



Pastor Josh Wyman Called as Pastor of Youth and Family Ministry

We are filled with joy and gratitude to share that on Sunday, October 12, the congregation of Fox Point Lutheran Church voted unanimously to call The Rev. Joshua James Wyman as our new Pastor of Youth and Family Ministry!

Pastor Josh comes to us from Montana, where he has served congregations in Hardin and Shepherd with faith, creativity, and deep love for God's people. His ministry is marked by a passion for helping families grow together in faith, building community rooted in grace, and walking with young people as they discover their identity in Christ.

Pastor Josh and his wife, Anna, along with their two daughters—Rose (4) and Freya (18 months)—will be moving to Milwaukee in November. The Wyman family will officially begin their ministry with us in December.

We give thanks to God for this exciting new chapter and for the faithful work of our call committee, council, and congregation throughout this process. Please keep Pastor Josh, Anna, Rose, and Freya in your prayers as they prepare for this transition and their new ministry home here at Fox Point Lutheran Church.

From Pastor Bill

"We are thrilled to welcome Pastor Josh and his family to Fox Point. His deep faith, joyful spirit, and heart for families will be a tremendous blessing to our congregation and community. We can't wait to see how God will continue to work through him and among us in this next season of ministry."



MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary's Fantastic Fridays Lunch

Serve hands-on alongside MBHS staff and volunteers, and witness the impact of offering a warm meal in an inclusive, welcoming space.

Two Ways to Help

1. Provide Meal Components

(Cooking or Grocery Shopping)

- On the signup page, choose a meal item (main course, 2–3 sides, or homemade cookies).
- Main course volunteers receive a recipe about 3 weeks in advance; sides are assigned then too.
- Reimbursement available—just let Stacia Hickey know.
- Drop off food in FPLC's kitchen by Thursday, December 11 at noon.

2. Serve the Meal In-Person

- Join us Friday, December 12, 11:00 am – 1:30 pm.
- Serve lunch, chat with guests and volunteers, and take part in the prayer and sharing circle—an uplifting, low-stress experience.

Sign Up

Use the link below, visit the "Serve in the Community" page on our website, or scan the QR code at the signup table on Sundays.

Sign Up!

Questions?

Contact Stacia Hickey — 414-352-8990; stacia@foxpointchurch.org





WINTER ❄️ GEAR DRIVE

Through November 2

**Hats, Gloves
Scarves, Mittens
& Warm Socks**
(New only)
Infant - Adult

**heavy men's work
gloves always needed!*

Winter Coats:
(New or like new)
Infant - Adult

**adult size L and XL
always needed*



Questions? Contact Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org



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! The group is for those who are currently in 9th-12th grades.

We'll be gathering in new and fun ways, and we are adding some incredible leaders to our team. Here's a peek at some of the 2025 events we have scheduled so far, so mark your calendars! RSVP

links will be provided before each event. More information is provided below, but please do not hesitate to reach out to the team if you have additional questions.

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Jake@foxpointchurch.org

Hannah Knapp

Youth Group Director
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Pastor Bill

Senior Pastor
Pastorbill@foxpointchurch.org

SUNDAY November 16

Spread the Joy Scavenger Hunt!

- Time: 6 – 8 pm
- Location: FPLC and around town (Drivers Needed)

Our scavenger hunt is more than just a game; it's an opportunity to make a positive impact on our community and brighten people's days. Armed with enthusiasm and kindness, we'll be setting out on a mission to spread joy.

Scavenger Hunt RSVP

SUNDAY December 21

FPLCYG Christmas Party!

- Time: 6 – 8 pm
- FPLC

Come celebrate this special time of year and connect with your FPLC friends and family. We will have a feast, gift exchanges, ugly sweater contest, and so much more fun!



Women's Club

Congregation Shalom Overview & Tour; Men Invited

Hear from Rabbi Noah Chertkoff, Senior Rabbi, about Congregation Shalom and the Jewish Faith. Gather in Fellowship Hall for Fellowship and lunch. Afterwards we'll go over to Congregation Shalom for a tour.

Date: Wednesday, November 12

Time: 11:30 am

Cost: \$15

Location: Fellowship Hall then Congregation Shalom

Sign up: Sign up in Fellowship Hall, on our website or [HERE](#).

Contact: Patty Roberts, 262-278-7005, paroberts63@yahoo.com.

