



PARKWAY  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



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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.

## PARKWAY UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

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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 or sending an email.

**Welcome Children** We invite children to full participation in worship. We also have activity bags for young children to use while they are here.

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



**Scripture Reader** Dawn Jones-Goldstein.

Consider signing up to read scripture this spring or summer by scanning QR code.

**Flowers** Please consider honoring, remembering or celebrating someone by providing flowers for worship this summer. Signup on the poster on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Thank you.

**Subscribe to our email lists** Sign up at [www.parkwayucc.org](http://www.parkwayucc.org)

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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](http://www.crisistextline.org)

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

The numbers below are called Warmlines (not Hotlines).

They are peer run by people with lived experience.

Not all of them are 24/7/365

Teen Warm Line: 1 800-248-8336

Black Warm Line: 1-800-604-5841 (They are divested from the police)

Trans Warm Line: 1-877-565-8860

Project Return Warm Line: 1-800-448-9777 (run away)

Learn more about warm lines: <https://warmline.org/warmdir.html>

## Birthdays

06/09 Neve Livengood

06/15 Lucia Bieg

06/15 Sue Moellering

## Anniversaries

06/11 Kelly & Scott Biest

06/13 Steven & Terri Stout

06/13 David & Doreen Cannon

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday *after* Pentecost

Sunday, June 09, 2024 | 10:00am | Sanctuary & Facebook Live

**Prelude** *No, Not One* - arr. by Robert W. Thygerson, based on the tune Harper Memorial by George C. Hugg (1848-1907), arr. ©2008 Lorenz Publishing Co.

**Welcome** Let us know you are here!

**Meditation** Justice is when all people are treated with equal dignity.

## Passing the Peace of Christ

“May the peace of Christ be with you.”

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

## Lighting of the Candles & Ringing of the Bell

**Welcome Song** *For the Beauty of the Earth* | #473, v2 and 4 **Red Hymnal**



1. For the beau-ty of the earth, For the glo-ry of the skies,
2. For the won-der of each hour Of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de-light,
4. For the joy of hu-man love, Broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
5. For Thy church that ev-er-more Lift-eth ho-ly hands a-bove,



For the love which from our birth O-ver and a-round us lies,  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,  
For the mys-tic har-mo-ny Link-ing sense to-sound and sight,  
Friends on earth, and friends a-bove, For all gen-tle thoughts and mild,  
Of-fering up on e-very shore Her pure sac-ri-fice of love,

*Refrain*



Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grate-ful praise.

**Scripture** Galatians 3:27-28 | NRSV - New Revised Standard Version

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

**\*Call to Worship** adapted by Kimi Floyd Reisch from *A Litany of Faith and Hope* published by the Muslim and Unitarian Universalist communities of greater Columbus, Ohio.

One:	We are a garden - a community of many different colors and varieties growing together. We all need water, sun, and soil to grow. We live alongside one another, respecting one another, maintaining our identities, like an iris and a carnation, both beautiful, both distinct and different, but still connected.
Many:	<b>We come together to discover we have a common language: the language of our children. our families, our communities. The language of hope. The language of God's incredible love for the world.</b>
One:	We seek to know one another.
Many:	<b>We need to build on these experiences of community, to be full of care for people of all faiths, cultures, traditions.</b>
One:	We believe in our children being friends with other children who may not look like them, who may hold different beliefs, who have different backgrounds.
Many:	<b>We believe the barriers are in our minds; justice, peace, and understanding will ultimately prevail.</b>
One:	We believe we share a common origin as human beings; we are children of the same creator.
Many:	<b>We believe in the dignity and worth of all human beings, no matter who they are or where they are on life's journey.</b>
One:	We know the world is big enough for all of us, because we believe in a world of love and love creates space for all to live and thrive.
All:	<b>Let us worship our God together—Creator, Christ and Spirit.</b>

**\*Song** *In Christ There is No East or West* | #439 Red Hymnal



1. In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no south or north;
2. In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where Their high com - mu - nion find;
3. Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, What - e'er your race may be.
4. In Christ now meet both east and west, In Him meet south and north;



But one great fel - low - ship of love Through - out the whole wide earth.  
 His ser - vice is the gold - en cord Close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
 All chil - dren of the liv - ing God Are sure - ly kin to me.  
 All Christ - ly souls are one in Him Through - out the whole wide earth.

