



Messenger

Engaging Enthusiastic Followers of Jesus

November 12, 2010

Reasons to Give

As you know, we have begun our 2011 Stewardship Campaign, Step Up. Following are letters from two of our members who share why they give. Whatever your reason for giving, please remember that your giving supports our staff and church property as well as innumerable in-reach and outreach projects. Again, we ask that you step up in your giving so that we can be the church, the pastors, and the ministry that God needs us to be.

Why We Give

Everyone has a reason for giving. Here is ours.

We generally give to charitable organizations that improve the quality of life in our community, but our reason for giving to Fox Point Lutheran Church is different. We view giving to our church as a family responsibility rather than a civic responsibility. We take the terms "church family" and "church home" literally. Just as we feel responsible for providing for our family and caring for our home, we feel responsible for our congregation and church.

God's grace is free, but our church (like our family) has expenses. Our wonderful pastors and staff must be paid, our church and offices must be maintained and improved, our ministries cost money. Who is responsible for doing that? We believe that the easy answer is us because we are members of our church family and we and our children and grandchildren have benefitted greatly from that membership.

If we are responsible for our church family, the question becomes, how much should we give? For us the answer has depended on where we were in our lives. When we were younger and struggling with a new family, home, and job, we received far more than we were able to give — but we always gave what we could. Over the years we have become able to give more of our time and money and we do so because we want to provide for the church family that has always been there for us.

We wish that everyone in our church family could feel as good as we do about giving to support the Fox Point Lutheran Church family. If our reasons for giving resonate with you, we hope that you will join with us and Step Up and pledge and give what you can. Let's all take care of our family responsibilities.

George and Dotty Roth

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Reasons to Give (con't.)

Goats in Tanzania

After days of working in medical clinics, visiting churches, staying in host homes, and viewing nature on an awesome safari, I was ready to return home. The day before our scheduled departure, we were invited to visit some of the goats that had been purchased through donations from members of Fox Point Lutheran church. Several of us grumbled to Jo Ann about spending a day with goats, but off we went, somewhat reluctantly. But it ended up being the most amazing day of the trip for me. Here is what happened.

Mrs. Mariki, an animal husbandry expert, took us into a little village down a bumpy, dusty road. We then walked about 100 yards to a small, mud-walled house. A thin woman saw us coming and started running toward us. When she reached our group, she started hugging and kissing each one of us, thanking us in Swahili for her goat. She said that previously she had difficulty feeding her family (that included an orphan whom she had taken in). Now, she said her children had goat milk to drink. Also her garden was more productive from the goat manure she spread in the soil of her garden. The firstborn kid goat will go to another deserving family in her village. Her children looked healthy and happy.

We visited several other homes with mud walls and dirt floors in this small village and saw the same results. Later that day we had the privilege of presenting more young goats to other excited and grateful new recipients. Many of us had tears in our eyes several times during that unforgettable day.

Really, the idea for the goat project started after Pastor Bill and others from our church visited our partner churches in Tanzania and made connections to our brothers and sisters there. After learning about their needs, fundraising commenced not only for goats, but for school scholarships and sewing machines to help women learn the skills to become seamstresses. Each year the lives and the faith of those who go to Tanzania and who participate in other service projects made possible by our church, grow in ways they never imagined. In service to others, we find that are hearts are changed and lives are transformed...by God's love.

From what started as an unpromising Monday in Tanzania, our group had an amazing and moving experience. Who would have thought that one little goat could change lives? You gave generously. What a wonderful gift this was for us to be able to see with our own eyes how these gifts have helped families in Tanzania to become healthier and more self-sufficient.

There is more we should do and can do not only in Tanzania but also closer to home here in Milwaukee. And so we ask that you step-up in your giving so that at Fox Point Lutheran church we can have the people and the ministry that not only change others' lives and faith but also our own lives and faith.

In God's love,
Dr. Mark Chelmowski

Journey to Tanzania

Building Relationships for the Future

You are invited to "Tea"
Sunday, November 14, 2010
3:30pm – 5:30pm
Fellowship Hall

(What is served at a typical "African Tea"?
...come and find out.)

