



Messenger

Engaging Enthusiastic Followers of Jesus

February 4, 2011

STEP-UP into GIVING: RESULTS



My dear family of “*engaged and enthusiastic followers of Jesus,*”

Last fall we asked you to step-up into giving for the 2011 Stewardship Campaign. Our goal was to ask over **200 giving units** to step-up their giving so that we could continue to grow as *engaged enthusiastic followers of Jesus*. It was an aggressive goal. Pastors in other congregations who heard what we were asking smiled and said that it was a great goal but not very realistic in this time and this economy. They don’t know the people of God at Fox Point Lutheran Church or their passion for their God and church. The response was overwhelming. The goal was met and we are ready to continue to be the people and the church that God needs us to be. We are ready to continue to grow as *engaged and enthusiastic followers of Jesus*. Church for us is not a burden or obligation, it is a joy. We not only support the mission and vision that God has given us, but we actively and enthusiastically take part. In other words, we love to come to worship, to serve, to connect, and to grow as members of Christ’s Church.

Thank you, thank you, for your passion, your love and your support!!!! This next year will be one of new ministries, new opportunities and new ways to become enthusiastic and engaged in our faith together.

In total we grew over \$64K in our giving, but more than that, we continue to welcome new members into our church family. Sunday, February 6, we will welcome 29 adults and 12 children into membership. Plus the fact that every Sunday we continue to welcome visitors who are searching for a church home shows us that God is accomplishing great things at Fox Point Lutheran Church.

It truly is an honor and privilege to be a part of a church that is actively Stepping-UP into what God hopes we can be!

Pastor Bill Knapp
Senior Pastor

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Health Ministry

With Gratitude

This is a letter I received from a grateful recipient of a heart-shaped pillow from our FPLC "Have a Heart" ministry. Women of our church make them for cancer patients who are undergoing radiation therapy at Columbia-St. Mary's Hospital.

*Dear Ladies Guild,
Thank you for the heart shaped pillow. It was very thoughtful and kind to think of me at this changing time in my life. You are added to the number of wonderful and kind people I have met since I heard I had cancer.*

We never know the impact a simple act of giving has on someone. It is heart-warming to hear back that we touched someone through this ministry. Thank you to Beryl Mulhern for her dedication to this wonderful outreach ministry. If you would like to sew these pillows please contact Joni.

Save a Life!

The next blood drive is on February 22, 2-6pm. We will have a dual red machine for anyone who wants to donate double red cells. You can sign up on Sundays or call the office during the week. Again, to donate you have to be at least 17 years old and 16 year olds can donate with permission of a parent. Permission slips can be found on the Blood Center of Southeastern Wisconsin website or you can fill one out at the actual drive. Each donor's blood can help save up to 3 lives! Any questions about donating call Julie Mitchell at 262-241-9449 or any questions about eligibility, call the Blood Center at 1-877-232-4376. The web site is www.bloodcenter.com.

Living Healthy Is A Prayer



Go Red for Women

February is American Heart Month. Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women claiming the lives of nearly half a million women each year. Celebrate Go Red For Women on National Wear Red Day on Friday, February 4. By wearing red, you will help raise awareness about women and cardiovascular diseases. You'll help the important women in your life...your mother, your daughter, your wife...yourself.

You can make easy everyday choices to live a healthier life by:

Get moving! Step, march, or jog for at least 30 minutes most days of the week.

Quit smoking in 4 steps. Cut the number of cigarettes you smoke each day in half; then cut in half again, finally cut down to zero! Patches and gum are also available to assist you. No one says it is easy...BUT you CAN do it.

Drop a pound or two. Cutting out just 200-300 calories a day (about one candy bar's worth) can help you lose up to two pounds a week and gradually bring you closer to a heart-healthy weight.

Know your numbers...your blood pressure, cholesterol count, current weight and height. Make an appointment with your healthcare provider to have these checked.

Do yoga to reduce stress and strengthen bones (parish nurse's recommendation!)