## **\*Prayer for Transformation and New Life** Derek Terry

Loving God, sometimes we have dishonored ourselves and others in our longing to fit in and to be accepted. At times we have rejected the individuality of others. Sometimes we have allowed the pressure to be popular to cause us to bully ourselves and others. Occasionally we have been silent when we have witnessed people being dishonored because of their truth. Please change our hearts and help us to love our own humanity and the awesomeness of other humans. Please help us forgive ourselves for the harsh things that we have said and thought about ourselves and others. Each person is a unique and beautiful expression of God's divine light and love. We confess that we forget this sometimes and pray that you help us to do better - starting now. 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** For children under the age of 3, parents are invited to take them to Room 01 (upper level) where one of our teachers will meet them at the door. Children and youth will gather in Room 13 (lower level) for the Opening Session. Children from age 3 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade will then go to Room 12, and youth from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade will go to Room 15. For children in Room 01, parents please pick them up after worship. Children and youth from age 3 thru high school can be met in the Gathering Space just outside the Sanctuary after worship, as the teachers will bring them back upstairs after class.

## **Blessing the Children** *Jesus Loves the Little Children*

**Jesus loves the little children,**

**All the children of the world.**

**Every child in every land,**

**Jesus holds them by the hand.**

**Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

## **Scripture** Genesis 1:1-27 | NRSV

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness God called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together were called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” So God created humankind in God’s image, in the image of God they were created; male and female God created them.

## **Moment of Silent Reflection**

### **Sermon**

**A Time of Prayer** *As the Deer* | #2025 [Blue Songbook](#)

**As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart’s desire and I long to worship you.  
You alone are my strength, my shield,  
to you alone may my spirit yield;  
You alone are my heart’s desire and I long to worship you.**

# 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.]

## UCC Justice Moment 1853 | First Woman Pastor

Antoinette Brown is the first woman since New Testament times ordained as a Christian minister, and perhaps the first woman in history elected to serve a Christian congregation as pastor. At her ordination a friend, Methodist minister Luther Lee, defends “a woman’s right to preach the Gospel.”

## Offering Our Gifts to God



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

[www.parkwayucc.org/giving](http://www.parkwayucc.org/giving)

**Offering Interlude** *Interlude in E Minor* – by Fr. Walczynski, arr. by Carlo Rossini ©1989 by J. Fischer & Bro. / All rights assigned to Alfred Publishing Co., Inc.

## \*Response *Make Me A Servant*

Musical notation for the response 'Make Me A Servant'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: 'Make me a ser-vant, hum-ble and meek, Lord, let me lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart al-ways be: Make me a ser-vant, make me a ser- vant, make me a ser- vant to - day.'

Make me a ser-vant, hum-ble and meek, Lord, let me  
lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my  
heart al-ways be: Make me a ser-vant, make me a  
ser- vant, make me a ser- vant to - day. \_\_\_\_\_



**\*Prayer of Dedication** Mak Kneebone

Holy One, together we defy the darkness by being the Light. We make violence tremble by being peacemakers. When chaos and trauma cause distress, we counter by reaching for love and remembering joy. This day, when people are going hungry, give us bread to share. This day, when people are angry and hurtful, give us forgiveness to offer. When there is so much temptation to be selfish and careless, this day give us the strength to be kind and intentional. Remind us that we are all born holy and deserve love and tenderness. In the many names of Love, may it be so. Amen.

**\*Song of Parting** *In Unity We Lift Our Song* | #2221 [Blue Songbook](#)

In unity we lift our song of grateful adoration,  
for brothers brave and sisters strong. What cause for celebration!  
For those whose faithfulness has kept us through distress,  
who've shared with us our plight, who've held us in the night,  
the blessed congregation.

For stories told and told again to every generation,  
to give us strength in time of pain, to give us consolation.  
Our spirits to revive to keep our dreams alive,  
when we are far from home and evil seasons come;  
how firm is our foundation.

For sacred scriptures handed down, a blessed trust and treasure,  
which give us hope when hope is gone and make us weep with pleasure.

