

### Spring Into Service—We have openings to fill!

Put real faith for real life into action at one of three different service events in May! We'll be prepping/planting the garden at All Peoples Church, providing and serving lunch for MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary's Fantastic Fridays lunch program and completing a spring cleaning at Serenity Inns. Join us! We have openings left to fill!! If you have any questions, contact Stacia Hickey: [stacia@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:stacia@foxpointchurch.org) or 414-352-8990.

#### MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary Lunch Program

We are serving lunch for one of MacCanon Brown's Fantastic Friday events at Hepatha Lutheran Church; 1720 W Locust St, Milwaukee. Street parking and lunch entrance is on 18th Street.

There are two parts to this service project—pick one or both, whatever works for you!

#### Provide Part of the Lunch:

The main course is provided by another group. We will be bringing tossed salad and homemade cookies. Everything is made ahead and delivered to the church by Thursday, May 2. Please sign up to make a tossed salad for 10 or 2 dozen homemade cookies. If you would like to provide a larger quantity, please sign up for more than one slot. As this is an "at home" project, it is open to all ages. *We need 5 more people to make salads and 3 more to make cookies.*

#### Serve Lunch on Friday, May 3:

Guests are given two meal tickets when they enter Hepatha Lutheran Church for Fantastic Fridays. One for a lunch to be eaten there and one is for a "to go" lunch, which they often share with other family members. Our team will serve both. We'll get there at 11 to set up; at noon the guests and volunteers gather for a prayer and short discussion with Sr. MacCanon Brown. After serving lunches, we'll do a quick clean up of the kitchen, box up any remaining food in "to go" boxes and head home (probably about 1:30/2 pm). This is an adults-only opportunity. *We need 3 more people to serve lunch.*

If you are serving lunch and would like to carpool, please indicate that on the sign-up.

To sign up for making food or serving the lunch, click this link:

**MBHS Lunch**

#### Serenity Inns Cleaning Day

*Saturday, May 18: 9 am – noon*

Every year Serenity gets a good cleaning from top to bottom, including cleaning the carpets. Work with FPLC members and men living at Serenity to make it sparkle. Middle school and high school helpers (with a parent) and adults are needed! We generally work until we're finished, but we ask you to stay until at least noon.

Serenity Inns is located at:

2825 W Brown St, Milwaukee; street parking is available.

Sign up through this link:

**Serenity Inns**

#### All Peoples Garden Work day

*Saturday, May 4: 9 am – noon*

We'll be prepping the beds and planting the seedlings to ensure an abundant harvest.

**FULL**

**BLANKET & SHEET SET DRIVE**

**MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary**

We are collecting queen and king sheet sets and queen and king blankets for MBHS. (Including electric, but no smaller sizes at this time.)

Many of their guests are homeless or staying in under-heated or unheated living spaces. Their only bed may be a blanket, so donations are needed year-round.

We are accepting new or gently used (washed) items. Please make sure they are in a closed bag so they stay clean and organized while being delivered.

Leave your donations in the marked cart in the FPLC entryway on Sundays or during office hours.

Thank you!

Contact Stacia Hickey with any questions:  
[stacia@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:stacia@foxpointchurch.org)



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**LAST WEEK**

**Attention all Women:**

If you are spring cleaning and run across some gently used purses that you no longer want, *please hold on to them for a collection that the Women's Club will hold later this summer.*

The purses need to be large enough to hold approximately 14 travel size items.



**Lunches for MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary**

**Lunch making: Sunday, April 28; 10 am**

Help us make 150 bag lunches for MBHS—no need to sign up! Just come down to the lower level Commons.



**Lunch Supply Shopper Needed for May 26**

Shop for the groceries needed to make 150 bag lunches for MBHS. A shopping list with quantities is provided. Save your receipts so we can reimburse your expenses. Deliver the groceries by noon on Thursday, May 23. Do you have questions? Contact Stacia Hickey; [stacia@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:stacia@foxpointchurch.org) or sign up by clicking [HERE!](#)



**Grief Support at Fox Point Church**

Have you experienced the loss of a loved one? Do you need encouragement and support as you navigate your grief? Are you interested in participating in a facilitated

12-session grief support group with others who are also grieving? If so, or to learn more, please reach out to Pastor Bruce by phone or by email; 414-352-8990; [pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org).



### Food Needs Rising

Our partners are seeing many more guests at their weekly food pantries. This list includes items our local food pantry partners say are the items most

preferred by their guests. There is a special need for the items in bold. The collection cart is just inside the main FPLC doors.

