

### Sunday, February 6—An Important Date at FPLC!

Sunday, February 6 we will be back IN church with a great worship service, Sunday school and tours! You'll get to meet our new organist, as well as hear the new organ and experience our terrific FPLC choir! Our special Junior Sermon leader will be none other than Super D!! He'll also be hanging out in Sunday School.

What's happening until then? We'll have new virtual sermons every week and we are doing A LOT of unpacking! We have 7 storage pods to unload, Sunday school rooms to set up and the crew will be finalizing some of the building projects. This extra time will also provide a buffer between the surge of the highly contagious Omicron variant and our in-person worship.

We are excited to be together and to be in our new church home! If you have any questions, please email Pr. Bill at [pastorbill@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:pastorbill@foxpointchurch.org) or call 414-352-8990. To see Pr. Bill's full video about the re-opening, visit our website through the link below.

### Re-Opening Video

## Stewardship 2022

### 2022 will be an important year for our church.

*We will move into our new building and out into the world. We will work together to discover how powerful life can be as people of faith. – Pr. Bill*

Please click the links below to read Pr. Bill's simple ask for the Stewardship 2022 campaign. After prayerful consideration, please visit the pledge card link with your response. You also should have received this information in the mail. You are welcome to fill out the paper copy of the card and mail it back to the office.

Thank you!

**A Note From Pr. Bill**

**Pledge Card 2022**

### Continuing Our Mission and Rising to the Challenge

Our new Afghan neighbors arrived on December 27.

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) had advised us that as part of our commitment to this family we should anticipate expenses of approximately \$10,000.

A group of your fellow FPLC members are "Pastor's Kids" and witnessed how their fathers, mothers and their congregations aided and supported families in need. They are often referred to as "PKs".

The PKs and their families have joined together as a group to challenge other FPLC families to match their \$6,400 commitment to create an "Afghan Family Fund". The funds will be available to cover the current and future expenses of our newly resettled family. Please, if you feel called to help in this way, mail in your donation or drop it off at the new Church Office. Please mark the donation "Afghan Family Fund".

With the exception of Members who are Indigenous People (or a descendant of one) the rest of us are all immigrants or descendants of immigrants. Please pray for the family and our efforts, to help them feel at home in their new community.



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### Confirmation Is Underway!

Our program has started! For more information and the full schedule, see our website; [Confirmation](#) If you have any questions, contact Pr. Bruce at [pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org). His phone number is 414-573-4138.

### SCHEDULE

January 19	February 9
January 26	February 16
February 2	February 23

### High School Youth Group Returns!

#### Sunday January 23!!!

We are back.....Youth Group for grades 9 through 12 will meet January 23rd from 6:30-8 pm!

It has been awhile since we've been together, so we need an hour and a half to catch up. We have exciting news to share about our destination for the mission trip and we'll want to tour the building and see the new high school area! There will be prizes for everyone, competitions and some spiritual surprises.

Join Pastor Bill and Stephanie Metzendorf for a great 2022 start!

Email or call Pastor Bill with questions! [pastorbill@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:pastorbill@foxpointchurch.org) or 414-352-8990.



### Rise to the Occasion

Two or three more volunteers are needed to bake communion bread for our bi-monthly communion service. (Our recipe will be provided and makes three loaves.)

This joyful commitment involves baking just four Sundays per year. Please contact Sue Jurack at [sue@birchwoodci.net](mailto:sue@birchwoodci.net) or 414-630-3358 if you are interested. During the past 11 years, bread for communion has been made by members of the congregation. This wonderful tradition began when our fifth graders, who make bread for the congregation as part of their first Communion preparation, asked if we could use homemade bread instead of wafers for communion. If you have helped at previous bread baking demonstrations, you already know how to make the recipe and are a perfect volunteer candidate. A real plus for volunteering—your kitchen will smell so good as the bread bakes!

### Funeral Receptions

When our church reopens, funerals for church members will again take place. In the past we have offered receptions following the service so families of the deceased could visit with their guests.

Food can be ordered and delivered from Sendiks and served in Fellowship Hall. Comments from the families have been most favorable and have made the loss of a dear one somewhat easier.