Men's Club—Women Invited

FPLC's Tanzania Partnership

Come hear about FPLC's 21-year Outreach Partnership with three Lutheran parishes in Tanzania's Meru Diocese. We'll share how this long-standing relationship has supported more than 80 college students and many secondary school scholars, the lasting impact of medical mission trips in 2010 and 2012, and reflections from the team's visit this past January. All men and women are Karibu (welcome)!

Date: Thursday, Nov. 20

Time: 11:30 am

Cost: \$10

Location: Fellowship Hall

Sign up: Sign up in Fellowship Hall

Contact: Jim Kimmel;
jim.kimmel42@gmail.com



Donate Blood at FPLC October 30; 1 - 5:30 pm

Some patients with breast cancer need blood transfusions to recover from chemotherapy, while others need transfusions during surgery.

Date: Thursday, October 30

Time: 1 pm – 5:30 pm

Location: FPLC's Fellowship Hall

Registration: Click Sign Up: [Donate October 30](#)



Women's Book Club

This casual and fun book club meets every 6 weeks on a Monday from 7 pm – 8:30 pm (approx)

and take turns leading the discussion and bringing snacks. Here are the books they'll be reading this year. If you have any questions or would like to join (even if you can't make every date), email or call Joanne Ginster; jmginster@yahoo.com or (414) 491-8939.

Dates and Books:

October 20: *Boat Baby* by Vicky Nguyen

December 1: *Absolution* by Alice McDermott

January 12: *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi

February 23: *The Best Minds* by Jonathan Rosen

April 6: *Every Note Played* by Lisa Genova

May 18: *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick



Serenity Inns: 2825 W. Brown St.

**Volunteers Needed:
October, November and
December!**

Signup sheets have dates
through Dec., 2025

Serenity Inns Dinner Fellowship

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 a meal (home cooked, store bought or a combination of both) then share a meal and conversation. This enables the men to tell 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 or purchase (see info below) 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.
- Any cookware you bring will be washed by the men.
- You receive an email a week before your date with the number of residents; now the number is between 9 and 12. You provide food for yourselves, the men and the innkeeper.
- You're usually on your way 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 for Confirmation students (with their parent(s)).

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.

Click here to sign up!

Cooking for a crowd: Stressful? Time-consuming? Not your thing? That's okay!

By FPLC Member Barbara Frank

If you are too busy to cook, it's JUST FINE to buy a good dinner and bring it to share with residents. Several possibilities are suggested below, but you can pick your own! Two of the residents' faves are KY Fried Chicken and Mac & Cheese. You can just add salad and dessert!

My children have talked for years about the deep impression serving dinner to those less fortunate made on them. Help your family develop empathy and understanding of others by serving dinner at Serenity Inns.

Consider buying a meal or parts of it from the following (other places are just fine!):

Costco
Out & Out Catering (Cedarburg)
Bunzel's Meat Market
Kentucky Fried Chicken
Metro Mart Deli
Woodman's
Sendik's
Karl's Country Market
Qdoba
Piggly Wiggly
Jimmy John's
Jersey Mike's



Men's & Women's Clubs Coat Sorting & Luncheon

Thursday, Nov. 6 • 11 am – 1 pm

All members of the Men's and Women's Clubs—and anyone else who would like to join in—are welcome to help sort the coats and accessories collected through the Winter Wear Drive. We'll pack items for delivery to our partner organizations and then enjoy a hosted lunch together as a community.

Date: Thursday, November 6

Time: 11:00 am

Cost: None! Thank you for your help!

Sign-Up: Click here: [COATS](#) or sign up in Fellowship Hall

Contact: Stacia Hickey, stacia@foxpointchurch.org;

414-352-8990

We appreciate your time and look forward to serving and sharing a meal together!

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!

Service



Bayside Garden Cards

It's time for garden cleanup, fall florals, and seed for the birds!

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.



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 every Friday 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.

Crossroads Women's Retreat

Crossroads is offering a ladies retreat featuring a simulcast with Beth Moore on Friday evening October 24 and Saturday morning October 25. Proceeds benefit Milwaukee's Cathedral Center Women's Shelter.

Use this link to sign up: [Retreat](#)



Sheepshead Group at FPLC Is Back!

Dates: October 24, November 14 & 28

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! Interested or would you like more information? Contact Jim Schmidt at schmidtyjim@aol.com.



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



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Welcome To Kids' Church!

We are so happy to have your child join us for a new year of games, crafts, special outreach projects, and kid-appropriate videos—all designed to help your child learn about the Bible and grow their relationship with God and Jesus.

