

LIFE TOGETHER This Week

Week of July 23, 2024 Vol 156 Real Faith For Real Life

Volunteers needed: Fri 8/16 Thurs 8/22

Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship

Serenity Inns is 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?*

SERENATIVE

We ask our volunteers to make dinner for the Inns at home & take it to the Inns on your chosen date. You should

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 be cooking 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 at lcbuehler@cs.com. Lorraine is happy to answer any of your questions.

Have a buddy? Feel free to sign up with another person/family to prepare the meal and go to dinner together!

This summer, Serenity Inns is opening a brand new building (while still using the original, where these meals are served)! To hear about that, watch the TMJ4 news story HERE.

Click here to sign up!





Make Lunches THIS Sunday, July 28!

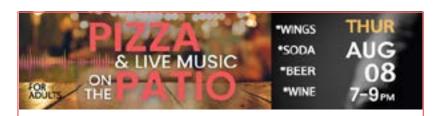
Stop downstairs this Sunday to make 150 brown bag lunches for MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary.

No need to sign up, come down between services. It only takes about 20 min! Families are welcome and encouraged!









Enjoy a relaxing evening on FPLC's awesome patio! Reconnect with friends, enjoy the beautiful space and soak up summer! We'll have **live music**, pizza, wings, beer, wine, soda and our fabulous FPLC members!

Date: Thursday, August 8 Time: 7:00 – 9:00pm

Location: Fox Point Lutheran Church's patio

Age Range: 21 and older

Should I sign up? Yes, you should! It helps us plan for food. RSVP with this QR code, through the link below, on our website, in Fellowship Hall, or at the

Welcome Desk!



SIGN UP





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Our Next Generation Program with Congregation Shalom

During the last school year, FPLC partnered with Congregation Shalom (right across the street) on a program to tutor and build meaningful relationships with children living in Milwaukee. While that was our first year, Congregation Shalom has been involved with Our Next Generation (ONG) Outbound tutoring program for over 6 years. ONG is a nonprofit, community-based organization that provides academic

support and enrichment programs for students, kindergarten through high school, in central Milwaukee. Shalom and FPLC would like to add some additional tutors this year—either for every week or as substitute.

Tutoring is one hour per week on Thursdays. The tutors arrive at 4:15 pm, the students' bus arrives shortly thereafter. The students/tutors work from 4:30-5:30 on homework, reading, and other meaningful relationship-building activities. Everything will take place at either Congregation Shalom or FPLC. The program begins in the fall and runs into May.

If you are interested, or have questions, please contact Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org.

"I'm a sub and the experience has been wonderful. I've worked with a different child each of the 3 times I've been a substitute and each has been a joy. The organization is very organized and easy to work with."

FPLC ONG Tutoring Sub

"I am very pleased with the tutoring experience with ONG and Shalom. I feel fortunate that I was matched up with a smart and effervescent fourth grade girl. She usually has homework. When she finishes it there are plenty of books, games and activities that Shalom sets out on tables.

FPLC ONG Weekly Tutor



Summer Sunday School

Kids who will be in P4 through 4th grade in the FALL are invited to join us in Sunday School, learning through crafts, stories and games! Kids who will be in 5th grade and above in the FALL are welcome to

worship with their families during summer.



The bouncy house and giant slide are back after services on **September 8!**

We look forward to seeing you all as we kick off the beginning of fall worship, programs and Sunday School!



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Quilters/Piecemakers — Come Join Us!

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, August 20 Time: 9 am – 1:30 pm Location: Fellowship Hall

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



Bayside Garden Cards

Summer is here! What does your garden need? You'll

find everything, including pots, tools, soil, fertilizer, seeds, and plants as well as indoor plants/decor 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.



Coming this October! FPLC's Women's Gathering, formally known as the Women's retreat. Look for more info coming in August.

Share Your Military Service

Every year for Veterans Day we publish a list of our members who have or are serving in the US Military in order to honor and recognize their service.

If you have served in the military, please share your service information with us! Aren't sure if you've already shared it with us? That's ok, just fill out the Service form through the link below and we'll double check what we have.

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

Thank you!





Summer Office Hours

The office will be closed on Fridays through August. Office hours will be 8:30 am – 4 pm Monday – Thursday.



Women's Book Club

This casual and fun book club will be meeting in September after a summer break. Meet new people, read good books and have

some snacks. They meet every 6 weeks from 6 pm – 8 pm (approx) and take turns leading the discussion and bringing snacks. Dates and book titles for the year will be coming in August!