#### Food Needs:

<b>Bush's Baked Beans</b>	Sardines
Canned black eyed peas	Tuna
Ensure	Vienna sausages
Dinty Moore Stew	Mac & cheese
SpaghettiOs	Canned vegetables
Canned fruit	16 oz oatmeal
Canned pasta sauce	<b>Canned Pasta</b>
Canned beef and chicken	<b>Pasta Sauce in cans or plastic</b>
Soup (not tomato)	<b>Honey Nut Cheerios/ Cereal</b>
Baby formula	
<b>Spam</b>	

#### Personal Care Items:

*(Regular full-sized preferred, not bulk size)*

<b>Men's deodorant</b>	<b>Baby diapers</b>
<b>Women's deodorant</b>	Body lotion
Body wash	<b>Toilet paper</b>
Toothpaste	<b>Lip balm</b>
Shampoo/Conditioner	Bar soap



Mark Metzendorf

### Men's Club; May 16

*Outliving Heart Disease*

Guest Speaker, Mark Metzendorf (with help from Dr. Paul Werner), will share his personal story of heart disease and his journey to regain heart health and his second chance. Dr. Werner will answer any medical questions.

**Date:** Thursday, May 16

**Time:** 11:30 am

**Location:** Fellowship Hall

**Cost:** \$10

**Sign up:** In Fellowship Hall

**Contact:** Jim Kimmel; [jim.kimmel42@gmail.com](mailto:jim.kimmel42@gmail.com); 615-519-4177

### May Women's Club with a Special Invitation to Men's Club

*Lincoln's Funeral Lite*

Funeral home president and former FPLC member, Mark Krause, will share his love of history with us. He will mention some of the key people or conspirators of the 16th president's assassination, how John Wilkes Booth traveled to escape capture, the final railroad journey, plus the competition among cities where the funeral procession took place.



Mark Krause

**Date:** Wednesday, May 8

**Times:** 11:30 am: Fellowship; Noon: Lunch; 12:45 pm: Speaker

**Location:** Fellowship Hall

**Cost:** \$10.00 – payment with registration is preferred

**Sign up:** In Fellowship Hall or through the church website (Connecting, then Women's Club) by Sun. May 5, noon

**Contact:** Gail Sommerfeld at [sommerfeld56@gmail.com](mailto:sommerfeld56@gmail.com) or 262-395-0396.





### High School Youth Trip

**Monday, July 22 – Sunday, July 28**

Minneapolis has so much to offer—beautiful lakes, a wide range of entertainment and recreation options, even a mall with its own indoor theme park. But the city has its challenges too: people who are homeless, families struggling to pay bills, elderly homeowners unable to keep up their houses and children at risk of falling into bad situations.

On our summer youth trip you'll have the chance to minister to the "least of these" that Jesus described in Matthew 25. They are the homeless and hungry,

living on the streets, the senior citizens in need of help with home care, the children who need help learning to read, the members of a small inner-city church who want to make a difference in their community but don't have the resources to do it on their own.

There is always room for opportunities to make great friends on this trip and to strengthen your student's bond with their church community. Important lessons and memories stick with these kids for a lifetime! We hope you will join us on this faith-building, service-providing, friendship-boosting adventure!

#### Important Trip Info:

- When both the Registration Form (see link below) and deposit (\$350) are submitted, a spot will be secured for your student, provided there is space available (limited to 56 spots for the trip).
- The deposit of \$350 is refundable until May 1.
- Final payment will be due on Wednesday, May 1. An invoice will be sent for the remaining balance of \$350.
- We'll be staying in the Springhill Suites, four miles west of downtown.
- We'll be traveling in groups by van.

[Registration Form](#)



### High School Youth Group

Hang out with friends, make new friends, and have fun while learning about your faith. The group meets on Sundays from 6-7:30 pm.

Contact Hannah Knapp with any questions;

[hannah@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:hannah@foxpointchurch.org).

We've created some great events for the rest of the year!

#### Upcoming Dates:

**May 5:** WhirlyBall! We'll go to Brookfield for this fun event. More details and registration coming soon. Watch your email and the website.

**May 19:** Senior Celebration Night!

**Summer Youth Trip Dates:** Mon, July 22 – Sun, July 28

#### Senior Recognition: May 19; 10:30 am service

We celebrate our high school seniors during the service and send them off with blessings and prayers. There will be cake afterwards.

Click [HERE](#) to RSVP by May 1. Email your picture for the slideshow to Diane Knapp by May 1:

[diane@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:diane@foxpointchurch.org)



**Many Summer Dates Open!**



**Coffee Hosts Needed!**

Hosts make the coffee and serve the donuts on Sundays. You are still able to attend the church service.

Just slip in at the back as the service is starting and slip out as it's ending.

