

LIFE TOGETHER This Week

Week of July 9, 2025 Vnl 179 Real Faith For Real Life



One Service Time

Now through August 31, we will all be worshiping together at 9:30 am!

It's been a great experience to interact with members who usually attend a different service time than you do and you'll hear both traditional and contemporary music!



FPLC July Blood Drive

When the temperature goes up, the blood supply tends to go down. Schools are closed, families are on vacation, but local patients are still in need. Blood on the shelves *today* saves lives *tomorrow*.

Type O blood is especially in demand, as it can be given to trauma patients, premature babies and others of all blood types. Scan the QR code or use the link below to register. Walk-ins are

accepted if there is space available.

Date: Tuesday, July 22 **Time:** 1:00 – 6:00 pm

Location: FPLC Fellowship Hall Sign-up Link: July Drive Registration





Pizza & live Music on the Patio!

Thurs., August 7; 7 pm - 9 pm

Come to FPLC's wonderful back patio where there will be music and pizza, wings, soda, beer and wine. There will be live music by Jeff Shoemaker and friends too! It is a perfect way to relax and to get to know our FPLC members. Adults age 21+ only. RSVP form coming soon!

Date: Thursday, August 7 **Time:** 7 pm – 9 pm

Location: FPLC back patio

Fee: Free!



"Transforming Lives Through Jesus Christ!"

Become a Mentor and Save a Life!

Fox Point Lutheran member David Romoser is inviting interested men to learn about GoldenOpps and its mentoring program. Dave is a former board member of Serenity Inns and now one of its Ambassadors.

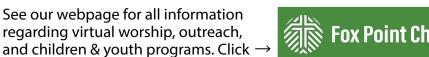
GoldenOpps is deeply passionate about addressing the growing need for providing supportive services for men completing residential treatment. They are a bridge to help promote change by matching Christian men to serve as mentors. They instill a sense of self-worth, self-accountability, and self-respect in our initial mentoring sessions.

The environment of learning extends to Biblical knowledge and discipleship. The men experience life transformation in Jesus Christ and learn how to live long-term transformed lives with victory over their addiction.

There will be a to-be-scheduled meeting for men interested in knowing more about the program. The role of the mentor will be shared and an explanation of the training a volunteer mentor will receive will be explained.

It is well documented that the relapse rate of men graduating from a recovery program is high. Data also shows that a Christ-centered post-graduation mentoring program reduces the relapse rate. By walking alongside and in partnership with the graduate, the mentor will share life skills and biblically-based spiritual nurturing.

For more info, please contact Dave Romoser; 414-881-4136 or wdromoser@gmail.com.





School Supplies for All Peoples Church



We are partnering with Winkie's Toys and Variety! in Whitefish Bay through their School Tools program! Winkie's is offering 4 different age-specific school supply "packages" you can order directly through Winkie's. They include everything **except** the actual backpack, individual hand sanitizer and a scientific calculator. Winkie's also donates 5% of all School Tools sales to All Peoples Church!

Simply fill out this form for the package(s) of your choice and drop it off or mail it to Winkie's no later than **July 11**. We'll take care of the rest!

Winkie's School Tools for All Peoples Church

Forms must be mailed by July 11.

Order forms can be returned to Winkie's Toys:

Drop off in store: 629B E Silver Spring Dr. Whitefish Bay (lower level); **Winkie's is open:** Mon – Sat 9-6; Sun 10-3 **Or Mail to Winkie's Toys:** PO Box 170650 Milwaukee, WI 53217

I would like to order the following packages:		
# of packages \$ Amount		
@ \$46.55/ea = Kindergarten		
@ \$57.74/ea = Elementary School		
@ \$80.24/ea = Middle School		
@ \$94.94/ea = High School		
Total Dollar Amount:		

Your Name:	
Telephone # (for any	order questions only)
Check (payab	ole to Winkie's Toys and Variety!)
or Credit Card	
Card Number	
Expiration Date	





School Supplies for All Peoples Church

We are once again donating school supplies to All Peoples Church through Winkie's School Tools program. Please see page 2 to order a package(s) through Winkie's.

To make sure each child has all they need, we are collecting the following at FPLC:

- NEW backpacks for K4 high school kids
- Scientific calculators for the HS student (Target, Amazon, Walmart—about \$15)
- Individual hand sanitizer bottles

Items are due back to FPLC by July 21. Questions? Contact Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org.



Two Ways to Help Our Friends in Tanzania



Meru Coffee at Home!

Support Mt. Meru Coffee farmers by purchasing Mt. Meru Coffee (beans, ground, regular, decaf, Seasonal Premium Mt. Meru coffee, k-cups) at church to brew at home.

The coffee is delicious and 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.



Sian Up!

Bayside garden center

Bayside Garden Cards

It's time to work in our yards and gardens. Do you need new gardening equipment or some new plants? Food for the bird feeder? Bayside Gardens has you covered!

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.

August 3 and 31 Help Needed!

Coffee Hosts Needed!