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Food Needs Rising
The following list
includes items our
local food pantry
partners say are the
items most preferred
by their guests. There is

a special need for the items in bold.

"This week our Food Pantry saw 100+ families. We are doing better with our Food Pantry stock lately with help from our partners. With school getting out the need WILL become greater. Please help us out."

Brian Bolling; All Peoples Church, Food Pantry Manager

The collection cart is just inside the main FPLC doors. *Please check expiration dates before donating!*

Food Needs:

Bush's Baked Beans Canned black eyed peas

Ensure

Dinty Moore Stew SpaghettiOs

Canned fruit

Canned beef and chicken

Soup (not tomato) Baby formula

Spam Sardines Tuna Salmon

Vienna sausages
Mac & cheese
Canned vegetables

16 oz oatmeal Canned Pasta

Pasta Sauce in cans or plastic Honey Nut Cheerios/Cereal

Hamburger Helper

Personal Care Items:

(Regular full-sized preferred, not bulk size)

Men's deodorantBaby diapersWomen's deodorantBody lotionBody washToilet paperToothpasteLip balmShampoo/ConditionerBar soap

Feminine Products

Men also invited!

Women's Club

Cheesecake Factory & Tour of The Salvation Army Emergency Lodge

It's difficult to believe that summer is quickly fading away and information for our September meeting is ready to share! Please join us for our opening meeting of the season. We will meet at church and carpool to The Cheesecake Factory at Bayshore Town Center. After lunch, we'll carpool to the Salvation Army Emergency Lodge for a tour.

Date: Wednesday, September 11

Location: Cheesecake Factory (Bayshore) and

Salvation Army Emergency Lodge (1730 N. 7th St., Milwaukee)

Time: 10:40 am – Meet in church parking lot to carpool

11:00 am – Lunch at Cheesecake Factory

1:00 pm - Salvation Army Lodge

Cost: Pay for your own lunch

Sign up: In Fellowship Hall or on the FPLC Website (Connecting – then

Women's Club) by Sunday, September 8 at noon

Contact: Gail Sommerfeld at sommerfeld56@gmail.com or 262-395-0396.







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Sheepshead Group at FPLC We'll be meeting this summer! Dates: Fridays, July 26, August 9 and 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 Jim Schmidt at schmidtyjim@aol.com.



Hospital Visits

If you or a loved one is hospitalized and would like a visit or call from a pastor (or just for them to know you are hospitalized), please

call the church office; 414-352-8990. Due to HIPAA rules, hospitals are not allowed to share with us that you are a patient.



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? Are you interested in

participating in a facilitated 12-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.



Attention all Women & Men

The '24 – '25 programming for Women's Club is now available in the Fellowship Hall (on the table where we normally sign up for events). This year men are invited to join us, whenever they would like. Please feel free to pick up one of these schedules, so you can mark your calendars now. If you are unable to come to church but would like a copy, please contact Gail Sommerfeld at sommerfeld56@gmail.com or 262-395-0396, and she will get you a copy via e-mail or regular mail — whichever you prefer.

Last Call for Purse & Card Collections

Card Collection

If you have received homemade cards like the one shown here, please consider donating them to a Women's Club project, "The Purposeful Purse." The card is approximately 5 1/2" wide by 4 1/4" long. The backs (with the greeting) will be cut off, and we will write on the back of the decorated portion. No holiday or birthday greeting cards please, just ones that are inspirational. Please bring the cards to church and put them in a box on or near the Welcome Desk through July 31.

Attention All Women:

Do you have gently-used purses you'd like to re-home? We are collecting them through July 31. Leave them in the collection box near the Welcome Desk. The purses need to be large enough to hold approximately 14 travel size items.







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Learn the Basics of Baby Massage

Best for babies 2 weeks to under 12 months and their parent(s)/guardian(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: August 16; additional sessions are on the 3rd Friday of the month. You only need to attend one class, but can come to more if you would like.

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Limit: 6 families per session

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



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. We also have "Specialty 6-Packs" with smaller packages of flavored coffee blends. All of these can be found in

Fellowship Hall and the Point Cafe.

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.



Caregivers Support Group

Led by FPLC member Susan Halling, a marriage and family therapist, this 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. The 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.

August 11 & Beyond Needed!

Coffee Hosts Needed!

