



Messenger

Engaging Enthusiastic Followers of Jesus

February 18, 2011



Ash Wednesday Worship Services

March 9

Noon & 7pm

Imposition of Ashes

Holy Communion

Ash Wednesday is a day of repentance marking the beginning of Lent.

Ashes were used in ancient times, according to the Bible, to express mourning.

Dusting oneself with ashes was the penitent's way of expressing sorrow for sins and faults.

At both services there will be the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion as we prepare ourselves spiritually for Lent, following Jesus all the way to the cross.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner/Carnival

March 8

5:30 to 8pm



Join us for a pancake dinner. Come when you can.

There will be a casual pancake buffet and eating will be on a rotational basis during that time.

There will be children's games and plenty of fun and fellowship.

If you would like to help, please contact Julie Schlifske @ julie@foxpointchurch.org.

A free-will offering will be taken.

Please let us know if you will be joining us by signing up at the Welcome Kiosk or by calling the church office 414-352-8990.

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Health Ministry

Daffodil Sunday March 13

One of the first signs of spring, the daffodil is the symbol of hope. This flower represents the hope we all share that cancer will one day be eliminated. This hope is renewed every spring with the blooming of the daffodils. Your support of the American Cancer Society Daffodil Sunday helps make an impact in the fight against cancer across the country.

Help decorate our church on Sunday, March 13, by ordering daffodils in honor of a loved one who has cancer. The cost of each bunch of daffodils is \$10.00. Liv N. Hope, the newest bear for the Bear and a Bunch, is available for a \$25.00 donation. Please use the order form in the Welcome area to place your order or send a check to the church office with "daffodils" in the memo section by Sunday, March 6.

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



God is in Control

Last week 34 members from FPLC enjoyed wonderful fellowship and grew deeper in our walk of faith. Karen Lippert, our speaker, talked on 2 topics: A Woman's Walk and the Waiting Room. Everyone felt as if she was talking to them personally; we could all relate to her message. Many of the problems we face in our lives are self-imposed. Often times we are anxious, guilty, bitter, or jealous of so many things that God wants us to be at peace with. The bottom line is that we need to be grateful for all of the blessings God has bestowed upon us. To be envious of others and their worldly riches is hurtful to God. One of the things we realized many of us struggle with is worry. Worry is described as a troubled state of mind, to feel distressed in the mind. We learned that 40% of what we worry about never happens; 30% is about the past which can't be changed; 12% is about criticism by others, mostly untrue; 10% is about health, which gets worse with stress, and only 8% is about real problems that can be solved. It was a reminder to surrender our problems and insecure feelings such as worry to Him. Only God and God alone is in control and He asks us not to worry about anything. It does not help us in any way.

Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank Him for all He has done. Philippians: 4:6

What a gift it was for me to get away and spend time with my sisters in Christ and with God. We were reminded that daily quiet time spent with God is essential. He wants to revel in us and share His purpose for us. His wisdom and understanding is far beyond ours. He wants us to be passionate in our faith...and we were at this retreat. Experiencing the joy in our faith and sharing our stories with other women was very exciting and empowering. I know God delighted in our journey and blessed all of us that weekend. Many of us are at different places in our faith journey and it is truly a gift when we are open and trusting with other Christians. Our faith is made stronger in His word. I know it is difficult to step out of our comfort zone when it comes to new experiences but I pray you will consider attending the retreat next year... it may be life changing for you. You will not only make new friends but you will also grow incredibly in your faith.

Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10

Peace and health in Christ,
Joni Ledzian

I would like to thank my retreat team who worked hard to make this such a successful retreat: Deb Baumgarten, Karen Sullivan Davies, Kathy Gebel, Betsy Olson, Kathy Pederson, and Deb Schmidt.

Fellowship

Women's Club Brunch

Wednesday, March 9
10:30am
Fellowship Hall

"Leading into Lent"

Special Guest – Pastor Bruce Cheever

Since this gathering is on Ash Wednesday, we will begin with brunch in Fellowship Hall. Pastor Bruce will then "lead us into Lent" with a time for focusing our thoughts on the significance of the Lenten season and what our role can/should be.

We will finish our program in time for us to attend the noon Ash Wednesday service.

All women of the church are invited to participate. Please sign up at the notice near the kiosk desk. The cost is \$5.00 per person.



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

Save the Date!

April 30

Fox Point Social @ The Town Club

Details Coming Soon!

