

LIFE TOGETHER This Week

Week of May 11, 2021 Vol 58 **Real Faith For Real Life**

This Weekend

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In-Person Worship Begins Sunday, June 13

We are excited to announce we will be resuming in-person worship June 13 and on every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month until our church's construction is completed. Here are the details!

- **Place:** North Shore Congregational Church 7330 N. Santa Monica Blvd. Fox Point, WI (1 block south of FPLC)
- **When:** 4:30 pm every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month (June 13, 27; July 11, 25; August 8, 22...)
- **RESERVE A SPOT** by signing up here: <u>Sign Up</u> or call the church office at (414) 352-8990. We will not be able to accommodate walk-ins.

MORE DETAILS

- Capacity for worship is limited to 130 people.
- Children are welcome, but throughout the summer, we will not be able to offer childcare or Sunday school.
- We will be celebrating Holy Communion at every service.
- We will be following Milwaukee County Covid guidelines. These guidelines change daily, so we will share exact details closer to the service dates by email and on our website.
- We will still offer online worship on Sunday mornings.

Please email or call the church office; church@foxpointchurch.org with any questions. Looking forward to seeing you again!





Service Day — Sign Up Now!

Two of our partners are holding their workdays on the same weekend—Serenity Inns and All Peoples Church.

Masks are mandatory, social distancing is planned and help is needed!

Serenity Inns is looking for 7-8 folks to clean carpets, ceiling fans, etc. and 4 more to work in the yard on May 15 from 9 am – noon.

To sign up or ask questions, please contact FPLC member Lorraine Buehler; lcbuehler@cs.com.

All Peoples has something for just about everyone! Bed prepping, planting, weeding, painting, garden repairs, laying wood chips and even some trash pick up! Their work days are split up into 3 half-day shifts to enable people to spread out: Saturday, May 15, 9 am – Noon or 1 – 4 pm; or Sunday, May 16, 1 – 4 pm. To sign up or ask questions, please contact FPLC member Mark Smith; markskimail@aol.com.



The masons completed the last of our structural block walls and have moved on to framing the new

roof atop the office addition and porte cochere. Here's what else happened last week:

Cornerstone Plumbing worked on the new drain lines below the floor in the existing lower restrooms and continued to work on the new supply piping.

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JC Building Systems has taken over as the prominent subcontractor on site. They have set all wooden roof trusses over the new office addition and have decked/sheathed the new roof. They set all the wood trusses on the porte cochere and worked on sheathing this area. JCBS also completed removal of the loose-fill insulation in the sanctuary attic. This insulation is being stored in the space and will be replaced upon completion of the work that is to be performed in this area.

Lyons Electric continued working on layout and roughing in the new lighting feeders and switches in the lower level.

Paun Construction has completed all new structural block walls and has begun removing equipment from the site. We will see them again to lay our new brick veneer in a few weeks.

Pure Mechanical continued working on elements of the new HVAC systems. Their focus was primarily on the roof. The old equipment was demoed and new ductwork was set on the existing roof while the new roof top unit curbs were constructed and installed on the new office roof.



Trusses are set and the plywood sheathing is complete



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Pansy Bowls

On sale now at the church office Monday-Thursday from 8 am – 3 pm. Price: \$20 ea. **Basket & Plant Sale**

Saturday, May 22; 9 am – 2 pm Sunday, May 23; 9 to noon

We'll have fabulous 10" baskets with the new l'conia begonia in great colors, which require part sun to shade, and Million Bells and a few ivy geraniums for sun. Our ever-popular, fantastic 12" baskets will also be available in colorful combos of flowers.

In addition to purchasing plants, the proceeds of which go to the Tanzania Scholarship Fund, we will also accept cash donations.



One of our beautiful pansy bowls on sale now!

Mt. Meru Coffee

We're selling our terrific Mt. Meru coffee at the plant sale. Support our Tanzania programs and have some delicious home-brewed coffee! (It makes great gifts for the coffee lover in your life!) The coffee is also available for purchase in the church office.

