

Sunday, September 13 is a Big Day at FPLC

We're kicking off the beginning of fall worship, programs and Kids' Church!



Two Service Times Are Back

We return to our 9 am and 10:30 am service schedule on September 13. The two services have different musical experiences: 9 am has more traditional music with our FPLC

Chancel Choir, Joyful Noise Bell Choir and organ music. For a contemporary music service, join us at 10:30 am with our Fox Point Church Worship Team.



Kids' Church

We're beginning a new school year of Kids' Church with age-appropriate art projects, videos and games to allow your children to explore the most important stories in the Bible and the teachings of Jesus.

If you haven't received this information, contact Julie Schlifske, julie@foxpointchurch.org.



Confirmation Orientation & Registration

Orientation: 7th Graders, new 8th Graders & Parents

If your student is entering 7th grade or an 8th grader new to our Confirmation program, please join us for this brief orientation meeting to hear all about the program.

If you didn't receive an email regarding the Confirmation program, please contact Lori Barrieau (see below).

Date: Wednesday, September 23

Time: 7 – 8 pm

Where: Fellowship Hall

Questions: Lori Barrieau; lori@foxpointchurch.org.

Registration: All 7th and 8th Graders

It's time to register for Confirmation! Click the links below for the Permission Slip and Registration form. Scan the QR code for the upcoming year's schedule, and to learn what Confirmation is all about!

[Registration](#)

[Permission Slip](#)



5K-6th Grades

What do we do? We learn lots of action songs, scripture songs, and songs to share in worship. We sing during worship services 4-6 times per year.

When do we practice? Sunday mornings between the worship services, from 10-10:25 am. Please remember, we have just 25 minutes to sing together each week, so we need you to come every week if you can. Even if you can't be at the next performance, we will be learning other songs that you will want to know, so come and sing with us!

Location: We will rehearse in the Music Room and Movie Room in the Lower Level.

When do rehearsals begin? Rehearsals launch with a "Get to Know You" kick-off on Sunday, October 4. Weekly rehearsals generally follow the Sunday School calendar.

How do we join? You can complete the form (click below), or email Jeff Shoemaker.

[Registration](#)

[Email Jeff](#)





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



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Dinner Volunteers at Serenity Inn

What is Serenity Inn?

Serenity Inn is a residence for men in recovery who have completed treatment and are working to maintain sobriety, find employment, and rebuild life skills. Typically, 9-12 men and an

Innkeeper live at the Inn at any given time.

What's Involved for Dinner Fellowship Volunteers?

Prepare or purchase (see ideas below) a meal and bring it warm to the Inn (2825 W Brown St, Milwaukee). Volunteers are encouraged to stay, share the meal, and hear the residents' recovery stories, though meals may also be dropped off or delivered. One of the men will guide the evening. The residents handle setup assistance, cleanup, and carrying items to and from your car. Families with middle-school-aged children and older are welcome, and friends can team up to prepare and serve a meal together.

Why You Should Sign Up

Any number of residents at the Inn have told volunteers that they rarely, if ever, sat down for a meal with their own families growing up. Creating a "family environment" for the men in recovery at the Inn sets the program apart from any other in the area and helps the men realize "they are somebody." People care about them! Their openness and appreciation for the meal and your company is visible.

The Next Step

We have 3 September dates to fill! Could one of those dates work for you? Please sign up using the link to the right or in Fellowship Hall on Sunday.

For questions, contact FPLC member Lorraine Buehler at lcbuehler@cs.com or 414-630-8933.

Volunteers Needed:

September
Thursday, September 10
Friday, September 18
Wednesday, September 23

October, November & December dates also available.

Click here to sign up!

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

If you are too busy to cook, it's JUST FINE to buy a good dinner and bring it to share with residents. Here are several possible suggestions, 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! Buy a meal or parts of it from the following or a place of your choosing:

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
Pick n' Save's Mequon location,
fried chicken



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Women's & Men's Club

Join us for another year of engaging presentations, outings, and fellowship. With many shared interests between our Women's and Men's Clubs, we are pleased to offer combined programs for the 2026-

2027 season.

Please check the church newsletter, bulletin, or the FPLC website (click [HERE](#)) for the entire schedule.

Pantry Life & Food Justice Programs with Brian Bolling from All Peoples Church. Learn about the Isaiah 55 Food Pantry and other food justice programs supported by our partner church, All People's Gathering Church. Guest speaker Brian Bolling will provide insights into pantry life and share how their food programs help individuals and families in need throughout Milwaukee.

