OOC Tidbits ♦ May 29, 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. Please see note about our summer Sunday School schedule.

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. Won't meet today.

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!!

Congratulations!

Steve & Grace Greene have a baby girl! **Ruby Mae** was born early the morning (1:32 a.m.) of May 24. 7 # 7 oz. 20 1/4 inches. All are well.

Sunday School News

No Sunday School for all today, May 29 and through the months of June & July for children.

However, there will be a summer Adult Class. Coming Soon

Sorry for the mixed messages in our calendar, but there will be one summer Sunday School class for adults (that runs during June and July and the last week in August), Disciplines for Disciples—A Simple Introduction. This class will focus on some of the classic spiritual disciplines we need to be learning and practicing if we are to keep our communion with God intimate, authentic and growing. We will focus in particular on learning how to meditate on God's Word—not simply on how to read it or study it but on how to meditate on it. What's that all about? Someone who has spent the past year going deeper in the discipline of meditation on Scripture recently wrote,

"The Word of GOD is truly powerful.

I found it strong enough to stop me in my tracks."

Come and joins us on Sunday, June 5, at 9am in the Milligan House, to find out more. Childcare will be provided, but you will need to let us know ASAP if you need it (please call Mark Robertson for this.) This would be a great way to refresh your relationship with the Lord and renew your love for him in this 30th anniversary year! -- Ron Lutjens

Intergenerational Sunday School Class. 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.

Church Office Notes

*Church Office Closed on Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.

*Apology

As Ron announced last week, "Endless Ocean" published in the last *Overture* was not written by Ed Killeen, but by his son **Ben Killeen**. Many apologies to Ed and Ben for the mistake. Ron Lutjens had submitted the poem and correctly told me in an email who the author was, but I mistakenly assumed it was Ed! --Durinda Hood ®

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

House Church This Week!

Wednesday, June 1. 6 p.m. pot-luck dinner—bring a dish to share!; 7 p.m. Meeting.

For child care, please sign-up on sheets or let Mark Robertson know that you want to use child care services.

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!

Moving Help Wanted!

Scott & Rebekah Chaplin need moving help (especially men with strong backs) to load a truck on Friday, June 3, starting around 5 p.m. If you can help, please let Deacon Denny Reinheimer know or contact the Chaplins directly.

Men's Bible Study

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

Youth Group

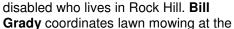
High School Only! Summer Bible Study—Every other Friday! Begins June 3 @ 9 am @ Einstein's. Marvelous! Stupendous!

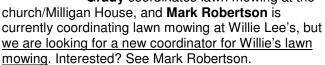
Summer Narnia—Please Register!

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.

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,





Sign up sheets are circulating today! For questions, please contact Bill Grady at 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.

OOC Anniversary Funds

We are taking up three collections in conjunction with our 30th anniversary. *Please make checks* payable to Old Orchard Church and designate it for which fund you want to give to.

- (1) 30th Anniversary Fund. To help defray costs of the various things we are doing for our anniversary celebration. Designate: "Anniversary Fund."
- (2) Love Gift. 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) Copper cross. 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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"Numbering Our Days, Finding Our Wisdom" Weekend of September 23-25: Anniversary Celebration on OOC grounds. Mark that calendar!

Photo Albums - Your Help Is Wanted!

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

- -- General Photo Albums. If you have photos of OOC people/events, please get them to either Barb Winters or Durinda Hood.
- --Photo Book. 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. 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 today, May 29.

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