

Senior Moments

Winter 2019-2020 | Tom Perry,
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Exciting things are happening in the church and with senior ministry in particular. We have special things planned at both campuses in December, and we will host a special service project in February taking place at the Shawnee campus.

On December 6 we are inviting members from both campuses to go Christmas caroling at a couple senior living centers where we have members living. This is a tradition which is fun and does so much for those of us singing as well as those who listen to the carols.

We will leave the Mission campus at 1:30pm, so come early and warm up with a cup of cider and a cookie or two. We will carpool and will return to church by about 4pm. I would like to visit a few places on a smaller scale on a date not yet determined. If you are interested in being a part of that, let Tom know.

The 50+ Christmas lunch will be Wednesday, December 11, after the Bible class. We will have a catered meal and a special program lead by our staff and members. We need you to sign up no later than November 27 at the Mission Campus Welcome Center. There is no cost for the lunch and a free-will offering will be taken for a cause yet to be decided.

The Shawnee Seniors Christmas Brunch is set for 10am, Saturday, December 14. The program will be the



same as the 50+ Christmas lunch. This is also a catered meal, and there is no cost for this brunch. A free-will offering will be taken to go to a special preschool family. The brunch will be at the Shawnee campus.

In the past we have scheduled events in January which, because of the weather, have needed to be postponed or cancelled. This year in January we will be teaming up with the Lutheran Early Response Team to collect items to fill LERT buckets. We will then organize in February to fill the "flood buckets." Be watching for more information on this. We will hold the event at the Shawnee campus.

The seniors of Trinity are a special group of God's children. You volunteer for countless endeavors, bring items for collections throughout the year, help on Sunday mornings, are faithful to Bible study, and give of yourselves in countless ways. You are great role models of how to continue to be a well-used child of God. I am happy to report that the Kansas District will be appointing a permanent standing committee for Older Adults. Your example was a factor in the Task Force's report and thus influenced the formation of this committee. The committee will be appointed after the first of the year, and it will be a resource and offer strategies and encouragement to members of congregations in the state of Kansas. I believe also that Trinity may be the host of an Older Adult symposium, perhaps in the Spring. If this is to occur, I will need a lot of help from many of you. Let's see what happens.

Have a blessed Advent and Christmas!

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