Hosts make the coffee and serve the donuts on Sundays. You are still able to attend the church service! Families are welcome to volunteer with their kids too. It's also a great Service Opportunity for our rising 8th grader Confirmation students (with an adult).

Please sign up with the link below or contact Lori Barrieau in the church office if you have any questions; lori@foxpointchurch.org or 414-352-8990.







Danny Gokey Thursday, July 31!

Danny Gokey will be playing at the FoxYard at FoxTown Station in Mequon! Come see the brand new pavilion and the inspirational, engaging concert with Danny Gokey!

5:30-6:30 pm – Opening act, Life Church Music; for info: https://www.lifechurchmsc.com/

7-8:30 pm – Headliner, Danny Gokey; for info: https://www.dannygokey.com/

Free Tickets: The concert is sold out BUT, we have VIP tickets to give away! Please reserve your VIP tickets at the sign-up table in Fellowship Hall before they're gone!

Heads up! No carry-ins allowed, but food and drinks will be for sale at FoxTown Station. Questions? Contact Diane Knapp.

Rise & Shine Website

Email Diane

Community Volunteer Opportunity at Rise and Shine; Thursday, July 31

- √ Help Load in/Load out for bands (need some strong bodies for this!)
- ✓ Help with registration, runners, merchandise tents
- ✓ Times vary depending on assignment, mostly 2 hour shifts (or more if you want!) between 2 and 9 pm
- √ High school students welcome!

Perks

✓ Volunteers get beverage/food coupon (up to \$20 value!) and community hours (for high school students etc.)

✓ Stay and enjoy the concert!

Interested in Volunteering?

Click the link below. Once there, click the "Get Involved" tab. Questions? Contact FPLC member, Lori Lorenz.

<u>Volunteer</u>

Email Lori



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 contact Susan Halling; halling@wi.rr.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.





We Are Preparing for a Food Access Crisis

-MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary

Cuts to several food assistance programs are projected to affect 48 million Americans. Some of the organizations supplying food pantries are federally funded.

Compounding things, pantries are closing because they can't access enough food; at the same time the need is going up due to grocery costs.

FPLC donates to three food pantries:

- Cross Lutheran Church
- MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary
- All Peoples Gathering Church

If you are able to donate, our pantries would prefer items from this list—especially the items listed in bold.

Note: We cannot accept any expired foods; please check labels. We are looking for filling and culturally-appropriate foods, not specialty items. If you have any questions, please contact Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org.

Items currently most needed are in bold:

Protein

Sardines; canned Chicken; canned

Tuna; canned Beef Stew; canned

Salmon; canned Peanut Butter

Meatball Spaghetti-O's Canned pastas w/meat

Food Items

Pancake mix and syrup

Jelly

Cereal and oatmeal

Tuna Helper Baked beans **Canned fruit**

Pasta and canned pasta sauce White rice (1 lb bag or instant)

Hamburger Helper

Canned greens (collard, turnip)

Hygiene

Shampoo; full size Conditioner; full size

Lip balm

Body wash; full size

Vaseline

Toothpaste; full size

Lotion

Deodorant

Feminine products

Vaseline

Nail clippers (new) Diapers size 4-6

Throat lozenges



Ouilters/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, July 15 Time: 9 am – 1:30 pm Location: Fellowship Hall

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



The Basics of Baby Massage: A Parent/Infant Class

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, a blanket and wear comfy clothes to class as we will be on the floor. Handouts will be provided.

Date: July 18; it's a one-session class, but come more if you

would like!

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

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







Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship

Volunteers needed:

Friday, July 18 Thursday, August 14 Wednesday, August 27

Why is Dinner Fellowship So Necessary?

Serenity Inns is a residence for men in recovery from alcohol and/or drug abuse in Milwaukee. FPLC members provide 3 dinners a month and share the meal and conversation. Providing and sharing a meal with the residents enables the men to share their stories with others, feel the compassion of a caring community and build their communication skills that have suffered during their times of isolation and addiction.

What to Expect When Volunteering

- Make dinner and take it warm to the Inn by 5:45 pm (for a 6 pm start time). The men will carry your items inside.
- Prepare the meal in your cookware (vs buying aluminum pans) if you like because the men will wash it and carry it to the car at the end of the meal.
- You'll receive an email a week before your date with the number of residents; right now the number is between 9 and 12. You'll be cooking for yourselves, the men and the innkeeper.
- You're usually on your way home by 7 pm.

- Two families, friends, small group members, etc. are welcome to volunteer together to share the meal prep and dining experience.
- This is a popular SOP option for Confirmation students with their families.

How To Sign Up and Ask Questions

Sign up on the website (with the link below) or on the signup in Fellowship Hall.

Do you have questions? FPLC member and long-time SI volunteer, Lorraine Buehler, is happy to answer any of your questions; lcbuehler@cs.com.

Summer Dates Open

Click here to sign up!





Serenity Inns: 2825 W. Brown St.



