



LIFE TOGETHER

This Week

Week of January 27, 2026
Vol 192
Real Faith For Real Life

LOVE LANGUAGES

For Parents

Love Languages For Parents Workshop

Friday, March 6 — Rescheduled Date

We spend a lot of time trying to do the right things for our kids—provide, protect, encourage, correct. But sometimes what we give isn't what they're actually hearing. That's where Love Languages comes in! If you've ever thought:

> *Why doesn't this connect with my child?*

> *I want to be more intentional as a parent, not just reactive.*

> *I'm trying so hard—why does it still feel like we're missing each other?*

This night is for you!

We're hosting a relaxed, meaningful gathering designed to help parents better understand how their children receive love—and how small adjustments can make a big difference in connection, discipline, and everyday moments at home.

Sign Up: Click the button below, scan the QR code or sign up in-person in Fellowship Hall.

Age group: Adults

Times: 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Cost: Free/Freewill offering

Childcare: Babies – 5th grade; pizza dinner; K5-5th grade will watch a movie

Location: FPLC Fellowship Hall

Questions : Contact Pastor Bill

[Pr. Bill](#)

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AGING WITH GRACE

Aging presents both challenges and blessings. While the challenges are well known, the blessings often go unrecognized. Join us to share your experiences and explore choices and opportunities that can enrich the years ahead. Based on: *The Gift of Years*, by Joan Chittister.



**STARTS
FEBRUARY
20**
**CONTINUES
THRU APR 10**

**FRIDAYS
10:30 - NOON**

**Cost: \$15/Book
FPLC**

REGISTER



Or Click Here:

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

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New Grief Support Group Starting Soon

Informational Meeting:
Sunday, February 1
Between Services (10 am)
FPLC's Heritage Room

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?

Grief can be one of the most painful and persistent forms of sorrow, impacting our lives in all sorts of ways.

When we are grieving the death of someone we love, we humans need the support and compassion of others who understand what we are experiencing. Since the beginning of time, people have come together in times of grief to help one another. Grief support groups provide an opportunity for this kind of care and companionship.

Pastor Bruce will be starting a new grief support group soon. If you are interested in learning more, please plan to attend our informational meeting on Sunday, Feb 1 or by reaching out to him by email: pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org.

MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary Friday lunches

FPLC members provide and serve lunch at MBHS's Fantastic Fridays lunch program throughout the year. (Held at Hephatha Lutheran Church.) There are two ways to help:

Supply Part of the Meal:

On the sign-up page, choose which part of the meal you'd like to supply. The main dish recipe and sides will be on the signup at least a month before the lunch date.

Serve the Meal:

Join us for one or more of the Fridays below from 11 am – 1:30 pm to serve lunch to the guests at Hephatha Lutheran Church. (Corner of Locust and 18th). Just sign up on the SignUp Genius link below. Hephatha is located at 1720 W Locust St, Milwaukee. Street parking and the entrance are on 18th St.

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

2026 FPLC Meal Dates:

June 12; August 14; September 11; December 11

Over 300 Pairs Already Collected!

Last Call!
Ends Sunday!



Soles for Jesus

Shoes are a basic necessity, but millions of people across our globe live barefoot lives. Not only does this cause health issues and injuries, it also keeps people from work and school, where shoes are required.

To help address the need for shoes, FPLC is holding a shoe drive for Soles for Jesus now through January 30. They accept new and used shoes for children or adults, male or female. All sizes and types of shoes are welcome as donations. Shoes not appropriate for people to wear are recycled and turned into other materials, like playground flooring. The shoes are sent to developing countries in Africa.

To learn more about the mission of Soles for Jesus click on this link for videos, statistics, pictures and more: [Soles for Jesus](#).



A donation box is located inside the main doorway next to the food cart. Contact: Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org.



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High School Youth Group!

At Youth Group, our vision is to create an atmosphere for 9th – 12th graders to grow, connect, worship and serve. Whether you go to church every Sunday, or have never stepped foot inside FPLC, if you're interested in exploring your faith and having some fun, come join us!

Sunday, February 22; 6 – 8 pm at FPLC

We'll learn how to trust God, ourselves, and one another — in a season that asks deeper questions about who we are and what we're living for.

