



### Gratitude Sunday Sunday Morning Pie Social Sunday, November 24

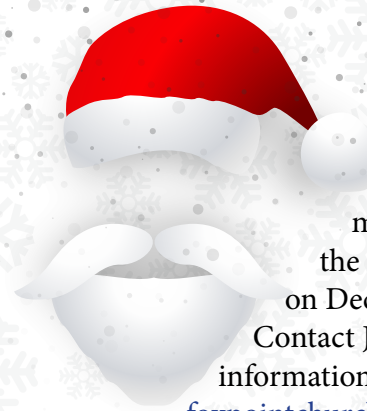
This is the Sunday before Thanksgiving, a special day of gratitude at FPLC. After each service we look forward to spending some time together enjoying pie.

Our pie social could use your sweet treats! Would you like to make, bake or buy a pie(s) to share? Simply click the pie to the right to indicate that you'd like to donate a pie, or help serve pie on the day of the event.



### Paul Oman returns to FPLC

Artist Paul Oman will join us in worship on Sunday, November 24 (Gratitude Sunday), at both worship services. Oman, a Lutheran pastor, creates paintings at the front of our sanctuary during the services. Come and see the stories come to life on canvas as you hear the Word through readings of Scripture and song. Paul has been here twice before—you have probably seen a rotation of his 4 paintings in our building.



### Santa Hat Ensemble

Do you play an instrument and love Christmas music? Come play in the Santa Hat Ensemble on Dec 22, after each service! Contact Jeff Shoemaker for information and the music; [jeff@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:jeff@foxpointchurch.org). All instruments and skill levels are welcome, provided you have some basic music reading knowledge. There will be a rehearsal/read-through on Sunday, Dec 8 at 11:45 am in the sanctuary.

**Don't play an instrument?  
Enjoy the music after services on December 22  
while you have coffee and donuts!!**



### Bag Lunches for MBHS; Nov 24; 10 am

It's time to make the lunches! Join us to make 150 lunches for MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary.

No need to sign up—come down at 10 am. It only takes about 20 minutes, so you can still attend 10:30 service. Families are welcome and encouraged! We work quickly, so to participate, come downstairs right after the church services.



### Women's Book Club December 2; 7 - 8:30 pm

The December book is *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. We meet in the lower level in the Meeting Space (next to the lower level Cafe). For a full list of the books, see our [website](#). Questions: contact Joanne Ginster; [jmginster@yahoo.com](mailto:jmginster@yahoo.com) or (414) 491-8939.



## A Note from Pastor Bill ~ An Exciting Mission Coming Up!

In January, two of our members and my dear friend are joining me on my third trip to Tanzania. We'll be spending time with the people and our church partners in the Meru Diocese to learn more about their hopes and needs. Our relationship began in 2004, and our continuing partnership is truly a miracle, one that provides hope and concrete support for our Meru friends.



The area is marked by extreme poverty, but the people share a deep, unshakable faith, filling each day with smiles even while facing huge challenges: day-to-day survival, famine, droughts, and critical illnesses. Thankfully, you, our members, have embraced our partnership fully, giving more than \$536,093 so far to help them live better lives.

Your gifts have covered everything from goats that provide milk for widows and orphans to support for their coffee farmers, and a major medical mission.

One of your biggest contributions is supporting education—providing younger generations with a positive future. We help pay high school fees, and our College Scholarship program is a remarkable success! In a decade, donations from more than 100 of you have covered tuition and books for 84 young adults, giving them the chance to earn degrees and insuring their positive futures.



One grateful student, Furahini Mbise, completed medical school in 2020 with a 3.9 GPA and earned an internship. Thanks to his commitment and hard work, he has realized his next goal:



*Greetings from Tanzania! I hope you and your loved ones are doing well. I have some exciting news for you. God has been so faithful throughout my journey, and I'm thrilled to tell you that one of my biggest dreams has come true – I've been accepted into the Master of Science program at Muhimbili University – School of Public Health to join the Monitoring and Evaluation of*

*Health Project which begins on Oct 28! This achievement is even more special because, through my volunteer work at NIMR, I saved enough money to pay for my first year's fees in full. It's been a challenging but rewarding experience, and I am grateful for every step along the way.*

*I also heard that you're planning to visit Tanzania next year; I can't wait to see you! It'll be wonderful to reconnect and share more in person.*

*Thank you so much for your friendship and support. Please keep me in your prayers as I begin this new chapter. I look forward to staying connected and sharing updates with you along the way!*

*God's love,  
Furahiniand*

We're hoping to meet some of our students and Mama Mariki, founder of Hope Seed Initiative and the goat

project, looking forward to sharing our experiences with you on our return.

