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Purpose Statement

Parkway United Church of Christ strives to be an inclusive community embracing: spiritual nourishment, open-minded inquiry, courageous action, and interfaith partnerships to fulfill God's calling to create a just world for all.

Congregational Statement

Parkway United Church of Christ, with God's grace, seeks to be a congregation that includes all persons, regardless of race, ethnic, or socio-economic background while respecting differences of gender, marital status, age, sexual orientation, and mental and physical ability. We aspire to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. We invite all to share in the life and leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities and blessings of participation in our open and affirming congregation.

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Welcome to Parkway

Thank you for joining us this morning. If you are with us virtually, please let us know you are here by commenting in the chat.

Welcome Children. We invite children to full participation in worship.

Today's Scripture Reader: Harold Cobb

Bell Rung During Lord's Prayer. A tradition begun when farmers working in surrounding fields would stop work and join in prayer.

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Mental Health Support

988 (new nationwide 3-digit number similar to 911... call or text)

24/7 Crisis Hotline 800-273-8255 (TALK) | 800-SUICIDE: 800-784-2433

24/7 Missouri Department of Mental Health 800-811-4760

Text 741741 and someone will text right back... www.crisistextline.org

Behavioral Health Network of Greater St Louis 314-449-6713

Anniversaries

10/24 BECK, Karla & Randy (35)

Birthdays

10/24 WEAS, Ben

10/26 NOURSE, John

10/25 WILLIAMS, Meera

10/28 RISTAU, Nancy

10/25 KRAUSE, Ashley

10/29 CLIFFORD, Daniel

20th Sunday *after* Pentecost

Sunday, October 23, 2022 | 10:00am | Sanctuary & Facebook Live

Meditation *In our view, successful reform is not an event. It is a sustainable process that will build on its own successes - a virtuous cycle of change.* ~Abdullah II of Jordan

Welcome Let us know you are here!

Passing the Peace of Christ

“May the peace of Christ be with you.”

(We are intentional about bringing more peace into the world.)

Prelude *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word*—arr. Albert Beck
Based on the tune first seen in *Geistliche Leider*, Wittenberg, 1543

Lighting of the Candles & Ringing of the Bell

Introit *A Mighty Fortress*—arr. Curt Oliver

Based on based Luther’s hymn *Ein’ feste Burg ist unser Gott*, 1529

Sung by the Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Joel 2:2-9 (CEB—Common English Bible)

A day of darkness and no light, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread out upon the mountains, a great and powerful army comes, unlike any that has ever come before them, or will come after them in centuries ahead. In front of them a fire consumes; and behind them a flame burns. Land ahead of them is like Eden’s garden, but they leave behind them a barren wasteland; nothing escapes them. They resemble horses, and like warhorses they charge, like the rumbling of chariots. They leap on the mountaintops—like the crackling of a fire’s flame, devouring the stubble; like a powerful army ready for battle. In their presence, peoples shake with fear; all faces turn red with worry. Like warriors they charge; like soldiers they climb the wall. Each keeps to their own path; they didn’t change their course. They don’t crowd each other; each keeps to their own path. Even if they fall among the weapons, they won’t stop. They rush upon the city; they run upon the walls. They climb into the houses; they enter through the windows like thieves.

*Call to Worship Brian Wren

One: This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on, time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that’s gone.

Many: **For by the life and death of Jesus, God’s mighty Spirit, now as then, can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again.**

One: Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind our disappointment, guilt and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.

Many: Christ is alive, and goes before us, to show and share what love can do. This is a day of new beginnings. Our God is making all things new.

One: In faith we'll gather round each other, to claim and share what love can do. This is a day of new beginnings. Our God is making all things new.

All: Let us worship our God together—Creator, Christ and Spirit.

***Song** *Be Thou My Vision* #339

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
3 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;

naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.

thou my best thought both by day and by night,
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

***Opening Prayer** Michelle Torigian

God of all time and spaces, we know that through your magnificent creative Spirit our world and our lives came into being. And yet, you are not completely finished with creation. You continue to speak. As you nudge us to newness, grant us renewal as we observe creation with refreshed souls. Help us to appreciate the boldness of Jesus, Martin Luther, and other reformers throughout history. Give us the courage to change what needs to be transformed in order for your love and dreams to grow. Amen.

