



The Grapevine - Update

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"For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1



Dear Friends,

We are heading into the summer season and good times with family and friends. School is ending for students, and graduates are heading towards new beginnings. At Oxford UMC, summer is the time for us to plan and help out with our Vacation Bible School "Surf Shack" (August 7-11) and share Bible stories and fun activities with community children. We also look forward to Oxford Days/Lone Ranger Days and our Ice Cream Social (fundraiser) event on Saturday, August 6. Save the dates! And in your summer plans, please spend time with God and join us for heart-warming Sunday worship services each week. Enjoy the summer time and be thankful for God's beauty and creation.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Jennifer



June 5th - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost / Holy Communion/ Graduation Sunday

"Going Out With God" Galatians 1:11-24 Matthew 28:18-20

Reminder: Our 1st Sunday FISH Food Pantry Collection will take place today!

Today is the Last Day of Sunday School



June 12th - 4th Sunday after Pentecost "The Greatest Gift: God!" Luke 19:1-10

June 19th - 5th Sunday after Pentecost / Father's Day "Paying It Forward" Luke 7:36 - 8:3

June 26th - 6th Sunday after Pentecost "Godly Living in 3D" John 23:1-21



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Congratulations to all our Oxford and Lake Orion High School graduates! We wish you all the best in the future. Congratulations also to the following 2016 college graduates:

- Jonathan Jue-Wong (son of Pastor Jennifer Jue & Erik Wong) from Oberlin College with a Bachelors of Arts in History (Religion minor) on May 23, 2016.
- Heather Jue-Wong (daughter of Pastor Jennifer Jue & Erik Wong) from Brown University with a Bachelor of Arts in Public Health on May 29, 2016.



If you or someone you know is graduating this spring please inform the church office. Please let us know their name, relationship with OUMC, graduation date, school graduating from, degree and/or honors, and future plans. We would love to honor their achievement in June and lift them up in prayer and praise. Happy Graduation!

SUMMER COFFEE HOUR TIME

Our summer Sundays are a special time to fellowship together. Some dates are still available (July 24, August 7 [Outdoor Service], August 28). Check the sign up board in the fellowship hall or see Carol Hauxwell (248-628-4569) if you have questions.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



COOKIE "POTLUCK": June 19

On Father's Day (June 19) we are asking you to bring 2-3 dozen cookies (homemade or store bought) to share at Fellowship Time with church friends. It will be a fun cookie potluck.



RACHEL CIRCLE

The Rachel Circle ladies invite all women to join them in the Fellowship Hall on June 13th at 10am. See Nadine Lychuk (248-393-1448) or one of the other ladies if you have questions.





CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWS

Children's Church (ages 3-7 years old) starts **June 12**. It's a Bible story centered program for young children. See Lucinda Bellairs (248-417-0214) if you are able to help volunteer.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: "SURF SHACK"

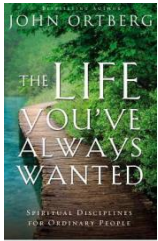
Vacation Bible School will be held Sunday, August 7 thru Thursday, August 11 from 5:45pm to 8:30pm. There will also be a VBS Picnic on Friday, August 12 at 6pm. Many volunteers are needed. If you are able to help, please contact Pastor Jennifer (248-628-1289/ oumc.office@sbcglobal.net) or Michelle Wood (248-969-2545).



UMC SUMMER CAMPS

It's not too late to sign up for UMC camp. Visit umcamping.org. Questions? See Lucinda Bellairs (248-417-0214).

SUMMER BOOK GROUP



Starting on **June 15** we will be meeting on Wednesdays at 10:30am until 12noon. Come together for sharing life stories, prayer joys and concerns, scripture study, and spiritual enrichment as well as support. The book "The Life You've Always Wanted: Spiritual Disciplines for Ordinary People" By John Ortberg with Stephen & Amanda Sorenson. In this six-session small group Bible study (with video), John Ortberg will guide our group through the spiritual disciplines and teach us how they can transform our spiritual life. Cultivate new intimacy and confidence in prayer. Taste the benefits of slowing life's frenetic pace. Discover the freedom of secrecy. Learn how to be guided by the Holy Spirit and much more. For questions, see Pastor Jennifer (office 248-628-1289).

OXFORD / ORION FISH FOOD PANTRY

For the months of June and July, we encourage you to donate **Laundry and Cleaning Products** for the FISH Pantry. We would also like you to start watching for sales for Back-To-School items which we will be collecting in August and September for the backpacks which FISH provides for the children of FISH clients.

Remember – someone will be greeting you the **FIRST** Sunday of each month with a red FISH bag ready for you to fill. Thank you for all your enthusiasm and generosity in showing God's Love to our local community. If you'd like to volunteer at the FISH Food Pantry, or have questions, please contact Mary Garrard (810-797-5840) or Julie Langley (248-628-9619).



THANK YOU!

- ❖ Thank you to all of the **Sunday School Teachers** (Jennifer Moore, Dave Moore, Michelle Wood, Michelle Mumbue, Kari Kater, Cindy Vincentini, and Bruce Conrad) for a wonderful Sunday school year with the kids!
- ❖ Thank you to all who attended and led the **Bible Study and small groups** (Reading for Fun, Knit Knack, Piece Maker Quilters) groups this winter! It is wonderful to grow in our faith together.
- ❖ Thank you to the **CROP walkers and donors** who raised approximately \$1,035.00 which supports the local food pantry as well as global food and clean water projects. Thanks to organizer Fred Nelson!
- ❖ To the **Excelsior Bell Choir ringers** and the **Village Brunch volunteers** who made Bells & Brunch 3rd Sundays so special. Thank You to director Rosemary Rumbold and brunch organizer Jon Gross. They will be on a break for three months and return in the fall.
- ❖ To the **Trustees, Boy Scouts** and other volunteers who cleaned up the church building and grounds on May 14 and mow the lawn every week. Great job! Thank you.
- ❖ To **Kim Pearson** and the **Pearson family** for helping install the new fountain in the Memorial Garden - it is just beautiful. Thank you so much for all of your hard work!