



Messenger

Engaging Enthusiastic Followers of Jesus

October 1, 2011



For many decades the assumption within our churches was simple: if we can change the way people think, they will change how they act. The past twenty years or more psychologists have discovered this to be faulty thinking. We behave our way into new thinking not the other way around.

In the Bible God spends more time on changing the behaviors of people than on their attitudes. We do not want to overstate this, but it is true.

This series will begin with the new understanding of human behavior and thinking. These questions form the basis for our worship: What would your life look like to others and feel like to you if you lived as if what you believed really were true? Then we want to invite our worshippers into behaving in ways that live the truth of our faith. As a consequence, we will be offering suggestions for behaviors both within worship as well as in our daily lives. This will restate our goal: empowering people in the Holy Spirit to develop a real faith for real life.

This will be a six-week series at Fox Point Lutheran Church, with one week taken “off” to allow for Reformation Sunday and Fall Break. Each week’s worship service will set the stage for the faith conversations that follow. Those conversations are intended for small groups. There will be printed resources available for each small group session.

- Week One: Sunday, October 2 – Saturday, Oct. 8 **Behave as if Jesus is life**
- Week Two: Sunday, October 9 – Saturday, Oct. 15 **Behave as if God is at work right now**
- Week Three: Sunday, October 16 – Saturday, Oct. 22 **Behave as if we can live as one**
- Week Four: Sunday, October 23 – Saturday, Oct. 29 **Behave as if the Holy Spirit is real**
- Week Five: Sunday, November 6 – Saturday, Nov. 12 **Behave as if we walk by faith and not by sight**
- Week Six: Sunday, November 13 – Saturday, Nov. 19 **Behave as if there is joy in generosity**

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Health Ministry

Living Healthy Is A Prayer

Girlfriends – Friends or Foes Save The Date!!



Gratitude

On Tuesday, October 11 from 6:30 - 8:00pm, Congregational Care and Children's Ministries of Fox Point Lutheran Church will sponsor a program on "Girlfriends – Friends or Foes." This program has been very popular in the past. Girls in grades 4-9 and their mothers are invited to attend. Psychologists will help us explore and identify the complex dynamics that make healthy and unhealthy relationships...often affecting women in adulthood.

As Christians, we strive to lead lives that exemplify God's love for us...kindness, honesty, trust, and service to others. Are our relationships with our friends the best they can be? Please attend and learn more about this fascinating topic that so often causes heartache in the lives of our children. Learn how, as a mother, you can help.

Sign-up has begun in the Welcome Area. This program will be open to the community so please ask a friend to come. Please contact Joni, your parish nurse, joni@foxpointchurch.com or Julie Schlifske, julie@foxpointchurch.com with questions.

Why wait to show your gratitude? Have you ever found yourself dwelling on something negative instead of focusing on the many, many positive things in your life? Well, I have, and it is not very becoming.

Here's an interesting phenomenon about gratitude: it's difficult to feel bad when you are feeling grateful. Your mind has room for only one thought at a time. If you fill it with gratitude, there isn't any room for negativity. Today, be grateful for your life and all the blessings God has given you. Allow that gratitude to carry over into your activities and to enhance all of your interactions. Think of one thing to be grateful about in each activity you do, with each person you interact with, and in each task you do. Enjoy each moment. Let it be what it is...free of judgments and comparison. Find the gratitude in your life, and you'll find joy standing right next to it.

I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow! John 15:11

Peace and health in Christ,
Joni Ledzian

Flu Clinic

Sunday, October 9, 8:30am - Noon

A Flu Clinic provided by Wheaton Franciscan Home Health will be held on October 9. The cost of the flu vaccine will be \$30.00. The cost of the pneumonia vaccine will be \$65.00. All *Medicare Part B and Medicare Advantage insurances* will be accepted as payment. **Your card(s) must be presented at the clinic in order to bill the insurance.** Otherwise, payment by cash or check made out to WFHH&H will be accepted. Each vaccine recipient will receive a receipt for the payment made, which may be used for reimbursement purposes. Sign up has begun!

Fellowship

Women's Club

Wednesday -- October 12

*A Visit to the "Joy to the World" Nativity Collection
Holy Cross Lutheran Church—Menomonee Falls*

It may seem a little strange to be thinking about the Nativity in October, but we have the wonderful opportunity to visit this very special collection of over 200 Nativities, from more than 30 different countries which have been collected by members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church (ELCA). All women of the church are welcome to join in this special adventure.

We will begin with lunch at O'Brady's Irish Pub and Grill (on Main Street in Menomonee Falls) at 11:30 am. followed by the tour at 1:00pm.