***Response** *Spirit of the Living God*

**Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me!
Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.**

Children's Time Children are invited to Room 12 (Lower Level) and Youth to Room 15 (Lower Level) following this Children's Time.

Blessing the Children *I Love to Tell the Story, v4*



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove.
2 I love to tell the sto - ry; more won - der - ful it seems
3 I love to tell the sto - ry; it's pleas - ant to re - peat
4 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



Of Je - sus' ra - diant glo - ry, of Je - sus' end - less love.
than all the gold - en vi - sions of all our gold - en dreams.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet.
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it, like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, I tell it now to you
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when I sing in glo - ry. I know the new, new song



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else can do.
be - cause I want to share it, be - cause I know it's true.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.
will be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; and when I am in glo - ry



I'll tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus' end - less love.

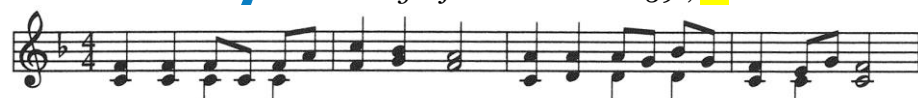
Scripture Luke 18:9-14 (CEB – Common English Bible)

Jesus told this parable to certain people who had convinced themselves that they were righteous and who looked on everyone else with disgust: “Two people went up to the temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed about himself with these words, ‘God, I thank you that I’m not like everyone else—crooks, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week. I give a tenth of everything I receive.’ But the tax collector stood at a distance. He wouldn’t even lift his eyes to look toward heaven. Rather, he struck his chest and said, ‘God, show mercy to me, a sinner.’ I tell you, this person went down to his home justified rather than the Pharisee. All who lift themselves up will be brought low, and those who make themselves low will be lifted up.”

Moment of Silent Reflection

Sermon

A Time of Prayer *Take My Life and Let it Be* #391, v2



1. Take my life, and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee.
2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love.
4. Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;



Take my mo - ments and my days; Let them flow in
Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beau - ti -
Take my in - tel - lect. and use Ev - ery power as



cease - less praise, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
ful for Thee, Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
Thou shalt choose, Ev - ery power as Thou shalt choose.

Pastoral Prayer & Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Our [Creator/Mother/Father/Holy One] **who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

[A variety of names for God are welcome here – including in the Lord's Prayer.]

Offering Our Gifts to God

If you have an offering today, please place it in the plate on the communion table before the end of the closing hymn. There are also offering plates in the Gathering Space just outside the sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity.

Offertory Anthem

Praise the Lord! On Heavens, Adore Him—Hal H. Hopson

Based on the tune *Holy Manna*, from *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Sung by the Sanctuary Choir

*In celebration of the Reformation, we are sharing this piece with lyrics from the King James Version of the Bible. We realize the language is not inclusive for today. If you aren't already, please consider committing yourself to inclusive and expansive language for God and humanity.

Praise the Lord! O heav'ns adore him; praise him angels in the height;
Sun and moon rejoice before him; praise him shining stars of light.
Praise the Lord, for he has spoken: Worlds his mighty voice obey;
Laws which never shall be broken, for their guidance he has made.

Praise the Lord, for he as faithful; never shall his promise fail.
God has made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation; hosts on high his power proclaim;
Heav'n and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his name!

*Response *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* #422, v3



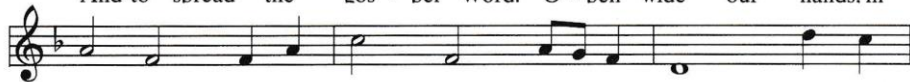
1. God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, From Your rich and
2. Skills and time are ours for press - ing Toward the goals of
3. Trea - sure too You have en - trust - ed, Gain through powers Your



end - less store, Na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom,
Christ, Your Son: All at peace in health and free - dom,
grace con - ferred; Ours to use for home and kin - dred,



Cost-ly cross, grave's shat - tered door: Gift-ed by You, we turn
Rac-es joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
And to spread the gos - pel Word. O - pen wide our hands, in



to You, Of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; Thank-ful
la - bor, Lest we strive for self a - lone; Born with
shar - ing, As we heed Christ's age - less call, Heal - ing,



song shall rise for - ev - er, Gra-cious do - nor of our days.
tal - ents, make us ser - vants Fit to an - swer at Your throne.
teach - ing, and re - claim - ing, Serv - ing You by lov - ing all.

