

LIFE TOGETHER This Week

Week of July 18, 2021 Real Faith For Real Life



Despite storms, work continued both inside and outside on the building site. Weather happens, so flexibility is key!

Brand Safway delivered and erected temporary shoring below the existing

concrete floor in the main sanctuary.

Cornerstone Plumbing worked on new roof drains and overflow piping on the two lower roof sections. Roofers will begin this week.



The metal stud framing for the barreled ceiling of the porte cochere has just begun



A glance at the new sanctuary area's lofty ceiling

Crown Carpentry increased their crew size and have been busy all around the project, but they focused on layout/ framing of the new walls and ceilings in the area of the new main entrance.

Design Build Fire Protection worked throughout the building site, but focused on the north side of the project.

I.T. Connect worked within the church to finalize network design elements. They created a final design for all hardware components and a plan that can be shared with the construction team.

JC Building Systems assisted with construction cleaning.

Lyons Electric worked throughout the project roughing in metal conduit and cabling within the metal stud walls. Their work also continued on re-feeding existing circuits.

masterfoam wrapped up the last of the areas they can reach in the sanctuary attic. They'll return this week to finish work on the sanctuary addition.

Nations Roofing worked on the final new flat roof installation on either side of the sanctuary addition.

Northern Concrete set and poured the concrete topping in

the sanctuary addition. This topping creates the level surface over the precast plank. It is the final concrete floor of



Metal studs installed for the office walls in the admin area

FPLC Summer Office Hours

the sanctuary and will later carry the raised stage floor of the chancel.

This is normally a busy new opening at the site, with people

busy framing, hammering, cutting, welding . . . you name it!

Paun Construction continued working on the brick veneer, though the rain did hamper their progress. The focus has been on the lower level brick around the new windows in the commons as well as the veneer on the sanctuary addition.

Pure Mechanical continued work fabricating and installing the new ductwork and duct insulation.









REGISTER NOW!

TEAM FPLC / OUTREACH FOR HOPE September 25

OUTREACH FOR HOPE

Outreach For Hope supports life-giving ministries that serve the people of low income communities in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA. These ministries provide food programs, community gardening to support their neighborhoods, health care and parish nurses, clothing, safety and education programs and more. They also provide assistance with seasonal concerns such as coat drives, the Superbowl Food Drive and emergency needs (a broken boiler for example). Not only are they meeting these needs in their neighborhoods, but they operate as centers in the heart of their communities for meeting spiritual needs and providing possitive support and hope.

OFH was originally part of the Greater Milwaukee Synod. However, in 2005, it became Outreach for Hope, Inc., a separate non-profit organization.

OFH seeks donations primarily from individuals. It also receives gifts from organizations and from the special offerings of congregations. The Ride Run Walk is their largest fundraising event.

For more information on OFH, see their website, clicking: **Outreach for Hope**.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

Pr. Chris Manke, the new Executive Director of Outreach for Hope, will be our guest preacher on Sunday, August 8 during both our virtual and in-person worship options. Chris is the former lead pastor at St. Matthew's Church in Wawautosa.

JOIN TEAM

FOX POINT LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Bring friends, family and definitely your kids for this family-friendly fun event benefiting our community.

Join our FPLC team for the Outreach for Hope Ride Run Walk, and to help FUNdraise for grants to central city congregations in the Greater Milwaukee Synod! Visit **OFHRRW.org** to register to participate. You register under your own name and choose Fox Point Lutheran Church from the team drop-down menu to join our team! We are participating at the Ozaukee County location: Grafton/Ozaukee Interurban Trail and county roads.

You have your choice of signing up for the:

- Two mile walk
- 14-mile family-friendly trail ride on the Interurban Trail
- 1 or 2 road rides for the more experienced rider; 30 miles or 50 miles

Registrants will receive a free event t-shirt, access to the online mileage tracker and fundraising platform, snacks, drinks and a boxed lunch. There is NO registration fee — instead, pay what you can at registration, and/or collect donations from others leading up to the event. Although you set up a fundraising page during registration, fundraising in not required.

Date: Saturday, September 25 (morning; see the registration page for times of the specific events)

Register on the OFH website: OFHRRW.org Questions: Contact Stacia Hickey, stacia@ foxpointchurch.org







ENDS THIS WEEK!



