

Ash Wednesday Services

February 14: noon & 7 pm

We hope you will join us for this moving service. The imposition of ashes will take place at noon and 7 pm. If you have any questions, please call the church office: 414-352-8990.



Tomorrow, Wednesday, February 14



The Chosen: Wednesdays in Lent Series

Come and join us on Wednesday evenings this Lent to take a journey with Jesus!

We will be gathering at church from 7 – 8:30 pm to watch selected episodes of “The Chosen,” a historical drama based on the life of Jesus and those who knew him. Set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Palestine, the series shares an authentic look at Jesus' revolutionary life and teachings.

After each episode there will be time led by Pastor Bill and Pastor Bruce when we can talk together about what we have seen and what it can mean for our lives. Snacks will be provided.

We will be meeting on four Wednesdays:

February 21 March 6
February 28 March 13



Let Us Know You're Attending!

You can come to all of them or only some of them. Please sign up to let us know which ones you are planning to attend.

Maundy Thursday

Join us for a Communion service on Thursday, March 28 at 7 pm.



Good Friday—March 29

10 am Children's Service: We present the story of Holy Week and the resurrection followed by an egg hunt.

Noon: In person

7 pm: In person and live-streamed on our website

Easter Sunday—March 31

8:00 am

9:00 am

10:00 am (Also live-streamed on our website)

11:00 am

There will be no Sunday School, nursery care nor coffee hour on Easter Sunday.

FPLC Office Hours
Monday–Thursday from 8:30 am–4 pm

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



Fox Point Church

TONIGHT



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

FOOD | FUN | FRIENDSHIP

FEBRUARY 13 | 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Join your friends,
family & neighbors
for a festive evening
for all ages!

Plenty of pancakes &
all the extras.

Put on your Mardi Gras beads
JOIN THE PARTY!

Gluten Free Available
Free Will Offering (Rec \$5/Person)

Sign up by clicking this link,
scannng this QR code.

Sign Up!



Appeal for Space Heaters

MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary

MBHS is located in the impoverished 53206 zip code. They are seeking small portable space heaters because many of their outreach guests are:

- At risk of homelessness
- “Doubled-up” homeless (people living under one roof in crowded conditions)
- Living in under-heated or unheated living spaces

How can you help?

While you can purchase a space heater and bring it to FPLC, the most efficient and timely way to help is to order a space heater on our MBHS Gift Registry. It will be sent directly to MBHS’s shipping address.

If you would like to have a space heater sent from a different online store, ship items to:

MBHS c/o 15000 W Mark Drive

New Berlin, WI 53151

Go to the Registry:



Lunches for MacCanon

Brown Homeless Sanctuary

Sunday, February 25; 10 am

Each person comes to MBHS with a different story, yet each one receives food, compassion, love and a helping hand. When they arrive at the food pantry on Tuesdays, they also receive a bag lunch for that day.

Lunch Makers:

After the 9 am service on Sunday, February 25, help us make 150 bag lunches for MBHS—no need to sign up, just come down to the lower level Commons.

*This is a great service opportunity for
Confirmation students!*

*It's a short project to help our neighbors before you
continue with the rest of your day!*



150 LUNCHES
FOR MBHS



Food Needs Rising

Our partners are seeing many more guests at their weekly food pantries. This list includes items our local food pantry partners say are the

items most preferred by their guests. The collection cart is just inside the main FPLC doors.

Food Needs:

Bush's Baked Beans	Baby formula
Canned black eyed peas	Spam
Ensure	Sardines
Dinty Moore Stew	Tuna
SpaghettiOs	Vienna sausages
Canned ravioli	Mac & cheese
Canned fruit	Honey Nut Cheerios
Canned pasta sauce	Canned vegetables
Canned beef and chicken	16 oz oatmeal
Soup (not tomato)	

Personal Care Items:

(Regular full-sized preferred, not bulk size)

Men's deodorant	Conditioner
Women's deodorant	Body lotion
Body wash	Toilet paper
Toothpaste	Lip balm
Shampoo	Bar soap



FPLC Blood Drive—March 21; 1-6 pm

Did you know that every ONE blood donation goes on to help THREE patients in need? Isn't it amazing how generosity multiplies?