Kids' Church is held during our regular worship services at 9:00 and 10:30. Our kids are taught by specially screened and trained teaching staff so that you can sit back and enjoy worship!

Please take a minute to register for Kids' Church even if you have enrolled in previous years. Visitors and guests are always welcome to join Kids' Church and our nursery. If you are a member or more than an occasional visitor, we ask that you register so that we can plan for our class sizes and teacher and supply needs. If you are registered, you will also be able to receive emails that will keep you informed about current kids' (and church) events and programs.

Questions? Contact our Director of Childrens' Ministries, Julie Schlifske.

[Email Julie](#)

Nursery

(birth to 3 years)

Drop your little one off any time before the service in our nursery, which is located in the lower level. Relax and enjoy worship. We can text you during the service if we need you!

[Nursery Registration](#)

Preschool

(age 3 by Sept 1 – 4K)

A special name tag is available for registered kids at our preschool table just inside the front entrance to the church. Grab a name tag and bring your child down to our preschool classroom when kids are released to Kids' Church after the pastor's Junior Sermon. The preschool classroom is in our lower level near the main staircase on the south side of the building. Please pick up your child after worship concludes.

[Preschool Registration](#)

Faith Builders

(5K – 6th grades)

Our elementary kids meet in the lower level in the far north hallway. Just turn left at the bottom of the main staircase.

[Faith Builder Registration](#)



MOUNT MERU COFFEE
PREMIUM TANZANIAN COFFEE

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.





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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.

You can sign up now for dates through 2025!



Usher Help Needed

Especially Needed at 10:30 Services

Ushers are vital to keep our Sunday services running smoothly. We'd love to have you be one of our FPLC ushers! Ideally you'd choose to be part

of a regular rotation, but we also need subs. Who can usher? Confirmation students (with a parent), high school students and all adults. Contact Lori Barrieau at lori@foxpointchurch.org or 414-352-8990 to learn more or sign up.



Dear Pastor Knapp,

Thank you so much for your support of our LSS Love Big Campaign! Your generosity demonstrates that when we give from the heart, we create ripples of positive change that extend far beyond ourselves.

Your gift allows the LSS Love Big Campaign to:

- **Improve Children's Lives** through the expansion of high-impact early intervention programs that provide mental health and special needs services to children and their families in their homes, schools, and communities.
- **Construct Safe Spaces** by investing in capital improvement projects that offer at-risk teens and adults safe, comfortable, trauma-informed housing that nurtures their spirits, minds and bodies.
- **Plan for the Future** by growing endowment funds within the LSS Foundation that support the evolving needs of our community ensuring that LSS stays nimble, with the capacity to respond to the growing, and often unanticipated, needs of our neighbors.

The Love Big campaign builds our capacity to serve individuals in need, whether they are neighbors, family members, of friends, exactly where they are today, and in the future. Together, we imagine a world where compassion and generosity prevail, where no one is left behind, and all dreams are within reach.

With humble gratitude and a full heart,

Héctor Colón
President & CEO
Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin

How FPLC Supported the LSS Love Big Campaign

Jesus calls for us to serve the larger community of Milwaukee (and beyond). We do that by volunteering but we also financially support organizations who help the community on a much larger scale.

The funds donated to LSS are a gift from the FPLC Endowment Fund. Four percent of the endowment is set aside annually for outreach.

Piecemaker's Silent Quilt Auction; Sundays, November 9 & 16

What's a Piecemaker?

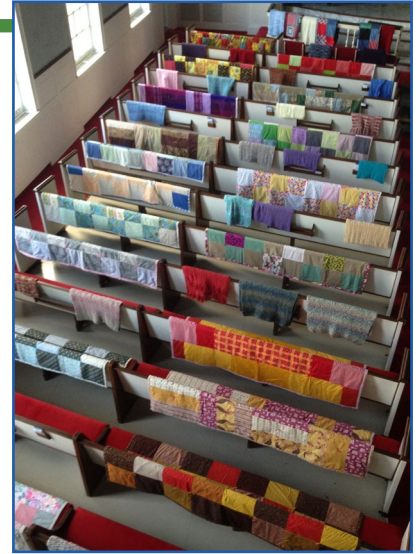
Piecemakers at FPLC is a ministry of several women from our congregation who meet once a month to put together quilts which bring joy, comfort, and warmth to our church family and others in the community.