Last Week! All Peoples Church

Thank you FPLC members! Together you purchased 94 school supply kits for the kids at All Peoples church! Our goal is to

match each kit with a new backpack, an individually wrapped mask and a scientific calculator (for the high school students).

If you have purchased backpacks, masks or calculators for All Peoples Church, they are due to the church office by **July 22.** Drop them off Mon. – Thurs., 9 am – 2 pm.

If you have any questions, please contact Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org.



Next Door Foundation Book Drive

FPLC is hosting a short book drive for Next Door Foundation. Donate *gently* used books from your home library or purchase new. We are specifically collecting books for children aged birth – 5.

Your participation provides literacy programs and books to build home libraries for more than 1,300 children each year.

Dates: July 12-22; Monday – Thursday only

Time: 9 am – 2 pm

Location: FPLC office; please bring the books inside in

bags/boxes that can be easily lifted/carried.



Food Drives

Now you can drop your food (or other) donations in the office Monday-Thursday from 9 am – 2 pm! (See graphic to the left.) However, if you would like assistance to bring your donations in, please call the church office when you get to the parking lot; 414-352-8990!

Food Needs: Nutritional, non-perishable foods: soups, stews, canned meats (tuna, chicken, Vienna sausages, spam), canned fruits and vegetables, cereal, boxed milk, peanut butter

Personal Care Needs: Diapers, toilet paper, soap, shampoo, deodorant, body wash, toothpaste and shaving cream







Dinner Fellowship with Serenity Inns Residents

Take a meal to the men at Serenity Inns and stay to enjoy the meal with them. They share their stories with the group while experiencing valuable social interactions which were often lost during addiction. This is a great activity to do with your middle and high school-aged youth so they can hear

the anti-drug/alcohol message.

Serenity Inns provides a safe home for men in Milwaukee to recover from their addiction to drugs or alcohol. FPLC volunteers provide 3 dinners a month for the residents. You can also drop off a meal or order a meal to be delivered.

To sign up click the button to the right. Do you have questions? Lorraine Buehler, FPLC member & long-time Serenity Inns volunteer can help! Email Lorraine at lcbuehler@cs.com.

Some of these days fill up very quickly, so book ahead! **Fridays:** August 20, September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17; **Wednesdays:** August 25, November 24, December 22

SI Meals



The in-person Celebration of Recovery event is back!

The cost is \$85. You are welcome to purchase a ticket for one of the residents if you would like.

The RSVP and more details can be found <u>HERE</u> under the Serenity Inns & Alumni House heading. For more information, contact Lorraine Buehler at Icbuehler@cs.com or Virginia Zignego at vzignego@serenityinns.org.

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. 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: Aug 20, Sept 17, Oct 22, Nov 19, Dec 17

Time: 2 – 3 pm

Instructor: Angie Biersach, MA, CCLS, CFLE, CIMI; angiebiersach@gmail.com or 414-207-2808





Sunday School Update

Typically, this time of year, we would be asking you to register for Sunday school. But *nothing* has been typical about this past year!

Given the changing circumstances of Covid, our church construction, and the availability of alternative places to hold our Sunday school classes, we are waiting to determine when and where we will be able to hold them. Stay tuned for updates as we learn more!

What We Know So Far

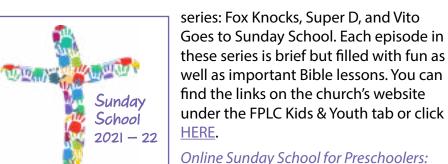
Registration for Sunday school: We will begin registering for Sunday school late this summer in preparation for fall classes either at North Shore Congregational Church or in our new church building beginning in December.

Teacher Sign-Up: We will again ask parents to help teach Sunday school as they have

in the past. Of course, this will take into account the changing circumstances of Covid and vaccinations at the time. We will notify you of teacher sign-ups when we determine our start date.

Online Sunday School for Our Elementary-Age Kids: This summer we are offering a movie series for your kids to enjoy. Each week, by going through our church's website, kids can see a new episode of the Christian movie series Superbook. In this series, Joy, Chris, and their robot, Gizmo, travel through time to experience stories from the Bible and the lessons they hold for us. Check out the trailer for the series on YouTube HERE.

Your kids can also continue to enjoy Sunday school lessons through our three homegrown online video



Your child can continue to watch episodes of Little Foxes on our church's website. Simply click on the FPLC Kids & Youth tab or click HERE.

