OOC Tidbits ~ April 14, 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 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.

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

Sunday School News

Sunday School Meets at 9 a.m. for both adults and children. Please join us!

Adults--"Lessons from L'Abri" meets during April. We will hear from Jerram Barrs, Richard and Jane Winter, and Dorothy Woodson during our time together.

The **New Members' Class** (final class meeting is on May19) will continue to meet; in Pastor Ron's absence other people are leading each class.

In May: "Anxiety and the Christian." Margaret Killeen will share thoughts integrating insights from the counseling world and a Christian perspective on our emotions.

Please contact me with questions regarding adult classes. --Margaret Killeen

Pastor Ron's Mission Trip

Pastor Ron has left for a teaching mission trip to Russia (away through May 15) and will work alongside former OOC intern, Jon Coody, in St. Petersburg. Please pray for the Lutjens while away. Katherine will join Ron for the last week.

If you need help from an elder or pastor, please contact Pastor Mark or one of the ruling elders. (Durinda Hood will also be in the church office.)

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 is \$35 per person, for both campers and bunk residents, and meals are included in the cost. Join us for reflections on following Christ at work and at home with teaching led by Hans Bayer and Mark Powers. Register by contacting Mark Robertson. See Mark Robertson, Ed Killeen or Jon Woodard for more.

Hospitality in April

All invited to stay for today's **Parlor Fellowship**. Thanks to Becca Skrainka and Christine Grant for hosting.

The next **Lunch at Milligan House** is Sunday, April 28 after worship. The Helton/Tamm Community Group is assisting Sylva Neubauer and Linda Lemen who are hosting. Please sign up to come on the sheets circulating.

Schaeffer Lectures

"Kingdom Calling: following Jesus In Our Work" **o**n Friday evening, April 19th, and throughout the day Saturday April 20th, the Francis Schaeffer Institute, together with City Ministry Initiative, The Kirk, and The Covenant Presbyterian Church will be hosting Dr. Amy Sherman at Covenant Theological Seminary. Dr. Sherman is author of *Kingdom Calling: Vocational Stewardship for the Common Good.*

This event will include three plenary sessions by Dr. Sherman, and a set of breakout sessions led by kingdomminded professionals who are uniquely placed to enable and encourage attendees to follow after Jesus in the context of their vocations. Cost \$20/general admission. \$5/student admission.

Register online at www.covenantseminary.edu/FSI13 or at the door. See poster for more.

Lawn Mowing Signups!

Please sign up today to mow the yards for our two properties at OOC, as well as the yard of Willie Lee, disabled man who lives in Rock Hill. See Bill Grady for the church's lawns and Ben Dodd for Willie Lee's.

Next Overture! Additional 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. You can place your signed articles in the *Overture* box (in the coat room) or email them to the church office (put in subject line: Overture). The next issue will be out Sunday, April 21 Deadline for submissions is today, April 14. Editor: Liz Romines.

Regular or occasional *Overture* Editors wanted. See Durinda Hood.

Women's Bible Studies

Study is on the book of Hebrews.

When & Where: Friday mornings, 9:15 am-11:30 am; Tuesday Evening, 7 pm-8:30 pm. at Milligan House The evening class is scheduled to finish April 30 and the morning class is to end April 26.

<u>Leaders</u>: 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.

 <u>Please contact</u>: Melissa Nelson with any questions!

Men's Bible Study & Monthly Social

Bi-weekly Monday evenings from 8:30 – 10 pm (Milligan House) We will meet next on Monday, April 15. We are studying the book of James. Awesome refreshments will be served! For more information, contact Gary Glasgow or Greg Roig.

Weekly on Friday mornings from 6:30-7:30 am, at the Milligan house. The Friday Bible study is studying the book of James.

First and third Saturday mornings at 7:15 am, led by Hal Pendergrass. This study is on Colossians and the next meeting is April 20, 2013.

Men's Social: 1st Friday of the month, 5-6:15 pm at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, WG, 63119. Next meeting: Friday, May 3, 2013. *For questions about* the men's ministries, please see Ed Killeen.

OOC Women's Book Club

Next book discussion meeting is **Friday**, **April 26th** at the home of Lori Hendrick. The book we are discussing is entitled "90 Minutes in Heaven" by Don Piper with Cecil Murphey. We meet at 6:45 p.m. for fellowship/refreshments and begin our book discussion around 7:15 p.m. We do understand that this falls on the same night as the OOC Men's Retreat, so if you are unable to make it to this meeting because you need to stay home with your children, we would be delighted to see you at our following meeting in July (a selection of fiction TBA). This has been a wonderful time of fellowship and discussion and we would love to have you join us! Warmly, *Katie Mohler/Kelli McKie*

You Are Invited to a Free Concert

On Sunday, April 28th at 5:30 pm, I [Emily Roig] will be putting on a concert at Old Orchard Church to promote and release my second, professional album of original songs called Zeal & Passion. The OOC community is invited! It is **free!** --Emily Roig, former OOC'er, serves as Music Coordinator at Midtown Church, & daughter of Greg & Betsy Roig

Tender Mercies Prayer Group

"...because of the tender mercy of our Lord..."

Join us as we ask our God to shine His light on our grown covenant children who are walking in darkness.

When & Where: Saturday, May 11, 9:00 a.m.

at the Milligan House

See Nancy Weir for questions.

Narnia in July

Mark your Calendar! Our next Narnia week (aka VBS) will be the week of July 23--July 23 through July 27. Plan on helping and/or having your children participate! See Kelli McKie or Mark Robertson for questions.

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 (314.638.1550)

Teaching Positions Open

Westminster Christian Academy in St. Louis, Missouri, a Christian secondary school with 964 students in grades 7-12, is accepting applications for the following faculty positions for the 2013/14 school year: Chinese 1 & 2 (part-time – 2 class periods) and 8th grade math/science (full-time – 3 algebra 1 classes/2 general science classes). Visit our website at www.wcastl.org for application information and/or contact Becky VanValkenburg, Executive Assistant to the Head of School, at bvanvalkenburg@wcastl.org or 314-997-2900.

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