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Worship With Us this Sunday

Join us for Chapel at 8:30 in the Sanctuary or on Facebook Live.

Our scripture passages focus on the intimate commitment and connection that God has with us in **Psalm 139** — no matter who we are or where we are or what we do or think or say — and the story of God calling to Jonah through Samuel in **1 Samuel 3:1-10** — in which Samuel replies, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

We will celebrate the Rite of Confirmation with six of our teenagers: *Caitlin Hall, Jocelyn Cole, Jack Chester, Alexander Doty, Anastasia Chester and Declan Cameron.*

Sermon title: **"Speak, for I am listening."**

Songs include: *You are Welcome Here, God, We Sing and Worship, God's Gift of the Living God, This is Where Children Belong, Lord, Listen to Your Child, You are Mine, and In the Midst of Mine Anxieties.*

We will celebrate the sacrament of communion at our open table. All are welcome to join in the feast.

It's Grow-A-Mini Sunday. Please bring gifts of non-perishable food items for our Food Pantry (see items on a separate sheet) and country who needs some help.

First Sunday Chat! Please come at 9am to learn a song we will sing during the worship service. All ages welcomed! Questions? Contact Sam@parkwayucc.org

Annual Congregational Meeting: Leadership
Please plan to attend our Annual Meeting, our annual meeting where we elect leaders for 2026-2029. For more info contact Lana Brooks: lanabrooks@gmail.com

Prayer List Updates as of 9/1

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The school year wrapping up - and graduates of all kinds.
Jim Hall's family - Jim's brother Ron, Ron's wife Sandy, Jim's nephew Chuckie; the Gordon Sisters; Rachel; Dexter Cameron; Jane Doe
Ben Martin's McDonough - Family after his knee replacement surgery
Jim Hall's Family - Jim's brother Ron and Ron's wife Sandy; Jim's nephew Chuckie; Jim's Caretakers
Jon Rothman - strengthening at Sunny Place (Lou Dole's mother)
Lou Dole - Lou's mother, Sunny Place; Lou's sister Ann; Lou's brother Jim
Shaina & Gabriel Rodriguez - recovering the death of their son, Ezekiel
The people of Peace New Ominex - aftermath of deadly tornadoes.
Jane Doe - Jane's Mom's Friend
Mike - brother of Jim Martin and Nancy... cassette tape in progress.

PUCC Announcements

Please pay the form at
forms.parkwayucc.org/communications/purchase-parkwayucc-programs-or-events
forms for all accomplishments. Please do not pay the form if you are using your dedicate a t Shirt document and then copy those details into the form. Please use the dedicate a t Shirt document to gather the information where the form requires it. Thank you for your cooperation.

For the privacy of our members, PUCC will only include emails for events where everyone is comfortable receiving emails from everyone else. Please use the eNews announcements, contact pastor@parkwayucc.org or call 314-835-1030 x21, and we will forward your inquiry to the event coordinator.

Tuesday Afternoon Dialogue – June 4
1st & 3rd Tuesdays | 1:45pm Wednesday | 7:00-9:00pm discussion
Contact: Lynn O'Connell 314-966-1000 or Sam Wright 314-966-4600

Join with TAD on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 2-3pm as we discuss the Sunday Sermon. Lynn O'Connell and Sam Wright will lead the group on the 1st Wednesday and July 2nd. Join in at 1:45pm the Wednesday in Montana in the summer of 1972, a young Cross woman named Dave Smith, later called Jesus, and his friends, their adoptive and accompanying parents, and the Sisters of Cypress Hills of Saskatchewan, Canada. In the spring of 1973, Dave Smith and his friends are sent to the Sisters of Cypress Hills in Saskatchewan, Canada Hills Residence, where they meet Sister Mechtilde and Mike Fallowfield the roadeaze, Cree Métis/ Nakoda/ Nakota women who are being held hostage by the Canadian Government and Catholic Church, and the story of their lives and hard fight to the death of Residence. Inspired by the life of the Virgin Mary and endowed by her great-grandmother, Cree elders, and Cree witches, this is an epic novel that sweeps across decades, interweaves the beauty of the natural world, and probes the challenges that Cree Mary faces.