We're also hoping you'll join us for another special trip in 2025! Learn more on our next Tanzania Sunday!





The leaves have just fallen, but in the FPLC office, plans for Thanksgiving and Christmas are well underway. A glance through today's newsletter will show you that there are many ways you can serve our neighbors during the holidays. We also have our Gratitude Sunday and Christmas Eve services to help us realize the joys and meaning of the holidays.

### Help Needed!

#### Ushers

With so many services and people coming to church on Christmas Eve, we need extra ushers to keep the Christmas services running smoothly. If you can usher for one of these services (or others throughout the year), please click the link below to sign up! We welcome women, men and high school students for ushering! Thank you for considering this much needed position!

To sign up and access the Usher Guide, please click →

**Usher**

#### Communion Servers

Are you a past or present Council member would like to serve Communion on Christmas Eve (at any service other than the Pageant in a Bag)? Contact Lori Barrieau: [lori@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:lori@foxpointchurch.org).

#### Pageant in a Bag Helpers

Would you like to help at our Pageant in a Bag 3:30 pm service? We need adult helpers to make this touching and fun service come to life (literally). We also need adults to play wisemen/women (These are non-speaking roles). To volunteer, please contact Julie Schlifske: [julie@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:julie@foxpointchurch.org).

### Christmas Eve Service Times:

**9 am:** Communion Service

**10:30 am:** Communion Service

**3:30 pm:** Children's Pageant in a Bag Service

**5:30 pm:** Communion & Candlelight Service

**9 pm:** Communion & Candlelight Service

Join the Choir for



Christmas Singing!

### Christmas Singing Opportunity! Sunday, Dec. 8

It's the moment you've been waiting for—a no-obligation Christmas singing opportunity!

Everyone – no matter their musical background or experience – is welcome to join the Chancel Choir for a special music performance on Sunday, Dec. 8 at the 9 and 10:30 am services.

We will be singing a combination of classic Christmas carols and original contemporary Christmas songs as well.

Rehearsals are every Thursday evening between 7-8:30pm in the sanctuary (except Thanksgiving Thursday, November 28).

Questions: contact Tony Mudra: [tony@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:tony@foxpointchurch.org).



### FPLC Blood Drives

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 November 26 drive now! It runs from 1 – 6 pm.

**Click the heart to register  
for the November 26 date!**





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



Fox Point Church

## Kids' Church!

Our new Sunday morning program for kids, **Kids' Church**, has started! If your children are participating in Kid's Church and haven't been registered yet, click the appropriate button below to fill out the registration form ASAP.



**Our preschool friends–Little Foxes**–will continue to meet in the lower-level Preschool Room.



**Our younger elementary friends (K5–3rd grades)–our Faith Explorers**–will meet in the Movie Room in the Sunday School hallway. We will use a variety of rooms in this area, based on our different activities each Sunday.



**Our older elementary kids (4th–6th grades)–our Faith Builders**–will now meet in the Café area, which gives them the space they need to build their faith and community in new and varied ways.

If you have questions, contact Julie Schlifske, Director of Children's Ministries; [julie@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:julie@foxpointchurch.org). Of course, you are welcome to come downstairs on any Sunday to meet our new teachers and see our programs in action.

### Preschool Registration:

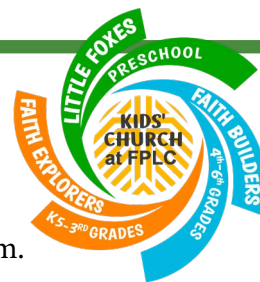
Do you have a child who will be age 3 as of September 1 through 4 years old?

**PRESCHOOL**

### Elementary Registration:

Do you have a child who is in K5 – 6th grade this fall?

**ELEMENTARY**



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WORKSHOP  
Sat, Jan 4  
8:45 - 12:15

FIRST  
COMMUNION  
SERVICES  
Sun, Jan 5  
9:00 or 10:30

REGISTRATION  
Click  
[HERE](#)



Our next workshop is Wed, Nov 20; 7 pm. Don't forget to bring in your food donations for All Peoples Church on this night. Not sure what this is? See the reminder email sent from Stacia Hickey today (Nov. 19) or all the information you need can be found on our website here:

### [Confirmation.](#)

Questions, contact Lori Barrieau; [lori@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:lori@foxpointchurch.org).