And when our eyes grow blind and death is close behind,  
we shall recite them still whose words our hearts can fill  
with hope beyond all measure.

For God our way, our bread, our rest, of all these gifts the Giver.  
Our strength, our guide, our nurturing breast  
whose hand will yet deliver.

Who keeps us till the day when night shall pass away,  
when hate and fear are gone and all our work is done,  
and we shall sing forever.

**\*Benediction**

**\*God's Light Goes Forth**

**\*Music for Going Forth** *Sound the Trumpet!* – by Humphrey Turner,

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# Announcements

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

## Summer Christian Education – A Just World For All

Starting this Sunday for the summer, Children and Youth Ministry will be engaging in the theme of: A Just World For All—Justice in Action! We'll be digging into the concept of justice that we see in the Bible. We'll break down this complicated topic into easily understood pieces with a focus both on the smaller (personal) and larger (systemic) aspects of justice. They will also have the opportunity to offer non-perishable food for Circle of Concern. For more info, contact Gabriel R. [gabriel@parkwayucc.org](mailto:gabriel@parkwayucc.org). Do Justice!

## Speaker Series Occasional opportunities after worship at 11:15am “The Six Pillars of Brain Health,” by Joyce Johnston of the AARP (American Association of Retired Persons)

June 9 | Heritage Room | 11:15am

It's never too late to take charge of your brain health! In this hour-long, interactive session you will learn about the six pillars of a brain-healthy lifestyle. Discover how living an active life – by learning more, being social, staying fit, eating right, getting enough sleep and managing stress – can support brain health.

## “Lost Treasures of St. Louis, the Book,” presented by authors Cameron Collins and Dennis Dillon

June 23 | Heritage Room | 11:15am

Join longtime St. Louisans Dennis Dillon and his co-author, Cameron Collins as they travel to favorite St. Louis haunts and hangouts that are gone but not forgotten. This second edition of “Lost Treasures of St. Louis” will elicit nostalgia and reveal how the past has shaped St. Louis and all who have called it home.

Cameron and Dennis provide a kaleidoscope of bygone places, events, and items once identified with the Gateway City; places like the Admiral, Ronnie's Drive-In, Schneithorst's, Famous-Barr, and the Highlands.

Come and participate in a free drawing to win one of Cameron and Dennis' books.

Each speaker will appear in person in the Heritage Room, following worship service. There will be no remote access. For more information about events, contact Richard Scherrer [90fivetpr@gmail.com](mailto:90fivetpr@gmail.com).

## Tuesday Evening Dialogue – June 11

2nd & 4th Tuesday | 6:00pm potluck | 7:00pm discussion | Heritage Rm

Please join us on Tuesday June 11 for our next session on our current book *Eligible: A Novel* by Curtis Sittenfeld, a St Louis author. This is described as a modern day version of *Pride and Prejudice*. It's a fun summer read. Please read up to Chapter 113 (page 300) for the evening's discussion. Potluck at 6pm. Book discussion at 7 pm. For more info, contact Helen Race [raceh@att.net](mailto:raceh@att.net).

## Coffee and Conversation

Wednesday, June 12 | 2pm | 14123 Clayton Rd, Town & Country, MO 63017  
Join us for a beverage and sweet treat at Panera on Clayton Rd at 141 in Town & Country Crossing. Come connect!

Future dates for Coffee and Conversation:

Friday, July 19 at 10am - Daily Bread on Manchester Road in Kirkwood;

Monday, August 19 at 2pm - Panera on Manchester Rd by 270 and Trader Joe's in Des Peres

No need to RSVP - just show up!

Questions? Contact [kevin@parkwayucc.org](mailto:kevin@parkwayucc.org); 314-872-9330

## Party People Needed! Help Isaiah 58 Ministries Community Celebrations

Saturday, June 15, 10am-1pm | 2149 S Grand Blvd, St Louis MO 63104

**Juneteenth Celebration:** Join us for our third annual Juneteenth Celebration, showcasing black owned and neighborhood businesses. Crafts for the kids! Live entertainment! Community art project!

Email [brenda@i58ministries.org](mailto:brenda@i58ministries.org) if you would like to participate.

**Back to School Fair:** Saturday, July 20, 10am-1pm

This year they are preparing to give out 250 backpacks to local students and to have a great morning and lunch together.

