OOC Tidbits-- February 24, 2013 - 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 for all ages usually meets at 9 a.m. (except during the summer and 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. for children in grades 1-5 meeting at Milligan House. Listen for dismissal announcement, usually around 10:50 am. See Jessie Swigart or Mark Robertson for questions.

Children's Activity Bags in Worship!

Parents, each week there is a new activity sheet for children in the colored bags that you can find in a box alongside the windows in the hallway. These sheets are a way to help children engage in worship; if they are not yet reading, perhaps you can assist them after the service with some of the questions, though there are also graphics and games for all to enjoy according to that week's theme. Let me know if you have suggestions, as we seek to help the whole family worship well on Sunday morning! -- Mark Robertson.

Today! Join us for Lunch @ Milligan House

Please join us after worship. Hosting: Betsy Tevebaugh and Lori Hendrick with the Nelson Community Group doing set-up & clean-up:

Next Parlor Fellowship

Sunday, March 20 after worship. Martha Gaither & Nancy Weir hosting. Please sign-up to bring food.

House Church

Wednesday, March 6. 7:00 p.m. Milligan House

Session Meeting

Tuesday, February 26. 5:30 p.m. Milligan House

Sunday School News

Meets at **9:00 a.m.** for both adults and children. Adults, Covenant Seminary student Staci King is finishing a six-week study. No new adult class during the month of March because of spring breaks and Easter. However, the **New Members' Class** will continue through March until May 26th. Pastor Ron Lutjens is teaching. Please contact Margaret Killeen with questions regarding adult classes.

Nominations for Elder, Deacon, or Deaconess Last Call! The Session is receiving nominations through February. Please do not talk to the person you want to nominate, but follow the instructions posted on the bulletin board (and in previous *Overtures*). Let's pray for and look for the elders, deacons and deaconesses He calls.

Tender Mercies Prayer Group

Saturday, March 2nd, at 9 a.m. in the Milligan House. "because of the tender mercy of our Lord…" <u>Join us</u> as we ask our God to shine His light on our grown covenant children who are walking in darkness. --Nancy Weir

Easter Baskets for Kids ~

We invite you to help put together Easter
Baskets for children that will be distributed to families
served by Webster-Rock Hill Ministries, families who are
struggling. We are filling the baskets with useful and fun
items for children ages 3 through 11. We have baskets
with instructions for filling them out today in the parlor,
and we ask you to return the filled baskets by **Sunday,**March 17. Old Orchard will also include an invitation to
our Summer Narnia program and Old Orchard Church,
as well as a child-oriented coloring book "Jesus Lives"
(see sample in parlor) in each basket. After worship on
March 17 we welcome helpers to prepare the baskets for
delivery! --Mercy Ministry

Hosts Wanted!

We are looking for **Hosts** for these Maundy Thursday meals in homes (meals are described below)--Thursday, March 28. The menu is simple: Hearty Soup and Bread. You determine how many guests you can have in addition to your own family. If interested in hosting, or you want to explore this opportunity, please let us know by signing up today or e-mailing the church office. We need these hosts to be signed up by Friday March 1. Thanks!

There are two types of meals, sharing meals and reciting meals. In a **sharing meal** there is open sharing with each other how Christ's finished work on the cross is having its effect on us, right where we live. In a **reciting meal** we read to each other the dramatic story (highlighted from Genesis to Revelation) of our rebellion and God's redemption.

Library Survey

Please fill out the Library Ministry's survey today. It's in your bulletin. --Gretta Kraft & Jan Rau, Librarians

Good Friday Worship

On Friday, March 29 (7:00 p.m.) we will worship at Old Orchard Church with Cornerstone Evangelical Free Church, an evangelical church in south Webster Groves. Old Orchard will lead worship and Terry Schoenfeld, pastor at Cornerstone, will preach.

Ladies' Book Club

Our next book club meeting will be held on Friday, March 1, at the home of Katherine Lutjens. Our only criteria for the March selection was non-fiction. The book is entitled "Thunder Dog: The True Story of a Blind Man, His Guide Dog, and the Triumph of Trust at Ground Zero" by Michael Hingson with Suzy Flory. We will have refreshments and fellowship at 6:45 p.m., followed by the book discussion at 7:15 p.m. All OOC ladies are welcome!!

Craft/Knitting

Craft/Knitting time at Nancy Snyder's/Katie Mohler's (918 Dutch Mill Dr., Ballwin, MO 63011) on Saturday, March 9 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. All OOC ladies welcome! Come and go as you want. Feel free to bring a friend. Light refreshments, tea/coffee will be provided.

And that night (see next blurb)....

In Two Weeks: Daylight Savings Time

Put your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night. March 9. Then you can join us for worship on Sunday at 10:15 a.m. and not arrive late at 11:15 a.m.

Next Overture & More Editors Wanted!

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. Please 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 March 3. Deadline for submissions is today. Editor: Liz Romines.

Regular or substitute Overture Editors Wanted, See Durinda Hood.

Women's Bible Studies

Our two studies on Hebrews continue to meet. When: Friday mornings, 9:15 am-11:30 am; Tuesday Evening, 7 pm-8:30 pm

Cost: one-time fee of \$30 for materials & supplies.

Scholarships may be available if needed. Where: Both are at Milligan House

Leaders: Betty McCracken on Friday mornings

Melissa Nelson on Tuesday evenings

Childcare for Women's Bible Study

-- Friday Mornings. Child care offered. (Nursing moms welcome to have babies in class.)

-- Tuesday Evenings: No childcare available. Please contact: Melissa Nelson with any questions!

OOC Talk

If you are not receiving OOC Talk on your e-mail and want to join, please e-mail the church office and we will have an invitation to OOC Talk sent to you. OOC Talk is a discussion group via e-mail for OOC attenders. -- Durinda Hood

Nursery Schedules

Please pick up your copy of this quarter's nurserv schedules. See Margaret Wilke for guestions.

Work Day!

Please mark your calendars! Saturday, April 6! 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come morning or afternoon. Lunch provided. If you'd like to host lunch, let Ben Dodd, Denny Reinheimer, or Durinda Hood know.

Men's Bible Studies & Social

Bible Studies:

- ♦ Monday Evening (bi-weekly). 8:30 10:00 p.m. (Milligan House). We will meet next on Monday, March 4. We are studying the book of James. We meet every other Monday at the Milligan House from 8:30 - 10:00 p.m. Awesome refreshments will be served! For more info contact Gary Glasgow, Greg Kern or Greg Roig.
- ♦ Friday Mornings (weekly) 6:30 7:30 a.m. (Milligan House) The Friday Bible study is doing a study on the book of James.
- ◆ Saturday morning (bi-weekly) 7:15 a.m. This Bible study on the book of Colossians is led by Hal Pendergrass. Meets the first and third Saturday mornings. Next one: March 2, 2013.

Social Evening: 1st Friday of the month, 5-6:15 pm at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, WG, 63119. Next one: Friday, March 1, 2013.

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

Save the date: Francis Schaeffer Lectures!

"Kingdom Calling: Following Jesus in Our Work." On Friday evening, April 19, and throughout the day, Saturday 20, the Francis A. Schaeffer Institute at Covenant Seminary, in co-operation with Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church, will host a special lecture series led by Dr. Amy Sherman, author of Kingdom Calling: Vocational Stewardship for the Common Good.

Men: Save The Date!

The men of Old Orchard will have fellowship together at a Men's Retreat on April 26th - 27th, at Camp Trinity in New Haven, MO. Cost \$35 per person, for both campers and bunk residents, with meals. Stay tuned for more details or see Ed Killeen or Jon Woodard.

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