### Confirmation Fall Dates:

Here are all of our workshop dates through 2024:

November 20  
December 4  
December 18



### 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:** December 20; additional sessions are on the 3rd Friday of the month. It's a one-session 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](mailto:angiebiersach@gmail.com) to RSVP.



### Men's Club

#### Site Visit to LAB Midwest

**FPLC Member, Matt Kirchner**

Robotics, Automation, Artificial Intelligence, Virtual Reality, Additive Manufacturing, Drones

and Autonomous Vehicles are changing the world. The nation's leader in preparing the next generation workforce for these emerging technologies is right in our back yard! LAB Midwest and its sister companies share a Tech Center in Mequon.

Together they comprise the largest distributor, of and advocate for, technical education learning systems in the USA. Join us for an overview of how emerging technologies are creating the future. Then get hands-on with the learning systems being implemented in labs and classrooms across the Midwest. You'll come away with an understanding of cutting edge tech and inspired for what lies ahead.

**Date:** Thursday, November 21

**Time:** 11:30 am

**Fee:** \$10, includes lunch

**Location:** 6140 Executive Drive, Suite H, Mequon, WI 53092

**Sign up:** Signup sheet is in Fellowship Hall

**Contact:** The church office; 414-352-8990



### High School Youth Group

At Youth Group, our vision is to create an atmosphere for high schoolers to grow, connect, worship and serve.

**We welcome all!** Whether you go to church every Sunday, or have never stepped foot inside FPLC, if you're interested in exploring your faith, fellowship and having some fun—come join us!

If you need a ride, we encourage carpooling (responsibly). If anyone needs a ride, please let us know and we WILL figure something out so all can attend. We do need people to RSVP to these events; a link to do so will be sent out ahead of time. If you have any questions about Youth Group, please contact Hannah Knapp; [hannah@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:hannah@foxpointchurch.org).

#### Dec 15: Christmas at FPLC

Come for a feast, Christmas White Elephant Exchange, and time to discover the reason for the season; 6pm-8pm!

#### Jan 12: Chicago Mini-Mission Trip

We will be taking the train to Chicago to serve those in need! Come travel in the city, serving those who need help; 8am-5pm, estimated time.

RSVP is required for this event:

**RSVP**

### Coat Drive Results

We hope it warms your heart to know that hundreds of Milwaukeeans will be warmer this winter thanks to your generous donations of coats, hats, mittens, scarves, gloves and socks in the last month.

A conservative estimate of what was donated: 240 new and gently-used coats and 320 winter-wear items such as hats, mittens, socks, gloves, scarves. Many of the winter wear items were lovingly and beautifully made by FPLC's fabric and yarn-based crafts-people.

While we don't need to put a dollar amount on all we do, it sometimes helps quantify the impact of the donations. Conservatively, this donation is estimated to be over \$13,000. Items were donated to: Salvation Army Emergency Shelter, MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary, United Community Center and All Peoples Church.

Thank you to members of FPLC, mostly from our Men's and Women's Clubs, who did all the sorting, packing and delivering of these items to the four organizations. They worked up an appetite for a chili lunch and time to socialize in Fellowship Hall!





**Volunteers  
needed:  
12/25**

**2025  
dates added!**

**Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship**

Serenity Inns is a residence for men in recovery from alcohol and/or drug abuse in Milwaukee. We have a long volunteer relationship with SI.

*What to expect when volunteering?*

Volunteers make dinner and take it warm to the Inn by 5:45 pm (for a 6 pm start time). You join them for dinner and conversation. The number of residents is around 12-14. Two families can volunteer together! You'll be cooking for yourselves, the men and the innkeeper. You're usually on your way home by 7 pm.