To provide this service, we need volunteers to assist at the receptions. It requires 2 to 3 hours on the day of the funeral serving food and cleaning up. Please call Barbara Froemming at 414-352-7890 or Sharon Hipke at 414-352-1605 if we can call on you to keep this service available.



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### 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 below. Do you have questions? Lorraine Buehler, FPLC member & long-time Serenity Inns volunteer can help! Email Lorraine at [lcbuehler@cs.com](mailto:lcbuehler@cs.com).

The dates available for 2022 are:

**Thursdays:** March 10, April 14, May 12, June 9, July 14, August 11

**Fridays:** February 18, March 18, April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19

**Wednesdays:** March 23, May 25, June 22, July 27, August 24

Click this button to sign up!

**Friday Meals  
Especially Needed!**

→ [Sign Up](#)



### Volunteer at The Gathering!

The Gathering is committed to serving

their guests, even during Covid-19. They've adjusted their methods of sanitizing, preparing & distributing food to ensure safety. They need your help!

If you are healthy and willing, they'd love to have your help packaging bag lunches. This is a great opportunity for Confirmation students to give to their community. We request that an adult either volunteer with each student or that you arrange for them to join another Confirmation family attending the event who can get them home or stay with them until they are picked up.

**4 people needed for  
THIS Saturday!!**

### Great for Confirmation Families!

**Upcoming Dates are:** January 22 and February 26. The FPLC dates fill up quickly but check for cancellations: [FPLC Volunteer Dates](#). The hours are 10 am – 1 pm. Additional dates for next year will be added in early 2022.

If the dates are full, dates that aren't specifically for FPLC can be found on their website:

[Community Volunteer](#).

**Ends  
Thursday!**



### Cookies for Luther Manor

January is the month that FPLC is scheduled to provide cookies for the 200+ Luther Manor Health Care Center residents. The cookie drive is a way to reach out and make the day brighter for the residents during challenging times. This year due to Covid-19 Luther Manor is requesting store-bought packaged cookies rather than homemade. Softer purchased cookies without nuts or seeds comply with the dietary needs of many of the residents. Please deliver them to the new Church Office during these hours: Tuesday – Thursday, 8 am – 3 pm through Thursday, January 20.

If you need someone to pick up the cookies, please call Janet Quail, 414-967-7942.



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## Sunday School Is Almost Here!

It's been a very, very long year and a half, but the end is in sight! I am so excited that we will be able to gather again in our church and welcome our kids back to Sunday school on February 6!

**Please take a minute to register your child/children so that we can assess our classroom, supply, and teacher needs. You can find the Sunday school registration form on our website.**

## It's Time to BE!

We are excited to be launching our new BE! Sunday school curriculum. BE! Sunday school will still teach our kids via 5-week workshops—art, games, values, outreach, and movies. But while teaching Bible stories and Jesus' message, we will work hard to help our kids learn how to BE good Christians in a world that sometimes makes that difficult. I hope you will BE! as excited as I am to start a new journey with our kids.

## Please Sign Up to Teach!

Our Sunday school program is a parent cooperative: we ask ALL parents to help with teaching. In fact, our program is large and successful because our parents give so generously of themselves and their time. For 2022, we are asking that each parent with a child in our Sunday school program offer to teach 2 or 3 Sundays. I promise that teaching experience or Bible knowledge is not a prerequisite! (If you have a child in our preschool program, we ask that you teach only in the preschool program—even if you also have an older child.)

You can sign up for teaching on our website. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at [julie@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:julie@foxpointchurch.org). Hope to see you and your children very soon!

Miss Julie



## Need a Little Green During Our White Winters?

Brighten these long winter days with some houseplants! Bayside Garden Center carries lovely (and some exotic!) house plants, home decorations and gifts for all ages.

Fifteen percent of every garden gift card sale goes to our Tanzania scholarship fund. The cards must be purchased at the church office, not Bayside Garden Center, to benefit this fund.



## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

Join us for pancakes, games and fun times on the night before Ash Wednesday! There will be a free-will offering.



## Food Drive Update

We are taking a break from food donations while we finish up the renovations. As many of you recall, we usually do a big food drive in January. The plan is to hold the big food drive, but at a later date while we finish up the building, get settled and set up a spot for the donations.