Please join the members of this year's Mission Trip as they share their experiences through stories, memories, and photos of their amazing journey to Tanzania -"Africa's Eden".

You can sign up for this event Sunday morning at the Tanzania table located in the Welcome area or by calling or emailing the church office...
414-352-8990, church@foxpointchurch.org.

Health Ministry

Living Healthy Is A Prayer

“Filled With Gratitude”

By Debra Hall



For suffering on a cross
I'm filled with gratitude
With love You took my sin
For that I'm changed within

For family given me
I'm filled with gratitude
I'm richer for each one
Husband, daughter, son

For each day given health
I'm filled with gratitude
I thank You on my knees
I walk, talk, and breathe

For many answered prayers
I'm filled with gratitude
The list goes ever on
I could count from night to dawn

For roof above with warmth
I'm filled with gratitude
And work to bless my days
I lift to You my praise

For laughter and for tears
I'm filled with gratitude
Those healing heart and mind
I now feel whole inside

For freedom now I live
I'm filled with gratitude
Gifts so bountifully shown
I never could have known

No words can e'er express
I'm fill with gratitude
But in my heart You'll see
The love I feel for Thee

As Thanksgiving Day approaches, please remember to thank God for all the blessings He has given us and let us celebrate this day with grateful hearts.

“Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices.”

Happy Thanksgiving!
Peace and health in Christ,
Joni Ledzian

All Saints Day 2010

We remember the members of our church family who have gone to their heavenly home in the past year.

Our heartfelt sympathy to all those who have lost loved ones.

Michael J. “Mike” Braun, Sr.

Melodie Wilson Oldenburg

Bettye Justen

Heinz H. Plaetzer

Carroll C. Raabe

Lois G. Koehler

Pierre Braun

John T. Justen

Eleanor P. Wisth

Anders S.C. Segerdahl

Olive Giese

Claudia C. Buening

James A. “Jim” Manderfeld

Robert H. “Bob” Jung

Fellowship

Women's Club

Annual Festive Christmas Luncheon
& Program

"Angel Voices"

Wednesday, December 8
11:30am
Fellowship Hall

This year we are honored to have Kevin Bailey and several members of our church choir present a special program of Christmas Music and lead us in our traditional "sing-a-long" of Christmas carols.

All women of the church are invited to attend and enjoy the music, a delicious luncheon and the wonderful fellowship of the Women's Club.

Please sign up at the registration table beginning November 14. The cost is \$8.00 per person and guests are welcome.



Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service Wednesday, November 24—7:00pm

Pie Social to follow the service.

Please bring a sliced pie to the kitchen before the service to share following the service.

If convenient, the pie can be dropped off at the church kitchen during the day on

Wednesday, November 24

Volunteers are needed:

To help plate the pie prior to the service (6:30pm)

To help with serving and clean-up
after the service

Young at Heart

Annual Christmas Luncheon

Friday, December 3

The Town Club

7950 N. Santa Monica Blvd.

11:30am - Social Time 12:00 Noon - Lunch

Cost - \$20

Program: **"200 Days"** by Pastor Bruce

His recap of his first 200 days as Associate Pastor of our church. The ins and outs, ups and downs, challenges and more of any new job reported with insight, enthusiasm and wit.

Luncheon Choices:

Broiled fresh Lake Superior Whitefish Filet or Chicken Marsala (boneless chicken breast with demi-glace wine sauce with mushrooms)

Meal includes rolls, tossed green salad, green beans, duchess potatoes, beverage, and peppermint stick ice cream with hot fudge sauce.

Door prizes courtesy of local merchants collected by the indefatigable Paul and Nancy Rosenheimer.

Sign deadline is November 28—checks preferred

Everyone including guests most welcome.

Call Donna Loose 414-355-3046 or Gloria Mitchelson 262-387-1953.