Children's Ministry Summer Fun! Summer Kids' Church

(Grades P3/age 3 through 4th Grade)

Grades P3/age 3 through 4th grade ('24/'25 school year) can join us for our summer preschool or elementary Kids' Church program at our 9:30 am

summer service. With games, crafts, and stories, it's super casual and filled with faith and lots of fun!

Current 5th and 6th graders (for the '24/'25 school year) can join their family for the worship service.

Summer Kids' Church begins on the Sunday after the Memorial Day weekend and ends on the Sunday before the Labor Day weekend. Questions? Contact Julie Schlifske; julie@foxpointchurch.org.



August 31 Help Needed

Summer Usher Help Needed

Ushers are vital to keep our Sunday services running smoothly. We'd love to have you be one of our fantastic

FPLC ushers, even if it's only for the summer! Fill in when you can (there will be folks there to show you the ropes). Simply pick some dates on our SignupGenius form through the QR code or link below. Who can usher? Confirmation students with a parent, and high school kids through adults. If you have questions, please contact Lori Barrieau; lori@foxpointchurch.org.

Sign Up!





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.

Woody Barksdale
Kim Bell
Jay Blair
Shelley Burns
Kathy C.
John Chamberlain
Cheryl
Richard Choi
Christina
Claire
Rosie Conaway
Craig

Pr. Dan

Cammy Endres

Erin
Fleming Family
Rick Frank
Andrea G.
Jenny G.
Joan Gildner
Gregg
Anna H.
Claire H
Sue Hiller
Harlow James
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Joan
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Donna Jordahl
Randy K.
Kath
Kevin
Corrine Kraus
Leslie L.
Makenna M.
Steve M.

Matt

Michael

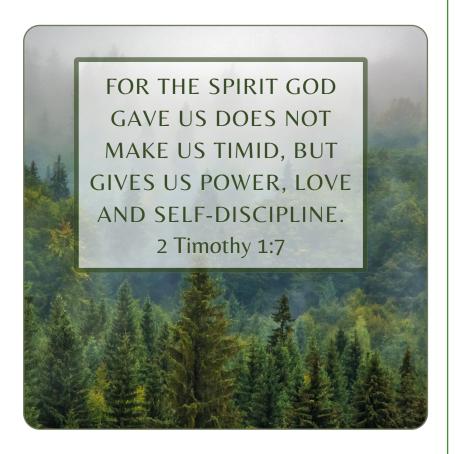
Roger Matzke

Mike
Nancy
Curt Nash
Robert Palmer
Paul
Rebecca
Rick
Dave Rotter
Lynn Steinke
Stephen
Jane T.
Terry
Tom
Mike Umland

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
Cameron Ian
Cooper Jonah
Danny Kyan
David Matthew



Congratulations

Wedding

Congratulations and best wishes to Mia Hickey and Bryce Lanser, who were married on June 28.

Baptisms

Peyton Fredrick Collopy, son of Lauren Fredrick and Ryan Collopy, was baptized June 22.

William Lloyd Schlifske, son of Daniel and Kara Schlifske, was baptized June 29.

Condolences

Our sympathy and prayers are with the Cathy and Tom DeMuth and Chuck and the Kathy Steinmetz families on the death of Cathy and Chuck's mother Esther Pastene on June 21.

Our sympathy and prayers are with Scott and Laura Parsons and their son Brad on the death of Scott's mother.



Written by FPLC member, Mary Buscher. This devotion was first shared on Wednesday, July 9. If you would like to receive Mary's devotion on a weekly basis, please sign up here: Weekly Devotion.

Hello!

"Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old, he will not depart from it." – Proverbs 22:8

My parent's first home was on an alley with a great little hill. I loved to maneuver my Huffy Convertible bike down that stretch, pedaling as fast as possible—I felt like I could fly! But that was only after lots of practice, my dad at my side, training

wheels securely attached to the pretty blue bicycle and my father's hand securely attached to the back fender. Between those extra wheels and my dad, I really wasn't all that scared. Then, all at once, the wheels came off, the training was over, and I was on my own!

"My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity." – Proverbs 3:1-2

Training wheels—their removal meant readiness for next steps and time for me to show up and become more self-reliant. But self-reliance doesn't mean cutting ourselves off from the very person that guided us in the first place. Sometimes we do that with God. Sunday school days melt into youth group and Confirmation and those wheels might get a little wobbly, lose a bolt, or get dented, they might somehow even fall off altogether. Faith journeys encounter dark times of anxiety and sometimes hardship. But like my own earthly father, our Heavenly Father holds on to us and stays with us...training wheels on or off! God holds us from the beginning and gives us strong roots and wings to help carry us back to Him, should we become stranded or lost. God guides us through it all!

"He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake" - Psalm 23:3

Father, we are grateful for those training wheels you give us and for your never-ending guidance and mercy. You alone keep us on a true and straight path, and should we veer away, you are there in the tricky places to right us once again. Help us to remember that with you, we are never far from home. Amen.

Have a wonderful week! - Mary