Consider maintaining a healthy lifestyle as part of an overall plan of stewardship and aim for balance in all things as they relate to your relationship with Christ.

"Do you know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit...? You are not your own; you were bought for a price. Therefore honor God with your body." 1 Corinthians 6:19

Peace and health in Christ,
Joni Ledzian

Fellowship

Men's Club Meeting

11:45-1:15 Program & Lunch
The Town Club
7950 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Fox Point
Cost: \$14/ea.; pay at the door
All men of the church are invited;
their guests are welcome
Thursday, February 10

"The State of the Church"

Senior Pastor Bill Knapp will present his annual message to our club. Also, this will be a "sneak preview" of his comments likely to be made at the Sun., February 13 Annual Meeting of the congregation. He will look back briefly at 2010 (programs, financial, pastoral), and then discuss our vision for 2011 -- goals, objectives, and plans (e.g., staffing, financial/pledges, and new programs).

For further information and reservations (in advance, please), contact either Ron Plietz (414-354-8596) or Paul Rosenheimer (262-241-9627).



Save the Date!

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game VII"
Wednesday, July 6, 1:10pm, Miller Park
Arizona Diamondbacks at Milwaukee Brewers
Watch for further details and sign-up in May

Changed Date!

Oops! Our skate date was the same as the Packers-Bears game. (In other words, we made a mis-skate!)

Please come skate with us on Sunday, **February 13**, at 3pm at the rink next to Stormonth School.

If you have any questions, please email Julie at julie@foxpointchurch.org.



Women's Club

"Every Apron Has A Story"



Wednesday, February 9
11:30am—Fellowship Hall

Join us for a fun and nostalgic program as we explore the history of aprons and the important role aprons have had in people's lives.

Wear or bring your favorite or special apron and share its story. We will also have a "show and tell" table to display aprons you may not choose to wear but something fun or informative can be told about them.

A delicious luncheon will be served (\$7.00 a person). Sign up at the kiosk area by February 6.

Luther Manor Open House

Tuesday, February 15 11-2pm
The Terrace at Luther Manor
Please call 414-464-3880 ext. 309
to RSVP by February 9

Enter at the north drive and follow the flags. Shuttle buses will be available from the Lippold Faith and Education Center parking lot.

Shrove Tuesday Carnival/Pancake Supper

We are looking for help with the Shrove Tuesday carnival/pancake supper on March 8. Help will be needed with food and games. We are also looking for someone to be a clown for the event!

Please contact Julie Schlifske @ julie@foxpointchurch.org if you would like to help.



Music Ministry/Outreach

What was that Song?

The well-known hymn, *Take My Life and Let it Be*, has two common, “traditional” tunes. The first is #406 in the LBW, well-known to our congregation, while the second tune is more common in Methodist and Baptist traditions.

Rediscovering the text, new tunes have been written and paired with it. Chris Tomlin, a current songwriter whose music has become common at our 10:30 service (“How Great is Our God,” “Holy is the Lord,”), wrote a setting we have used for several years. The new ELCA hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, has yet another setting, written in 1999 by William Pharris, a Lutheran pastor from Minneapolis. He also adapted Frances Havergal’s familiar words to Spanish, and gave the song a Latin feel to reflect his pastoral experience in Mexico and El Salvador.

This version of the song has been performed by both the choir and worship team, but January 23 was the first time we used it as a congregational hymn. Thank you to those of you who tried something new and hopefully fun. And yes, if you were at the 9:00 service that day, you did indeed hear the pipe organ go “cha cha cha” at the end!

Chancel Choir Begins a Journey with Schubert

On April 10, our chancel choir will perform Schubert’s *Mass in G* during the 9:00 and 10:30 worship services, with pianist Eun-Joo Kwak, professor of piano at Cardinal Stritch University, and FPLC member.

Schubert, most famous for his songs for solo voice and his “unfinished” symphony, began his composing career in his home church at an early age. His *Mass in G*, the best-known of his sacred works, was composed in 1815, when he was just eighteen years old.