Please see the sign-up sheet for more details about the lunch cost and menu selections.

We will meet at our church at 11:00am for those who wish to car pool.



Pet Blessing

Sunday, October 2
2:00 - 3:00pm

Special hour of fellowship for families and their pets! Meet and greet in the backyard of the church office with individual pet blessing to follow by Pastor Bill and Pastor Bruce.

Bring a donation for the Wisconsin Humane Society (dry dog or cat food, treats or toys) and get entered into a raffle for pet-sized prizes! Dress your pet up in its favorite costume, especially Packer gear! People and pet treats for all!

Like to Walk

Like to walk? Have a passion for the poor and the hungry? Want to serve? Try the Crop Walk-- as an individual or a family. Walk with neighbors from different faiths, cultures, and ages, who want to take a stand against hunger in our world. The walk (a short 2 mile route or a longer 5.5 mile route) begins and ends at McKinley Marina on the beautiful lakefront. More information is available in the Sign Up Area, as well as envelopes to raise funds for the hungry. Pick up your envelope today! Remember to sign your name to let us know you took an envelope!

Men's Club Meeting

Second Thursday of the Month

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, October 13

"Redistricting & Recalls -- A Better Way?"

Van Mobley is an Assistant Professor of History and Economics at Concordia Univ., Mequon. He is a 1990 graduate of Vanderbilt Univ. and holds advanced degrees from the UW-Madison School of Business. Recently he ran as candidate for the State Superintendent of Instruction. Currently, he is a candidate for Mayor of Thiensville. Thus, he can speak from experience about elections. As recent events showed, whether conservative or liberal, Democrat or Republican, many legislators themselves (who have an obvious "vested interest"), as well as many political experts, feel that "there must be a better way". What are some alternatives?

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

Nancy, We Miss You

Nancy Sylke was a long time member of Piecemakers. Even through all her health problems she was a regular participant and sewed up a storm. She used her talents in many other church and community projects. We miss her so much.

As we end another year of production, having completed 93 quilts, we look forward to more challenges. The donations from all of you have been unbelievable. We haven't had to spend a penny. Thank you so much. As we display our quilts on Sunday, October 2, you might see some of the products you have contributed.

On October 8 we will deliver some of the quilts to Lutheran World Relief and some will remain for local distribution as there are many in need right near home.

We will meet again on Tuesday, October 18 from 9-3. New participants are always welcome!

Outreach

Holiday Boutique

Santa's Workshop is open for business! Please join us for our next session on Tuesday, Oct. 4 from 9 – 11:30am in the lower level of the church (elevator just inside the east door). Come when you can; stay as long as you like. We also have jobs you can take home to do. We're creating ribbon necklaces and pins, crinkly "baby paper" and advent calendars for kids, lots of fun gifts.. Bring your ideas! We'd be delighted if you would to take ownership of one of the craft projects, overseeing its completion. We also need people who can do uncomplicated sewing and others willing to shop for "ingredients," put together soup mixes, or donate your own creations—candles to holiday delicacies.

All proceeds help those in need in our community and our own members who need support. For more information, contact Bunny Raasch-Hooten brh@wi.rr.com.

Explore Our New Website Photo Gallery



Check out the wonderful photos of our enthusiastic followers of Jesus connecting with others, growing in faith, serving through missions and participating in many exciting activities. You can find the [Photo Gallery](#) on the home page of our website, foxpointchurch.org.

In order to protect the privacy of our members, we do not include names with the photos. If you do not wish to have pictures of yourself or your family appear on the website, please contact Deb Schmidt, schmidt@foxpointchurch.org.



FPLC is partnering with Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity ("MHFH") to construct a new home in Milwaukee's central city not far from our partner congregation at Cross Lutheran Church. MHFH is the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, a non-profit, ecumenical Christian organization that was founded on the conviction that every man, woman and child should have a simple, decent place to live in dignity and safety.

As part of our "sponsorship" of this home, FPLC has agreed to supply needed volunteers to help with the construction of the home. In July, we had 42 volunteers participate in "Blitz Build Week" where we framed and completed most of the exterior work on this two story house, all in the course of one week.

In October, we will begin work on the interior (dry walling, painting, etc.) of the house. We looking for 6-12 volunteers each of the first four Saturdays in October (10/1, 10/8, 10/15 and 10/22). You can volunteer for any or all of these dates. Volunteer hours are from 9am to 3pm.