Through games, scripture, and community, we'll explore questions of identity, trust, and what really gives life meaning.

Contact Pastor Josh with any questions; pastorjosh@foxpointchurch.org.

We'd love to see you there! Click [HERE](#) for the RSVP.

Sunday, March 22; 1 – 5 pm; Trip to Holy Hill

Holy Week is just around the corner, but it can be hard to get in the right head space when you're drowning in homework, sports, and noise. Sometimes we need to change our surroundings to change our perspective.

That's why we're heading to Holy Hill!

We're going to hike the outdoor Stations of the Cross. It's a chance to get out of the suburbs, get some fresh air, and actually walk through the story of Jesus' final days. We'll hike the trail through the woods and end at the Basilica to reset before Easter hits.

We want to experience the journey to Easter, not just hear about it.

- **Meet:** 1:00 pm at Church (We'll be back by 5 pm.)
- **Wear:** Mud-friendly boots and warm layers; the trail is real, and it's usually colder on the hill than it is here.
- **Bring:** A friend and a hoodie.
- **Drivers:** We need a few high schoolers, volunteers, and/or parents to help transport the crew! Please let us know if you'd be willing to help!
- **Sign ups to start soon!**

FPLC'S 11TH ANNUAL
CHILI
THROWDOWN

BRING THE HEAT!

CONTESTANTS

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Hot Prizes for:
 Chef's Choice
 Runner Up
 Most Creative Display

FULL
Contest

ATTENDEES

YOU BE THE JUDGE!

Sample The Recipes
 Beer Tasting
 For kids: Hot Dogs, Chips and Lemonade

RSVP To Attend
 the Chili Tasting

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE:
 Children 4 and under!



SAT. FEB. 7
5-7 PM



**Serve Up Some Comfort:
 Be a Coffee Host in 2026!**

March 1 and Beyond

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 Confirmation students (with an adult). Please sign up with the link below or contact Lori Barrieau with any questions; lori@foxpointchurch.org or 414-352-8990.

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Men's and Women's Clubs

State of the Church

Hear from Pastor Bill as he presents the state of the Church – a very popular topic!

Date: February 11

Time: 11:30 am

fellowship, noon lunch with program to follow

Location: FPLC; Fellowship Hall

Fee: \$15; includes lunch

Signup: Sign up in Fellowship Hall

Monday Evening Bible Study

The Nicene Creed

Join us as we study the Nicene Creed, a foundational statement of many Christian faiths.

Date: Monday, Feb. 2; meets every Monday

Time: 6 – 7 pm

Contact: Lori Barrieau; 262-227-9211



Communion Sunday to our 5th graders. Other churches offer First Communion at other ages. Some of you may have missed your own First Communion because of family circumstances, moving to a different church, or changes in your faith practices or beliefs. But it's not too late to take this meaningful step in your faith journey. God calls each of us in His own time.

Join Pastor Bruce and others as you explore the meaning of First Communion and its importance in your daily life. We will celebrate Communion together at the end of this very special evening.

Alternative First Communion:

Who: Open to all—6th grade and older—who would like to take their First Communion

When: Wednesday, February 25, 7 – 8:30 pm

Where: Meet in Fellowship Hall

Signup: Through the link below, with the QR code or in Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings

Questions: Contact Pastor Bruce



[Pr. Bruce](#)

[Sign Up!](#)



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

Tuesday, February 17; 5:30 – 7 pm

Join us for pancakes (regular, gluten free), sausages, fruit, Pączki, and fun times on the night before Ash Wednesday! There will be a free-will offering. If you want some delicious pancakes, please RSVP with

the link or QR code below. Cost: Free Will Offering (suggested \$5 per person) Questions? Contact the church office; 414-352-8990.

We also need setup help and pancake flippers! Sign up, by clicking the link below.

[RSVP](#)

[Volunteer](#)

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 18

Service Times:

Noon and 7 pm

Come worship the first day of Lent. Experience the imposition of ashes, a practice that is meaningful and evokes cleansing and renewal.



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Dinner Volunteers at Serenity Inn

Great for Confirmation Families— March Dates Available!

