

OOO Tidbits



December 11, 2011
Announcements & More
for Old Orchard Church

Welcome to Old Orchard Church

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 for all ages meets at 9 a.m. (except during some holidays) Please see note below for more.

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.** No children's worship.

❖ **Ornament-making!** Kids (ages 3 through 5th grade will make ornaments today when dismissed. Next Sunday, on December 18, we will then be putting the ornaments on the trees. See Mark Robertson for questions.

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!!

Parlor Fellowship after worship today! Please join us. Thanks to Betsy Roig and Kelli McKie for hosting.

Sunday School News

For Adults—

Talking about Creation:

At the Intersection of Faith & Science

Next Sunday, December 18, everyone is invited to a one-week Sunday School class discussing the various perspectives on creation. This class will be geared toward parents, as there are many different voices speaking into our children's ears regarding science and faith. We will discuss what it means to subscribe to the authority of the Bible while showing respect to the secular scientific community. Mark Robertson will be leading, who has both personal and educational experience surrounding this debate. Please request child care if it is needed for your family.

On the Calendar

***Choir Meets:** Thursdays at 7:15 pm. See Greg Roig. Meets this week, December 15, then will take a break.

***English Conversations:** Meets Fridays: 4:30 to 6 p.m. at Milligan House. No classes until January.

***Children's Coordinators' Meeting.** 6:30 p.m. at Milligan House on Monday, December 12.

***Stated Session Meeting:** Tuesday, Dec. 20. 6 p.m.

***Mark Robertson's Vacation:** December 23-29.

Next Two Sundays!! Please Join Us!!

4th Sunday of Advent (December 18).

Theme: *Celebrating Messiah Jesus*

Special Children's Worship. (Early Christmas worship oriented toward our children, since many families will be gone when Christmas arrives)

After worship will be the **Kids Christmas Craft Sale** (see other announcement)

Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25).

Worship will be at **11:00 am**—not 10:15, our normal Sunday worship time!

Parents, **no nursery on Christmas Day.** Worship service will be short, about an hour in length.

Kids Christmas Craft Sale

Kids 18 years and younger are selling their Christmas crafts next week, December 18 after worship. Plan on buying a few last minute gifts! Bring cash! See Mary Beth Glasgow if you have questions.

Lessons & Carols—One more Chance!!



Friday, December 16, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Richard and Jane Winter (5086 Westminster Place, 63108). Please sign up to attend and sign your guests up too!! Remember to **bring a platter of treats** for the refreshment table!

Neighborhood Caroling

Sunday, December 18, 6:00 p.m. Meet at Milligan House. Refreshments afterwards at Ed & Margaret Killeen's home. Invite friends! Remember to **bring a platter of treats** to share at the refreshment table!

Youth Group

December 11 – No Youth Group
December 18 – Youth Group – Neighborhood Caroling
December 25 – Christmas Day!!

Men's Bible Studies: Fridays & Saturdays

Both meet at the Milligan House (639 Amelia 63119)

- 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 7:15 – 8:30 a.m., a study in Revelation. Hal Pendergrass leads. Meets 12/17.
- 2nd and 4th Fridays from 6:00 – 7:15 a.m. a study in Joshua. Won't meet again until January 13, 2012

Men's Monthly Social

1st Fridays, 5-6:15 pm at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, Webster Groves 63119; meets in 2012 on January 6!

For questions about the Men's Ministry, see Ed Killeen.

Women's Bible Study: Morning & Evening

All ladies are invited to attend either the morning or evening Bible study on the book of Luke. Both studies use the same material and a similar discussion format. \$20 materials fee (confidential scholarships available). Both classes meet at Milligan House:
Friday mornings: 9:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Free child care.
Tuesday evenings: 7:00 p.m. No child care offered.
The evening study meets this Tuesday evening, 12/13.
The morning study won't meet again until January 13 & the evening study will start again Jan. 17.

For questions, please contact
Melissa Nelson or Jessie Swigart.

Photos—Keep them coming!

Reminder: collecting photos through the end of the year!
Thank all of you who have submitted photos! We'd like to get more to put in a scrapbook. You still have a chance to find that old photo and give us a recent photo of your family! And don't forget the little "write-up" each household is asked to submit.

Please submit photos to Barb Winters or Durinda Hood.

***Please note: all photos submitted become the property of Old Orchard Church (unless you tell us you want it returned). We'd prefer photographic paper copies. Thank you so much!

OOC Directory

If you are new and want to be added to the Old Orchard Church Directory, please e-mail the church office (office@oldorchardchurch.org) and we will e-mail you a form to complete and return to the office. If you don't have access to e-mail, please see to Durinda Hood. Or if you are currently in the directory and have changes, please e-mail them to the church office. See directory changes below.

OOC Directory Changes

Mark, Marci & Zoe Robertson (new address)
See print copy.

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, December 18; Jim Lowe is editor. Deadline today Sunday, Dec. 11.

New Overture Editor sought

We are looking for another editor for the *Overture* to take a turn once every two months starting after January 1. Please let Durinda Hood know or e-mail the church office (office@oldorchardchurch.org) if you are interested or want more information.

Notice from Concordia Publishing House

Christmas is just around the corner, and it is easy to get caught up in the fast pace of this time of year. Come and join us as we remember the birth of our Savior! Concordia Christian Book and Gifts will be hosting a Children's Christmas Event on Saturday, **December 17th from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** The event will include story time, caroling, Christmas cookies and crafts. Additionally, every child will receive a free copy of *A Christmas Wonder* book and ornament. RSVPs are encouraged for planning purposes.

We will also be having a big Christmas Sale to help with all your last-minute Christmas shopping needs! **Special store hours for December 17th: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** We are located at Concordia Publishing House, 3558 South Jefferson Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118. Questions? Call 314.268.1268 or e-mail bookstore@cph.org

--From Emma Meyer
Concordia Christian Book and Gifts



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