- The group uses both donated and purchased fabrics to complete the quilts. Rolls of batting are purchased and king and queen sized sheets are used for the backing.
- This past year, quilts have been donated to Lutheran Social Services for their Refugee program as well as for families who are moving out of homeless shelters into community housing and also to The Memory Care Unit at Luther Manor, and The Salvation Army Emergency Shelter.
- Quilts are also given to our own High School Seniors during a heartwarming tribute to them during a service in May.

Who Pays for Supplies?

Quilting is a gift of love that takes patience, time, and money. The group will be auctioning eight special quilts in a silent auction in November. The money earned will be used to keep this mission going!

Come see these beautiful quilts and bid on them in Fellowship Hall on Sundays November 9 and 16. More information will follow in upcoming newsletters and bulletins.



The Piecemakers' handiwork from years past.



CONFIRMATION

7th & 8th Graders

Where Do I Find Information, Schedules, and Registration Forms and Permission Slips?

Whether you are new or returning to the Confirmation program, our website is the place to go for all of these things! Use the link below to find everything you need.

If you have any questions, contact Lori Barrieau; lori@foxpointchurch.org or 414-352-8990.

[Confirmation](#)

Wednesday Workshops: Our workshops take place on Wednesdays from 7 – 8:30 pm. Schedule changes due to weather or any other reason will be communicated to parents. To see the dates for the entire year, please see our website.

October

October 15

November

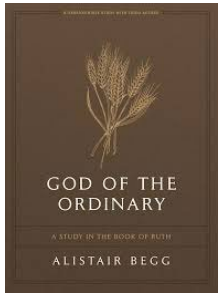
November 5

November 19

December

December 3

December 17



Come Grow With Us: Monday Evening Bible Study Begins a New Topic

This is the perfect time to join this ongoing group; new members are always welcome! Against the backdrop of strife and chaos, Ruth is a story of ordinary people in Bethlehem making the most of their bad situation—and finding God in the midst of it. In *God of the Ordinary*, Alistair Begg reminds us that no matter how dark or dramatic our days may seem, God still protects His people and accomplishes His purposes. Within life's humdrum and routine events, we discover His loving hand at work.

Date & Time: Meets weekly on Mondays; 7 – 8:30 pm

Location: TBD

Contact: To join or ask questions, please contact Lori Barrieau; lori@foxpointchurch.org or 414-352-8990.

Wednesday Afternoon Women's Study; 1-2 pm

Luke in the Land, A Woman's Bible Study by Kristi McLelland

Follow the author through Israel as we study snapshots from the Gospel of Luke to see where the stories of the Bible took place.

Over the sessions, challenge the way you read the accounts of Jesus through teaching videos that take you to locations in Israel like Bethlehem, the Sea of Galilee, Gethsemane, Jerusalem, and the road to Emmaus. Along the way, you'll see how Jesus, the Messiah, brought His kingdom to earth for everybody.

The group is part-way through this study but new members are always welcome. We meet in the Commons (lower level) of FPLC and take turns facilitating and leading. Are you interested in joining? Contact Laura Mullins; lauramullins718@gmail.com or Heidi Hanson; hhanson@wi.rr.com

Tuesday (early) Morning Study

6:30 – 7:30 am

The Old Testament's Book of Daniel

Daniel's experiences provide hope and assurance for the day that God will confront evil and deliver his people. This timeless book holds relevance for every generation, imparting a message of hope that serves as a catalyst for unwavering faithfulness.

The group is part-way through this study but new members are always welcome. We meet at FPLC. Are you interested in joining? Contact Mark Chelmowski; mchelm81@gmail.com

Fox Point Moms—2 Groups!



Tuesday Evenings

This adult group offers a safe, open space to support moms of any age. This will be a time to mentor and support each other and discuss parenting and family issues—learning realistic and supportive faith-based advice for today's busy moms. Spread the word, this will be a great group! Join us any time!

Leaders: Mary Beth Scalise and Meghan Langlois

Dates: Oct. 21. Regular sessions are the first and third Tuesday evenings of most months.

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Location: Heritage Room (main level)

Signup: Use the QR code or click [HERE](#).

No need to RSVP for each session.



Friday Mornings

This group is open to all moms of any age and provides a safe, supportive environment. We will focus on a devotional and discuss it at each session. Whether you are a mom or not, please help us spread the word by sharing this opportunity to get together. Join any time!

Leaders: Angie Biersach & Tracy Christenson

Date: October 24. We meet the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month.

Time: 9:30 – 11:00 am

Location: FPLC, lower level in the room next to the Point Cafe.