Sign up in Fellowship Hall or click the button below to sign up and pay online.

Date: Thursday, September 17

Time: 11:30 am for lunch and fellowship followed by the presentation

Location: Fellowship Hall

Fee: \$15, plus a nonperishable food item or monetary donation for the pantry

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

[Sign Up](#)



Fox Point Moms—Two Groups

FPM is for moms of all ages—with children or grandchildren of all ages! This is a judgment-free time to mentor each other, vent, ask parenting or spousal questions and be

here for each other. The groups provide a safe, supportive environment. They each focus on a devotional and discuss it at each session. Please help us spread the word by sharing this opportunity.

Friday Morning Group:

Date: Kick off date is Friday, September 11; meets every 2 weeks; 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month

Time: 9 – 10:30 am

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

Leaders: Angie Biersach; angiebiersach@gmail.com

[Friday: Signup](#)

Tuesday Evening Group:

Date: Kick off date is Tuesday, September 15, second meeting is October 6; then meets every 2 weeks; 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: FPLC

Leaders: Meghan Langlois; melanglois78@gmail.com and Mary Beth Scalise

[Tuesday: Signup](#)



Women's Book Club—September 14; 7 pm

This group meets on Mondays, approximately every 6 weeks, from 7 – 8:30 pm. They read a variety of genres depending on interests in the group. It's an informal, fun time together. They take turns leading the discussion and have light snacks and beverages.

Questions or would you like to join? Contact Joanne Ginster; jmginster@yahoo.com or

(414) 491-8939.

The first three books for this year are: September 14: *Holy Envy* by Barbara Taylor, October 26: *Whistler* by Ann Patchett, December 7: *The Briar Club* by Kate Quinn.

To see a list of books and dates for the rest of the book club year, please click here: [BOOKS](#)



Draft Day at FPLC

Thursday, September 3; 7 pm

Football season is almost here. Pastor Josh is starting a free FPLC Fantasy Football League! Adults, Middle Schoolers, and High Schoolers are invited to join us for a season of friendly competition, and FPLC bragging rights. No experience necessary!

We'll kick things off with a live draft at church with food provided. Come for the draft, stay for a season of friendly rivalries, Sunday-morning conversation, and the chance to prove you really do know more about football than everyone else at church. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or with this link.

[Draft Day Sign Up](#)

Lend a Hand with FPLC's Sunday Services

We'll be returning to our 9 and 10:30 am service schedules on September 13 and we need YOU to keep things running smoothly before, during and after the services!

Communion Aides; Two Different Options

Confirmation Students (w/parent) and Older Saturday Set Up—Set up for Communion on the Saturday before a Communion Sunday, including filling the cups with wine and grape juice. It takes about an hour any time between 9 am and 4 pm on a Saturday that you choose.

Sunday Mornings—Refill the wine trays, give the servers new trays and help in the Sacristy during one of the Communion services. Sign up as the dates work for you. Confirmation students can volunteer with a parent. Time: during the church service.

Ushers

Confirmation Students (w/parent the first time) and Older

Keep church running smoothly before, during and after services. Ushers hand out bulletins, help with the offertory and direct people for communion. Have young children with you? They can help you. Join a schedule or help out as a sub or on holidays. Ushers arrive 20 minutes before the service and clean up the pews until about 10 minutes after the service.



Coffee Hour Hosts

All Ages (children with an adult)

There are two shifts for Coffee Hour Hosts. The first shift cuts up the donuts, brews the coffee, and sets everything out. The second shift keeps the coffee brewing, fills the donut trays as needed, then cleans up and puts everything away. Each time slot is about a two hour commitment, which includes attending the service, if you choose. Confirmation students and families with young children are welcome, with a parent. Times: approx 8:15 – 10:15 am and approx 10:15 – 11:45 am.



Ask Questions and Sign Up:

For more information or to sign up, scan the QR code, click the links below, or contact Lori Barrieau; lori@foxpointchurch.org. Lori can answer any questions you have.

[Communion Aides](#)

[Coffee Hour Hosts](#)

[Ushers](#)



Food Pantries: Crucial Food Safety Nets

Food scarcity is a constant concern for many in Milwaukee. New cuts in food stamps went into effect this month. This is why food collection drives like those done at FPLC are more important than ever.