*Prayer of Dedication

Receive these gifts, O God, with our dreams that they will help bring more peace, healing, justice and grace into the world. As we look back, as we stand firmly in today, as we find hope for the future, help us to be a blessing in the things we say and do. Amen.

*Song of Parting *In the Midst of New Dimensions #2238*



1 In the midst of new di - men - sions, in the face of chang - ing ways,
2 Through the flood of starv - ing peo - ple, war - ring fac - tions and de - spair,
3 As we stand a world di - vid - ed by our own self - seek - ing schemes,
4 We are one and we are man - y all per - sua - sions, old and young,
5 Should the threats of dire pre - dic - tions cause us to with - draw in pain,



Who will lead the pil - grim peo - ples wan - dering in their sep - arate ways?
Who will lift the ol - ive branch - es? Who will light the flame of care?
Grant that we, your glob - al vil - lage, might en - vi - sion wid - er dreams.
Each a gift in your cre - a - tion, each a love song to be sung.
May your blaz - ing phoe - nix spir - it res - ur - rect the church a - gain.

Refrain



God of rain - bow, fier - y pil - lar, lead - ing where the ea - gles soar, We your



peo - ple, ours the jour - ney now and ev - er, now and ev - er, now and ev - er - more.

*Benediction

*God's Light Goes Forth

*Music for Going Forth *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Based on the hymn tune *Ein' feste Burg*, by Martin Luther, 1529

Announcements

Please use the form at www.parkwayucc.org/communications for all announcements for our media. Bulletin and eNews deadline: noon Monday.

TODAY! Advent/Christmas thru Mid-January Worship Prep

Sunday, October 23 | 11:15am | Heritage Room and Zoom

Gather with us for some worship planning for Advent/Christmas thru mid-January. Ponder these scripture readings and themes prior to October 23. Think about hymns, songs, object lessons and whatever else comes into your mind and spirit so you are ready for our brainstorming.

November 27—Advent One: *Hope*...Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Matthew 24:36-44; Romans 13:11-14.

December 4—Advent Two: *Peace*...Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 27:1-7, 18-19.

December 11—Advent Three: *Joy*...8 readings telling the Jesus story Hebrew Bible to Gospels - Lessons & Carols.

December 18—Advent Four: *Love*...Children/Youth Pageant - Festival Lights Around the World (interfaith).

Saturday, December 24 at 4:30pm and 7:30pm.

Sunday, December 25...Luke 2:1-20; Isaiah 9:2-7.

Sunday, January 1—*The 12 Days of Christmas*...New Year's Day...Dec 31: Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Psalm 8; Revelation 21:1-6a; Matthew 25:31-46;

January 1: Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148; Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 21:13-23.

January 8—*Epiphany* (January 6)...Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17.

January 15—*Baptism of Christ* Sunday ...MLK Bday Weekend...

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42.

Zoom:<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84691476997?pwd=aEM2ZURYWURLNmkwOEzV0VHV1lyQT09>

Meeting ID: 8469147 6997 | **Passcode:** 181565 | **Dial** (312) 626-6799

TED—Everything Happens for a Reason starting October 25

2nd & 4th Tuesdays | 6:00pm Potluck | 7:00pm Discussion | Heritage Room

Please join us for our next Tuesday Evening Dialogue in our first discussion of the book *Everything Happens for a Reason: And Other Lies I've Loved* by Kate Bowler. Please read up to Chapter 8 Restoration or page 126 for the evening's discussion.

Contact Helen Race for more info: raceh@att.net | (314) 401-4382

We Voted...So Now What? RESULTS Outreach Meeting

Thu | Nov 17 | 7:00-8:30pm | Heritage Room

Whether your candidates win or lose, you can use your voice to influence members of Congress to fight poverty even after Election Day! Join non-partisan RESULTS volunteers in advocating for improved health, education, and better opportunity in the U.S. and around the world.