Volunteering requires no prior construction experience. MHFH "regulars" will teach you everything you need to know on site. Volunteering is a fun and rewarding experience where you will work side by side with the homeowner family as they complete their required "sweat equity" hours. If you are interested in volunteering, sign up at the Outreach Kiosk or online at volunteerwiz.com/calendar/foxpointlutheran. Enter the password: fplc. If you have questions or need additional information, contact Bill Krugler at wkrugler@gmail.com.

Sabbatical Report/FYI

Westminster Conducting Institute

I was one of fifty-one students enrolled in this week-long program at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey. Westminster, now part of nearby Rider University, began life as a Presbyterian music conservatory in the 1920s. The Conducting Institute is one of several continuing education programs offered there each summer.

My fifty classmates included church musicians, high school teachers, instrumental conductors who found they needed further training to better conduct singers, and current graduate students. The first evening, each person conducted the entire group in an excerpt which we had been given weeks earlier. We were then grouped into classes of ten and assigned to a faculty member for the week. I spent the week studying under Dr. Dennis Shrock, Director of Choral Activities at Texas Christian University (Dr. Shrock is also a Westminster alum and was a classmate of Rick Hynson, director of the Bel Canto chorus). Ten of us took turns conducting each other in various pieces we selected from a list, getting critique from Dr. Shrock and Dr. James Jordan, current Westminster professor. Instruction given to one student was often applicable for several of us, and we watched each other improve and learn as the week progressed.

Other class sessions included group vocal technique, ear training, and anatomy and its impact on conducting, singing, and movement. Each faculty member presented a lecture on their particular area of expertise and research. The days were very full and the focus was very intense. At the close of the week, we each conducted the large group of fifty again, having chosen our own piece. As the faculty watched us, they made audio recordings of their comments and observations. These recordings, along with a video of our session, are given to us for archives and examination. *(con't top of next column)*



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During this week-long conference, I had an opportunity to grow musically and technically in areas that have needed some attention, and I am grateful to FPLC for supporting my further education. I feel that I have returned with a few tricks in my bag (which I can't give away just yet) enabling the choir and me to make even better music than before.

Away from Home Addresses

We are looking for addresses for our post-high school members. In October, the Confirmation students will be putting together College Care Packages (this also includes high school grads from the last 4-5 years who are in the military, working, etc.).

A mailing has been sent, but if you didn't receive one, please complete a form that can be found in the Sign-Up Area at church or contact Linda Cole at cole@foxpointchurch.org or 414.352.8990. We need all of this information no later than Oct. 5.

We need a form from everyone....even if the address is the same as last year.

Video Help Needed for One Project!

Joni Ledzian, Parish Nurse, is looking for someone who has video equipment to tape a one-hour senior exercise class in Fellowship Hall and make a copy of it. Seniors have been using an outdated version of the tape for years and we would like to provide them with a fresh version.

We have a volunteer who teaches on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 whose class can be taped and used on Thursdays.

Please contact Joni, 414-352-8990, ext. 117 or joni@foxpointchurch.org. Thank you!



October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>EVERY SUNDAY Worship Services: 8, 9, & 10:30am Sunday School: 9 & 10:30am</p>						<p>1 7th Grade Confirmation Prayer Retreat</p>
<p>2 Quilt Sunday Holy Communion 7th Grade Confirmation Prayer Retreat ends 10am Children's Choir 11:45am New Member Brunch 2pm Pet Blessing 7pm Storm (HS Youth Group)</p>	<p>3 8:30am Yoga 6:30pm Yoga</p>	<p>4 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Good Grief Support</p>	<p>5 8:30am Yoga 6:30pm Worship Team 7pm Confirmation</p>	<p>6 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Mom to Mom 6pm Joyful Noise 7pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>7 5:30am Yoga</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9 8:30am to noon Flu Clinic 9:00am Murray Baptism 10am Children's Choir 10:30am Storm (HS Youth Group) Crop Walk</p>	<p>10 8:30am Yoga 6:30pm Yoga</p>	<p>11 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Good Grief Support 6:30pm Girlfriends: Friends or Foes 7pm KnitWits</p>	<p>12 8:30am Yoga 11:30am Women's Club 5:30pm Outreach Team 6:30pm Worship Team 7pm Women's Bible Study 7pm Confirmation</p>	<p>13 8:30am Senior Exercise 10am Luther Manor Communion Service 11:45am Men's Club 6pm Joyful Noise 7pm Chancel Choir Serenity Inn</p>	<p>14 5:30am Yoga</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16 10am Children's Choir 7pm Storm (HS Youth Group)</p>	<p>17 8:30am Yoga 6:30pm Yoga 7:00pm Endowment Meeting</p>	<p>18 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9am Piecemakers 9:30am Good Grief Support 5:15pm AAUW</p>	<p>19 8:30am Yoga 5:15pm All Peoples 6:30pm Worship Team 7pm Confirmation</p>	<p>20 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Mom to Mom 6pm Joyful Noise 7pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>21 5:30am Yoga 7am TOP Serenity Inn</p>	<p>22 8:00am Boutique Workshop</p>
<p>23 9am Theune Baptism 10am Children's Choir 10:30am Storm (HS Youth Group)</p>	<p>24 8:30am Yoga 6:30pm Yoga 7pm Book Club</p>	<p>25 6:30am Eye-Opener Bible Study 8:30am Senior Exercise 9:30am Good Grief Support 7pm Church Council</p>	<p>26 8:30am Yoga 7pm Women's Bible Study Serenity Inn</p>	<p>27 8:30am Senior Exercise 6pm Joyful Noise 7pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>28 5:30am Yoga</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30 Holy Communion 10am Children's Choir 7pm Storm (HS Youth Group)</p>	<p>31 8:30am Yoga 6:30pm Yoga</p>					