Men's Evening Bible Study

The Men's Evening Bible Study group will begin studying a new book starting on Tuesday, February 15 7:30-9:00pm in the Pine Room. That will be the first of six consecutive Tuesday evening sessions. We will be studying the book *The Jesus I Never Knew* by Philip Yancey. The book and study guide can be ordered and purchased either at the Next Chapter Book store in Mequon or online through Amazon.com or Zondervan.com. Make sure your study guide is for the **6 week course**. You do not have to attend all the sessions to gain value from this Bible Study group. All six sessions will be on Tuesday evening at 7:30pm in the Pine Room. If you have any questions contact David Romoser at wdromoser@aol.com.

Clowning Around?

We are still looking for a clown for the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner/Carnival on March 8.

If you know of someone who is a clown or might be one yourself (smile), please contact Julie Schlifske @ Julie@foxpointchurch.org.

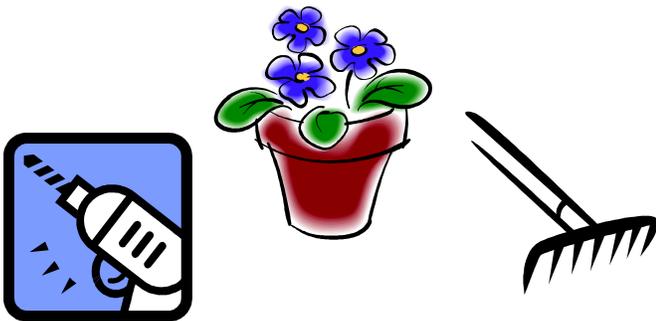


Outreach

Spring Used Tool and Garden Sale

We're adding an exciting new ingredient to the annual Spring Plant and Bake Sale--a used tool sale! The sale is set for Saturday, May 14, and we have three important jobs to fill--a person to handle PR, another to coordinate the pre-sale of annuals, and a few people to help plan and execute the tool sale from how to sort them through pricing. The tool sale will be held in the parking lot--like a garage sale --and its proceeds will be used to help cover the costs of the Youth Trip to our partner parishes in Tanzania and the Lutheran World Relief Malaria Initiative in Africa. The garden sale proceeds will go to our Scholarship Program in Tanzania and to our local Outreach partners.

Check out your garage, workshop and under that tool bench and look at all those tools you have accumulated, then donate those you do not use or can live without. We'll let you know the procedure for getting them to church. We welcome power and hand tools, lawn and garden tools and accessories and if you get the fever to buy a new tool, delay that purchase until you see what you can buy at our "store" in May. If you have any questions about the tool sale, contact David Romoser(262) 241-5298. If you want to volunteer for the jobs above or work either part of the sale, please contact Margi Will(262) 241-9281 or igram512@hotmail.com.



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.

Celebrating Serenity Inns, A Path to Recovery

Serenity Inns, Inc. invites you to be a part of a special evening. On Friday, April 1, the staff and volunteers are preparing a program to celebrate the work that has been done the last seven years to help men who are struggling with substance abuse.

The evening will begin with fellowship at 6pm followed by dinner at 6:30 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 in early-mid February. (If you did not receive an invitation, but would like one, contact Lorraine Buehler.)

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) or Deb McGregor (debbie@ladastyle.com, 414-446-5330) 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.

Outreach

Lend a Helping Hand!

Join us for our Outreach Fair on February 27 in Fellowship Hall. It's a wonderful chance to learn more about our partners—churches and organizations that are making a positive difference in the lives of the people they serve—and how you can help in that process.

We have the most generous congregation ever. Many of you are already following in Christ's footsteps, volunteering your time and talents and contributions to support those in need of your special gifts.

Take a few minutes after services to visit the fair and talk with our guests personally. All of them offer a variety of volunteer opportunities from one-day events to an hour a week to more regular service. One is sure to fit your schedule. We'll be welcoming representatives from:

All Peoples Church
The Milwaukee Rescue Mission
Cross Lutheran Church
Habitat for Humanity
Next Door Foundation
Easter Seals
Serenity Inns
Kujichulia/Seedfolks
Shoreline Interfaith
Luther Manor
Sojourner Truth House.
Lutheran Social Services



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!

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!

Military Ministry

Members of the Congregational Care Committee sent a Christmas card and package to Samantha Rablin. Samantha, who is the niece of FPLC members Andy and Dawn Binversie, is an air flight controller in the U.S. Navy. She is based in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Samantha wrote:

To my extended family at Fox Point Lutheran Church, Thank you very much for the book and CD. Lee (the author) is quite an inspirational woman.

Youth

Coming Soon: The Storm Pizza Sale



The Storm, FPLC's high school ministry, will be selling delectable made to order pizzas. They will be taking pre-orders on February 20, February 27, and March 6. Pizzas will be available for pick up on Sunday March 27 after worship services. The profits from the sale will be used for the Storm's summer mission trip. This year our group will be going to the Pine Ridge Reservation in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. We will be spending our time helping residents of the reservation, one of the poorest communities in our nation, through construction, painting projects and day camps for the children while learning about the Sioux culture. Please help support this worthwhile mission while enjoying some delicious pizza prepared by our youth.