Thank you for your continued support of our food drive efforts!





# PRAYER LIST

## All in The Family

Join us on Sunday, for the 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](mailto:church@foxpointchurch.org)

Carlynn Alt  
Robert Anderson  
Angie  
Barb  
Harry Beaumont  
Kim Bell  
Karen Berg  
Doreen Bill  
Bud Bolling  
Cameron  
Carol  
John Chamberlain  
Chris  
Claire  
Jane D.  
Lyle Dabney  
Pr. Dan  
Deb

Sheila Dlugi  
Cammy Endres  
Erin  
Lu Farwig  
Sue Fillinger  
Rick Frank  
Kathy Gebel  
Susan Halling  
Steve Heronemus  
Elnamae Heyman  
Dan Holtz  
Alice Horton  
Ben Iammartino  
Jan  
Jim  
Joan  
John  
Jon

Don Jones  
Julia  
Jim Jurack  
Chuck Knapp  
Nadene Kramer  
Ludvik Krejci  
Bill Krugler  
Barbara Kuehn  
Lane  
Pat Lawless  
Leslie  
Alison LoCoco  
Mark  
MaryAnn  
Andy Meser  
Michael  
Michael  
Monica

Lizzy Nagpal & baby  
Curt Nash  
Ned  
Robert Palmer  
Geoff Rose  
Kathy Schwartz  
Tom  
Brenda Trier  
Pat Viereck  
Candy Whiteside

### 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](mailto:church@foxpointchurch.org).

### Office Location

The FPLC offices are now located in the church building. Enter the building through the main (south portico) entrance.

Office hours are: M – Th 8 am – 3 pm; closed Fridays



### Calling All Babysitters

Are in middle school – high school and interested in babysitting for FPLC members? Click the link to fill out the form. We'll add your name to the list of sitters.

If you would like a copy of the sitter list, contact Lori Barrieau, [lori@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:lori@foxpointchurch.org).

[Baby Sitter Form](#)

### Collecting Your Christmas Cards!

Bring your Christmas cards to the FPLC (new) office for the Salvation Army's "Big Wrap" Prison Toy Program. Here's how it works:

Every year, the organization purchases gifts for children of men and women who are in Wisconsin's prisons. The inmates choose the toys from a catalog and write notes to their kids which are attached to your cards. For some children, this is the only communication they receive from their incarcerated mothers and fathers all year. Last year, more than 4,000 children received presents and cards.

FPLC Office Hours  
Monday–Thursday from 8 am–3 pm

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Originally written by FPLC member,  
Mary Buscher, & emailed  
Wednesday, Jan. 12.

Hello!

*"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." – Galatians 5:22-23*

Naomi Erdmann was my first-grade teacher; she taught me how to read and later helped countless others as a professor at Nazareth College. She completed her masters and doctorate degrees earning the title of Dr. Erdmann, but for me, she will always be Mrs. Erdmann, who as we sat in a circle on a wooden floor gently encouraged each of us to read aloud. I've not forgotten her kindness and love, tempered with firmness, fun and learning as she delivered those values from Galatians to her little scholars. One of her students said: "I hit the jackpot with Dr. Naomi Erdmann. The lessons she taught our class remained with me throughout my entire teaching career."

Each Christmas I receive a lovely card and letter from Mrs. Erdmann who is now 89 years old and has had a grueling year. She recently lost her beloved husband and a 21-year-old grandson. Yet she continues to inspire me, passing along love, joy, and peace from her world to mine. She wrote: "I pray we are all safe, well, and our hopes come true in 2022. Please don't let a day pass you don't remember to tell your loved ones how dear they are to you." Her love for others doesn't miss a beat! Mrs. Erdmann's light shines right through, the fruits of the spirit evident in the life God has given to her.

*"Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well." 3 John 1:2*

*Holy One, thank you for continually reminding us of the love and kindness we have been shown in our lives; of those healers, teachers, pastors, friends, family and even strangers who have contributed to our paying that love and kindness forward to others. Amen.*

Let's continue to do some good this week! – Mary