Reserve your spot for our March drive now!

Click the heart to register for the March 21 date!

March 21; 1-6 pm	September 24; 1-6 pm
May 23; 1-6	November 26; 1-6 pm
July 23; 1-6 pm	



Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship

What is Serenity Inns?

It's a residence for men in recovery from alcohol and/or drug abuse in Milwaukee. FPLC has had a long volunteer relationship with SI.

What to expect when volunteering?

You will make dinner for the Inns at home & take it to the Inns on your chosen date. You deliver it warm by 5:45 pm (for a 6 pm start time) and join them for dinner and conversation. Because the number of residents is around 8-12, two families may want to volunteer together. You will cook for yourselves, the men and the innkeeper. You're usually on your way home by 7 pm.

Sign up on the website (see link below), on the sign-up in Fellowship Hall or contact FPLC member Lorraine Buehler; lcbuehler@cs.com. Lorraine is happy to answer any of your questions.

Click here to sign up!

Sign Up!

Learn the Basics of Baby Massage

Best for babies 2 weeks to under 12 months and their parent(s)/guard-



ian(s). Infant massage can relieve fussiness, pain and discomfort for the baby as well as help babies fall asleep sooner and sleep more restfully. Bring your baby, wear comfy clothes and bring a blanket to class as we will be on the floor. Handouts will be provided.

Date: February 16; Additional sessions are the 3rd Friday of the month. You only need to attend one class, but can come to more if you would like.

Time: 11 am – noon

Limit: 6 families per session

Registration: Call or email Angie Biersach, 414-207-2808 or angiebiersach@gmail.com to RSVP.



Bayside Garden Cards

You'll find everything you need, including indoor home decor, pots, tools, soil, indoor plants and bird feeders at Bayside Gardens. Bayside Gardens helps us send teens in Tanzania to high school—an FPLC commitment of \$10,000 a year. All you have to do is purchase Bayside gift cards at church (NOT at the garden center). We retain 15% of each card's cost, which helps us keep our promise to our partner dioceses in Tanzania. Cards can be purchased at the Welcome Desk on Sundays or in the church office during the week. *Cards purchased at Bayside Gardens do not benefit our program.*



The Point Cafe—Lower Level

Did you know our lower level Point Cafe is open most Sunday mornings? Grab a donut, coffee or a specialty coffee after services. It's a great place to catch up with friends after church. The cafe is staffed by our high schoolers. There's no charge for the coffees, but they accept "trip tips". Tips collected help offset the cost of the '24 Mission Trip!



Women's Book Club

This group meets approximately every 6 weeks and reads a variety of genre depending on interests in the group. It's an informal, fun time together. We take turns leading the discussion.

Date: February 19; *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

Time: 7 pm

Location: FPLC

Contact: Joanne Ginster; jmginster@yahoo.com

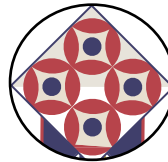
March Meeting: *Dinner with Ruth* by Nina Totenberg



Caregivers Support Group

Led by FPLC member Susan Halling, a marriage and family therapist, this support group is for caregivers dealing with changes in family dynamics.

Challenges include: role reversal, juggling responsibilities, handling dementia, loss and transitions as we move into uncharted territory. This group meets Fridays at 10:30 am in FPLC's first floor Heritage Room. If you are interested in joining or learning more, please call the FPLC office at 414-352-8990.



Quilters/Piecemakers

Join us as we make quilts for those in need. New members are always welcome and we'll teach you what to do. Bring your lunch and enjoy a break with other quilters. Come and go as your schedule permits.

Date: Tuesday, February 20

Time: 9 am – 1:30 pm

Location: Fellowship Hall

Contact: Ellen Feider; 414-435-8440; efeiderwi@gmail.com



Sheepshead Group at FPLC

All Are Welcome!!

Upcoming Date: Friday, February 23

Declared the official card game of Milwaukee in 1983, Sheepshead is a staple to Wisconsin card players.

Are you interested in joining a group of Sheepshead players to meet at church for some friendly competition? We play in Fellowship Hall, on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. We will have "learning aids" available to help with the basics, and experienced players to guide you.