Extra singers are welcome to join the choir for this special presentation. We will begin rehearsals on Thursday, February 10, at 7:00pm in the choir room.

2011 Dinner Fellowship Dates

If serving dinner at Serenity Inn is in your game plan for the new year, please consider these remaining open dates:

Thursdays: April 14, May 12

Wednesdays: February 23, March 23, April 27

Friday: April 15

Volunteers prepare dinner at home and take it warm to the Inn, a residence at 2825 W. Brown for men in recovery from substance abuse. It is a gratifying experience to share the meal and fellowship with men who are committed to a making a better life for themselves and their families.

To volunteer, sign up at the Outreach Kiosk or contact Lorraine Buehler at 414-964-8933 or lcbuehler@cs.com. For more information see the FAQ’s handout at the Outreach Kiosk.



If you are a victim of divorce or you know someone who is, Divorce Care is starting a new 13-week session in February. Please join us and let us help you through all the phases of this change in your life.

Who is welcome: Anyone who is separated or divorced

Where: Fox Point Lutheran Church – 7510 N. Santa Monica Blvd.

[Southeast corner of Calumet and Santa Monica -- park in back near the railroad tracks]

When: Monday evenings beginning February 7 and ending May 9

Time: Doors open 6:30pm – Session begins 7:00pm and ends no later than 9:00pm.

Cost: \$20.00 which includes the workbook, all meetings and refreshments

If you have any questions, need more information or wish to talk about your situation, contact our leadership team directly at fpmdivorcecare@gmail.com.

You may also contact either of the parish nurses: Joni Ledzian at joni@foxpointchurch.org or Eileen Weller at nursememoriallc@sbcglobal.net.

Outreach

Spring Used Tool Sale

Planning is underway to add a used tool sale to the annual Spring Plant and Bake Sale. The sale will take place in May on a Saturday to be announced. The tool sale will be held in the parking lot and resemble a garage sale. Proceeds will be used in helping with the costs of the Youth Trip to our partner parishes in Tanzania and the Lutheran World Relief Malaria Initiative in African. Please begin surveying the tools you have accumulated in your garage, workshop on and under the tool bench to identify those tools you do not use and can live without. Shortly there will be an announcement of the procedure for bringing the tools to church. The tools we are interested in are workshop power and hand tools, lawn and garden tools and accessories. If you get the fever to buy a new tool consider delaying the purchase until you see what you can buy at the May tool sale. If you have any questions or want to volunteer your services for this event contact David Romoser (262) 241-5298.

Serenity Inn Graduate

Thanks to all who have already volunteered to help Rodney, the latest Serenity Inn graduate, furnish his own apartment. Only a few items remain. He still needs a night stand, a bed frame (queen size), an iron, and TV tables.

If you have any of these new or gently used items, please call Mary Ann Smalley to volunteer your item. (Mary Ann is an active SI volunteer who attends King of Glory Lutheran Church in Greenfield; she will keep a record of things.)

Rodney is moving the first week of Feb. so if you have any of the items, please bring them to church before February 4 and place them behind the Outreach Kiosk.

If you need the item to be picked up, contact Lorraine Buehler ([414-964-8933/lcbuehler@cs.com](mailto:lcbuehler@cs.com)).

Rodney thanks you for your help!

Annual Meeting
February 13
Noon

The Annual Report will be available starting Sunday, February 6. One copy per family, please.

Celebrating Serenity Inns A Path to Recovery

If you are a Friend of Serenity Inn, please put Friday evening April 1 on your calendar. It will be a special evening at the Italian Community Center to celebrate the work that Serenity Inn does to help men who are struggling with substance abuse.

The evening will begin with fellowship at 6pm followed by dinner at 6:30pm and will include a speaker, Pr. Jerry North (Waupun Prisoner-turned Prison Chaplain) as well as a silent auction, vocal music, and recognition of a Serenity Inn graduate. Invitations will be sent out early in February.