SI is a residence for men in recovery. Make or purchase a meal and take it warm to the Inn. Stay to eat and hear their recovery stories.

There is a leader from the Inn who directs the evening. So you just set up the food and follow their lead!

Sign up with the link below or in Fellowship Hall. Please contact FPLC member Lorraine Buehler with any questions; lcbuehler@cs.com, or 414-630-8933.



Serenity Inn:
2825 W. Brown St.

Click here to sign up!

Create Your Own Memorial Service

Have you ever thought about what you'd want your memorial service to look like? Most families end up guessing — in the middle of grief. That's why we're offering a meaningful (and surprisingly fun!) workshop.

Plan the Celebration of Your Life (literally!) Think of it as planning the best party you'll never attend.

You'll have the chance to:

- Pick your favorite songs and scriptures
- Write your “greatest hits” obituary
- Organize passwords and important info
- Record a message for your loved ones
- Dream up a legacy gift that lives on

Save the Date!

Date: Sunday, April 19

Time: 3 – 5 pm

Where: Fellowship Hall

Sign up: Coming soon! Registration is required.



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Food Needs Continue to Rise

So far, due to the generosity of so many, the food pantries FPLC donates to have not run out of food, but it is hard for them to keep up as the number of guests rises, federal assistance has dropped and grocery prices are still going up.

Canned protein and hygiene products are always welcome. You can pick up a list of most-needed items in Fellowship Hall or on our website [HERE](#).

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.

The Marriage You Always Wanted

Starts Friday, February 13

If you've been married for more than a minute, you already know this: marriage is wonderful... and marriage is work. And sometimes it's not the big dramatic moments that wear us down—it's the ordinary stuff. The hurried conversations. The unmet expectations. The "I thought you knew..." moments. The season where you look up and realize, we're living in the same house, but we're not really connecting like we used to.

Many couples over the years who genuinely love each other still feel stuck. And honestly, many of us don't need a "marriage crisis" to benefit from encouragement—we just need a little help getting back to what matters most.

That's why we're offering a new marriage class based on Gary Chapman's book, *The Marriage You Always Wanted*.

This is a 5-session class, *but be clear*: If you can't make all five, don't let that stop you—come when you can. Even one night could be a fresh start or a helpful reset.

This will be a relaxed, welcoming environment—no pressure, no awkward spotlight moments—just a chance to grow, laugh a little, learn, and strengthen what God has given you.

Maybe your marriage is in a great place and you want to keep investing.

Maybe it's been a tough season and you're ready for a step forward.

Or maybe you just want to build better habits before problems grow.

Wherever you are, you're welcome here.

[Sign Up!](#)

Date: Program begins Friday, February 13; additional dates to be announced shortly

Times: 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Childcare: Babies – 5th grade; pizza dinner; K5-5th grade will watch a movie

Food: Yes, there will be heavy appetizers and drinks for adults

Location: FPLC

Fee: None

For Questions : Pastor Bill; pastorbill@foxpointchurch.org



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Sheepshead Group at FPLC!

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



Women's Book Club

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

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:

February 23: *The Best Minds* by Jonathan Rosen

April 6: *Every Note Played* by Lisa Genova

May 18: *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick



Hospital Visits

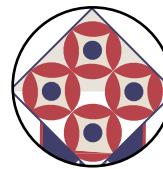
If you or a loved one is hospitalized and would like a pastor visit or call (or just to let them know you are hospitalized), call the church office; 414-352-8990. Hospitals cannot share that information.



Purchase Gift Cards at FPLC

By purchasing Bayside gift cards at church (*not* at the garden center) you help us send teens

in Tanzania to high school. We retain 15% of each card's cost, which helps cover tuition. Cards can be purchased at the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings or in the church office during the week.



Quilters/Piecemakers

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

Date: Tuesday, February 24

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, February 20; it's a one-session class, but come more if you would like! Next date is March 20.

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.



Mt. Meru Coffee at Home

You can support the 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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Welcome To Kids' Church!

We are so happy to have your child join us for a 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!

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](#)



VBS—God's Love is Fur-Real!

