

## OOO Tidbits ~ November 10, 2013 ~ Announcements & More for Old Orchard Church

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 offered for all ages. 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 dismissed at 10:50.

❖ **Children's Worship:** for children in grades 1-5 at Milligan House. Listen for the dismissal time to be announced. 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 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! **Please remember to return the bags to the bins in the hallway at the end of the service.** –Mark Robertson

### Photo Directory

To view the confidential online version of the OOC photos, please see instructions on the photo board. The photo directory is available through Old Orchard's website.

### Parlor Fellowship

Please join us today after worship for food and fellowship. Thanks to Margaret Wilke and Suzanna McKeon for hosting.

### November Congregational Meeting

The congregational meeting commonly held in November is to be scheduled in late January 2014. Watch announcements for date.

### Lessons & Carols

Mark your calendar! Lessons & Carols to be on the evenings of Friday, December 13 & Sunday, December 15. More info coming!

### Sunday School News

Sunday School for all ages offered and begins at **9 a.m.**

**Adult Class:** How important are money and possessions to God? So important that twice as many verses in His Word (about 2,350 of them) are dedicated to this topic than to faith and prayer combined! Jesus said more about money than about both heaven and hell. Come join us on Sunday mornings through December 15 for a 6 week Sunday School series entitled: "God & Money - Relational Stewardship For Eternity" based primarily on Randy Alcorn's book, *Money, Possessions & Eternity*. Ben Dodd will lead the class. We will discuss the following topics during our November sessions:  
**Today's** class is (Week 2): False stewardship: two wrong ways  
Week 3 (Nov. 17): True stewardship: two callings  
Week 4: (Nov. 24) Giving: growing in our trust of the Lord  
[No class December 1]

Childcare will be provided.

--Margaret Killeen

### ~ Women's Ministries ~

#### Morning & Evening Bible Studies

Ladies, we welcome you to attend either study.



**Dates:** Both studies run from Sept 2013 - April 2014 with Thanksgiving, Christmas and Spring breaks.

**Times:** Tuesday mornings - 9:15-11:30 am; Thursday

Evenings - 7:00-8:30 pm

**Location:** Both are at Milligan House (639 Amelia)

**What we're studying:** The **Book of Romans**.

**Leaders:** **Betty McCracken**/Morning Study.

**Dawn Miller**/Evening Study

**Format:** Discussion format ending with prayer time.

Fellowship time too.

**Childcare:** Available for morning study for \$3/family.

(Confidential financial help is available, see Melissa Nelson.)

However, no childcare offered for the evening study.

**Questions? Melissa Nelson or Dawn Miller or Betty McCracken).**

### Men's Bible Studies

★ **Bi-weekly Monday evenings** from 8:30 – 10 p.m. (Milligan House) Next study is Monday, November 18. 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., Milligan House. For more info contact Brad Small or Ed Killeen.

### 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, December 6, 2013.

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

## Tender Mercies Prayer Group

Saturday, November 16, 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.

## Craft Saturday for the Ladies:

Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 5 p.m. Please join us to work on crafts, holiday projects and to visit. We will have some light snacks, coffee, and tea. If you'd like to bring a snack, that would be great too. See Staci King or Sue vanHornbeek if you have questions.

## Stated Session Meeting:

Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. at Milligan House

## Baby Shower

Saturday, November 23, at 1 p.m. at the Milligan House hosted by Margaret Killeen and Marci Robertson.

All OOC women are invited to a baby shower for **Deanna Ford**. Deanna and Mike are expecting a baby sister for Luke around January 12. Deanna has registered at amazon.com in the Amazon Babies section. If your budget is tight you can contribute to a group gift. Please give your contribution to Margaret Killeen or Marci Robertson by November 17.

If you are able to bring a plate of refreshments to the shower it would be greatly appreciated.

An OOC shower is a special way to fellowship with one another and to encourage our new mothers. Come and be a blessing.

## Thanksgiving Day, November 28<sup>th</sup>

### Worship Service at 10 a.m.

All are invited to join for a time of worship AND to help decorate the communion table.

**What to bring for the communion table:** Fruit, vegetables, colorful leaves, berries, pumpkins, squash, flowers, pine cones, etc., or anything you think reflects the beauty of creation. **Suggestion--Parents**, this is a great opportunity to take a walk with your children and gather treasures to bring.

**Church Office** will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

## Leaf Raking Morning, December 7<sup>th</sup>

We will be raking leaves on the morning of December 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 9 a.m. to noon. A team will also be recruited to go to Willie Lee's to rake. Please sign-up today if you plan to come. No lunch to be served.

## Kids Christmas Craft Sale, December 15<sup>th</sup>

Kids 18 years and younger are invited to make Christmas presents that they can show and sell to others in the fellowship. For those of you who are new to the church, it is our tradition to have a sale of Christmas wares created by our children. In the past, our kids have displayed some wonderful talents and hard work; some have made candlesticks from nature's bounty, wax candles, cookies, breads, note holders, marbled note paper, fire starters, wrapping paper, ornaments—lots of great gift ideas.

Wider fellowship, plan on buying a few last minute gifts!

We haven't yet confirmed a coordinator whose identity will be announced soon. Meanwhile, kids & parents, be thinking and planning on making something!

## 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: OOC Directory. Or you can use the online form at the church's website. –Thanks, Durinda Hood

Newcomers: Please submit your directory information either by completing the online form on the church's website or by filling out a paper form.

OOO Talk: If you would like to be added to our in-house, congregation-wide e-mail list, OOO Talk, please e-mail office@oldorchardchurch.org and a link to the subscriber list with instructions will be e-mailed to you. Nate McKie, one of our elders, administers this list.

## Activity In Church Building:

Please note that the following activity is scheduled in our facilities. A Bible Study, led by a retired pastor in the neighborhood, every Sunday evening, is using the Church Parlor and Nurseries on Sundays, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

## Adopt a Family for Christmas & More

**Thanks** for taking the 10 gifts we had up last week! As of this writing, we had not received our families from Webster Rock Hill Ministries. The Winter Shelter just opened, so we don't yet have those gift requests. If there are no ornaments on the tree today, please look next Sunday and it hopefully will be filled again! –Durinda Hood for the Mercy Ministry

Also, we are looking for **donations of non-perishable food** for a Christmas dinner [just think of a traditional meal; see the list WRHM below has given us], and other non-perishable and household items are welcomed to help stock the pantries for the families.

List given us: Corn, Green beans, Cranberry Sauce. Yams or Sweet Potatoes, Canned Fruit, Instant Gelatin, Instant Potatoes or Fresh Potatoes, Stuffing Mix, Cake Mix, Cake Frosting.

## 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, November 17. Next Editor: Jim Lowe.

## Bishop Twins Born

Former elder Currie Bishop, (now pastor of Grace Presbyterian in Carbondale, Illinois) and wife Abby, have welcomed their twin boys! See more on bulletin board.

## Old Orchard Church

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

**Church Office/Milligan House:** 314.962.3795

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**Pastor Ron Lutjens, Home Study/Cell:** see print copy.

Ron's E-mail: see print copy

**Associate Pastor Mark Robertson, Office:** see print copy.

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**Durinda Hood, Administrative Assistant.**

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