We'd Love to Have Your Hostas

Donated hostas are always a big seller at our garden sales. If you are able to donate some of yours (since they need to be divided now and then) we'd love to have them! Click the button below for dividing instructions. Please pot them in plenty of soil and mark them with the variety (if you know it). Need pots? We have some to share on the porch behind the office. You can leave your potted hostas on the same porch starting Monday, May 17 up until the morning of Friday, May 21. Questions? Contact Bunny Raasch-Hooten; bunnyraasch@gmail.com. THANK YOU!



While you are shopping for your hanging baskets at church on May 22 & 23, you can also pick up a Bayside Garden gift card! We receive 15% of the proceeds from every card we sell for our Tanzania scholarship fund, but these special cards must be purchased at FPLC, not at Bayside Gardens.

Don't have a garden? No problem! Bayside has lovely indoor plants and decorations for you or to give as gifts!

Infant Massage

Learn to connect and bond with your baby through Infant Massage. This one-hour class is a wonderful way for parents and their babies from birth to 6 months old to connect. Be prepared to Zoom—all you need is yourself in comfy clothes, your baby(s) and a blanket.

You'll be taught the head-to-toe infant massage techniques that parents need to comfort, reduce irritability, help baby sleep faster and sleep longer, and to overall connect with baby in a positive loving touch in this one hour complementary class. The class limit is 6 parents per date. Please contact Angie Biersach, FPLC member, parent, and certified infant massage instructor with questions or to RSVP for the class (see contact info below).

Dates: May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 22, November 19, December 17 Time: 2 – 3 pm Fee: No charge Instructor: Angie Biersach, MA, CCLS, CFLE, CIMI; angiebiersach@ gmail.com or 414-207-2808



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Serenity Inns

Great news—all our dinner fellowship dates through July have been filled. If you would like to help Serenity Inns in a



different way, we will be working with them on Service Day, THIS Saturday, May 15. (See the Service Day article in this issue.)

Do you have questions? Lorraine Buehler, FPLC member & long-time Serenity Inns volunteer can help! Email Lorraine at Icbuehler@cs.com.



FPLC Golf Classic Our committee is hard at work planning our 19th annual Golf Classic! Social distancing works well with golf, so we hope to resurrect all the fun the Classic has to

offer for serious golfers and novices alike – think fun games, sponsorships, a raffle and prizes. At the same time, the Golf Classic serves as a major source of funding for our outreach programs that impact many in our community and beyond. After missing last year, we have lots of funds to raise! Our plans are to hold it on a Friday with a morning start similar to what was done in 2019.

Based on the survey results the committee received, we'll be choosing a date and starting sign-ups shortly!

Bread of Healing Vaccination Help Needed

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The Bread of Healing Ministries health clinic at Cross Lutheran Church is administering Covid vaccines to eligible people in the community surrounding their church. They are recruiting people to help. If you are willing to volunteer please go to their information and sign-up page at

Peeps Academy

Peeps Academy is the scholastic support program at All Peoples Church. The information here covers the basics of what they are doing and how you can support their students as they grow in knowledge, wisdom and experience!



Little Free Libraries: All Peoples' Little Free Libraries need a little TLC, which should happen at their Spring Garden Work Weekend (May 15/16). This is also our Service Day. This summer, they want to fill their 3 libraries with a variety of books like cookbooks (especially featuring vegetables), Bible storybooks, books about nature and activity books for children.

Book Reading Videos: All Peoples is creating a small bank of read-aloud videos to use with their younger Peeps Academy children. Record a short book about 15 minutes and upload it to their Google drive. Click <u>Here.</u>

Back-to-School Book Bags: All Peoples' kids were busy learning at home during most of the 2020-2021 school year. Wherever the place, whatever the mode, our kids will need a little help in order to be ready to do their best in a new year. FPLC is partnering with Winkies Toys and Variety! again this year to purchase school supply packs. We also hope to donate backpacks and scientific calculators. Stay tuned for more information coming soon!



Confirmation

Confirmation for our 8th graders is THIS Sunday, May 16. Contact Pastor Bruce with any questions; pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org.



PRAYER LIST All in The Family

We will see you again on Sunday, May 16, for a 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!