Look for our sale table by the main screen. Storm members - please contact Sue Umland at ssumland@wi.rr.com to reserve your spot for helping with presales, production, and distribution. There will also be a sign up sheet at Youth Group.

Youth Mentors Needed for Lent

Make a difference in the faith lives of our confirmation students. We need 25+ adults to help with our Lenten Faith Mentoring Program. The program pairs 2-3 young people with individual adults from our congregation for a 30 minute worship service followed by a discussion about faith and life issues.

You don't need any special training or experience. We shall provide a one hour orientation session.

The groups meet every Wednesday night for six weeks during Lent, March 9-April 13, from 7-8:15pm.

If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please call or email Pastor Bruce (414-352-8990 or cheever@foxpointchurch.org) or complete the Top Opps form in the Sunday bulletin.

To All Interested Babysitters (Age 11 and older)

The church office is often asked if we have a list of babysitters from our congregation. While we did in the past have such a list, it is no longer up-to-date. To help our church families, we have decided to once again distribute a list. If you would be interested in babysitting, please complete and turn in the babysitter form. Forms are available on the side of Explore Faith Kiosk or email Linda Cole (cole@foxpointchurch.org) and she will send one to you. These contact numbers and address information will then be included on the list which will be distributed to interested families.

FPLC Preschool



Looking to enroll your child in a fabulous, fun-loving, warm, and nurturing preschool? Well, look no further; Fox Point Lutheran Preschool is **now** accepting applications for the fall.

We have openings for the T/TH morning class (9:00-11:30am) where your child needs to be 2 yrs. 9 mos. old by September 1.

We are pleased to announce the start of our MWF **afternoon** class (12:30-3:00pm) where your child needs to be 3 by September 1. We *do* have openings for this afternoon class. Currently, our MWF morning class for the fall is already filled.

For more information please contact Heather Klug, Preschool Board President at 431-6042 or heather.klug@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Lenten Worship

Come and worship the Lord on Wednesday evenings during the season of Lent!

You are invited to be blessed with encouragement and insight from the lives of two Old Testament heroes of faith: Joseph and Joshua.

Worship will be Wednesdays March 16, 23, 30, and April 6 and 13 at 7:00pm.

Worship will be simple and inspiring, lasting about half an hour and including engaging videos, guided meditations, and the beautiful music of Taize.

New this year: We will also provide a faith-learning opportunity each Wednesday after worship for those are able to stay and participate in small group discussions. Watch for more information in weeks to come, or see the signup sheet in the Welcome Area starting Sunday, February 20.

Serving

<u>February 20</u>	SERVING:	<u>February 27</u>
8:00 Mike Istwan 9:00 Frank Reed 10:30 Dave Hanson	Lectors	8:00 Kathy Braun 9:00 George Roth 10:30 Jamie O'Malley
8:00 Klasner/Kurtz Team 9:00 Janik Team 10:30 Gebel Team	Ushers	8:00 McClure Team 9:00 Keehn Team 10:30 Harland Team
9:00 Crider Family 10:30 Jennifer Wilson, Karen & Jacob Tait	Coffee Hour Hosts	9:00 Tom & Eva Hildebrandt 10:30 Mark & Minna Smith
Susan Rotter, Kathy Sauer	Welcome Kiosk	TBD
9:00 Rachel Hutson, Chloe Schaefer 10:30 Greta Ricigliano, Will Ricigliano	Acolytes	9:00 Joey Pennington, Andy Trattner 10:30 Connor Badalich, Jared Kashou
Dave Erlandson	Worship Assistant	Michelle Kornitz

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All in the Family



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

Prayer List

Tom
 Steve Heronemus (brother of L. Barrieau)
 Jean
 Chad Remmert
 Devin
 Erik Gonring
 Diane Richards
 Kevin Fitch
 Gary
 Kevin
 Rosalie
 Bill
 Billy Fox
 Steve Rosendahl
 Sue Wolf
 Paul
 Gordon Umland
 Rebecca
 Marylani Shirey
 (mother of Margaret Edmunds)
 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
 Ruth Hoots
 Fred Muenta(father of Marilee Nord)
 Barb
 Jeanne
 Barbara

Our sympathy, thoughts, and prayers are with the family and friends of Margaret Plaetzer who passed away Monday, February 7. A funeral service celebrating her life was held at FPLC Saturday, February 12.

Our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Esther Prange who passed away last week.

Military

Samantha Rablin
 Parker Stratton

Congratulations

Congratulations to Dan & Soon Hee Rauwald on the birth of their daughter, Ava Diane, born January 31.

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

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