

# O.V.L.S December, 2021

A Quarterly Newsletter for Older Wiser Lutherans

Our Mission is to enable seniors to continue to experience the baptismal promise of being part of the Lord's family.

For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given... Isaiah 9:6



Tammy Follensbee, Director of Senior Ministries

## **OWLS Bus Trip to Organ Stop Pizza**



Senior Ministries invites our OWLS (Older Wiser Lutherans) and MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) to Organ Stop Pizza on **Friday, January 7th, 2022.** 

The bus leaves at 10:00am and we will return to church by 2:00pm. Please be to the church by 9:45am to allow for time to board the bus.

We will enjoy an "all you can eat" pizza buffet, ice cream, and the music of the Mighty Wurlitzer. Senior Ministry will pay for one scoop of ice cream per guest. All other ice cream choices are paid for by the guest.

The price for lunch and the bus is \$15.00 for adults and children over the age of 10 years, \$10.50 for ages 3 to 9 years, and children under 2 years are free. We ask for a goodwill donation to tip the bus driver when we return to the church.

Anyone is welcome to invite their grandchildren or other extended family members to join in the fun. The more the merrier for our semi-private lunch and organ concert. We must have 50 guests attend to meet Organ Stop Pizza lunch requirements. If we have 100 guests sign up our lunch will be private and an additional bus will be booked.

Sign-up at the Senior Ministry Cart in the Narthex on Sundays, with Tammy Follensbee or Pr. Kristin, or with the MOPS leaders.

A note for our OWLS, this bus trip will be in lieu of a January Friday Friendly.

IMPORTANT: TSA REQUIRES PROPER WEARING OF FACE MASKS, PER FEDERAL LAW WHEN TRAVELING ON BUSES. EXEMPTIONS TO THIS RULE ARE FOR THOSE UNDER THE AGE OF 2 OR FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITES.

**THANK YOU!** 

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# **Friday Friendly**

#### December 10, 2021

A "friendly" reminder that Friday Friendly will welcome "Marshal Pioneer Pepper - Cowboy Christmas" on Friday, December 10th. Marshal Pioneer



Pepper returns to Friday Friendly with Christmas Songs Cowboy Style. Christmas through the eyes of the cowboy is a blend of songs, stories, poetry, laughter, memories, and meaning.

Come on out and enjoy a Cowboy Christmas!

# Friday Friendly in 2022

There will be NO Friday Friendly in January, 2022! We are offering an OWLS Bus
Adventure to Organ Stop on Friday, January 7th, 2022 in place of January
Friday Friendly. See all the Organ Stop details included in this
newsletter on page 2.

#### February 11, 2022

#### **CAFE Flutes**

CAFE (Central Arizona Flute Ensemble) is a many member flute choir that enriches, enlightens, and inspires central Arizona residents by presenting interactive concerts showcasing the full



range of instruments in the flute family. CAFE programs embrace classical, oldies, folk, dance, jazz, novelty, show tunes, patriotic, and seasonal selections. CAFE concerts surprise and enthrall audiences.

# **Friday Friendly**

#### March 11, 2022

## **Red Rock Crossing Band**



Bluegrass is at the heart of this trio's roots. They sing many bluegrass artists, but their song list includes standards like "Over the Rainbow", "Big Yellow Taxi" and more. Gary and Rochelle Tintsman, and Terri Sue Rossi combined play many instruments including the ukulele, bass, mandolin, piano, and more. The members of this musical group sing lead and harmony on songs from folk to jazz to country. We welcome them back to play for Friday Friendly once again.

Hot Lunch and Musical Program
Lunch starts at 12 Noon in the Fellowship Hall.
Entertainment starts at 1:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

We will be limiting lunch to the first 75 guests who sign up by calling the church office or by visiting the Senior Ministry Cart in the Narthex. There will be a waiting list if necessary. A 45-minute program in the sanctuary follows a hot lunch from Boston Market. A suggested donation of \$10.00 helps with expenses.

We are welcoming all guests to enjoy the entertainment in the sanctuary even if you cannot make lunch reservations or choose to skip lunch. No reservations needed to enjoy the music. Wearing of masks and social distancing is strongly encouraged.