PUCC is hosting an activity - BOWLING. We have done this in the past and have had a great time!

We are looking for half a dozen people to be our crew. We will help Isaiah 58 as party people and we will run our bowling game.

Please let [kevin@parkwayucc.org](mailto:kevin@parkwayucc.org) know that you are up for this! We can carpool from church.

**ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY:** Isaiah 58 - Back to School, Sunday, Sept. 1

As in past years, Parkway is participating in Isaiah 58's Back-to-School program. We were asked to donate 160 boxes of 10-count washable markers. If you are shopping and see school supplies (especially on Tax-Free weekend) please consider purchasing some boxes.

Also, Isaiah 58 gives out new underwear with the school supplies, so we will have a collection box for those as well. Contact Sally Dodge [s.dodge@hotmail.com](mailto:s.dodge@hotmail.com)

## Summer Cleaning Party

Sunday, June 16 and 23 | 11:15am | Parkway UCC

PUCC needs volunteers to help clean out different areas in the church—craft closet, activity closet in Fellowship Hall, Youth Room closet, Room 9. Let Gabriel R. know if you can help by reaching out to him:

[gabriel@parkwayucc.org](mailto:gabriel@parkwayucc.org)!

## Tuesday Afternoon Dialogue – June 18

1st & 3rd Tuesday | 1:45pm fellowship | 2:00-3:00pm discussion

[Zoom Link](#) (312) 626-6799; Meeting ID: 836 7061 7428; Passcode: 480007

Join with TAD online on June 18th as we discuss Chapters 14-26 in Crow Mary by Kathleen Grissom. Join in at 1:45 pm for fellowship and 2 pm -3 pm for book discussion. In Montana in the summer of 1872, a young Crow woman

named Goes Forth, later called Crow Mary, marries a fur trader and accompanies him to his trading post in the Cypress Hills of Saskatchewan, Canada. In the spring of 1873, Crow Mary and others are preparing to return to Montana when they witness the Cypress Hills Massacre. Following the massacre, Crow Mary rescues Nakoda women who are being held captive. Thus, she sets off a whirlwind of colliding cultures that brings out the worst and best in the cast of characters. Inspired by the life of the real Crow Mary and endorsed by her great-granddaughter, Crow elders, and Crow scholars, this is an epic story that sweeps across decades, showcases the beauty of the natural world, and probes the challenges that Crow Mary faced. Contact Jackie Eiffert for more information: jeiffert2@gmail.com

## **PUCC Adventurers Lunch Outing**

Thursday June 20 | 11:15am-1:00pm | 12247 Manchester Road, Des Peres  
Join the PUCC Adventurers on Thursday, June 20th at 11:15 am for a lunch outing at the historic Village Bar and Grill, 12247 Manchester Road, Des Peres. TVB, as it's affectionately called, was established 40 years before Des Peres was incorporated. In 1872 it was the area's post office and general store. At that time Manchester was a dirt road, and the building provided food, liquor, feed, and hardware to westward travelers. Come get to know some of your fellow PUCC'ers and enjoy a Better Burger, some trashed wings, onion rings, fries, or jalapeno bottle caps. They are other sandwiches and a basic salad on the menu. Please let Jackie Eiffert know that you're coming, jeiffert2@gmail.com. We hope to see you there.

## **Parkway Habitat Day**

Saturday, June 22 | 7:45am-3:30pm

We're excited to team up with Habitat for Humanity for our annual Parkway Workday, but the location is still to be determined. We're looking for 10 enthusiastic volunteers to join us from 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Whether you're a master builder or a complete novice, we welcome you with open arms! Habitat will provide all the tools and supplies you need. Just remember to wear your sturdy work clothes, closed shoes, and pack a lunch.

If you are **committed** to going, please contact Tom McKenzie: mmckenzie1947@att.net

Your generosity can make a difference! If you'd like to support us, feel free to send your donations to: Habitat For Humanity St. Louis 3830 South Grand Blvd St. Louis, MO 63118. Let's build something amazing together!