Families are welcome to volunteer with their kids! **It's also a great Service Opportunity for our Confirmation students (with an adult).**

10:30 am shift: (Approx 10 am – 11:45 am) Keep the coffee brewing, fill the donut trays as needed and clean up afterwards.

If you'd like to help with this important part of Sunday mornings, please sign up with the link below or contact Lori Barrieau in the church office if you have any questions; [lori@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:lori@foxpointchurch.org) or 414-352-8990.

*Click here to sign up and read the instructions!*

**Sign Up!**



**FOX POINT LUTHERAN CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE!**

Donate for a chance to win a lawn mower!\* PLUS all donors will receive one water park ticket to Mt. Olympus, while supplies last!

**Thursday**  
**May**  
**23**

**TIME: 1pm – 6pm**

**LOCATION:** Fox Point Lutheran Church – Fellowship Hall  
7510 N Santa Monica Blvd

**APPOINTMENTS ARE ENCOURAGED:** Use the QR code or link below to secure your spot.



Scan the QR code or click the heart to register!



**ON DAY OF DONATION:** Valid form of ID needed that displays date of birth. We accept drivers license, state issued ID, or donor card.

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**Sheepshead Group at FPLC**

**All Are Welcome!!**

**Dates: Fridays April 26, May 10 & 24**

Declared the official card game of Milwaukee in 1983, Sheepshead is a staple to Wisconsin card players.

Are you interested in joining a group of Sheepshead players to meet at church for some friendly competition? We play in Fellowship Hall, on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. We will have “learning aids” available to help with the basics, and experienced players to guide you.

We are looking forward to sharing the fun!  
For more information, contact Lori Barrieau;  
[lori@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:lori@foxpointchurch.org) or call: 414-352-8990.



### Fox Point Moms—All Moms Welcome!

**Fridays, May 3, 17 & 31; 19**

**9:30 am – 11 am**

This group is for moms of all ages with children and/or grandchildren of all ages! We'll support each other on mom and family issues and discuss a short devotional at each meeting. We're creating a judgment-free time to mentor each other, vent, ask parenting, family or spousal questions and be a support to each other. We meet every other week.

Feel free to just show up! If you have any questions, contact the church office; 414-352-8990.

We are working on an evening group as well! If you are interested, please click this link for a brief survey:

[EVENING GROUP.](#)

### Learn the Basics of Baby Massage

*Best for babies 2 weeks to under 12 months and their parent(s)/guardian(s).* Infant massage can



relieve fussiness, pain and discomfort for the baby as well as help babies fall asleep sooner and sleep more restfully. Bring your baby, wear comfy clothes and bring a blanket to class as we will be on the floor. Handouts will be provided.

**Date:** May 17; Additional sessions are the 3rd Friday of the month. You only need to attend one class, but can come to more if you would like.

**Time:** 11:15 am – 12:15 pm

**Limit:** 6 families per session

**Registration:** Call or email Angie Biersach, 414-207-2808 or [angiebiersach@gmail.com](mailto:angiebiersach@gmail.com) to RSVP.



### Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship

*What is Serenity Inns?*

It's a residence for men in recovery from alcohol and/or drug abuse in Milwaukee. FPLC has had a long volunteer relationship with SI.

*What to expect when volunteering?*

You will make dinner for the Inns at home & take it to the Inns on your chosen date. You deliver it warm by 5:45 pm (for a 6 pm start time) and join them for dinner and conversation. Because the number of residents is around 8-12, two families may want to volunteer together. You will cook for yourselves, the men and the innkeeper. You're usually on your way home by 7 pm.

Sign up on the website (see link below), on the sign-up in Fellowship Hall or contact FPLC member Lorraine Buehler; [lcbuehler@cs.com](mailto:lcbuehler@cs.com).

Lorraine is happy to answer any of your questions.

*Click here to sign up!*

**Sign Up!**



### The Point Cafe Lower Level

Did you know our lower level Point Cafe is open most Sunday mornings? Grab a donut, coffee or a specialty coffee after services. It's a great place to catch up with friends after church. The cafe is staffed by our high schoolers. There's no charge for the coffees, but they accept "trip tips". Tips collected help offset the cost of the '24 Mission Trip!

**Summer Dates  
Now Available!**



### Bayside Garden Cards

Spring has sprung and your garden needs your help! You'll find everything you need, including pots, tools, soil, seeds, and plants as well as indoor plants/decor and bird feeders at Bayside Gardens.

Bayside Gardens helps us send teens in Tanzania to high school—an FPLC commitment of \$10,000 a year. All you have to do is purchase Bayside gift cards at church (NOT at the garden center). We retain 15% of each card's cost, which helps us keep our promise to our partner dioceses in Tanzania.