As part of our first effort to put together an evening such as this, we welcome any items you might care to donate to the silent auction. We are hoping for items like theme baskets, gift cards from area businesses, a "treasure" you were gifted but haven't used, a hobby or craft item you make, etc. Or perhaps you would be willing to ask a business you frequent to donate a gift card or an item or service it sells.

Please contact Lorraine Buehler (lcbuehler@cs.com, 414-964-8933) if you have an item for the silent auction. And thank you so much for considering another way to help Serenity Inn do the best possible job for the men in its care.

All Peoples Help Needed

We are looking for volunteers to make their favorite sloppy joe recipe or if possible make a Valentine theme dessert for the All Peoples serving on February 9. If you're interested there is a sign-up sheet at the Outreach Kiosk or if you have questions please contact Jean Nell at jmnell@sbcglobal.net. If you are interested the item would have to be dropped off at the church office by 4:00pm the day of the event.



Used Winter Coats Needed

The Salvation Army Emergency Lodge is in need of gently used winter coats, in all sizes, adult and child.

You may drop them off at the church on Sunday or at the church office during the week. Thanks!

Serving

| <u>February 6</u> | SERVING: | <u>February 13</u> |
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| Communion Aides: Pat Berge, Karn Cronwell, Barb Ellwein | Lectors | 8:00 Lorraine Buehler 9:00 Dave Ellwein 10:30 Bunny Raasch-Hooten |
| 8:00 Christensen Team 9:00 Plietz Team 10:30 Sullivan Davies Team | Ushers | 8:00 Buehler Team 9:00 Quisler Team 10:30 Gepfert Team |
| 9:00 Lori Barrieau, Gina Barrieau 10:30 Dave & Kim Westfahl | Coffee Hour Hosts | 9:00 Tom & Sandra Dunst 10:30 Joe & Joanne Graf |
| Julia DeCicco | Welcome Kiosk | Sara Hansen |
| 9:00 Jordan Borneman, Jaya Larsen 10:30 Annie Jorgensen, Carly Schulz | Acolytes | 9:00 Lucas Benson, Joe De Lia 10:30 Calvin Knox, Sam Weber |
| Rachel Theune | Worship Assistant | Judy Theune |

Holiday Boutique a Huge Success!

Thanks to each and every one of you who made a contribution, the 2010 Holiday Boutique set another record! The net income from the sale was \$8,638—our fifth increase in a row—and it was also a wonderful fellowship experience. More than 100 people participated, creating crafts in the workshops, making beautiful gifts at home, donating baked goods, and working the sale. The proceeds will benefit our Outreach partners--people in our community who need our help and friendship—as well as those served by Joni’s Inreach and Health Ministries. Please consider signing up this year! Planning is already underway for November 2011, and we are looking for new ideas, new crafts, and most of all, new volunteers to make the event go even more smoothly.

Contact: Bunny Raasch-Hooten, brh@wi.rr.com.



Stay Warm This Winter



In the beginning a coffee farmer in the Mt. Meru region of Tanzania asked a visiting Milwaukee pastor the simple question; “*We grow coffee; you drink coffee; would you buy your coffee from us?*” With an answer of “Yes”, the Mt. Meru Coffee Project was born. Many churches now sell this coffee which supports the coffee farmers of Tanzania.

Meru coffee is what you enjoy during coffee hour. Would you like to have a cup at home? The following Meru coffee items can be purchased to support the coffee farmers in Tanzania:

- Pre-measured pillow pack which can be used in a 10-12 cup coffee pot - \$2.00
- 12-ounce bags of coffee, regular or decaf in either drip ground or beans - \$9.00
- 4-lb bags, regular or decaf in either drip ground or beans - \$40.00 (*this item may need to be ordered*)

Stop in at the Welcome Area to purchase your coffee!