Questions/RSVP: cynthia@Changyit.com

Tuesday Afternoon Dialogue 1st & 3rd Tuesdays | 2:00—3:00pm

Join us November 1 as we complete *Travel As a Political Act: How to Leave Your Baggage Behind* by Rick Steves. In this illuminating collection of stories and lessons from the road, acclaimed travel writer Rick Steves shares a powerful message that resonates now more than ever. Royalties from the sale of the book are donated to support the work of Bread for the World, a non-partisan organization working to end hunger at home and abroad. Contact Jackie Eiffert: jeiffert2@gmail.com | 661-378-6781

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83670617428?pwd=bUxPZEdDMlU4ay9oNndTWw4yZUYwUT09>

Meeting ID: 836 7061 7428 | **Passcode:** 480007 | **Dial:** (312) 626-6799

The WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S is scheduled for Saturday Oct. 29.

Registration opens at 8:00am | Opening and Promise Garden Ceremony at 9:30 | Walk to follow in Central Park. Everything is outside. Let's meet at the Veteran's Honor Park (by the flags) at 9:00 so we can do this together. Parkway Team donations can be made online at the following address.

[https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2022/MO-](https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2022/MO-GreaterMissouri?team_id=727007&pg=team&fr_id=15696)

[GreaterMissouri?team_id=727007&pg=team&fr_id=15696](https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2022/MO-GreaterMissouri?team_id=727007&pg=team&fr_id=15696). If you would rather, you can give them to Joyce Ruiz and she will send them in. Please make checks payable to: Alzheimer's Association.

You can learn more by going to www.alz.org/help-support/resources or the Alzheimer's Helpline which is accessible 24/7 via 800-272-3900 and staffed by master's level clinicians to assist with crisis situations, decision making, and disease information. You can find virtual dementia caregiver resources online at alz.org/covid19help. Tools and support are also available in Spanish. Want to learn more about the Alzheimer's Association and what they do here in St. Louis? Visit alz.org and/or contact PUCC's Faith Outreach Ambassador with the Alzheimer's Association, Joyce Ruiz at joyceruiz7@gmail.com



Jesus has Left the Building 2022 Coming to Parkway!

Sunday, October 30 | 10:00am—12:30pm (after a short service) | PUCC

Since October 30, 2022, falls on a fifth Sunday, JHLTB team organizers felt it would be timely to sponsor a Jesus has Left the Building. Some projects are in the church, going out to support community members. Some are outside the church as you feel comfortable joining. After a brief worship service, we will disperse in the building and in places in the community to do Jesus' work. Sign up in the Gathering Space.

Sharing our Blessings at Thanksgiving: Circle of Concern's

Thanksgiving Boxes We have are collecting the items for COC Thanksgiving boxes. We will organize and pack the boxes on October 30, 2022 during JLTB Sunday. The items needed include: can of pumpkin, jellied cranberry, canned fruit, chicken or vegetable broth (32oz), boxed stuffing mix, boxed mashed potatoes, turkey or chicken gravy (12-18 oz), cornbread muffin mix. Please drop your items off at church anytime before October 30.

Our 620 client families thank you!

Contact Lana Biondo: ljbiondo@yahoo.com | (314) 712-8335



Trunk or Treat

Sun, Oct 30 | 5:00—6:00pm | Parking Lot

This year we will feature games, hotdogs, popcorn and of course, a costume parade with lots of trunks and treats! If you would like to help, or have questions or suggestions, please

contact Gerry Rogers at 314-434-7122 or gcr123055@gmail.com Thank you!

Intertwine Interfaith Morning of Service

Saturday, November 85 | 9:00am – 12:00pm

Gather with our Muslim and Jewish siblings from TASOM (Turkish American Society of Missouri) and Shaare Emeth for a morning of community service in three locations TBA. Some people may choose to gather for lunch at Tapi's on Vandeventer. More information to come! Shalom-Salaam-Peace

Communications Team Reboot Wed, Nov 2 | 7:00pm | Zoom

Now that we are meeting in person and resuming many of our pre-pandemic activities, we are also resuming our Communications Team. We welcome people with a background or expertise in marketing, journalism, graphic design, photography, videography, blogging, social media and website creation/maintenance. We will discuss our goals and how to achieve them through our publications, signage and online presence. We are looking to refresh our website and make our social media involvement more robust and engaging. Join us for a fun and productive planning meeting.