Cards can be purchased at the Welcome Desk on Sundays or in the church office during the week. *Cards purchased at Bayside Gardens do not benefit our program.*



### Women's Book Club

This group meets approximately every 6 weeks and reads a variety of genre depending on interests in the group. It's an informal, fun time together. We take turns leading the discussion.

**Date:** May 13; *Hello Beautiful* by Nina Neapolitano

**Time:** 7 pm

**Location:** FPLC

**Contact:** Joanne Ginster; [jmginster@yahoo.com](mailto:jmginster@yahoo.com)



### Women's Gathering

We're going to have a Women's Gathering at FPLC—we hope this fall! If you are interested in helping with this event in big ways or small, please contact Kathi Behm; [kathibehm@gmail.com](mailto:kathibehm@gmail.com).

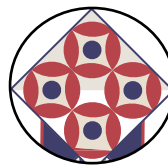
The leaders are off to a great start putting together a meaningful event!



### Caregivers Support Group

Led by FPLC member Susan Halling, a marriage and family therapist, this support group is for caregivers dealing with changes in family dynamics.

Challenges include: role reversal, juggling responsibilities, handling dementia, loss and transitions as we move into uncharted territory. This group meets Fridays at 10:30 am in FPLC's first floor Heritage Room. If you are interested in joining or learning more, please call the FPLC office at 414-352-8990.



### Quilters/Piecemakers

Join us as we make quilts for those in need. New members are always welcome and we'll teach you what to do. Bring your lunch and enjoy a break with other quilters. Come and go as your schedule permits.

**Date:** Tuesday, May 21

**Time:** 9 am – 1:30 pm

**Location:** Fellowship Hall

**Contact:** Ellen Feider; 414-435-8440; [efeiderwi@gmail.com](mailto:efeiderwi@gmail.com)



### Drink Mt. Meru Coffee at Home!

You can purchase Mt. Meru Coffee (beans, ground, regular, decaf, Seasonal Premium Mt. Meru coffee, k-cups) at church to brew at home. We also have "Specialty 6-Packs" with smaller packages of flavored coffee blends. All of these can be found in Fellowship Hall and the Point Cafe.

Not only is the coffee delicious, but your purchase helps support the growers running small coffee farms in the Meru District of Tanzania.

Stop by the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings or in the office during the week to make your purchases.



**Vacation Bible School  
Registration is OPEN!**

**June 17-21**

**9 am – Noon**

Are you currently in K4-3rd grade? Then bring lots of friends and join us for this fun and faith-filled week!

**Imagine! Create! Build! Even Break!**

We will be making lots of things, but whatever we make: we will make it FUN, we will make it GOOD, and we will make it for GOD!

Register by clicking the gear:



**Fee:** \$75 per child

\*Scholarships available, contact the church office.

We are looking for volunteers! If you can help for a few hours or every day, please contact Julie Schlifske; [julie@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:julie@foxpointchurch.org)

**Little Lambs  
Registration is OPEN!**

**June 17-21**

**9:15 – 11:45 am**

Little Lambs is designed for children who have turned age 3 by January 1, 2024, through those currently in a P3 program.

Join us as we sing, play games, make crafts and investigate how to follow Jesus.

Register by clicking the lamb:



**Fee:** \$75 per child

\*Scholarships available, contact the church office.



Confirmation for 7th graders has ended for the year, but get a jump on SOPs for next year. Need ideas? See the article to the right.

More confirmation information is on the website [HERE](#).

**8th Graders Only:**

**Wednesday, May 15:** 7 – 8 pm; for 8th graders and their parents

**Confirmation Ceremony:**

**Saturday, May 18:** A special Rite of Confirmation ceremony for our 8th Graders

**Arrival time:** 2pm

**Time of Ceremony:** 3pm

**Location:** FPLC Sanctuary

*This is a change of day of the week from past years.*

Questions? Contact Lori Barrieau:

[lori@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:lori@foxpointchurch.org) or 414-352-8990.

**Confirmation Service Opportunities**

We have plenty of opportunities coming up. Current 7th graders can get a jump on your SOPs for next year! As our Confirmation families know, each student is required to participate in a certain number of service opportunities as part of their Confirmation experience. Ideally, they will participate in 3 opportunities per year that help FPLC and 3 per year that take place out in our community.