MBHS is a crucial food resource to 200+ households and individuals per week who go to their 6-7 weekly outreach events. All Peoples Church served 104 guests last week. By

donating food, we have this opportunity to feed truly food-scarce and hungry people. Nutritious food helps reverse the toxicity of lead poisoning in all ages. Lead toxicity is a very common issue in the neighborhoods served by MBHS.

Filling and culturally-appropriate foods are needed and remember to check expiration dates! *We cannot accept items which have expired or are nearly expired!* Contact Stacia Hickey; stacia@foxpointchurch.org with any questions.

Items Always Needed Include:

Canned Beef, Chicken and Salmon
Sardines, Spam, Vienna Sausages
Canned Collard or Mustard Greens
Dinty Moore Beef Stew, Chicken Noodle Soup, SpaghettiOs
Canned Yams, Mac & Cheese, Rice, Baked Beans
Canned Fruit
Granola Bars and other Energy Bars
Cheerios & other cereals (12-18 oz)
Syrup
Ensure and Infant Formula



Additional Items:

Household cleaning items

Hygiene and grooming products

These items are too costly for many. To be well-groomed is so helpful to self-esteem and confidence!



Do These Coats Look Familiar to You?

We can feel it in the air—it's cooling off. And the sun is setting a bit earlier. Fall and then winter will be here before we know it. These coats have been hanging by the sanctuary at FPLC for several months now. You probably don't even know they're missing because who would wear a coat when it's 85 and humid?!

If these belong to you, please come get them—we want you to stay warm this fall!



All Peoples Update



Backpacks in All Peoples' pews before distribution

School Supply Distribution

All Peoples Church received 406 registrations for a free book bag filled with school supplies this year. Through our back pack and school supply drive, we collected 30 backpacks and our members purchased 40 school supply kits for grades ranging from kindergarten through high school. A big thank you goes to Winkies Toys and Variety! in Whitefish Bay for partnering with us to supply the school supply kits!

Security Updates

Security is an important part of maintaining a safe and welcoming building. At All Peoples, the existing security system had become outdated. The cameras provided limited image quality and coverage, and the system could not be accessed remotely.

FPLC's Endowment Committee stepped in to help. The committee provided approximately \$12,000 to update the security system, along with an additional \$3,000 toward future parking lot lighting across the street.

Cornerstone Security, the company that originally installed All Peoples' security system years ago, was hired to complete the update. Their familiarity with the building made them well-equipped to determine the best locations for new cameras and wiring.

The new system will:

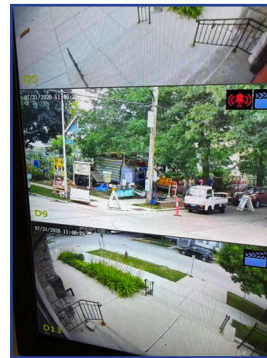
- Cover more areas of the building
- Provide wider views of the areas surrounding the building
- Provide clearer images during both the day and night
- Allow authorized staff to access the system from their phones
- Allow footage to be shared with the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD), which can be helpful when incidents occur in the surrounding neighborhood or at nearby intersections

This is an important investment in the safety and security of All Peoples and the surrounding community. FPLC is grateful for the opportunity to support this important need through the Endowment Fund.

Dear Fox Point Lutheran Church,

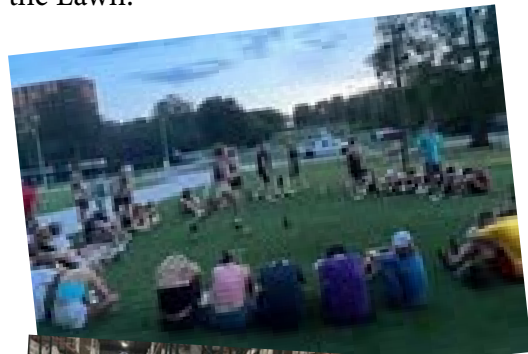
Thank you so much for the generous gift to All Peoples Gathering Church to help us update our security system. Your care and generosity toward us has been such a blessing, and our relationship as partner congregations is a true witness to the one body of Christ we all share in. We are thankful for all the Holy Spirit has done and will continue to do, growing an ever deeper relationship between our congregations.

God Bless, Rev. Evan McVann



Summer Pictures!

We've had a busy summer at FPLC. VBS & Little Lambs, the Apostle Islands trip, the High School Mission trip, Llamas on the lawn, Patio Parties, small groups, volunteer projects, worship, weddings, baptisms and the list goes on! Enjoy a small collection of photos from 3 of these—the Apostle Islands trip, the HS mission trip to Asheville, NC and Llamas on the Lawn.