*"Dinner Fellowship taught me things  
about myself I never knew.  
Serenity Inns changed my life.  
Serenity Inns saved my life."*

Please prayerfully consider volunteering at Dinner Fellowship. Sign up on the website (see link below) or on the sign-up in Fellowship Hall. Questions? FPLC member Lorraine Buehler is happy to answer any of your questions; [lcbuehler@cs.com](mailto:lcbuehler@cs.com)

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

*Click here to sign up!*

**Sign Up!**



**Men's & Women's Club**

**Cool Beans Quartet**

The Men's & Women's Clubs will be celebrating Christmas together this year! We will meet in Fellowship Hall and the entertainment will be "Cool Beans", an all women's quartet that will entertain us with their beautiful harmony and Christmas music. Please note that this is not a usual/traditional date for Women's Club—it's the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

**Date:** Wednesday, December 18

**Times:** 11:30 am – Meet for fellowship

Noon – Lunch

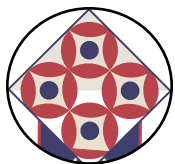
12:45 pm – Entertainment

**Cost:** \$10; includes lunch

**Sign up:** In Fellowship Hall or on the FPLC Website (Connecting; then Women's Club) by Sun Dec 15; noon

**Contact:** Gail Sommerfeld at [sommerfeld56@gmail.com](mailto:sommerfeld56@gmail.com) or 262-395-0396.

**Sign Up Here!**



**Quilters/Piecemakers – 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, December 17

**Time:** 9 am – 1:30 pm

**Location:** Fellowship Hall

**Contact:** Ellen Feider; 414-435-8440;  
[efeiderwi@gmail.com](mailto:efeiderwi@gmail.com)



**Sheepshead Group at FPLC**

**Dates:** Fridays, Nov 22, Dec 13 & 27

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](mailto:schmidtyjim@aol.com).

## Recap of Women's Conference

Recently, eighty women from FPLC, Redeemer Lutheran church, along with friends and relatives, gathered for a Women's Conference. On Friday night the women met at the Bavarian Bierhaus for appetizers and drinks, where they had time to socialize and then listen to *True Voices*, five minute stories about something that happened to them. Our theme was to share a story of something bad that happened, but then had a silver lining in the end. Women could empathize and get to know others in a deeper way, through this sharing. The emcee of the evening was the wonderful Molly Fay (co-host from the Morning Blend) and member of FPLC.



On Saturday we gathered at FPLC to sit at assigned, mostly intergenerational tables, to meet new people and develop a level of getting to know each other through an ice-breaker and

sharing answers to questions from our fabulous speaker for the day, Pastor Lisa Bates-Froiland from Redeemer Lutheran Church. Lisa has a special talent for helping people feel at ease and encourages developing trust through questions that each table group answers together, then shares with the entire group. In the morning, the topic was the importance of silence in a busy world. In the afternoon, the topic was learning to set up boundaries in our lives to help reduce stress.

An activity in the morning involved the BeeVangelists teaching us to make candles, using exclusively bee's wax. Bees are synonymous with life and many lessons can be learned from them. In the afternoon, the women filled purses with personal care products and wrote words of encouragement to women who are victims of sexual trafficking, abuse, and homelessness. Thanks so much to



everyone who donated purses, bought items or donated money to fill the purses. The purses will be given to Fresh Start, Inc., an organization in Milwaukee that serves the women with counseling, support groups, job training, a clothes closet, and gives them the courage to change their lives. For the January Women's Club, Nancy Yarbrough, the founder of Fresh Start, Inc. will be the featured speaker.



Based on the post-event survey, 98% of the women who attended felt that they were very satisfied with the Women's Gathering. They felt the events were inclusive, impactful, relevant, and engaging. They agreed that meeting other faith-based women was beneficial and

encouraged them to be more involved in church activities in the future, including planning to attend next



year's Women's Conference!

Sarah Gilday, Kathi Behm, and Gail Sommerfeld (the planning team) would like to thank the staff of FPLC for being so supportive,

our speakers, and all the women who agreed to be a part of our program, whether visible or behind the scenes. We would love to have another Women's Gathering next year, so please think about how you might be a part of it!





## The Poinsettia Garden

Poinsettia plants will be used to decorate the church during the Christmas season. If you would like to participate in this part of the Christmas celebration, please fill out this form and mail it along with a check to the church office, or leave it at the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings. You may also sign up through this link: [Poinsettia](#) or through this QR code. The firm deadline for submission is Sunday, December 15.



## Christmas Poinsettia Garden

Poinsettia plants will be used to decorate the church during the Christmas season.

If you would like to participate in this part of the Christmas celebration, please fill out this form and mail it along with a check to the church office, or leave it at the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings.

You may also sign up through the link on our website under Events.