One of our regular coffee hour hosts chose to be a host as a way to get involved when she joined the church. She says, "If you want to meet people, be a coffee hour host! You get to meet everyone as they have coffee and eat donuts!"

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).

9:00 am shift: (Approx 8:15 am – 10:15 am) Cut up the donuts, brew the coffee, and set things out.

10:30 am shift: (Approx 10:15 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; <u>lori@foxpointchurch.org</u> or 414-352-8990.



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.

Rick Frank Woody Barksdale Kim Bell Andrea G. Jay Blair Jenny G. Brenda Joan Gildner Charley Guv Kathy C Anna H. John Chamberlain Heidi Christine Sue Hiller **James Isenhart** Claire Chrystal Iim Craig Ioan Jane D. John Lyle Dabney Ion Pr. Dan Donna Jordahl

Laura Dossett Iulia Randy K.

Cammy Endres Erin Lu Farwig

Frank

Leslie Linda Pr. Luke Steve M. Marla MaryEllen Matt Andy Meser Pat Meyer Michael Mike

> Michael Miller Nancy Curt Nash Robert Palmer Patrick Peter Tan Popatas Wendy Randazzo

Rebecca Rick Robert Dave Rotter Stephen Jane T. Terry Thad Tom

Mike Umland Cory Zamora

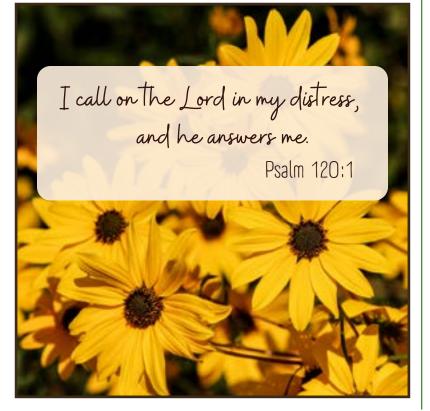
You can follow Cory's cancer *journey via CaringBridge:* https://www.caringbridge. org/public/coryzamora or by using this QR code:

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.

Military

Alex Grant Ben Ian Cooper Kyan David Matthew



Helen Kappmeyer

Corrine Kraus

Kath

Congratulations Weddings

Congratulations and best wishes to Sydney Benson and Joe Tigue, who were married on July 20.

Baptisms

Polly Dell Hayes, daughter of Joseph and Natalie Hayes, was baptized July 7.

Drew Anthony Nitz, son of Anthony and Emma Nitz, was baptized July 14.

Condolences

Our thoughts and prayers are with Sue Hiller on the death of her husband, Jerry Hiller, who passed away July 21. Services will be Sunday, July 28. Visitation is from 1:30 - 3 pm at FPLC; service is at 3 pm followed by a reception at FPLC.



Written by FPLC member, Mary Buscher. This devotion was first shared on Wednesday, July 17. If you would like to receive Mary's devotion on a weekly basis, please sign up here: Weekly Devotion.

Hello!

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your request be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. – "Philippians 4:6-7

Some weeks seem fraught with one little mishap after another – unintended, unexpected and unwanted! Reading a recipe but forgetting a step, disagreeing with a friend or dear one...loudly, the market runs out of your Cosmic Crisp apples...again...or a car whooshes past you well over the speed limit, cutting you off. It's enough to make you momentarily crazy! Maybe you bury those little thorns of anguish but later find them spilling over into your life anyway. It's then I realize my reservation time for a talk with God is a perfect fit and a recurring appointment is always available!

"A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." - Proverbs 15:1

The label on my hand lotion reads "advanced repair; to fix, renew, remedy and make whole again". A cream meant to heal dry skin is one thing, but what about my parched and irritated heart and soul? At times I feel that kind of bitterness, a lack of compassion and caring compounded by little everyday wounds that sting. That's when I thank God for helping me remember that there's a way out, that I can turn anger and anxiety around with His healing and love. Our heavenly Father is the ultimate rebuilder!

"Go ahead and be angry You do well to be angry—but don't use your anger as fuel for revenge. And don't stay angry. Don't go to bed angry. Don't give the Devil that kind of foothold in your life." Ephesians 4:26-27 – The Message

We pray together-

O Lord our God, grant us grace to desire you with our whole heart; that so desiring we may seek and find you; and so finding may love you; and so loving may hate those sins from which you have delivered us; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen. – Church of England, Wednesday prayer

Blessings! - Mary