We are looking forward to sharing the fun!

For more information, contact Lori Barrieau;

lori@foxpointchurch.org or call: 414-352-8990.



Coffee Hosts Needed!

MANY 2024 dates to fill!

Hosts make the coffee and serve the donuts on Sundays. You are still able to attend the church service. Just slip in at the back as the service is starting and slip out as it's ending. Families are welcome to volunteer with their kids! It's also a great Service Opportunity for our Confirmation students (with an adult).

What's involved?

Each of the two shifts have slightly different needs. When you click into the Signup Genius, there is a link for the instructions. Keep in mind that for an hour of the time listed, you are in the church service, if you wish.

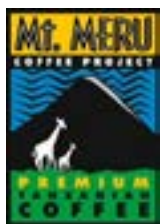
First Shift: (Approx 8:15 am – 10 am) Cut up the donuts, brew the coffee, and set things out.

Second-shift: (Approx 10 am – 11:45 am) Keep the coffee brewing, fill the donut trays as needed and clean up afterwards.

If you'd like to help with this important part of Sunday mornings, please sign up with the link below or contact Lori Barrieau in the church office if you have any questions; 414-352-8990.

Click here to sign up and read the instructions! →

Sign Up!



Drink Mt. Meru Coffee at Home!

You can purchase Mt. Meru Coffee (beans, ground, regular, decaf, Seasonal Premium Mt. Meru coffee, k-cups) at church to brew at home.

Not only is the coffee delicious, but your purchase helps support the growers running small coffee farms in the Meru District of Tanzania.

Stop by the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings or in the office during the week to make your purchases.



Men's Club State of the Church

Guest Speaker: Pastor Bill

Pastor Bill will share the vision for FPLC this year. What challenges are we facing in a new landscape for churches and their members?

How do we meet these challenges and continue the growth and excitement we are experiencing at FPLC?

Date: Thursday, February 15

Time: 11:30 am

Location: Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$10; includes lunch

Contact: Sign up in Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact Jim Kimmel; jim.kimmel42@gmail.com; (615) 519-4177.



February Women's Club

Deacon Ruth Schmidt will share challenges from her own personal faith journey to become a Deacon. Together we'll look at:

- What it means to receive a call from God
- What it means to be rostered in the church
- How important a name is
- A surprising relationship in the Bible
- The role of a Church Deacon
- Benefits: The joys of being together with other Christians

Date: Thursday, February 15

Time: 11:30 am

Where: Foxtown Brewing – 6411 W. Mequon Rd. (There are 6 steps leading to the upper level.)

Cost: Lunch off the menu – pay on your own

Sign up: In Fellowship Hall or on our website [HERE](#)

Contact: Gail Sommerfeld at sommerfeld56@gmail.com or 262-395-0396. *Please let Gail Sommerfeld know if you want/need to carpool. She will arrange and let you know.

Hospital Visits

If you or a loved one is ever hospitalized and would like a visit or phone call from a pastor (or just for them to know you are hospitalized), please call the church office to let them know; 414-352-8990. Due to HIPAA rules, hospitals are not allowed to share with us that you are a patient.



Fox Point Moms

If you expressed interest in our new Fox Point Moms Group, you should have received a followup questionnaire regarding meeting times. If you didn't receive that, and are still interested in the group, just click the link below!

We're creating a judgment-free time to mentor each other, vent, ask parenting or spousal questions and be a support to each other. We will also focus on a devotional and discuss it at each meeting. This is for moms of all ages with children or grandchildren of all ages.

Currently both time options are during the day. We know that there are a significant number of moms who are working during the day, which means they can't make the times of day offered in this questionnaire. The FPLC mom volunteering to lead the program is only available during these times. We are hoping that one or more of the moms interested in an evening program can lead a group for the evening as well. We have a devotion chosen or you can choose one of your own—no experience necessary!

There is space at the end of the questionnaire for additional comments or questions as well, which is a great place for those interested in an evening program to let us know! If you have any questions, please contact Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org.

Thank you! We hope to see you soon!