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Speaker Series Nov 6—The History of Voting Rights

Select Sundays | 11:15am | Heritage Room & Zoom

Nancy Price, with The League of Women's Voters, is a frequent lecturer on elections and is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Missouri. The League's mission is empowering voters and defending democracy, critical goals in these times of election deniers following the 2020 presidential election. Be an informed voter and attend this timely and important presentation.

ATOMIC HOMEFRONT Coldwater Creek, Bridgeton, MO

Missouri Coalition for the Environment (MCE) sponsored documentary

Presented by Citizens of Coldwater Creek

Thursday, November 10 | 6:30pm | Westport Playhouse

You're invited to our upcoming screening of Atomic Homefront, which documents the citizens of Coldwater Creek in Bridgeton, Missouri who want answers about the radioactive waste dumped in neighborhood landfills.

The screening will take place at Westport Playground. Doors open at 6:30PM, screening begins at 7PM.

Contact Polly Rutherford | pollyrutherford@gmail.com | (636) 532-8118

Progressive Prayer

Sybil MacBeth

When I was a kid, *progressive dinners* were a social fad. A progressive dinner moved from house to house—appetizers at one house, salad at another, main course at still another, and dessert at a final location. The guests might be all the same people just moving around together to a different host house.

Another model was to be with different people at each location—a kind of mixer or getting-to-know-you event. In each case, the dinner progressed throughout the evening to a different venue with different decor, dishes, atmosphere, and conversation.

I thought of the progressive dinner concept when I was praying for my friend Randall who is in a long recovery from a brutal surgical procedure. A vast cloud of witnesses pray for Randall constantly. When I keep an ongoing prayer vigil for a person, my prayers “progress.” That doesn’t mean they get better; they just move and morph. The places I pray, the time of day, the mood I’m in...all affect the way I pray.

This prayer started out unexpectedly in the middle of my morning writing with a black pen in hand. A couple of days later, my journal fell open to the same page and I was nudged to add to the prayer—color this time. Words worked their way onto the page at a later date. A new iteration may still emerge from this particular drawing.

With a progressive prayer as with a progressive dinner, a new time and venue enhance and enrich the conversation. I hope this ongoing prayer is about listening and softening my heart, about being attentive to God’s new and ongoing care and healing in Randall’s life and in mine.

Prayer List

as of Wednesday, October 19

Celebrations

All the acts of kindness, justice and equity near and far.

Concerns

Gail and Bill Haack - seeking healing after recent hospital stays,

Family and friends of Bart Coleman - grieving and giving thanks... plans are being made for a memorial service here on November 21.

Family and friends of Janet - grieving/giving thanks (Litzinger).

Kris Impasto and Family as they grieve/give thanks for Aunt Anne.

Dusty & Lin - baby born with heart defect... major surgery soon (Yakel).

All impacted by Covid-19.

Tragic flooding in Pakistan.

The mistreatment of women in Iran.

Continuing

Polly, family/friends of Jim Winkelmann - grieving/giving thanks; <https://www.kutisfuneralhomes.com/winkelmann-james-allen/>

Polly Rutherford - healing of broken humerus and shoulder.

Patty and mom Estelle - as Patty receives hospice care (Pleis/Eiffert).

Jackie - special needs adult battling Parkinson's, cancer, dementia.

Josh - receiving chemo; needs a bone marrow transplant (Tarr)

Sharon - variety of health challenges (Rogers).

Sue Linson - recently diagnosed with leukemia (McKenzie).

Mary Beth Anderson - health challenges; apt break-in (Brueggemann)

Mary Kay McKenzie - receiving hospice care (Tom's sister).

Daniel - rare cancer; additional tests (cousin of Dana Delibovi).

Brooke - that she would find love and start a family of her own.

The Haack's neighbor - stage 4 cancer... single parent of a 2.5 yr old.

Val - strength and patience (Jim Winkelmann's 101 year-old mother).

Christopher, Gail & Bill Haack - chronic health challenges.

Cherie & Mike Stolze - her health; her father's kidney disease.

Bill Darland - ongoing health issues.