Northshore Interfaith Green Team Instrument Drive

Northshore Interfaith Green Team, of which FPLC is a member, has held electronic drives, educational programs and now is holding an instrument recycling drive with a dual purpose. Not only will it move the unused instruments out of your homes (and keep them from the landfill), the instruments will be refurbished and distributed to Milwaukee-area students in need. Exclusions: please no keyboards or song flutes.

Please drop off your instruments at FPLC on Sunday morning, October 11. Unfortunately, FPLC cannot accept instruments before or after that date. Feel free to contact Brass Bell directly about bringing items to their store.



NORTHSHORE INTERFAITH GREEN TEAM PRESENTS:

INSTRUMENT RECYCLING DRIVE

ONE INSTRUMENT. ONE CHILD. ONE GREENER PLANET.

Do you have a gently used musical instrument that is no longer being played?
Instead of letting it collect dust - or end up in a landfill - give it a second life.

YOUR DONATED INSTRUMENT WILL BE PROFESSIONALLY REFURBISHED AT BRASS BELL MUSIC STORE, THROUGH A PROGRAM FUNDED BY THE KIWANIS, AND DISTRIBUTED TO A CHILD IN NEED.

WHEN: OCTOBER 11, 2026
WHERE: Fox Point Church, Welcome area
TIME: 8:45 am – Noon
WHAT: USED BRASS, WOODWINDS, STRINGS, PERCUSSION, GUITARS
PLEASE NO KEYBOARDS OR SONG FLUTES

HELP US KEEP REUSABLE INSTRUMENTS OUT OF THE LANDFILL AND SUPPORT MUSIC EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN IN NEED.

Recycle with purpose. Share the gift of music. Care for our Earth.

A Year of Biblical Womanhood

Two Study Groups

A Year of Biblical Womanhood by Rachel Held Evans will be the study for two different groups this fall. Both groups will travel with Rachel from the Old Testament to the New Testament, from Genesis to Revelation, from the Levitical code to the letters of Paul. Rachel will make this study come alive and laughingly enjoyable by observing the Biblical practices for Women, sometimes only once and sometimes all year.

However, this is to be much more than a history lesson. This is to get us thinking about what faithfulness looks like for women and men today.

Author Ian Morgan Cron wrote, *"This Magnificent achievement should be required reading in every church, home, student ministry, college and seminary in the world."*

Monday Mornings (every other week)

All adults are welcome – men come too

Beginning September 14th

10:00 – 11:30am

Meeting in the lower level at church, in the area just outside the Cafe.

Wednesday Evenings (every other week)

All women are welcome

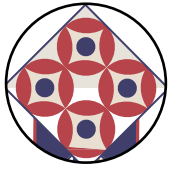
Beginning September 16th

6:30 – 8:00pm

Meeting in The Heritage Room, southwest of Fellowship Hall

We'd love to have you join us for either class. Please email, text or call Ruth Schmidt for more information and to sign up. You will need to purchase a copy of Rachel's book.

Deacon Ruth Schmidt; 262-424-3344;
schmidtyruth@aol.com



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, September 15

Time: 9 am – 1:30 pm

Location: Fellowship Hall

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



Sheepshead Group at FPLC

Dates: August 28, September 11 & 25

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 look forward to sharing the fun! Interested or would you like more information? Contact Jim Schmidt at schmidtyjim@aol.com.



MACCANON BROWN
HOMELESS SANCTUARY, INC.

MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary Friday lunches; Friday, September 11

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 for September is beef stew (recipe provided) with cornbread, fruit salad and homemade cookies. Sign up below.

Serve the Meal:

Join us for one or more of the Fridays 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.

Remaining 2026 FPLC Meal Dates:

September 11

December 11

Sign Up!



FPLC Drives are Making a Big Impact!

This October, let's stand together in support of everyone impacted by breast cancer. While there are many ways to make a difference, donating blood is one simple act that helps provide lifesaving support for patients receiving treatment. Schedule your appointment and help bring hope to those who need it most.

October 29 is our last drive for 2026. We'll post all of our 2027 dates soon. They are scheduled so that you can sign up for them all and still have the required space between appointments. We'd love to see you there!!

Click the sign-up link TODAY to schedule an appointment!
Thursday, October 29 at FPLC

Signup



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, September 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.