These are excellent projects for your students:

**Internal to FPLC:**

Contact Lori Barrieau for info/sign up:

[lori@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:lori@foxpointchurch.org)

- Ushering on Sundays
- Coffee Hosting with a parent(s)

**Community SOPs:**

- Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship; click: [Serenity Inns](#)
- Lunches for MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary; see our website [HERE](#)
- Serenity Inns Cleaning Day or make food for the MBHS Fantastic Friday event (See page 1)





# PRAYER LIST

## All in The Family

Join us on Sunday, for the virtual service. If you or your family need anything we can help you with, call the office at 414-352-8990 or email [church@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:church@foxpointchurch.org)!

We encourage you to keep these people in your prayers during the week.

Julie Anderson	Sheila Dlugi	Donna Jordahl	Patrick
Woody Barksdale	Eden	Julia	Paul
Kim Bell	Cammy Endres	Randy K.	Peter
Ben	Erin	Helen Kappmeyer	Linda R.
Gabby Biancuzzo	Lu Farwig	Kath	Rebecca
Jay Blair	Frank	Nadene Kramer	Marty Relan
Brenda	Rick Frank	Corrine Kraus	Rick
Charley	Andrea G.	Leslie	Robert
Kathy C	Jenny G.	Linda	Dave Rotter
John Chamberlain	Joan Gildner	Steve M.	Ruth Schmidt
Cheryl	Gregg	Andy Meser	Erik Scribner
Chris	Guy	Pat Meyer	Stephen
Christine	Anna H.	Michael	Jane T.
Claire	Heather	Mike	Terry
Chrystal	Heidi	Pastor Gerry Miller	Thad
Craig	Sue Hiller	Michael Miller	Tom
Danielle D	Jim	Nancy	Mike Umland
Jane D.	Joan	Curt Nash	Nidal Wonder
Lyle Dabney	John	Robert Palmer	Cory Zamora
Pr. Dan	Jon		

### Prayer Requests

Now you can make a prayer request through our website. Click [Prayer Requests](#) to submit a form or submit a request through email—[church@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:church@foxpointchurch.org).

### Military

Alex	Grant
Ben	Ian
Cooper	Kyan
David	Matthew

### Congratulations

Evan Brian Rejniak, son of Benjamin and Rachel Rejniak, was baptized April 21.

James John Heaberlin and Charles Ryan Heaberlin, sons of James and Lauren Heaberlin, were baptized April 21.

### Condolences

Our sympathy and prayers are with Bob and Ellen Venable, on the death of Bob's mother, Virgie Venable on March 22.

Our sympathy and prayers are with Betsy Shock and her fiancé, Juan Urrea, on the death of Juan's father, Eloy Urrea Herrera.

### Hospital Visits

If you or a loved one is hospitalized and would like a visit or call from a pastor (or just for them to know you are hospitalized), please call the church office; 414-352-8990. Due to HIPAA rules, hospitals are not allowed to share with us that you are a patient.



For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

**FPLC Office Hours**  
Monday–Thursday from 8:30 am–4 pm

See our webpage for all information regarding virtual worship, outreach, and children & youth programs. Click →





Written by FPLC member,  
Mary Buscher. This devotion was first  
shared on Wednesday, April 17. If you  
would like to receive Mary's devotions  
on a weekly basis, please sign up here:  
[Weekly Devotion](#)

Hello!

*“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” – Colossians 3:17*

Have you ever received what you consider a wildly generous or extravagant gift? It may have been the gift of relief from a nagging pain, or a sweet head bump from a beloved pet. Perhaps you attended a life celebration and realized the gift that person was to you or maybe you read a piece of poetry and shed tears over its beauty. Imagine then, that instead of the receiver, you are the giver. Your caring is now transformed into action. What Our Father must feel every time He gives the gift of life...the gift of awakening us each morning, even the gift of leaving this world. His master plan is a perfect design, yet unknown to us until we are with Him. Receiving and giving...giving thanks...and so many ways to do it!

*“Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”*

*– 1 Thessalonians 5:18*

Luther Manor is a faith-based retirement community created with seed money from Fox Point Lutheran. Last Thanksgiving, their residents decorated for the holiday in a unique way. They may have done turkeys or Indian corn or pilgrim hats, but they also chose a special décor that most fit the day, crafting a Thanksgiving Tree. Giving thanks for the little and large everyday miracles that God bestows. Each leaf represented a thank you for something precious, each one, I'm sure, different and unique from the one next to it. The branches were filled and flourishing...filled with gratitude, the spreading of joy and peace strengthening lives with God!

We pray-

*Father, we are grateful for each and every one of your gifts. Help us to become the humble ones, the comforting ones, the thankful ones, the helpful ones, the loving ones, the praying ones. Transform our good words and intentions into actions in your name. Motivate us to love others as you first loved us. Amen.*

Enjoy a wonderful week. – Mary