Lizzie - awaiting liver transplant (niece of Barb Kuhlmann).

Anthony - multiple challenges as he lives his post-incarceration life.

Gary - risky behaviors; seeking balance and stability.

St Louis Association UCC Covenant Partner

Week ending October 16 - **Emmaus Homes**; emmaushomes.org

Week ending October 23 - **St Paul's UCC**, Oakville; spu4u.org

Week ending October 30 - **St. Peters UCC**, Ferguson; stpeterschurch.org

Home-Centered/Care Facility/Rehab Center

Marv Herpel - *Brookdale West County*; 785 Henry Ave, #217;

Ballwin, MO 63021; 636-227-5838 [birthdate: March 3]

Sue Houser - *Bethany Ctr for Rehab & Healing*; 421 Ocala Dr - #209B;

Nashville, TN 37211; 615-577-2049. [birthdate: July 8]

Pat Klein - *Anthology Senior Living of Wildwood*; 251 Plaza Dr,

#325; Wildwood, MO 63040 [birthdate: September 21]

Bill Klein - *Anthology Senior Living of Wildwood*; 251 Plaza Dr,

#104; Wildwood, MO 63040 [birthdate: March 8]

John Nourse *The Village at Cape Albeon*; 3300 Lake Bend Dr, #166;

Valley Park, MO 63088 [birthdate: October 26]

Ruth Peace - 10379-D Forest Brooke Ln; StL MO 63146; 314-983-0253;

meadletter222@gmail.com [birthdate: August 8]

Naomi Runtz - 272 N Lindbergh Blvd; StL MO 63141; 34-993-0469

naomiruntz@sbcglobal.net [birthdate: August 30]

Gladys Sims - *Friendship Village - 15200 Village View Dr, #2418*;

Chesterfield, MO 63017; 636-898-8873 [birthdate: July 4]

Pinky Wilcoxen - 10379-D Forest Brooke Ln; StL MO 63146; 314-983-

0253; meadletter222@gmail.com [birthdate: April 7]

Dick Witte - *Meramec Bluffs Assisted Living*; 40 Meramec Trails Dr; Apt

#104; Ballwin, MO 63021; 636-368-7324 [birthdate: March 25]

Other

Brussee/Dario/Race Family as Skyler and Justin prep to be parents.

Pres Biden, VP Harris, Congress, all local, national, world leaders.

The “me too” Movement - shining a light on sexual abuse.

All people who live with mental illness.

Caregivers of all shapes and sizes.

PUCC Family struggling with employment; healthcare costs and limits.

Our Missouri Mid-South Conference and St Louis Assn UCC

Gun violence and other violence across the US and other lands.

Conversations about the Death Penalty in the United States.

Victims of Natural and Created Disasters around the world.

Healing of relationships between the public and the police.

Peace and Justice near and far

US Military around the globe.

20th Sunday *after* Pentecost

Sunday, October 23, 2022

Luke 18:9-14

Just Worship

In the summer of 2022, The Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ continued its innovative program of summer internships. This information, detailing the program, is taken from their website.*

The Pension Board sought out the brightest students from some of the best colleges in New York to participate in the Pension Boards' 10-week Summer Internship Program, which begins in June of each year.

The Pension Boards looked for visionary young leaders with an ability to inspire others to innovation through strategic assignments designed to take the Pension Boards to its next level in service to its members. Selected students were empowered to lead with vision and creativity, challenging the organization's "norm," while also creating new direction for the organization. They were encouraged to inspire, create, and innovate.

Selected interns offered strategic insight and ideas to inform the Pension Boards' future strategic plans and programs in the core areas of analytics, finance, program analyst, health plan analyst, information technology, financial audit, investments, marketing/communications, customer engagement, customer experience, and philanthropy/fundraising.

At the conclusion of the 10-week internship program, students were able to present their visionary ideas and assessments to the Pension Boards' Executive Team.

"We believe this program will help foster creative and valuable input for the Pension Boards that will not only fuel and shape our strategic objectives, but further enhance our services for United Church of Christ members..." said Brian R. Bodager, President and CEO of the Pension Boards.

If you, or someone you know might be interested in next summer's internship opportunity, check out the Pension Board website for more information.

* <https://www.pbucc.org/internship-program>