Operation Christmas Child/Serving

Is it that time already? Yes, it's that time!

In 2000, we proudly shipped 50 shoeboxes to Operation Christmas Child, an international relief project that provides shoe boxes filled with small gifts, personal hygiene items, school supplies, and stories about Jesus to children in the most desperate areas of the US and the rest of the world.

Every year since 2000, we have managed to help even more children in need with our boxes. Last year, we managed to pack 751 boxes! I think we may have hit some sort of ceiling, but who knows? Our generous members have already donated close to 400 shoeboxes. And we have an entire room in Sunday school—our Outreach Room—that is already starting to fill with items for these boxes. We collect shoe boxes and items to fill them with through mid-November. Our Sunday school kids decorate our boxes, and our Confirmation students fill them in one evening—this year, November 16.

If you'd like to help us hit the 800 mark, here's what we need:

More shoe boxes!

Boxes of crayons, pencils, markers, erasers, small notepads, stickers

Small stuffed animals, small toys (very gently used or new—no war-related toys)

Toothpaste/toothbrushes, soap

Combs, small brushes, hair ornaments

Candy (no chocolate or anything else that could melt)



Use your imagination! There is so much that these children would treasure.

Collection bins will be downstairs at the entrance to Sunday school and upstairs near the kiosks.

Thanks to the outpouring of support of this congregation, we have become one of the largest contributors to this project in southeast Wisconsin. **Thank you as always!**

Serving

<u>October 2</u>	SERVING:	<u>October 9</u>
8:00 Lorraine Buehler 9:00 Julia Holmes 10:30 Jessica Lawless	Lectors	8:00 Mike Istwan 9:00 Kathi Behm 10:30 Theresa Seem
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 Joan Cianciola, Arlene Erickson 10:30 Mark & Terri Chelmowski	Coffee Hour Hosts	9:00 Jos. & Kathy Sauer 10:30 Tom & Jenny Kregel
Julia DeCicco	Welcome Kiosk	Sara Hansen
9:00 Kate Harms, TBD 10:30 JP Benson, Sydney Benson	Acolytes	9:00 Ellie Barney, Peter Barney 10:30 Nina Enea, Sophia Enea
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All in the Family



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

Prayer List

Steve Heronemus (brother of L. Barrieau)
 Sue Wolf (sister of Janet Quail)
 Jan Bergin
 Angie Gemignani
 Joel Villnow
 Verlie Keehn
 Fran Riley
 Jack Davis
 Jeff Ring
 Anne
 Bob Lynch
 Kim
 Melvin Sato
 Paula Sandoval
 Don Hiller

Stretch Luedeman

Betty Arpe
 Sheila Dlugi
 Deb
 Carol Soik
 Danny Johnson
 (great-grandson of Lloyd Johnson)
 Lloyd Johnson
 Virginia Gunneau
 Virginia Kettling
 Wally Exner
 Deborah
 Janine Kolinski
 Ellie Fredericksen
 Greg Wardeberg
 Marilyn Mechanic

Military

Samantha Rablin
 Ben Halbert
 Parker Stratton

Congratulations

Brian Adams & Dorothy Mietz
 were married September 23.
 Charlotte Suzanne & Mason James
 Leibham, twins of Matthew & Sarah
 Leibham, were baptized September 25.
 Jacob David Strebel, son of Lisa &
 Jack Strebel, was baptized
 September 25.

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