Contact Jackie Eiffert for more information. jeiffert@sbcglobal.net

ARDE: Adventures Men Get Early
Meet at 7:30am Tuesday morning at Panera Bread in this oddly named event, which is not about Panera Bread but about men and God. Bring a friend. All are welcome! Come late, leave early, if you like. Questions? Contact Richard Schaefer at RWSchaefer@aol.com.

Summer Sermon Series (continue on September after coming of 11 Hours)
"The Six Pillars of Brain Health," by Joyce Johnston of the AARP (Association of American Retired Persons)
June 8 | Heritage Room | 11:15am
Joyce will be with us to talk about how our 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 well, managing stress and managing stress - can support brain health.

Author Sandra Dallas of St. Louis, the Book," presented by authors Cameron Collins and Dennis Dillon
June 8 | Heritage Room | 7:00-9:00pm
Join Longtime St. Louisans Cameron Collins and Dennis Dillon 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 shed nostalgia and revisit the past that has shaped St. Louis and all who have lived here. Cameron and Dennis will share photographs, memories, and stories, and learn about the connection with the Gateway City. (Jesse James the Admiral, Romano's Ethiopian, Schnelhardt's, Famous-Barr, and more. Cameron and Dennis will be joined by author Sandra Dallas, who will discuss her novel Dennis Dillon, Sandra Dallas and Cameron Collins will appear in person in the Heritage Room, following worship service. There will be no remote access. For more information about events, contact Richard Schaefer RWSchaefer@aol.com.

Coffee and Conversation
Wednesday, June 12 | 10am | 14123 Clayton Rd. Town & Country
Join us for a casual fellowship and conversation. Come connect! Future dates for Coffee and Conversation:
Wednesday, June 12 at 2pm - Panera on Clayton Rd at 141 in Town & Country
Friday, July 18 at 10am - Starbucks on Manchester Road in Kirkwood
Monday, August 18 at 2pm - Panera on Manchester Rd by 270 and Ballwin Rd. in Ballwin
Questions? Contact Sam@parkwayucc.org
Questions? Contact lanabrooks@parkwayucc.org 314-470-4040

Help Isaiah 58 Ministries Community Celebrations
2149 S Grand Blvd, St Louis MO 63104 on the basement of Compton Neighborhood Center

Juneteenth Celebration: Saturday, June 15, 10am-1pm
Join us for a vibrant celebration of freedom, culture, and empowerment. Enjoy live music, food, and activities for all ages. Celebrate the Isaiah 58 Community Celebration. Community all prepared!
Contact: Jessica@isaiah58ministries.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.
Contact: Jessica@isaiah58ministries.org if you would like to help.
Thank you for your support!
We are looking for half a dozen people to be our crew. We will help teach them and we will run our business for them.
Please let me know@parkwayucc.org know that you are up for this! We can certainly talk more.

ANYTHER OPPORTUNITY: Isaiah 58 - Back to School, Sunday, Sept 7. Isaiah 58 is a community ministry that has been doing community outreach programs. We have asked to donate 100 boxes of 10-count washable markers. If you are shopping and see school supplies (especially in Tan Pines weekend please consider purchasing some boxes. Also, Isaiah 58 goes out into underserved with the school supplies, so we will have a collection box for those as well. Contact Sally Dodge, s-dodge@sbcglobal.net.

Summer Cleaning Party
Sunday, June 15 and 22 | 11:15am | Parkway UCC

PUCC needs volunteers to help clean and refresh our different areas in the church—until it's clean, activity closet in Fellowship Hall, Youth Room closet, Room 5, Left Garden. It looks if you can help by reaching out to him:
jeffmh@parkwayucc.org

Parkway Hatted Day
Sunday, June 22 | 7:00-3:30p

We're excited to team up with Hatted for Humanity for our annual Parkway Workday, but the location is still in the planning stages. We're looking for 10 enthusiastic volunteers to join us from 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Whether you're swinging a hammer, painting walls, or just cheering on the crew, your presence at Hatted will put smiles on the faces and supplies you need. Join us on Facebook to sweep your activity work clothes, closed shoes, and pack a lunch.

