# FOUNTAIN CONNECTION December 2024





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Bd of Elder's Meeting, Dec 1st, after Bible Study Ladies Luncheon, Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am Men's Breakfast/Royal Café, Dec 17<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am Bd of Trustee's Mtg, Dec 5<sup>th,</sup> 9 am Church Council Mtg, Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, after Bible Study *Choir rehearsals, Sunday mornings, 8:30 am* 



## In the spirit of giving to others at this time of year the

#### FOL "Busy Bee" Quilters do it again!

Recently, we all witnessed a welcome sight from the "Busy Bees" FOL's Quilter's Group at our church services on Sunday, November 24<sup>h</sup>. The Quilters have been busy with making 118 quilts,



blankets, fleece blankets, and baby items. They will all be given to Eve's Place (a battered women's shelter),
Military Assistance Mission, Choice Pregnancy Center, Stoneridge Hospice, and Smiles International. Please
consider joining this group of talented people on Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11 am behind Fellowship Hall. If
you can tie a knot, then the Quilters will put you to work. Please come by and see for yourselves their excellent
workmanship. Come, take part, and be ready to roll up your sleeves to quilt away!

### Poinsettias will go on Sale on Dec 1st

Each Poinsettias will cost \$10 dollars. Only twenty four poinsettias will be sold and they can be taken after the 4 pm Christmas Eve Services on Tuesday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be no Church Services on Christmas Day, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>. Checks will not be accepted. Thank-You



Attention All FOL Members – Advent Dinner Sign-Up sheets are available for three (3) separate meals for all FOL Members. These sign-up sheets are in both church entrances and in Fellowship Hall. All meals will be served after the 4 pm church services. Here are the Advent Dinners for 2024:

Dec 4th - Provided by the Trustees - Chili/Cornbread, sign-up by Nov 26th

Dec 11<sup>th</sup> – Holy (Sloppy) Joes - <u>sign-up by Dec 4<sup>th</sup></u> Dec 18<sup>th</sup> – Chicken Fettuccini - <u>sign-up by Dec 11<sup>th</sup></u>

Please sign up so food organizers know how much food they need for all three meals. Thanks

HELP is needed for all three meals such as clean-up, food preparers, and servers. Sign-Up sheets are available.



Comments from Betty Erickson, Choir
Director/Organist Please consider singing in FOL's
Chancel Choir and the Christmas and Advent seasons
are good times to begin. Rehearsals are on Sunday
mornings starting at 8:30 am before Church. For
more information or questions, please call
call Betty Erickson by calling her at 602-499-2478.



Come to the next Ladies Luncheon on Dec 5th, starting at 11:30 am, in Fellowship Hall for a "Holiday Appetizers Celebration." Iced Tea and water will be provided. Please feel free to bring another non-alcoholic beverage of your choice. This gathering is Open to all women of Fountain of Life and guests.

Please sign up on the clip board, which is either in the Narthex, or in Fellowship Hall. If all items are filled, come anyway. You can bring something next Month!!! If at the last minute you find yourself able to attend, PLEASE join us. There is always lots of food! Direct questions to Tammy Ohm by calling her at: (815)-791-6991 or email her at: ohmrn98@comcast.com The next



Ladies Luncheon will be on Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall. The luncheon theme will be: "Happy 2025 FOL"- Menu: Pulled Chicken and Pork plus assorted side dishes.



Attention all FOL Bakers – On Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, it will be <u>Christmas Cookie Sunday</u>, and please bring one or two of your favorites. Bring your goodies to Fellowship Hall before 9 am. So, start digging into your recipes & share some of your Christmas delights with others. Any remaining Christmas cookies will be distributed to first responders throughout the Sun City area.

Voter's Assembly Meeting after the Dec 15th' Church Services - Two important

issues will be addressed in the meeting. First, we will discuss FOL's budget and then we will have our elections for next year's Church leaders. We have several opportunities for FOL members to serve and here are the positions that are vacant: Church Council Recording Secretary, Church Treasurer, Evangelism Chairperson, Fellowship Chairperson, and Stewardship Chairperson. Every position is for a 1-year term except for Elders & Trustees which are for 3-year terms. Please consider serving FOL.



**2025 ENVELOPES Starting on Dec 15**<sup>th</sup> Please pick up your contribution envelopes which will be in the main church entrance by the glass windows. If you have not picked up your 2025 contribution envelopes at church by Jan 26<sup>th</sup> they will be <u>moved to the church office</u>. Please call the office at 623-933-8246 Monday through Thursday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. to make arrangements to stop by and pick them up. Thank you for your cooperation. **2024 CHURCH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** 

The 2024 Church Contribution Statements will be mailed to your home address on file. If you do not receive your yearly statement by January 31<sup>st</sup>, please contact the Financial Secretary, Judy Schmidt, at 602-576-8312.



Attention all FOL male members. Are you interested to come and have breakfast with Pastor Daly every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month and discussing various topics? The next breakfast will be on Tue, Dec 17<sup>th</sup>, starting at 8:30 am, and it will be held in the Royal Café in Sun City. Please advise Jay Nelson in advance so a private room can be reserved. Contact Jay Nelson either by email: jvikesguy1gmail.com or call him at 615-946-2978 on or before Sat, Dec 14<sup>th</sup>.



Let 2025 be the beginning of a great start for you serving as a "Servant Heart" at FOL.

A servant heart is a member of the FOL congregation. Usually, these people do not wait to be called to serve. These people on their own contact Church Leaders/Elders and offer their time to serve at the FOL. Church Leaders would like to invite all FOL members to become **Acolytes** 

during worship services. You'd have the honor of putting on a white robe and lighting the altar candles before worship starts and extinguishing them at the end of the service. New sign-up sheets for all worship services for Dec (includes Advent & Christmas Eve services) are available in Fellowship Hall. There are plenty of vacancies. Please contact Don Schukei with any questions and you can call him at 602-370-5562.

Here are some recent results: 451 lbs. of food were collected in the Oct 2024 Food Drive. The next Food Drive is in May 2025. \$439 dollars was collected on Sep 29<sup>th</sup>. The next Noisy Mites is Sun, Dec 29<sup>th</sup>. Thank-You for donating.



The FOL Office hours are from 9 am to 2 pm, Mon-Thurs. Closed on Fridays and weekends. The FOL Church Office will close early starting on Christmas Eve Dec 24<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. The FOL office will reopen on Mon, Dec 30<sup>th</sup>. The Office phone # is 623-933-8246. Send email msgs to www.suncitylutheran.org