- Carlynn Alt Harry Beaumont Bernie Cameron Chad John Chamberlain Claire Jane D. Pr. Dan Dana Deb Sheila Dlugi Doreen **Cammy Endres** John Endres Erin
- Jessie Etheridge Lu Farwig **Rick Frank** Gene Joan Gildner Lori Heinrich Steve Heronemus Elnamae Heyman Alice Horton Jack Charlie James Jan Jim Joan Don Jones Julia Chuck Knapp

Peter Kolb Nadene Kramer Ludvik Krejci Barbara Kuehn Pat Lawless Ken Lein Leslie Alison LoCoco Lynn Mary Andy Meser Michael Michael Ned Bill Nell **Robert Palmer** Perry

Riley Geoff Rose Peter Stauber Stephen Teri Tim Tom Brenda Trier Zuza

Military

Alex Cooper David Grant Ian Matthew 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.

Condolences

Our deepest sympathy, thoughts and prayers are with Mimi Nimtz and family in the unexpected but peaceful passing of her beloved husband William "Bill" Richard Nimtz, April 28 in FL. Proud and loving father and grandfather of Kelly (Gregg) Badalich, Connor, Logan and Garrett.



Monday Food Drives

When: Every Monday; 10 am – 2 pm outside the church office! PLEASE, no glass jars! We need nutritional, non-perishable foods, diapers, personal care products & hand

crank can openers.



"5 for Faith" is our fun, fast, family-oriented online Sunday School. Each week we offer five 5-minute activities to help grow your family's faith. Do one activity or try them all! You can find "5 for Faith" on

our website or click the Fox Point Kids graphic!



On our "Kids and Youth" page you can find our "Little Foxes" videos! The target age for these videos is pre-kindergarten. New videos are released each week and include a song, story, craft, and activity for children to follow

along. Click the Little Foxes graphic.

FPLC Office Hours Monday–Thursday from 9 am–2 pm See our webpage for all information regarding virtual worship, outreach, and children & youth programs. Click \rightarrow



Piecemakers/Quilters

We are back sewing and assembling quilts. We welcome all and can teach the techniques very quickly.

We now meet at Memorial Lutheran Church on the corner of Green

Bay Road and Range Line Road (across from Brown Deer Park). Come when you can, leave when you must. Bring your lunch and enjoy a conversational break.

Date: Tuesday, May 18th

Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Place: Memorial Lutheran Church

7701 N. Green Bay Road, Glendale

Contact: Sharon Hipke, call 414-352-1605 if you need more detailed instructions.





This devotion, written by FPLC member Mary Buscher, was originally sent by email on May 5.

Hello!

"Anxiety weighs down the heart, but a kind word cheers it up." – Proverbs 12:25

God's blessings arrive in so many different packages! Let me tell you about my friend, Chloe. Chloe enjoys smothering you with love. A special whistle by me will find her running, then jumping into my lap; she is 16 pounds of slow blur – our beautiful Tuxedo cat! She is a

purring dynamo; her kind words are persistent meows of joy! Overnight you might feel a sudden jolt on the bed and discover Chloe sitting on your chest and staring into your face until you let her under the covers for a snuggle. Talk about a cure for anxiety from our Heavenly Father!

"Take delight in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart." – Psalm 37:4

Sometimes I can almost see the Holy Spirit working through Chloe's little self! Our Savior's creations are amazing – they give us lessons to be learned, behaviors to refine and love to be returned. His perfect offerings do indeed fill our hearts! Animals who love us tend to follow us and delight in being in our company. If we fill them up with kindness and good words of praise mingled with firmness and love, they respond in kind and enjoy us. It is the same with following our Heavenly Father—we know His voice too and He so wants our companionship! If we can only listen to Him and live in awareness of His grace and love, our fears will be quieted and we will know the true desires of our hearts! How very much He loves us!

"Keep putting into practice all you have learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you." – Philippians 4:6-9

We pray—

Father, thank you for always being with us to meet life's challenges. Please open our ears and our eyes to listen for and be aware of the Holy Spirit working in harmony with us. Please shield us from harm and give us courage to sustain ourselves and help others with their burdens. Let us love generously...let us forgive charitably...let us share whatever we have with our neighbor...let our hearts trust in you and be helped...let us follow you in grace and peace. Amen.

May the spirit of joy and peace surround us this week! --- Mary