Join us for games, challenges, activities, crafts, and stories from the Bible that will help us to learn more about the importance of listening to God in our lives. This week of fun and faith is for students who are currently in K4 – 3rd

grades (for the school year of 2025-2026).

Date: June 15-19 (Mon-Fri)

Time: 9 am - Noon

Cost: \$75 (scholarships available), contact the church office.

Do you have questions or would you like to volunteer?

Volunteer spots are limited; contact Julie asap! Volunteers must be entering 6th grade in the fall or older.

[Sign Up!](#)

[Email Julie](#)



Little Lambs!

This fun program is designed for children who have turned age 3 by January 1, 2026, through those currently in a P3 program.

Date: June 15-19 (Mon-Fri)

Time: 9:15 – 11:45 am

Cost: \$75 (scholarships available), contact the church office.

Do you have questions or would you like to volunteer?
Contact Julie!

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[Email Julie](#)



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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: February 3 & 17; 1st & 3rd 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.

Fox Point Moms—2 Groups!



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: February 13 & 27; 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.



CONFIRMATION

Info and Workshops

Our website is the place to go for all things Confirmation! Use the link below to find everything you need. If you have any questions, contact Lori Barrieau; lori@foxpointchurch.org or 414-352-8990.

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](#).

February

February 4

March

March 4 & 18

April

April 8 & 22



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)

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

Alex
Ann
Robin Armitage
Woody Barksdale
Kim Bell
Brenda
Dan C.
Caezar Chavez
Kristofer Chavez
Cheryl
Richard Choi
Rosie Conaway
Pr. Dan
Doreen
Jenny Doss
Ed
Fran

Rick Frank
Fredrick
Andrea G.
Jenny G.
Kathy G.
Roy G.
Joan Gildner
Gregg
Sue Hiller
Harlow James
Jeremy
Jim
Joan
John
Jon
Donna Jordahl
Casey K.

Randy K.
Kay Kaltenberg
Kath
Charlie Kinney
Corrine Kraus
Larry L.
Leslie L.
Bonnie Lund & Family
Makenna M.
Steve M.
Mary Jane
Matt
Michael
Mike
Nadine
Nancy

Curt Nash
Robert Palmer
Rebecca
Rick
Dave Rotter
Lynn S.
William Skasick
John Spersrud
Stephen
Joe Strzyzewski
Jane T.
Terry
Mike Umland
Wayne V.
Bob Wiese
Al Z.

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	Ian
Cameron	Jonah
Cooper	Kyan
Danny	Matthew
David	Wyatt
Grant	



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Written by FPLC member, Mary Buscher. This devotion was first shared on Wednesday, January 21. If you would like to receive Mary's devotion on a weekly basis, please sign up here: [Weekly Devotion](#).

Hello!

“For the whole law is fulfilled on one word; “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”
– Galatians 5:14

Just this morning, a fellow across the street reached out to greet his neighbor with a snow shovel. An odd sort of hello, but the other guy's small implement was way under-powered for the heavy wet snowfall we'd received – this would have been an uphill climb! The shovel was in his left hand accompanied by a hearty handshake with his right. An interesting handoff, it was unclear whether or not they even knew each other, but for sure his neighbor was his helper. Top that one – a neighbor we barely know kindly shoveled our front walk “just because” ...talk about some real brotherly love!

“The Pharisee asked, “Teacher, which command in the law is the most important? Jesus answered, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and mind. This is the first and most important command. And the second command is like the first: Love your neighbor as you love yourself.” – Matthew 22: 36-39

Two tellings, one from the lips of Jesus in Matthew, one related by the apostle, Paul in his letter to the early Christians in Galatia. A message of such importance – embracing our love for God in the same way as we do so for our neighbors...aligning our hearts with His. Include all, not just our families and close friends...and exclude none... letting our love transform all those whose lives touch ours...anyone...and everyone. Relationships bound together in love and grace, not merely compliance with a statute, rather with the heartstrings that weave us together as humans.

Father, thank you for your constant care of our hearts and souls. Help us to be open to all possibilities, to dwell in a sphere of grace and love for all...to follow your light and pass it on to others. Amen.

Blessings for a wonderful week. – Mary