February 2011

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p>Every Sunday Worship: 8, 9, & 10:30am Sunday School: 9 & 10:30am</p> | | <p>1 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Good Grief Support</p> | <p>2 8:30am Yoga 1pm Bible Study at Laura Mullins home 7pm Women's Bible Study 7pm Confirmation 7pm Worship Team 7:30pm Men's Bible Study</p> | <p>3 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Mom to Mom 6pm Joyful Noise 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Mom to Mom</p> | <p>4 5:30am Yoga</p> | <p>5 8am to noon AGO Workshop</p> |
| <p>6 Holy Communion Blood Pressure Screening 10am Children's Choir</p> | <p>7 8:30am Yoga 7pm Yoga 7pm DivorceCare 7pm Congregational Care</p> | <p>8 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Good Grief Support 7pm KnitWits</p> | <p>9 7am Outreach 8:30am Yoga 11:30am Women's Club 1pm Bible Study at Laura Mullins home 5:15pm All Peoples 7pm Worship Team 7pm Women's Bible Study 7pm Confirmation</p> | <p>10 8:30am Senior Exercise 11:45am Men's Club 6pm Joyful Noise 7pm Chancel Choir</p> | <p>11 5:30am Yoga</p> | <p>12</p> |
| <p>13 10am Children's Choir Noon Annual Meeting 3pm Ice Skating 4:30pm Centering Prayer 7pm Storm (HS Ministry)</p> | <p>14 8:30am Yoga 7pm Yoga 7pm DivorceCare</p> | <p>15 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9am Piecemakers 9:30am Good Grief Support 6pm AAUW</p> | <p>16 8:30am Yoga 7pm Bible Study at Laura Mullins home 7pm Women's Bible Study 7pm Worship Team 7pm Confirmation 7:30pm Men's Bible Study</p> | <p>17 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Mom to Mom 6pm Joyful Noise 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Mom to Mom</p> | <p>18 5:30am Yoga</p> | <p>19</p> |
| <p>20 Holy Communion 10am Children's Choir 7pm Storm (HS Ministry)</p> | <p>21 8:30am Yoga 7pm Yoga 7pm DivorceCare 7pm Book Club</p> | <p>22 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Good Grief Support 7pm Church Council</p> | <p>23 8:30am Yoga 1pm Bible Study at Laura Mullins home 7pm Women's Bible Study 7pm Confirmation 7:30pm Men's Bible Study</p> | <p>24 8:30am Senior Exercise 6pm Joyful Noise</p> | <p>25 5:30am Yoga</p> | <p>26 8am Yoga Workshop</p> |
| <p>27 Outreach Fair 10am Children's Choir 7pm Storm (HS Ministry)</p> | <p>28 8:30am Yoga 7pm Yoga 7pm DivorceCare</p> | | | | | |

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 Erik Gonring
 Diane Richards
 Kevin Fitch
 Gary
 Kevin
 Rosalie
 Bill
 Billy Fox
 Steve Rosendahl
 Sue Wolf
 Verlie Keehn
 Paul
 Gordon Umland
 Rebecca
 Ed Michel

All in the Family

Marylani Shirey
 (mother of Margaret Edmunds)
 Cliff
 Chelsey
 Betsy Partridge
 Ellie Pearson
 Nancy Sylke
 David Kornitz
 Diane Regenfuss
 Jan Bergin
 Angie Gemignani
 Blake Anderson
 Joel Villnow
 Ardy Meser(Lane Mudra's mother)
 George Kolak(father of D. Metzendorf)
 Joe Metzendorf
 Eleanor Metzendorf
 Walter Exner
 George Roth
 Rich Bartlein(brother of Deb Schmidt)
 Lynn Butenhoff
 Joe Lubar



Military

Samantha Rablin
 Parker Stratton

Congratulations

Congratulations to Allen & Asli Cooper on the birth of their son, Andre Robert, born on January 17.

Congratulations to Jamie & Doug Keehn on the birth of Chloe Elizabeth. Proud grandparents are Jerry & Sue Keehn. Proud great-grandmother is Verlie Keehn.

Brock Daniel, son of Daniel & Marne Stuck, was baptized January 30.

In case of urgent pastoral care, call the church office at 414-352-8990.

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