

## OOO Tidbits ~September 1, 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 is off for the summer and will begin again September 8. Please see the 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 they are dismissed at 10:50.
- **Children's Worship** will begin again on September 8. for children in grades 1-5 & at Milligan House. Please see Jessie Swigart or Mark Robertson with questions.

**Children's Activity Bags in Worship!** Parents, each week there is a new activity sheet for children in the colored bags which are in a box alongside the windows in the back 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 Sunday mornings!

—Mark Robertson

**Congregational Meeting:** Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 p.m. Dedicated to a conversation about promoting sexual faithfulness to the Lord in our teens and young adults. Childcare provided if it is requested. Please contact Mark Robertson if you want child care..

### Annual Anniversary Picnic

**When:** Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> (after worship).

**Hosts:** the diaconate with the Hospitality Ministry. We need you to sign up so we can prepare enough food. This year your contribution is either a dessert (to serve 24 small pieces; 9X13 pan) **or** to contribute \$5 (per household) for sides [Sylvia Neubauer has graciously agreed to prepare the sides with the help of volunteers.] Therefore, there are no other assigned sides to bring. Sign up and enjoy!!

### Parlor Fellowship!

The next **Parlor Fellowship** is on Sept. 8 with hosts Laurie Lowe and Linda Lemen. Please sign-up to bring food.

### Sunday School News

Sunday School for all ages will resume on **September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

Join us for a new **adult Sunday School** beginning September 8th at 9 am at the Milligan House. We will be thinking about and discussing a series by Tim Keller titled: "The Gospel in Life: Grace Changes Everything." This will include a short video introduction to the topics each week by Tim Keller and a discussion led by seminary students Mike Ford and Billy Cerveny. The topics covered in the 8-week series are: city, heart, idolatry, community, witness, work, justice and eternity.

This is a great opportunity to learn and grow whether you are just thinking about issues of faith, or have been a Christian for many years, or you are struggling in the midst of the trials of life. The topics are a touch point to begin thinking more deeply and applying the truths of the Scriptures to our own hearts and lives. It is also a way to connect with others at Old Orchard with whom you may not normally have a chance to spend time.

Childcare will be provided.

--Margaret Killeen

### ~Women's Ministries~

#### **Tuesday Morning Bible Study - ROMANS!**

**When:** Tuesday mornings, 9:15am - 11:30,

Sept 10, 2013 - April 15, 2014

**Where:** The Milligan House. 639 Amelia

**What:** The Book of Romans (materials given out first class) Cost last year \$30/book, this year's price still TBD, but it won't be over \$30. (don't let cost be an issue...if you need financial help or if you need to pay in increments, please see Melissa Nelson)

**Who:** Led by Betty McCracken, 40+ years of teaching experience

**Format:** We gather in the living room around the fireplace, grab some treats, have a short time of singing/worship, then jump into our study. We walk through the questions one at a time in a discussion format. Questions always welcomed! End with prayer. There is usually some time to visit & have more snacks if you want, before you pick up the kiddos. All are welcome. Please invite your friends and neighbors! (continued on next page)

**Childcare:** 2 Nurseries Available (infant/early walkers and toddler/preschool) in the church nurseries (basement of church) kids can be dropped off as early as 9:05 and need to be picked up no later than 11:15. Two childcare workers for each room. All workers have

been background checked and have excellent references. Workers each week will be leading your children through a Bible story and song, & snack. Also lots of time for freeplay. If workers need to contact you during the study, you or our childcare coordinator will receive a text. \*\*Because of budget constraints we will be asking moms to pay a small fee for childcare, between \$3-5/week/family. (Again, don't let this cost keep you from coming. Please talk to Melissa)

**Contact--**

Melissa Nelson or  
Betty McCracken

~Women's Thursday EVENING Bible Study~ ROMANS  
We'll be walking through the letter of Paul to the Romans that explains what the Gospel is and how it bears fruit in our lives. Following the study guide that the morning class uses, we'll learn together from God's Word.

**Details:** Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 pm in the Milligan House (639 Amelia). Led by **Dawn Miller**. All are welcome! Please invite friends, co-workers, neighbors, fellow students, etc., Unfortunately there will be no childcare provided for the evening class.

Contact Dawn Miller (with any questions, or Melissa Nelson.

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**Men's Ministries**

**Men's Bible Studies—**

- ◆Bi-weekly **Monday evenings** from 8:30 – 10 p.m. (Milligan House) Next study is Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> [tomorrow night]. Awesome refreshments will be served! For more information, contact Gary Glasgow or Greg Roig.
- ◆Weekly on **Friday mornings** from 6:30-7:30 a.m., at the Milligan House. The Friday Bible study is studying 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy.

**Men's Social**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month, 5-6:15 p.m. at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, WG, 63119. Next social: Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

*For questions about the Men's Ministries, please see Ed Killeen.*

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**Calendar Notes**

**Staff Vacation.** Durinda Hood will be away September 1<sup>st</sup> through September 9<sup>th</sup>. Kathy Nelson will assist part of the time in the office during but not with set hours.