## **Dessert Bakers**

Contact Tammy Follensbee, 602.866.9191, x110 or sign up at the Senior Ministry cart in the Narthex if you would like to bake. The desserts are a big hit at Friday Friendly!

Desserts requested are cakes of any kind, pies, cobbler and "cake-like" bars.

# **Did You Know...Shirley Baltuch**

Shirley Baltuch celebrated her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Shirley's daughter Tami and son-in-law Mike gave her a once in a lifetime surprise birthday present. Shirley attended a Green Bay Packer football game in Green Bay, Wisconsin and she was the bass drummer! Shirley and her husband Ted flew first class to Wisconsin and stayed at a Marriott property close to Lambeau Field all-expense paid by Tami and Mike. Mike arranged to have Shirley beat the bass drum and lead the cheer, "Go Pack Go, Go Pack Go!" during Sunday, November 14th game. Shirley was surprised by all the local media that surrounded her as she beat the drum.

Shirley said it snowed 4 inches the night before the game. She said the snow was beautiful, but she did not appreciate the slush and mud in the parking lot area of Lambeau Field. "It was so cold!", she said. She enjoyed the Air Force fly over of a Stealth Bomber, the fireworks for every Packers touchdown, and the WWII military men and women honored at the game. The people who tailgated in the parking lot before the game offered food to anyone who walked past. Shirley said, "Wisconsin people are very friendly".

Happy Birthday, Shirley!!



Pictured above is Shirley beating the drum at Lambeau Field.

## **Prayer Quilt Recipients**

#### **Maritta Fink**

On Sunday, October 24th All Saints recognized Maritta in worship for her many years of dedication and service at All Saints. Maritta was presented with a beautiful glass cross made by Linda Young along with a plaque made by Damien Speck in which the cross can be mounted on for display. We also presented Maritta with a prayer quilt designed and made by Terri Reiman and Nancy O'Connor. The quilt has photos of many memories of past Senior Ministry events, of family, and friends along with many signatures and messages from our congregation. We are so thankful to Maritta!



### **Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care**

In October, Cut Ups donated several quilts to Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care. Gigi from Seasons (pictured below on the left along with Terri Reiman) visited Cut Ups to pick up the quilts. She expressed her gratitude for the donations that will bring warmth and comfort to the patients of Seasons.





#### In Memory

Pr. Dan visited with Charleen Olsen and gave her a prayer quilt from All Saints in October. She went to be with our Lord on October 28th.

We will miss Charleen!

## **Prayer Quilt Recipients**

#### **Linda Orlando**

Pr. Kristin and Tammy Follensbee visited Linda in November and gave her the prayer quilt pictured below.



(No photo of Linda available.)

## **Betsy Knapp**

Tammy visited Betsy in November and gave her a prayer quilt.









## The Meaning of Prayer Quilts

Prayer quilts are given by All Saints for various reasons. A quilt is given to members who are celebrating a 90th birthday. Quilts are given when a beloved staff member has decided to retire. They are also given to beloved members who have decided to move to another state to be closer to family because they need extra care and support. Many of our quilts are donated to community organizations such as hospitals, foster care, and more. And, we give them to members who have been diagnosed with a chronic illness. The quilt is a reminder that All Saints holds them up in prayer, it is a source of comfort, and a reminder that All Saints surrounds them with love and peace.

Find us on the web at allsaintsphoenix.org. Online worship and devotional videos posted to ASLC Facebook and YouTube can be accessed from the ASLC website.

If you have a story or article to share, contact Tammy Follensbee at tfollensbee@allsaintsphoenix.org. Be sure to include your contact information including name and phone number for clarification or questions.

Thank you to those who have signed up to receive the OWLs newsletter by email. To sign up go to All Saints website at allsaintsphoenix.org/e-signups, find the OWLS e-sign up, and enter your email address or call the church office at (602) 866-

9191 and our staff can assist with the e-sign up.

**Senior Ministries Team Members** Denny Reiman Terri Reiman Nancy O'Connor If you would like to be part of the Senior **Ministry Team contact** Tammy. Director of **Senior Ministries** Tammy Follensbee

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