Grief Support at Fox Point Church

Tuesday, September 22; 5:30 – 7 pm

Have you experienced the loss of a loved one? Do you need encouragement and support as you navigate your grief? We invite you to join us for a 12-session, facilitated support

group beginning September 22. You'll be with others who are also navigating grief. Not sure if a grief support group is right for you? Come to the first meeting to learn more, meet the group, and then decide what feels right for you.

There is no cost for the program. A book will be used during the sessions and is available for \$25, payable at the end of the first meeting.

Ready to join us? Click the link below to register.

Questions? Please reach out to Pastor Bruce; 414-352-8990; pastorbruce@foxpointchurch.org.

Registration



Purchase Gift Cards at FPLC

Do you have some garden maintenance to do or things you need to prepare for fall in your yard? Bayside Garden Center is the place to go for all your garden needs and you can benefit students in Tanzania!

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.



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.



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.



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

AJ	Grant
Alex	Ian
Cameron	Jonah
Cooper	Kyan
Danny	Matthew
David	Wyatt

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

Lane B.	Ruth E.	Jon	Mary Jane	Dave Rotter
Woody Barksdale	Rick Frank	Randy K.	Matt	Roy
Kim Bell	Fredrick	Helen Kappmeyer	Michael	John S.
Ed Bill	Andrea G.	Karin	Mike	Lynn S.
Dan C.	Jenny G.	Kath	Nadine	Nancy S.
Joe Camp and Family	Kathy G.	Kathy	Nancy	William Skasick
Caezar Chavez	Joan Gildner	Charlie Kinney	Curt Nash	Stephen
Kristofer Chavez	Kelly Grebe	Corrine Kraus	Gary Ostrowski	Jane T.
Cheryl	Sue Hiller	Leslie L.	Scott P.	Terry
Richard Choi	Jen	Lisa	Bretton Pierce	Mike Umland
Rosie Conaway	Jill	Makenna	Rick	Al Z.
Pr. Dan	Jim	Robert M	Dotty Roth	Rick Zamora
	Joan	Steve M.		

Congratulations

Birth

Best wishes to Connor and Anna Claus on the birth of their daughter Espen Lee Colette Claus on August 4.

Baptism

Benjamin David Bomhack, son of Micaela and Patrick Bomhack, was baptized August 23.

Condolences

Our condolences and prayers are with Dave, Erin and Kelsey Kasik on the death of his wife and their mother, Sharon Kasik on August 15.

Our condolences and prayers are with the family and friends of Donna Jordahl, who passed away on August 18.

The generous
will themselves be
blessed,
for they share
their food with the
poor.

PROVERBS 22:9

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

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Written by FPLC member, Mary Buscher. The devotion was first shared on Wednesday, August 19. If you would like to receive Mary's devotion on a weekly basis, please sign up here: [Weekly Devotion](#).

Hello!

"Don't look for shortcuts to God. The market is flooded with surefire, easygoing formulas for a successful life that can be practiced in your spare time. Don't fall for that stuff, even though crowds of people do." – Matthew 7:13 The Message

A charming village in England, Tissington is well known for its beauty and also for the ducks that scurry between the ancient drywalls making their way to the water's edge of the River Dove. Broken, crooked, chipped, and some falling over, the walls present obstacles. But the clever ducks know shortcuts, squeezing through narrow openings in the brickwork. Victory isn't always pretty as they stumble over each other's webbed feet and pile into one another, quacking in frustration.

"Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty."
– Proverbs 21:5

Temporary shortcuts can be time savers but can also have unintended consequences. God's timing, though, encourages trust and patience and delivers blessings that are successful in the short and long term. Use a shortcut and you may come out unscathed, but someone else in that narrow passage may be the recipient of an unleashed temper, a mistake, or a pile up of hurt feelings.

Ever have a shortcut backfire? Driving up north, my brother, certain that the shortcut through Shawano was THE way to go, ended with being lost on a dead-end road. Take a shortcut with a recipe, and you can end up with something inedible...do it with a friend, and you could lose a friendship. In His grace and forgiveness, God gives us opportunities for do-overs, He knows us well and our love of taking shortcuts. Wise to follow His path in the first place...no shortcuts... just long-term love and contentment with Him!

We pray together...

Remember, you are held safe. You are loved. You are protected. You are in communion with God and with those whom God has sent you. What is of God will last. It belongs to eternal life. Choose it and it will be yours. Amen. – Henri Nouwen

Enjoy a wonderful week! – Mary