"Rejoice, Rejoice Believers"

The Lutheran A Cappella Choir of Milwaukee invites you to experience the joy and majesty of the Christmas Season as they present their annual Christmas Concert, "Rejoice, Rejoice Believers". Featured will be an exciting "Christmas Cantata" by K. Lee Scott, accompanied by brass, percussion and organ. Also included will be works of the season by Rutter, Sweelinck, Lauridsen, Wilberg, and others. The concerts will take place on Friday, December 3 at 7:30pm at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1600 N. Genesee St. in Delafield, and on Sunday, December 5 at 3:00pm at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 1615 Wauwatosa Ave. in Wauwatosa. Tickets are \$15.00 general admission and \$12.00 for seniors and students. Tickets may be obtained from the choir's website - www.lutheranacappella.org, by calling 262-521-4545 or at the door.

Outreach

All Peoples Church Wednesday Night Opportunities

Volunteers are needed to prepare a meal item (recipe provided) and drop it off at church the day of the event. Help is also needed the day of the event which includes preparing and serving dinner, clean-up and helping out where needed with programs for children and adults. The time commitment is from 5:15pm until 7:30pm.

The dates that help is needed are:

November 17, 2010

January 5, 2010

February 9, 2011

Look for a sign-up sheet and recipes at the Outreach Kiosk.

All Peoples Church is one of our partner churches located at 2nd & Clarke; to learn more about them check their website at: www.allpeoplesgathering.org.

Bayside Garden Debit Cards

On their recent trip to Tanzania, our delegates met some of the children for whom you have provided scholarships, and they saw what our support can do. If you purchase your Bayside Garden Center debit cards now, you can help us raise the next \$10,00 due in January.

Use your cards for fertilizer, leaf bags, spring bulbs, Thanksgiving gifts, and everything you need for Christmas. They are good forever, and we keep 15% of the total sales!

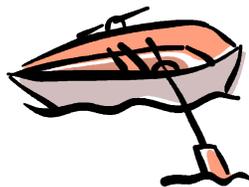
Looking for a Boat!

Peter, John and James had one and ChristPond is in need of one. (CP is a 100 acre retreat center located just north of Random Lake that was founded 25 years ago by members of FPLC.)

Yes, a 10-12' long, lightweight, gently-used rowboat or flat-bottomed boat would really help with the care of the 4 stocked ChristPond ponds.

Contact Pastor Dan, CP Exec Director, or Jos. Sauer if you have any leads or suggestions.

By the way, we hope to have a FPLC Fish-o-ree at CP sometime next year!!



How do you Spell RELIEF?

F-O-O-D D-O-N-A-T-I-O-N-S.

The items you have brought to church and placed in the barrels, on the shelves, in the wheel barrows, or in the shopping carts this past year have added up to 15 deliveries to the food pantries we support in the city: at All Peoples, Peace, Cross, and Kuji. Each delivery fills a car and/or trunk and is graciously received by one of the four. With the holidays coming, the Outreach Committee will be giving you a special reminder once again when you pick a feather from the "turkey" as you leave church. It is your reminder to bring that food item the following week.

Thanks for shopping for the food pantries when you shop for your family, and remember that shopping at Pick 'N Save with your Rewards card registered with the FPLC code (240100) means that you are helping to support the Promising Scholar Awards given by the Outreach Committee to Central City graduates.

Adopt-a-Family

Are you interested in helping others this Christmas season? If so, the Outreach Committee has the perfect opportunity for you! We are looking for individuals or families to help with this year's Adopt-A-Family program. If you would like to give more time this holiday season you can help coordinate the adoption of a family. This would involve contacting the family and determining their Christmas wishes, creating tags for the giving tree, ensuring all gifts are returned to church on time for that family, and either grocery shopping and delivering or coordinating the grocery shopping and delivery of the items to the family. If you are interested please contact Danielle Ernster at 262-389-0897 or witt0723@sbcglobal.net.

Youth Ministry

The Storm—High School Ministry

November 14-MARCO POLO-Bigger and Better

Bigger and Better is a team building activity in which teams compete by trading ordinary objects. The winner is the team that ends up with the biggest and best items when time expires. Each team has a small object, and their job is to keep trading and upgrading their team's object to obtain the largest and most valuable item possible. They may not offer anything other than the item they have, and they must stick together as a group. Team's item will be judged in three categories. At the end see what bigger and better has to do with your life and faith.

