Summer Narnia—Register!

Tuesday, July 26 - Saturday, July 30, 2011 9:00am – noon. OOC'ers, please register your kids. Registration is now on the OOC website. Be thinking about volunteering. See Kelli McKie for questions.

Photo Albums - Your Help Is Wanted!

We have 3 projects in the works—and we need your contributions!

- --General Photo Albums. We will be filling our photo albums with pictures—we have some on hand that we are putting into albums. If you have photos of OOC people/events, please get them to either Barb Winters or Durinda Hood.
- --Photo Book. Gretta Kraft is working on putting together a photo book about OOC that you will be able to buy. We may be looking for specific photos for it—watch for announcements.
- --Scrapbook of OOC 2011 People. 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 household now, in 2011. You may include grown children even if they do not attend OOC. The third item is to answer two questions: (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? These are meant to be brief of course! See sample page on the bulletin board in the vestibule. We will put these contributions in an OOC scrapbook. Thanks for your help!!
- --Durinda Hood for the 30th Anniversary Committee

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, June 5 with Alyssa Catlin editing. Deadline for articles is May 29 (Memorial Day weekend).

Old Orchard Church

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