OOC Tidbits ~ March 10, 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 racks.

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.

Parlor Fellowship

Please join us today for food & fellowship after worship. Thanks to Martha Gaither & Nancy Weir hosting and all who have brought food.

Sunday School News

Meets at **9:00 a.m.** for both adults and children. No classes for either adults or children on Easter, March 31. **Adults** No new adult class during the month of March because of spring breaks and Easter. However, the **New Members' Class** will continue through March (except Easter Sunday) until May 26th. Pastor Ron Lutjens is teaching.

New Adult Class in April

I am looking forward to gathering again on April 7th when we will begin the second part in our series titled "Lessons from L'Abri". During our time together we will hear from Jerram Barrs, Richard and Jane Winter and Dorothy Woodson. Please contact me with questions regarding adult classes. --Margaret Killeen



Easter Baskets for Kids ~

Thanks to everyone took one of the 40 baskets we are filling for families served by Webster-

Rock Hill Ministries. Please remember to return your filled basket by **next week**, **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" in each basket. After worship next week (March 17) we welcome you to help prepare the baskets for delivery! --Mercy Ministry team

Sign up for a Maundy Thursday Meal! On Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2013 we invite you to attend one of meals in homes for a simple meal of soup, bread, and water. Meals will begin at 6:15 p.m. Please sign up for one of them on the clipboards in the parlor. We encourage you to bring non-Christian friends to these meals.

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. Children aged 12 and older* are welcome to attend the adult meals. Each host has specified how many guests they will be able to accommodate, so when you sign up, please be sure to write one person's name for each line who will be attending with you.

*There will be a special meal for children at the Milligan House at 6:00 p.m. The meals will be in two groups: a group for children ages 1-4 years and a group for children aged 5-11 years. Look for sign-up sheets also in the parlor.

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.

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

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013

There will be a Sunrise Service at 7:30 a.m., followed by a Breakfast Buffet, Easter Egg Hunt, and Folk Dancing. Easter Worship will commence at 10:15 a.m. in the OOC Sanctuary. After worship we will have our traditional balloon launch.

Please fill out today's insert for your **reservation** for Easter morning's "Hallelujah Buffet" (8 to 9:40 am) at Milligan House. Thanks to our organizers--Michelle Kraft, Laurie Lowe, Jan Rau or Lois Easterling--who also can help you with questions.

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 next Sunday March 17. 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. <u>When</u>: **Friday mornings**, 9:15 am-11:30 am; **Tuesday Evening**, 7 pm-8:30 pm <u>Where</u>: Both are at Milligan House <u>Leaders</u>: Betty McCracken on Friday mornings <u>Melissa Nelson on Tuesday evenings</u> Childeare for Wamen'a Bible Study

Childcare for Women's Bible Study

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

--*Tuesday Evenings*: No childcare available. <u>Please contact</u>: Melissa Nelson with any questions!

Men's Bible Studies & Social Bible Studies:

◆<u>Monday Evening (bi-weekly)</u>. 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. (Milligan House). We will meet next on Monday, March 18. 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.

◆ <u>Friday Mornings</u> (weekly) 6:30 – 7:30 a.m. (Milligan House) The Friday Bible study is doing a study on the book of James.

◆ <u>Saturday morning</u> (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 16, 2013.

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

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

Tissue Boxes Needed for Dawntreaders

I am currently collecting large, rectangular shaped tissue boxes for making Dawntreader ships during this summer's Narnia program. I'm looking to collect about 100 boxes by June. You can give them to me directly, put them in the coat room above my mailbox, or put them on the green shelf in the corner of the church basement. Thank you for your help. --Susan O'Neal

Reminder to Nursery Volunteers!

We have recently had a number of instances of nursery volunteers arriving a bit late on their scheduled morning. It is imperative that you arrive on time (which is 10 am), so that the children and their parents have an easy transition from the Sunday School hour to the Worship hour, and so that member parents and visitors feel confident that their child is being acknowledged and welcomed when they drop their child off in the nursery. I appreciate your service to the congregation and to our children; it's clear nursery time is a joy to our children and a garden of growth for their hearts. Our nursery ministry is to be proactive: a place where children develop relationships, respect adults, and hear about the Lord! Please do your part in arriving on time when it is your time to serve. Thanks for listening, and please contact me if you have questions about the nursery ministry. --Mark Robertson

Three "Save the Date" Items!

♦ Work Day! Please mark your calendars! <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 6</u>! 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.

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's Retreat!

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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