**Cost: \$25 per plant**

**Firm Deadline: Sunday, December 15**

A list of donors and those they listed to honor or to share their memory, will be published in the Christmas Eve *Bulletin*.

If you wish, you may specify the person being honored or memorialized.

**Please write the name(s) as you would like them to appear in the Bulletin:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Person(s) You would like to Honor or list In Memory of: (Please circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_ In Honor or Memory of

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How many Poinsettias? One \_\_\_\_ Two \_\_\_\_

Email/Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_



## Knitters and Crocheters Needed!

### Soap Sacks

Soap Sacks are hand-knit or crocheted drawstring bags that hold a standard size bar of soap. The sacks can be used simply to hold the soap or people can leave the soap in the bag and use it as a soap-filled wash cloth. FPLC will fill each bag with a donated bar of soap and deliver them to our partners in Milwaukee to give to their pantry guests. Some of the guests are homeless or move frequently. They may not have access to soap or washcloths on a regular basis. If you can't make these but would like to help, donate standard-sized bars of soap in our food carts.

If you wish to include a standard-sized bar of soap with the Soap Sacks you donate, please keep the soap in its wrapper before putting it inside the sack. That way it stays clean until it reaches its recipient. Donations can be left in our food donation carts.

See the links below for instructions. If you have a pattern you'd prefer to use, that's fine! We just ask that they be similar in size, have a drawstring or tie to close the sack and that you use cotton yarn.

A sample will be in Fellowship Hall on the Sign Up Tables!

If you have any questions, please contact Stacia Hickey; [stacia@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:stacia@foxpointchurch.org).

[Directions](#)





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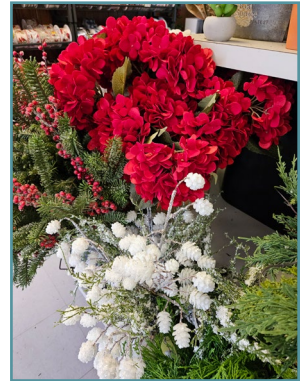


### Bayside Garden Cards

You'll find everything you need for holiday decorating and gift-giving at Bayside Garden Center—poinsettias, wreaths, centerpieces, ornaments, trees, bird feeders and more!

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 Sunday mornings or in the church office during the week.



### Meru Coffee at Home!

#### Makes A Great Hostess Gift!

You can purchase Mt. Meru Coffee (beans, ground, regular, decaf, sample flavor packs, 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.



Click below to access the registry!



### MBHS REGISTRY

Help the guests of MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary stay warm and well-fed this winter.

- Go to our registry (click the Amazon button below or search Amazon's custom gift registries for MBHS).
- Select and pay for the items you choose
- They will be sent directly to MBHS's delivery address

OR

Purchase items where you like and deliver to FPLC by November 30.

- Crock pots
- Toaster ovens
- Space heaters
- Electric skillets
- Electric hot plates
- Blenders (for those who have trouble chewing)

QUESTIONS?

✉ [stacia@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:stacia@foxpointchurch.org)



### 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.



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



# CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

## OPEN HOUSE

### Where the STAR Shines Bright!

**Saturday, December 7; 9 am – Noon**

Join us for a morning full of bright Christmas Spirit at FPLC. Whether you are a tiny tot or a full-grown elf, there is a little something for everyone at this event.

#### **Gingerbread Street**

Decorate a pre-assembled gingerbread house while visiting Gingerbread Street! Be sure to register online to reserve and pay for your house. There is a 2-house limit per family. \$16/house. We may have a very limited number of houses for walk-ins. Register in Fellowship Hall or here: [HOUSE](#)

#### **Reindeer Road**

Swing by Reindeer Road to play fun reindeer games and win light-up prizes with the rest of the herd! School-aged kids as well as your little elf-lets are welcome!

#### **Cocoa Court/Angel Alley**

Head to the corner of Cocoa Court where you can enjoy a specialty coffee and hot chocolate. Stop by Angel Alley to purchase krinkles to benefit our Youth program or Christmas coffee packages and goats to benefit our Tanzania scholarship fund.

#### **Elf Avenue**

Make sure to stop by Santa's Secret Gift Shop where kids can shop for \$2 gifts for their family members. (Special elves will wrap their selected gifts for them.) Need gifts for your furry friends? Make a stop at our Pet Shoppe.

#### **Wise Men's Way**

Walk in the steps of the Wise Men as you follow the star to Bethlehem! A special light show will guide your way!