**Stated Session Meeting.** Tuesday, September 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the Milligan House

**Tender Mercies Prayer Group**

"...because of the tender mercy of our Lord..."  
**When & Where:** **Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**, 9:00 a.m. at the Milligan House. Join us as we ask our God to shine His light on our grown covenant children who are walking in darkness. See Nancy Weir for questions.

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**Join Our Mission of Service in Santiago, Chile**

**June 2014**

Join our team as we serve in Santiago, Chile with Wilma Cross, one of the missionaries we have supported for many years as a church. She operates Ruhama House, a shelter for women and she desires our assistance in making repairs, painting, and meeting needs in their community at Ruhama. The home will be closed in the time we will be there and so we will stay at Ruhama House. Come and help with the project, learn more about what Wilma is doing in Chile, and explore a wonderful city! **Informational meeting, Sunday, September 8** after church in the Milligan House. All who might be interested or have questions should attend this meeting. See you there! --Mark Robertson

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**OOC Arts Ministry**

All artists in the fellowship are invited to come to our next meeting scheduled for **September 10** at 7:00 p.m. Questions? See Pastor Ron.

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**Free Events:**

(Sponsored by Francis Schaeffer Institute partnering with Memorial Presbyterian Church)

An art historian and former museum curator, Dan Siedell is the author of the much acclaimed "God in the Gallery: A Christian Embrace of Modern Art" and is currently the curator of LIBERATE, the outreach ministry of Tullian Tchividjian and Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The events are free and open to the public.

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 5 at 7:00 PM**

"Who's Afraid of Modern Art?" Lecture followed by Q&A. Location: THE CHAPEL (6238 Alexander Dr., 63105)

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 6 at 10:00 AM**

Gallery talk at the SAINT LOUIS ART MUSEUM on postwar German art in the newly completed East Building

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 6 at 7:00 PM**

"Echoes of Eden: An Evening with Professor Jerram Barrs".

Dan Siedell will be participating in a panel discussion after Barrs' lecture on art, literature, and the Christian imagination.

Location: COVENANT SEMINARY (12330 Conway Rd., 63141)

**Invitation to Grace & Peace's Installation of New Associate Pastor at Grace & Peace**

On Sunday evening, September 15 at 6:00 p.m., Thurman Williams will be installed as the Associate Pastor of Grace & Peace Fellowship [our mother church]. We would be honored if you were able to worship with us and help the saints here give thanks to

God for Thurman, Evie and their dear children Charvez, Shaquana, Joshua and Caleb. Rev. Mike Higgins, Dean of Students at Covenant Seminary, will be bringing the Word of God to us all in that service so we anticipate being provoked to the obedience of faith!  
--For the indestructible Kingdom of Jesus Christ, Kurt Lutjens for Grace and Peace Fellowship (From a letter sent to the church office to Pastor Ron and the congregation)

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#### **A Class for Boomers and Beyond: Medicare 101**

Are you approaching age 65 and Medicare eligibility? Do you have questions about Medicare? Call Shepherd's Center at 314-395-0988 to register **for Thurs. Sept. 12 at 5 pm for Medicare 101**: an educational tool to help individuals make important Medicare decisions. The topics that will be discussed include an introduction to Medicare, a discussion of Medicare Part A/B, Medicare Supplement and other Medicare product options. Presentation by Jon Graf of Thrivent Financial at the Shepherd's Center (1333 Lockwood Ave. Glendale, MO 63122).  
– Submitted by Durinda Hood

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#### **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 (put in subject line: Overture). The next issue will be out Sunday, September 8. Deadline for submissions is today, September 1! Next Editor: Liz Romines.

#### **OOO Directory**

If you have any changes in phone numbers or address, please send them to the church office [office@oldorchardchurch.org]. Please put in the subject line: OOO Directory.

Newcomers: Please submit your information either completing the online form through the church's website or by filling out a paper form. –Thanks, Durinda Hood

#### **Old Orchard Church**

**OOO Web Site:** [www.oldorchardchurch.org](http://www.oldorchardchurch.org)

**Church Office/Milligan House:** 314.962.3795

**Mailing Address for OOO:**

639 Amelia Ave, Webster Groves, MO 63119

**Church Building, 640 Amelia:** 314.961.6932 (no answering device at this number)

*Pastor Ron Lutjens,*

**Home Study/Cell:** see print copy.

**Ron's E-mail:** see print copy

*Associate Pastor Mark Robertson,*

**Office:** see print copy.

**Mark's E-Mail:** see print copy

*Durinda Hood, Administrative Assistant.*

**E-mail:** office@oldorchardchurch.org

**For attendees (55 years +)**

#### **"Write Your Life Story" ... One Page at a Time**

If you have been looking for just the right time and opportunity to write your life story, this class is meant just for you! Lori Jurgiel, gerontologist, is certified to offer the Birren Method of Guided Autobiography and will teach this 8 week class on Thursdays, **September 19 - November 7 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30** at the Shepherd's Center (1333 Lockwood Ave. Glendale, MO 63122). Cost is \$48 and pre-registration with payment is required. Call 314-395-0988 to learn more.

--submitted by Durinda Hood

(This is all I know about this and it's not an endorsement, just letting you know about it.)