November 20 – Saturday, Family-to-Family

Thanksgiving at Aurora Family Service. Mark your calendars and stayed tuned for details. Since 1996, Aurora Family Service's Family-to-Family Thanksgiving Program has helped lift the spirits of families in Milwaukee during the holiday season. We will help Aurora Family Service's Family-to-Family Thanksgiving program provide food and tools to help offer people stability during these challenging times. We will be packing baskets and greeting families.

College Choir Visit

Nordic Choir, the top choir from Luther College (Decorah, Iowa), will visit Milwaukee and present a concert on Sunday, January 30, at 4:00pm. The performance location is the Basilica of St. Josaphat, 2333 South 6th Street, an acoustically and visually amazing church, and one of Milwaukee's architectural landmarks. Nordic Choir is one of the finest college choirs in the country (Tony Mudra is an alumnus), and this is their only appearance in the Milwaukee area.

FPLC, as one of the host congregations for the choir, has been asked to provide housing for some of the students. After the concert, the students are being served dinner at the Basilica, and will meet the host families afterward. Host families are expected to provide a place to sleep for 2 or 4 students and breakfast the next morning before dropping off the students here at FPLC Monday morning.

Lori Barrieau is our housing coordinator. If you would like to host some of these fine singers, please contact her @ 262-242-6534.

What are YOU doing Sunday, Dec. 5, at 3:30?

Come join our
Caravan of Carolers
as we bring Christmas cheer to our nearby
shut-ins



We will meet at church at 3:30 (after the Packers' game). We will caravan to nearby shut-ins for about 1 ½ hours and then return to Fellowship Hall for pizza and hot chocolate.

Please sign up at the sign up table across from the Welcome Kiosk so that we can get a rough estimate for our pizza order! (A free will offering will be taken.) No experience necessary; word sheets will be provided. Questions? Call Julie Schlifske at 262-238-1682.

Fox Point Lutheran Preschool Open House

Classes for 2011-2012 Now Forming

Fox Point Lutheran Preschool is now taking applications for the 2011-2012 school year. Please join us at our **Open House** where you can see our classroom, meet our staff and learn more about our wonderful program.

Open Houses:

When? Sunday, December 5 from 10:00– 10:30
or Monday, January 10 from 5:30 – 7:00pm

Where? Fox Point Lutheran Church - 7510 N.
Santa Monica Blvd. in the preschool room
(enter on the south side of the building by the
playground).

Questions? - call Heather Klug @414-431-6042 or
Mandy Schreiber @414-446-5093.

*Classes fill quickly, so we recommend
registering early.*

Honoring Our Military Family

On Veterans Day, November 11, we honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. Fox Point Lutheran Church has a number of veterans in our congregation who have served our country. We salute you and thank you for your service.

Bob Adams	US Air Force	Hal Koehler	US Army Air Corps
Glenn Buzzard	US Air Force	James W. Krause	US Army
Thor Christensen	US Army	James T. Locke	US Army
Larry Cianciola	US Air Force	Harold J. Luedeman	US Navy
Bruce C. Cole	US Army	Phil McGoohan	US Army
David Couillard	US Army	Jeff McLean	US Navy (active)
Tom Drought	US Army	Christine McLean	US Air Force (active)
Paul Erickson	US Air Force	John Mulhern	US Army
Walter Exner	US Navy/Army	Duane A. Neverman	US Army
Oliver Granzow	US Army	Armin C. Ondrejka	US Army
Ben Halbert	US Army (active)	Jerry Osborne	US Navy
Wayne Hansen	US Army	Ron Plietz	US Army
Richard Heyer	US Army	John Poelzer	US Army
Don A. Hiller	US Army	Herold Praefke	US Navy
Jaren E. Hiller	US Army	Frank J. Reed	US Marines
William M. Huegel	US Navy	R. Paul Rosenheimer	US Navy
Sean Huolihan	US Army	Earl Shaw	US Merchant Marines
John G. Imse	US Army	Mark Smith	US Navy
Jim Jurack	US Army	C. Edward Stevens	US Army
Jason Jurack	US Army	Harlan Stueven	US Air Force
Emil Kark	US Army	Warren R. Stumpe	US Army
Jerry Keehn	US Army	Al Swientek	US Army
Dick Kinney	US Air Force	Richard Todd	US Army
Maurice Klasner	US Army	Ken Wolf	US Army