#### **Photo Booth Boulevard**

Looking for a backdrop for a quick family portrait? Our Photo Booth will give you a chance to let your family shine!

#### **The North Pole**

And, of course, be sure to make your way to the North Pole to visit our favorite resident of FPLC's Christmas Village—SANTA CLAUS! Be sure to visit Santa— and learn about the true meaning of Christmas and the real star of Christmas—Jesus!





### Office Closed Nov 28 and 29

The office will be closed Thursday and Friday November 28 and 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Should you need pastoral care, call the office and follow the message instructions; 414-352-8990.



### Book Drive Update!

Thank you to all who have donated books for the brand new Serenity Inns Library. We received over 100 books to stock their shelves. FPLC member, Dave Romoser, who suggested the drive, will be getting the books to Serenity Inns and stocking the shelves shortly. Thanks to Dave and all of you!



### A New Additional Way of Donating to MBHS

Good news! MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary was nominated and then accepted into the catalog of non-profit organizations to receive Thrivent Choice dollars from people who are members of Thrivent Financial Services!

It's easy to donate; simply log into your Thrivent account, find Thrivent Choice dollars. It will tell you how much you have available to donate and then allows you to type in the name of the organization that you'd like to support and they will send the funds directly to that organization within the next month. MBHS is new to this list, but there are other organizations to choose from as well.

Another opportunity to give through Thrivent is Thrivent Action Plans. The Action Plan allows you to apply for two projects each year, for up to \$250 in seed money to kick start a fundraiser, educational program, or service project.

If you have never given in these capacities, you can contact your Thrivent Representative for help or you can contact FPLC member Gail Sommerfeld. She has volunteered to walk you through the steps to get started. Her contact info is [sommerfeld56@gmail.com](mailto:sommerfeld56@gmail.com) or 262-395-0396.



### \* 18 Gifts to Go! \*

Would you like to purchase a gift for someone in need this Christmas? We have the sign-up for you!

#### Children

We're providing gifts to 37 children (ages 3-5) at Next Door. Once you sign up, Emily Silversen will email you the child's name, present options (choose 1 of the 3 gifts under \$25 on their list), and the gift tag number. Names and wish lists will be sent to you in November.

#### Adults

Every year we provide gifts to the men at Serenity Inns. Each man receives a few items suggested by SI. You will be sent an email with which item to purchase. Names and wish lists will be sent to you in November.

Please choose a slot under Next Door and/or Serenity Inns and Emily will email you the next step. Emily can be reached best through email at [esilversen@gmail.com](mailto:esilversen@gmail.com).



Click here to Sign up! →

**Sign Up**



### Keep the Pantries Stocked

Your generous donations make it possible for FPLC to provide food and personal care products to a continually-increasing number of visitors to the three pantries we serve in Milwaukee. We continue to donate nutritious, filling and culturally-appropriate food to our partners.

All Peoples Church sees over 90 guests at their pantry and MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary serves 200+ households and individuals weekly. It's easy for their supplies to dwindle each week, so it's important we help them restock on a regular basis.

If you have any questions, please contact Stacia Hickey; [stacia@foxpointchurch.org](mailto:stacia@foxpointchurch.org).

**Note: We cannot accept any expired foods; check labels. Expired or not, we are looking for filling and culturally-appropriate foods, not specialty items.**

#### Food Needs:

##### Baked Beans

Canned black-eyed peas

##### Ensure Infant Formula

##### Dinty Moore Stew

SpaghettiOs

Canned fruit

##### Canned beef and chicken

Soup (not tomato)

Baby formula

##### Spam

##### Sardines

##### Canned Yams

##### Chicken Noodle Soup

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 deodorant

Diapers sized 4-6

Women's deodorant

Body lotion

Body wash

Toilet paper

Toothpaste

Lip balm

Shampoo/Conditioner

Vaseline

Feminine products

Dish soap

Razors

**Standard-sized Bar soap:** We have a special need for bar soap to fill the soap sacks our knitters/crocheters have been busy making. See page 8 for info on those.

### You Have Helped Feed Many for Thanksgiving!!

FPLC staff really tested the limits of our freezers this month! Thank you for your kindness and generosity to those in need. Thank you also to the people who helped sort the food, kept the freezers organized and delivered items to our partners!