Signup: Use the QR code or click [HERE](#).

No need to RSVP for each session.



Food Needs Continue to Rise

Cuts to several food assistance programs are projected to affect 48 million Americans. Some of the organizations supplying food to pantries we serve are federally funded, and they have less food to share with the pantries.

If you are able to donate, our pantries 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

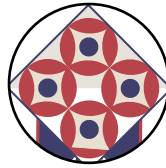
Sardines; canned
Chicken; canned
Tuna; canned
Beef Stew; canned
Salmon; canned
Meatball Spaghetti-O's
Canned pastas w/meat
Peanut Butter

Food Items

Canned corn
Baked beans
Cereal
Pancake mix and syrup
Jelly
Peanut Butter
Oatmeal
Tuna Helper
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



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, October 21

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: Friday, October 17; 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.



Funeral Reception Help

Would you like to help with light setup and cleanup for funeral receptions? No cooking or baking—just simple tasks like coffee, cookies, and tablecloths. To volunteer or learn more, contact Kelly Price at 414-352-8990 or kelly@foxpointchurch.org.



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!

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	Grant
Cameron	Ian
Cooper	Jonah
Danny	Kyan
David	Matthew

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

Alex	Kathy G.	Bonnie L. &	Rick
Anna	Joan Gildner	Family	Dave Rotter
Woody Barksdale	Gillian	Leslie L.	Kathy S.
Kim Bell	Grant	Bob Lick	Lynn S.
Jay Blair	Gregg	Makenna M.	Ruth Schmidt
Candee	Sue Hiller	Steve M.	Jerry Schoenike
Cheryl	Harlow James	Matt	Stephen
Richard Choi	Jim	Roger Matzke	Sweet Family
Rosie Conaway	Joan	Michael	Jane T.
Pr. Dan	John	Mike	Terry
Dan C.	Jon	Nadine	Mike Umland
Rick Frank	Donna Jordahl	Nancy	Wayne
Freeze Family	Randy K.	Curt Nash	Bob Wiese
Andrea G.	Kath	Robert Palmer	Al Z.
Jenny G.	Corrine Kraus	Rebecca	

Congratulations

Baptisms

Hallie Clare Hoover, daughter of Katelyn and Charles Hoover, was baptized October 12.

Andie Claire Menard, daughter of Grant and Sarah Menard, was baptized October 12.

William Hudson Menard, son of Brock Menard and Ellen Erpenbeck Menard, was baptized October 12.

Wedding

Congratulations and best wishes to Jessica Halyko and Michael Shulz, who were married October 4.



For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Jeremiah 29:11

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

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Written by FPLC member, Mary Buscher. This devotion was first shared on Wednesday, October 15. If you would like to receive Mary's devotion on a weekly basis, please sign up here: [Weekly Devotion.](#)

Hello!

"Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken." – Psalm 55:22

A brand-new kitchen trash can was delivered via UPS the other day. White matte finish and a flat stainless-steel top...I love the sleek contemporary design. It's actually fun to throw things away...step on the pedal...let go of the object and voila...it silently closes itself! Lighter things almost float in and the really heavy and dense things fall to the bottom, tumbling quietly out of sight.

I noticed how good it feels to throw things away in the new can...no more worrying about them accumulating, no longer wishing them away, I was powering up! Getting rid of the junk – it's like hitting the "delete" key. It's like that with Our Father too. When you are surrendering things to His direction, you start to feel light again...actually, you start to feel right again. Instead of dwelling on darkness, maybe in darkness, maybe with things closing in on you, there is a feeling of lightness and freedom, because with Him, you are walking in the light.

"Now the Lord is the Spirit and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

– 2 Corinthians 3:17

God takes the unfinished things, the over-done things, the junk we should throw out, the earthly things we deem precious, and perhaps the spiritual things we deem unimportant and turns it all around with His amazing grace pouring out. He can take it all ...He wants to take it all...from us to restore us...for in this time on earth, where we are truly just passing through...we can make the most of it...the very best of it...with Him!

"Let Him have all your worries and cares, for He is always thinking about you and watching everything that concerns you." – 1 Peter 5:7

We pray-

Father, when the stuff of our lives seems to crowd us into a corner, when we begin to stockpile the smallest of our fears and all else as well, please help us to see your outstretched hands. Please help us to answer your invitation and simply offer it all up to you. When we walk with you, we know that we need not be afraid...we are your precious children, and we are never alone. Amen.

Have a wonderful week! – Mary