

Please see the attached flyer for information on Sunday's 2pm concert of trumpet, violin and flute, featuring Dan Duncan.

Sunday, February 5, 2012 – Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

- * The Scripture readings are: Isaiah 40:21-31 and Mark 1:29-39.
- * Rev. Dr. Dennis Calhoun's sermon is "Can You Imagine?"



Your Pledge...The Pulse of Old North

Just how is our pulse at Old North Church shaping up?

We currently have 297 pledges in the amount of \$490,055.

- The good news is that more than 1/3 of the donors increased their pledges!
- The bad news is that we are still short of our goal of \$525,000.

If you are among those who have not filled out a pledge card, won't you take the time right now and pledge your support? [A pledge card is attached to this newsletter.](#)

As a thank you to those who have pledged, please take a moment to find your Golden Cod pin in the baskets located in the Narthex. We are so grateful for your support of Old North Church.

Your Stewardship Committee

Deacons' Fund envelopes are in the pews this morning. The Deacons' Fund aids parishioners who have emergency one-time needs with bills such as rental or utility payments, or medical expenses. Please see one of the ministers if you have questions or need assistance.

The next meeting of the Old North Church Council will be held on Thursday, February 9th at 7:30 PM in the Great Room. Agenda items will include Review of Safe Church Policy; Long Range Planning; Treasurer's Report, Trustee Update, Committee Reports and other business which may appropriately come before the Council. Council meetings are open to all church members.

Souper Bowl of Caring - Did you know that, with the exception of Thanksgiving, more people in the U.S. buy food for the Super Bowl than for any other event in the whole calendar year? One youth group, more than 20 years ago, noticed this trend, and began an organization called the "Souper Bowl of Caring," designed to raise funds for a local soup kitchen. They started with a simple prayer: "Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat." Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. The ONC youth group has joined the challenge to

raise funds for LifeBridge. **Today, right after the 10am service**, the youth will stand in the Narthex with their soup pots, taking up a **special collection** from all of our ONC football fans. Both soup cans and money will be welcome! Please join us in helping LifeBridge to continue to provide food for the hungry and compassion to those in need!

High Schoolers and Junior Youth: Interested in community service and having some fun? Come join us **today** for “Cooking for Lifebridge”. We’ll meet at the Stacey Street parking lot at 4:30 p.m., and return by 7:30 p.m. The only requirement is a permission slip, and wearing closed-toe shoes. You are welcome to bring a friend, as long as they have a permission slip. Interested? Contact Kim George at kgeorge@sleepmed.md to RSVP, or contact the Rev. Jill Olds at jill@onchurch.org for more information.

If you would like to donate flowers on March 4th or March 25th, please contact Carol Merrigan at 781-639-0733 or Merrigan.carol@gmail.com.

Envelopes for 2012 contributions are available in the narthex for those who have made a pledge and requested envelopes.

If you know of anyone who needs overnight parking during the winter parking ban, please have them call the church office at 781-631-1244. Short-term and long-term arrangements can be made.

Calendar for the Week of February 5, 2012

Sunday, February 5	8:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
	10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
	2:00 p.m. Concert by Dan Duncan – Sanctuary
	4:30 p.m. Youth Groups – Cooking at Lifebridge
	5:30 p.m. Confirmation 2 – Great Room
Monday, February 6	10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry – Great Room
Tuesday, February 7	9:00 a.m. Lectio Divina – Beals Room
	7:00 p.m. Trustees – Great Room
	7:00 p.m. Youth Committee – Youth Room
	7:45 p.m. Bell Choir – Sanctuary
Wednesday, February 8	3:30 p.m. Cecelia Choir – Parish Hall
	4:40 p.m. Parish Singers – Parish Hall
	7:30 p.m. Senior Choir – Music Room
Thursday, February 9	7:00 p.m. Church Council – Great Room
Sunday, February 12	8:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
	10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
	5:30 p.m. Confirmation 2 Prep – Great Room