[Questionnaire](#)

2024 Chili Throwdown Winners

Our 9th Annual Chili Throwdown was a big success with over 150 people in attendance! There were a wide variety of meats, vegetables and "secret ingredients".

The chefs entered their favorite recipes to compete for one of three awards: Best Chili, Runner Up and Best Presentation. Congratulations to our winners:

1st Place
Robin & Mick Burns



Runner Up
Jamie Rinehart



Best Presentation
Jeff and Karen Sunderlin





Vacation Bible School Registration is OPEN!

June 17-21

9 am – Noon

Are you going to be entering K5-4th grade in the fall? Then bring lots of friends and join us for this fun and faith-filled week!

Imagine! Create! Build! Even Break!

We will be making lots of things, but whatever we make: we will make it FUN, we will make it GOOD, and we will make it for GOD!

Register by clicking the gear:



Fee: \$75 per child

*Scholarships available, contact the church office.

We are looking for volunteers! If you can help for a few hours or every day, please contact Julie Schlifske;

julie@foxpointchurch.org

Little Lambs

Registration is OPEN!

June 17-21

9:15 – 11:45 am

Little Lambs is designed for children who have turned age 3 by January 1, 2024, through those currently in a P3 program.

Join us as we sing, play games, make crafts and investigate how to follow Jesus.

Register by clicking the lamb:



Fee: \$75 per child

*Scholarships available, contact the church office.



Sunday School Needs Your Help!

300 children enrolled in Sunday school = We need 11 volunteers every Sunday!

We are in serious need of more teachers.

If you haven't signed up yet, please try to find 3 or 4 Sundays to teach. By having all parents participate, we can have a system where parents can worship *and* play a role in their child's spiritual development.

(If you have already taught, but would like to sign up to teach 1 or 2 more times, you are welcome to do that too.)

We provide the curriculum and set up the classroom—even if you have had no experience with the Bible or teaching, you can do this!

The links to sign up are below.

Many thanks!

Teach Preschool

Teach K5 – 6th Grade



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



High School Youth Group

Hang out with friends, make new friends and have fun while learning about your faith. The group meets on Sundays from 6-7:30 pm. Contact Hannah Knapp with any questions; hannah@foxpointchurch.org.

Upcoming Dates:

February 18: Bachelor/Bachelorette Party

It's that time of year again as we "fake" marry another Youth Group couple. This Sunday we will get together and talk through the best and worst of the opposite sex. Learn what makes the other side tick and how to use that to improve all of your relationships.

February 25: Youth Group Wedding

This is the big "fake" wedding we have all been waiting for. Watch two of your friends get "fake" married and learn from young couples how to eventually find a great partner to marry. Pastor Bill will be presiding with wedding food and surprises!

Dates for the Rest of the Year:

March 10: A Mindfulness Journey

May 5: Activity TBD

March 24: Walking through Holy Week

May 19: Senior Celebration Night!

April 7: Activity TBD

June 2: (During Church Service) Senior Send-Off

April 21: Activity TBD

Mission Trip Dates: Monday July 22 – Sunday July 28; details to come



Confirmation meets on Wednesdays from 7 – 8:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Our schedule through February is as follows:

***February:** 21 & 28

***March:** 6 & 13

April: 3 & 10

*On these 4 dates during Lent we will be watching selected episodes of *The Chosen* in the sanctuary with the congregation. *The Chosen* is a historical drama based on the life of Jesus and those who knew him. Set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Palestine, the series shares an authentic look at Jesus' revolutionary life and teachings. After the films, we will meet in our usual small groups for discussion with our regular group leaders.

All Confirmation-related dates are also on our website through the link below.

You'll find all things Confirmation on our website here: [CONFIRMATION](#). Questions? Contact Lori Barrieau; lori@foxpointchurch.org or 414-352-8990.

Confirmation Service Opportunities

As our Confirmation families know, each student is required to participate in a certain number of service opportunities as part of their Confirmation experience. Ideally, they will participate in 3 opportunities per year that help FPLC and 3 per year that take place out in our community.

This time of year is the perfect time to make sure your student is on track with their SOPs! We have plenty of opportunities coming up.

