



OOO Tidbits ~ March 24, 2013 ~ Announcements 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 on the back. 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.

Maunder Thursday Meal—this Thursday!

On Maunday 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. **Please sign up today!**

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 ages 1 – 11 at the Milligan House at 6:00 p.m.** Look for sign-up sheets also in the parlor or see Mark Robertson.

Good Friday Worship, March 29

This 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. **Child care** will be offered for **children under 3 years** of age. Please let Mark Robertson know if you need child care.

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013

Please join us on Easter Sunday! We will have a Sunrise Service at 7:30 a.m. (see today's insert), followed by a Breakfast Buffet, Easter Egg Hunt, and Folk Dancing. Easter Worship 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 & Lois Easterling--who also can answer questions.

Eggs Wanted on Easter Sunday morning!

Bring eggs! We need some people to each bring a dozen **decorated hard boiled or plastic eggs** on Easter morning for the children to enjoy an Easter Egg hunt at 9:00 a.m. Please bring eggs by **8:45 a.m.** See Mark Robertson for questions.

Nursery Volunteers wanted for Easter Sunday

We are looking for **11 more** nursery volunteers for Easter Sunday morning to serve during one half of our Easter worship. Please sign up on the sheets that will circulate after the service today. If you are involved with Easter worship tasks--choir, music, or ushering--we ask that you **do not** sign-up to take a turn. Others who do not have these kind of responsibilities during worship are encouraged to take a turn.

Questions: see Margaret Wilke or Mark Robertson

Flowers Wanted Easter Sunday Morning

Part of our tradition is to decorate the sanctuary and parlor with **spring flowers**. We are looking for people to bring flowers Easter morning, Sunday, March 31. If you can help, please let Barbara Winters know.

Work Day! Saturday, April 6! 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come morning or afternoon. Lunch provided. **Sign up to come!** If you'd like to **host lunch**, let Ben Dodd, Denny Reinheimer, or Durinda Hood know. Also, child care is being offered during the morning only. Let Mark Robertson know you will need child care.

Sunday School News

No classes for either adults or children next Sunday, Easter, March 31. Classes will resume at **9:00 a.m.** for both adults and children on Sunday, April 7.

New Members' Class will then continue until May 26th. Pastor Ron Lutjens is teaching.

New Adult Class in April

On April 7th 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

Pr. Ron's Mission Trip to Russia

Many of you know that I will be on a teaching mission trip to Russia from April 15 – May 16, working alongside former OOC intern, Jon Coody, in St. Petersburg. I'm covering part of the trip myself (including air fare), but the Foreign Missions Ministry recommended I raise an additional \$2000. So far, I'm very grateful to you all--and humbled--to find out that \$1750 of that has come in! Please do pray that the stress fracture in my left foot heals, as I leave 3 weeks from tomorrow!

Thanks to all of you who have been praying and/or giving, --Pr. Ron Lutjens

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 April 7. Deadline for submissions is next Sunday, March 31. Editor: Jim Lowe.

Regular or substitute *Overture* Editors Wanted. See Durinda Hood.

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.

Women's Bible Studies

Our two studies on Hebrews will resume after Easter. The usual schedule is:

When & Where: **Friday mornings**, 9:15 am-11:30 am;

Tuesday Evening, 7 pm-8:30 pm. 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!

Bible Studies:

♦ **Monday Evening (bi-weekly).** 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. (Milligan House). We will meet next on Monday, April 1. 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: April 6, 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

Francis Schaeffer Lectures!

Schaeffer Lectures: "Kingdom Calling: following Jesus In Our Work" On Friday evening, April 19th, and throughout the day Saturday April 20th, the Francis A. Schaeffer Institute at Covenant Seminary, in co-operation with Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church, will be hosting a special lecture series led by Dr. Amy Sherman, author of *Kingdom Calling: Vocational Stewardship for the Common Good*. See poster for more. Cost \$20/general admission. \$5/student admission. Register online at www.covenantseminary.edu/FSI13 or at the door.

Men's Retreat!

The men of Old Orchard will 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. Join us for reflections on following Christ at work and at home with teaching led by Hans Bayer and Mark Powers. Register by emailing the church office. See Ed Killeen or Jon Woodard for more.

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