FPLC Donated:

#### All Peoples Church:

- 23 Hygiene bags
- 24 Thanksgiving meal kits
- 25 Frozen whole turkeys, turkey breasts & chickens
- 50+ Pies from our Confirmation families—we had more pies than people signed up for!

#### The Gathering:

- 25 cooked, sliced and packaged turkeys—we had more turkeys than people signed up for too!!



### Kitchen Angels Needed

Kitchen Angels are a dedicated group of women who assist in keeping the Fellowship Hall Pantry in good, clean, working condition.

Each "Angel" chooses one month during which she checks the kitchen supplies and launders the towels. They meet once a year as a group to give the kitchen a thorough cleaning.

Please sign up in Fellowship Hall, where you will be able to choose which month you would like. There will be a list of instructions next to the sign up. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Gepfert at (414) 351-0374.





# 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)!

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

### Military

Alex	Grant
Cooper	Ian
Danny	Kyan
David	Matthew

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

Woody Barksdale	Cammy Endres	Randy K.	Nancy
Kim Bell	Paul Erickson	Helen Kappmeyer	Curt Nash
Jay Blair	Erin	Karen	Robert Palmer
Brenda	Frank	Kath	Patrick
Kathy C	Rick Frank	Jim Kimmel	Peter
John Chamberlain	Andrea G.	Corrine Kraus	Peter Kolb
Charley	Jenny G.	Leslie	Tan Popatas
Cheryl	Joan Gildner	Linda	Mary R.
Christine	Guy	Pr. Luke	Rebecca
Richard Choi	Anna H.	Jan M.	Rick
Claire	Heidi	Laurie M	Robert
Curt Claus	Sue Hiller	Steve M.	Dave Rotter
Chrystal	Jim	Marla	Mark Selander
Colin	Joan	MaryEllen	Stephen
Craig	Joeli	Matt	Jane T.
Danielle D	John	Pat Meyer	Terry
Lyle Dabney	Jon	Michael	Thad
Pr. Dan	Donna Jordahl	Mike	Tom
Lois Doss	Julia	Michael Miller	Mike Umland
Ellen			

### Condolences

Our deepest sympathies and prayers are with husband Doug Eiring, daughter Sarah Paul & her husband Ryan Paul and grandchildren Addison and Carson Paul on the death of Laura Dosset on November 12. Services will be at FPLC on December 14. Visitation is from 2 – 4 pm, with a Celebration of Life at 4 pm. There will be a reception following services.

Our deepest sympathies and prayers are with Chuck and Trish Zamora and Bethany Zamora on the death of their son and brother, Cory Zamora, on November 17. Services will be at FPLC this Saturday, November 23. Visitation is from 9 – 11 am with a Celebration of Life at 11 am. There will be a reception afterward in Fellowship Hall.



*Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.*

*Ephesians 4:32*

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**



Written by FPLC member, Mary Buscher. This devotion was first shared on Wednesday, November 6. If you would like to receive Mary's devotion on a weekly basis, please sign up here: [Weekly Devotion](#).

Hello!

*"Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account."* – Hebrews 4:13

On early days, I grab a snack before breakfast a couple of hours later – string cheese, grapes and coffee. Those grapes really grip the vine; yank too hard and they make a quick trip to the floor! Rolling under the table, then finally landing under the toe kick, there they were, squished underneath my foot, hiding in plain sight. Wouldn't it be great if they had beepers to let me know their whereabouts! But they don't...they were not where I expected them to be...kind of like life and sometimes like Our Heavenly Father.

*"If they fall, they will not stay down, because the Lord will help them up. I am old now; I have lived a long time, but I have never seen good people abandoned by the Lord."*

– Psalm 37:24-25

Looking to God first thing is the best plan for me – no need to figure it all out alone with that kind of helper! God never hides from us, but we might do the hiding by not reading His word or opening our eyes to His vision for us. Those grapes in my kitchen turned up, but not where I expected to find them. God knows us inside and out and is always standing by us when we stumble. Our Father reaches out with all the right stuff...love, forgiveness, grace and more, giving us the ability to be kind in all that we do for Him and make good choices in His name. God does not hide in plain sight...He lives and abides with us in plain sight!

*"So let God work His will in you. Yell a loud NO to the Devil and watch him make himself scarce. Say a quiet yes to God and he'll be there in no time."* – James 4:7

*Thank you, Father, for living in plain sight and abiding with us. Lead us...love us...forgive us...move us forward...as we continue to grow your church and community. Amen.*

Be encouraged! – Mary