Following are some popular SOPs in which your student can participate:

Internal to FPLC:

Contact Lori Barrieau for info/sign up: lori@foxpointchurch.org

- Volunteer at the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner
- Chili Cook-off volunteering
- Ushering on Sundays
- Coffee Hosting with a parent(s)

Community SOPs:

- Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship; click: [Serenity Inns](#)
- Lunches for MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary; see our website [HERE](#).



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!

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

Julie Anderson	Lyle Dabney	Jon	Nita
Artie	Pr. Dan	Donna Jordahl	Robert Palmer
Dan Barrieau	Sheila Dlugi	Julia	Patrick
Robb Bartelt	Jennifer Doss	Randy K.	Peter
Kim Bell	Eden	Karan	Rachel
Gabby Biancuzzo	Cammy Endres	Kath	Rebecca
Mary Ellen Bloomquist	Erin	Kaylynn	Rick
Brenda	Lu Farwig	Nadene Kramer	Robert
Christine Brown	Frank	Corrine Kraus	Geoffrey Rose
Brian	Rick Frank	Pat Lawless	Dave Rotter
John Chamberlain	Andrea G.	Leslie	Erik Scribner
Cheryl	Jenny G.	Linda	Stephen
Chris	Joan Gildner	Steve M.	Jane T.
Christine	Guy	Andy Meser	Janelle T.
Christine	Anna H.	Pat Meyer	Terry
Claire	Heidi	Michael	Thad
Chrystal	Sue Hiller	Mike	Tom
Craig	Jim	Nancy	Mike Umland
Danielle D.	Joan	Curt Nash	Camp Van Dyke
Jane D.	John	Ned	Cory Zamora

Prayer Requests

Now you can make a prayer request through our web-site. Click [Prayer Requests](#) to submit a form or submit a request through email—church@foxpointchurch.org.

Military

Alex	Ian
Ben	Kyan
Cooper	Matthew
David	
Grant	



Condolences

Our prayers are with the friends and family of long-time FPLC member, Connie Frieberg, who passed away January 25.



FPLC Annual Meeting

The FPLC Annual Meeting will be Sunday, Feb. 18 in the sanctuary after the 10:30 service. We'd love to see you there!



Grief Support at Fox Point Church

Have you experienced the loss of a loved one? Do you need encouragement and support as you navigate your grief? Would you be interested in participating in a facilitated twelve-session grief support group with others who are also grieving? If so, or to learn more, please reach out to Pastor Bruce by phone or by email; 414-352-8990; pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org

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Fox Point Church



*Written by FPLC member,
Mary Buscher. This devotion
was first shared on Wednesday,
February 7. If you would like to
receive Mary's devotions on a
weekly basis, please sign up here:*
[Weekly Devotion](#)

Hello!

"I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, as a bride adorns herself with her jewels"

– Isaiah 61:10

On a typical Sunday morning, I am the last one out the door, and one of the last ones into the sanctuary! The first hymn was in full swing as we hurried into the pews, and it felt good to see new faces mixed in with old friends. But something was different this day. The pews were full, crowded even...folks were a little squished together; it was a put-your-jacket-in-your-lap day! The hymn and Gospel reading concluded, prayers were offered, and we settled in for a wonderful Sunday sermon...together!

I like to see the pastors when they preach, and Pr. Bruce was nowhere in my line of vision. With the wonderful crowd, there were too many heads blocking my view! At first, I moved a little left or right, craning my neck. Then, I found my sweet spot, a little opening between the right ear of the fellow directly in front, and the left side of a blond head in the pew ahead of him. It was perfect, the pastor was right in the center! Another piece of God's perfect plan...a very full church in full worship mode on a wintry Sunday morning. Each of us worshiping, listening, laughing, pondering, praying, singing...delighting in the Lord! Just imagine a sanctuary so full...our hearts so full...praising God together...finding our sweet spot, with Our Father.

"I have come that they would have life and have it to the full." – John 10:10

Father, thank you for coming into our lives in whatever way we find you...because you always find us. Sometimes in bits and pieces, sometimes on rough roads and sometimes in softness like velvet. We are humbled by your love for us shown in every moment of every day. Amen.

Blessings for a wonderful week! – Mary