## **Walk to Defeat ALS—at Forest Park**

Saturday, 22, 2024 | 10am | Forest Park

I am participating in the Walk to Defeat ALS St. Louis on June 22, 2024 in honor of a number of people I have known in the past and today. Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) is a progressive, fatal neurological disease. A friend's symptoms began with weakness in one hand. After a series of tests, he was diagnosed with ALS last summer. His weakness has spread to his other hand and both arms as well as affecting his balance, walking and now, speech. Please join us on this walk to promote awareness, camaraderie, and fundraising for ALS.

Every 90 minutes someone is diagnosed with ALS — it robs a person of the ability to walk, speak, eat, and eventually breathe. And what's even worse is that right now, there's no cure.

Will you join me and join the movement to cure ALS? It's easy to register online. Just ask me for the details to join the PUCC Team on June 22. Thank you! kevin@parkwayucc.org

## **Summer Bible Study: Ecclesiastes – June 23**

Sundays, starting June 23 | 9-9:30am | Heritage Room

Sometimes considered the most curmudgeonly and cynical of all the books of the Bible, Ecclesiastes is also praised for telling it like it is. It addresses eternal problems that have always troubled human society: the problem of pain, the fruitlessness of overwork, the vanity of ambition, the age of anxiety, the fear of death and being forgotten. Ecclesiastes reminds us that these are not 21st century problems.

This book of wisdom also reminds us that the great joys in life are fairly simple: snuggling under the covers, having close friends and/or a sweetheart, sunlight, rest, eating good food and drinking good wine, and a good day's work. It offers soothing certainty about what it means to enjoy the good life: waiting, expecting, with open arms, to receive day by day the good things that come from God.

This study is divided into four sections:

- Chapters 1-2 (Vapor of Vapors: Everything Evaporates)
- Chapters 3:1-4:8 (A Time for Everything)
- Chapters 4:9-6:12 (The Key to Life is in Low Expectations)
- Chapters 7-12 (Time and Chance Happen to All)

In these Bible studies, you will be encouraged to listen: listen to the Bible, listen to your own questions and responses, and listen to the honest sharing among participants in your study group. In that mix of biblical text, personal engagement, and honest speaking and listening, God's word may be heard, speaking challenge and comfort. If you would like a Bible Study book, or for more info, contact Gabriel R. gabriel@parkwayucc.org.

## **Prayer Corner An opportunity to pray with someone**

Monday, June 24 | 6-8pm | New Sanctuary

Drop-in Prayer Time.

Kevin will be in the Prayer Corner in the Sanctuary. Come on by if you'd like to pray together.

If you see someone else there, simply wait a bit in the Gathering Space.

Other opportunities this summer:

Tuesday, July 23 from 3-5pm;

Tuesday, August 27 from 8-10am

We can arrange a phone call or Zoom for another time if you'd like. Just reach out to me at kevin@parkwayucc.org; 314-872-9330

## St. Louis Pridefest – GONA Booth Volunteers



Saturday, June 29, 10a-7p | Sunday, June 30, 10a -6p  
Gateway Open and Affirming Coalition needs your help by volunteering time in our booth at LGBTQIA+ Festival in St. Louis -- PRIDEFEST 2024. Please use the QR code below to join us! Questions? Reach out to our own Greg Schmelig [greg\\_schmelig@hotmail.com](mailto:greg_schmelig@hotmail.com)

## PUCC Town Hall

Sunday, June 30 | 11:15a-12:45p | Fellowship Hall

Please join the Parkway UCC Church Council for a Town Hall Meeting and light lunch after church on June 30th. Council members will provide salads, and attendees are asked to bring desserts. As we meet in small table groups, the Church Council would like your input on a few questions we have regarding your thoughts about, and experiences with, Parkway UCC. We value what you have to say. Thank you!

RSVPs are encouraged for planning purposes, but not required. Please reply to Jackie Eiffert, [jeiffert2@gmail.com](mailto:jeiffert2@gmail.com)

## June 2024 Alzheimer's News

Hope on the Horizon

New treatments are in the pipeline. In addition to current treatments that address symptoms of Alzheimer's, U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved treatments are now available that may help change the underlying biology of the disease.