Worship: Of course, children are always welcome to worship with their families in person with us at North Shore Congregational Church this summer and through the online services. We cannot provide inperson Sunday school or nursery care at this time. Our website has more information about our in-person worship.

Thank you for all your patience and support this past year. I miss you all and look forward to seeing you in person soon!

Miss Julie



PRAYER LIST All in The Family

We will see you on Sunday, July 25, for a virtual service, unless you are joining us for in-person worship that day.

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 Karen Berg Bernie Doreen Bill Cameron Carol John Chamberlain

Claire Jane D. Pr. Dan Deb Sheila Dlugi **Cammy Endres**

Erin Jessie Etheridge Lu Farwig

John Endres

Rick Frank Kathy Gebel Gene Sandy Gepfert Joan Gildner Lori Heinrich **Steve Heronemus**

Elnamae Heyman Dan Holtz Alice Horton Ben lammartino Charlie James

Jan Jim Joan John Jon

Don Jones

Julia Jim Jurack **Chuck Knapp** Nadene Kramer Ludvik Krejci Barbara Kuehn

Pat Lawless Ken Lein Leslie

Alison LoCoco

Lvnn Mary MaryAnn **Andy Meser** Michael Michael Monica Ned

Bill Nell Robert Palmer

Rilev

Geoff Rose Kathy Schwartz Peter Stauber Stephen Tom

Brenda Trier

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Military

Alex Cooper David Grant lan 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.

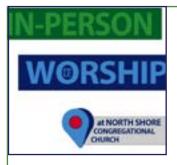
Congratulations

Baby

Congratulations and best wishes to Larry and Beth (Kregel) Formosa on the birth of their daughter Sofia Ann Formosa, born July 13. Proud grandparents are Tom and Jenny Kregel.

Devotional Books Available!

Devotional books covering July – September are now available in the church office. Stop by to pick up your copy! The office is open Monday – Thursday 9 am – 2 pm.



In-Person Worship, July 25!

You must pre-register for in-person services. Sign up by clicking the "Register Here!" button. If you don't have Internet access, you can sign up by calling the church office at 414-352-8990.

Register Here!

Virtual Services Continues!

While we are offering in-person services twice a month, virtual services will be posted online to watch each week.



See our webpage for all information regarding virtual worship, outreach, and children & youth programs. Click \rightarrow





This devotion, written by FPLC member Mary Buscher, was originally sent by email on July 14.

Hello!

"If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong, or a clanging cymbal. " – 1 Corinthians 13 I enjoy container gardening. The color, the pots and the variety, it's all such fun! I'd asked my husband to water our flowers using the

came in the house he was truthful about it; he said he'd used the stream setting, the one he believes is more efficient without hurting the flowers. I believe it's quite powerful for fragile plantings. To be fair, his way isn't wrong; it's just not my way. Talk about angry...it was me...he had disobeyed my orders! This relationship is 50/50 and I'd forgotten! But then I stepped back. He had done the job I'd asked of him, he was honest about it and the flowers and plants were no longer thirsty!

How ungrateful I was that day, what a lack of understanding on my part! How much I needed to turn myself around. We recently celebrated our 37th anniversary and whether it's the 1st year or the 50th, the equation is the same; the end result must be love and for it to be love there must first be love. This required some quieting and calming words from Our Heavenly Father.

"Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life." – Psalm 143:8

But what made me turn it around? Not so long ago, I might have held on to that trivial anger and made that episode a flashpoint for an argument. But I didn't do that. All the seeds planted over the years from our amazing church home, Fox Point Lutheran kept me grounded. Listening and pondering powerful sermons from Pastor Bill and Pastor Bruce, following this year's children's ministry from Julie, attending small group discussions with wonderful leaders about sometimes difficult issues, reading scripture and keeping my prayer life active pointed the way towards what God is...and what He desires in us...Love...God's greatest command! Let's pray together-

"Dear God, As you draw me ever deeper into your heart, I discover that my companions on the journey are women and men loved by you as fully and as intimately as I am. In your compassionate heart, there is a place for all of them. No one is excluded. Give me a share in your compassion dear God, so that your unlimited love may become visible in the way I love my brothers and sisters. Amen." – Henri Nouwen

Thank you for loving us, Father and let our love be visible! – Mary