Christmas Poinsettia Garden

Once again poinsettia plants will be used to decorate the church this Christmas season. If you would like to participate in this part of the Christmas celebration at FPLC, please fill out the form below and mail it along with a check to the church office, 7510 N. Santa Monica Blvd. Fox Point, 53217



Cost: \$20.00 per plant Firm Deadline – December 19, 2010



A list of donors will be published in the Christmas Eve bulletin. If you wish, you may specify the person being honored or memorialized by your gift.

Plants may be picked up at the church starting Sunday, December 26, 2010 following the 9:00 service.
(This is the only service on Dec. 26)

Write name as you would like it to appear in the bulletin:

Name _____ Telephone _____

Person(s) In Honor or Memory of: (Please circle in honor or memory)

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Next Messenger: Dated Dec. 4; deadline Nov. 24



Prayer List

Pat Lawless
 Tom
 Betty Babik (sister of Chris Adam)
 Steve Heronemus
 (brother of Lori Barrieau)
 Jean
 Chad Remmert
 Devin
 Erik Gonring
 Diane Richards
 Kevin Fitch
 Gary
 Kevin
 Albert
 Rosalie
 Bill
 Billy Fox
 Steve Rosendahl
 Christy Rickaby
 Sue Wolf

All in the Family

Verlie Keehn
 Paul
 Gordon Umland
 Adam Lewis
 Nancy Sylke
 Rebecca
 Ed Michel
 Marylani Shirey
 (mother of Margaret Edmunds)
 Ken Johnson (brother of Margi Will)
 Cliff
 Chelsey
 Betsy Partridge
 Ellie Pearson
 David Kornitz
 Diane Regenfuss
 Charlene Halbert
 Jeanne Wolf
 Paul Erickson
 Bill Huegel
 Peter Raczynski



Our heartfelt sympathy, thoughts, and prayers to Jerry Schmidt on the death of his wife Esther. Please also keep their sons Carl and Daniel in your prayers during this time of loss.

Military

Samantha Rablin
 Parker Stratton

Congratulations

Congratulations and blessings to Angie & Chad Biersach on the birth of their son, Benjamin Chad, born October 13. Big sister, Emily, is pretty excited too!!

Thomas Lawrence Ray Christenson III was baptized November 7. He is the son of Thomas & Tracy(Cianciola) Christenson.

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

*Pastors' cell phone numbers
 Pr. Knapp 414-704-7070
 Pr. Cheever 414-573-4138*

<u>November 14</u>	SERVING:	<u>November 21</u>	<u>November 28</u>
8:00 Amy Korpi 9:00 Jeff Adix 10:30 Jeff Remsik	Lectors	8:00 Lorraine Buehler 9:00 Michelle Kornitz 10:30 Paul Benson	8:00 Charlene Halbert 9:00 Deb Schwendel 10:30 Karen Tait
8:00 Christenson Team 9:00 Quisler Team 10:30 Gepfert Team	Ushers	8:00 Klasner/Kurtz Team 9:00 Janik Team 10:30 Gebel Team	8:00 McClure Team 9:00 Keehn Team 10:30 Harland Team
9:00 Gary & Lane Mudra 10:30 Dave & Kim Westfahl	Coffee Hour Hosts	9:00 Jim & MJ Severin 10:30 Christie Krugler, Jennifer Wilson	9:00 June Bell, Elizabeth Katona 10:30 Christie Krugler
Sara Hansen	Welcome Desk	Susan Rotter, Kathy Sauer	TBD
Judy Theune	Worship Assistant	Rachel Theune	Dave Erlandson
	Communion Aides	Sue Jurack, Susan Rotter, Kathy Sauer	