Advances are being made in the identification of biomarkers for Alzheimer's disease which can enable early detection of the brain changes of Alzheimer's disease, giving those affected the opportunity to qualify for treatments and address modifiable risk factors that may slow cognitive decline. As of January 1, 2023 there were 156 clinical trials underway that show enormous promise for potential treatments that can change the future of Alzheimer's and all other dementia.

You can learn more by going to [www.alz.org/help-support/resources](http://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](http://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](http://alz.org) and/or contact PUCC's Faith Outreach Ambassador with the Alzheimer's Association, Joyce Ruiz at [joyceruiz7@gmail.com](mailto:joyceruiz7@gmail.com)

## Day Mission Trip—STL Area Foodbank

Saturday, Aug. 17 and 24 | 8am-12pm | 70 Corporate Woods Drive

Parkway is doing a new thing! For our mission trip this year, we are offering volunteer opportunities with Saint Louis Area Foodbank on the Saturdays of Aug. 17 and 24 from 8am-12pm. Slots fill up ***fast***, so if you're committed to UCC's value of **SERVICE**, sign-up **today** at [stlfoodbank.org](http://stlfoodbank.org) for one, or both, of those dates. For more info, contact Gabriel R. [gabriel@parkwayucc.org](mailto:gabriel@parkwayucc.org).

# Prayer List

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

## Celebrations

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

**Our Confirmands last Sunday** - Alexander Doty, Ben Duke, Caitlin Scharf, Dexter Cameron, Josie Duke

**LGBTQIA+ Pride Month**

## Concerns

**Ben and Marilyn McDougall** - healing and strengthening.

**Jackie Eiffert** - healing from recent hip replacement surgery.

**Jan Rothman** - strengthening at Surrey Place (Lisa Duke's mother).

**Phil Clark** - struggling with healing from hip surgery (Changyit-Levin).

**The continuing war in Ukraine.**

**War in the Mideast** - Israel and Hamas.... ceasefire talks in progress.

## Continuing

**Kathleen Tarr** - outpatient psychiatric treatment program.

**David Smith** - has begun palliative care at home (Deb Carter's father).

**Martha Rosenberger** (Cassie's mother) - treatments for cancer.

**Stephanie** - healing from brain surgery (Nick/Sue McMillon's daughter)

**Kari Borgmann** - her mom turned 100 this spring; health issues

**Rene Pelligrino and family** - as she deals with multiple health issues.

**Rebecca Ray** - that her book on suicide prevention will be published.

**Mike Kolman** - healing and discerning his future care (Svenson).

**Gram Ruth Hughes** - Lymphoma; receiving hospice care (Schneider).

**Seger Ruiz** - paralyzed from car accident in September.

**Joseph Miller** - long road to healing (son of Deb Carter).

**Sharon Thiemann** - undergoing cancer treatment (Svenson).

**Nelson Spencer** - continued treatment for multiple issues (Svenson).

**Cherie & Mike Stolze and family** - her chronic health challenges.

**Bill & Nancy Darland** - his ongoing health issues.

**Gail, Bill and Christopher Haack** - chronic health challenges.

**Theresa** - surgery/treatment/recovery - aggressive cancer (Schwarz).

## Home-Centered/Care Facility/Rehab Center

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

Ballwin, MO 63011; 636-227-5838 [birthdate: March 3]

**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]

**David Smith** - *Anthology of Town & Country*; 1020 Woods Mill Rd; #310; St Louis, MO 63017; 636-200-5076 [birthdate: July 24]

**Judy Waddell** - *McKnight Place*; 3 McKnight Pl, #229; StL MO 63124; 314-312-1129 [birthdate: August 13]

**Pinky Wilcoxon** - *Delmar Gardens Creve Coeur*; 850 Country Manor Ln; #126; Creve Coeur, MO 63141; 314-434-5900 [birthdate: April 7]

## Other

**Jones-Goldstein Family as they grow** - baby girl due in October!

**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 & those dealing with meds.**

**Caregivers of all shapes and sizes.**

**PUCF 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.

## Some Taylor Swift quotes to ponder

You are not the opinion of someone who doesn't know you.

Now more than ever, we need to be good and kind to each other. And not judge each other.

Just be yourself. There is no one better.

The only words you'll regret more than the ones you left unsaid, are the ones you used to intentionally hurt someone.

We don't need to share the same opinions as others, but we need to be respectful.