If you are **COMMITTED** to going, please contact Tom McKenzie tmckenzie1@gmail.com

Your generosity can make a difference! If you'd like to support us, feel free to make a donation to Hatted for Humanity, Attn: Lucas, 5200 South Grand Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63115. Let's build something amazing together!

Summer Bible Study: Ecclesiastes – June 23
Sundays, starting June 23 | 8:30 | Heritage Room

Sometimes considered the most contemporary and critical of the books of the Bible, Ecclesiastes is also praised for telling it like it is. It addresses almost everything that a person could be expected to ponder in the span of a lifetime. It addresses the meaning of life, the reality of retirement, the fear of death, the inevitability of sickness, the cruelty of relationships, the pain of loneliness, the reality of aging, the frustration of unanswered questions, the pain of broken promises, the sorrow of lost dreams, the pain of aging, the pain of being misunderstood, the pain of being misrepresented, the pain of being misused, the pain of being misjudged, the pain of being misquoted, the pain of being misinterpreted, the pain of being misapplied, the pain of being misapplied, the pain of being misapplied

This study is divided into four sections:

- Chapters 1-2 (Vapor of Vapors: Everything Empiricism)
- Chapters 3-5 (Life Under the Sun: Empiricism)
- Chapters 6-8 (Let The Heavens Rejoice: Empiricism)
- Chapters 7-12 (Time and Chance Happen to All)

In these Bible studies, you will be encouraged to listen, listen to the Bible.

PUCC Team Nov
Sunday, June 26 | 11:15am-12:45pm | Fellowship Hall

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Save the Date

PUCC Night at the MLOVV – Friday, July 19 Fisher on the Road and Beyond Tour. Contact Don Cannon, cannon@parkwayucc.org for more information to come!

Looking for Singers for PUC to Sunday Choir and our Children's Choir
(Sanctuary Choir is now on Summer Break until September)

If you've always imagined singing in the choir – or the memories in your gut occasionally to you for the first time right now, why not give it a try?

We're meeting extra singers right now for our 1st Sunday Choir. This is an intergenerational choir that sings at 9:30 on the first Sunday of each month. We are not going to sing anything that morning is anything easy. We will be weekly rehearsals, no experience needed – just show up at 9am on the 1st Sunday, and we'll sing at the 10am service. That's it! (Upcoming 1st Sundays are 6/2, 7/7, 8/4, 9/1...)

Our Children's Choir sings at the third Sunday of each month, year-round. No extra rehearsals, all the children (and sometimes the youth, too) help sing at the 9am service.

The Sanctuary Choir is on break through the summer, but sings on the 1st Sunday and fourth Sundays of each month September through June with practices on Thursday evenings during those months. They'll be back in the fall – watch for more information about them in the fall.

Reach out to barry@parkwayucc.org if you want to know more!

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Christian Education Updates

VBS Update – Justice in Action Summer Celebration
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If interested, please reach out to Gabriel Requault, our Director of Christian Education, for more information. gabriel@parkwayucc.org 314-873-6330 x107.

Things to Ponder

Love all that has been created to God. Such the whole and every grain of sand in God's hand. Love a child, love a bird, love all God's creatures, love the human being, even when they have fallen and have forgotten, if you have something fragment, you will understand the mystery of the whole creating in God. *– Fyodor Dostoevsky*

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Community Happenings

Parkway United Church of Christ
(314) 872 9300 contact@parkwayucc.org
4815 Lindell Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63108
To maximize your submissions of jokes, quotes, photos, videos, weekly opportunities, scriptures that we request to you, hymnsinging suggestions, prayers, etc. this would be more helpful if submitted Wednesday by noon.

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End of School Year Jokes

Why didn't the school basketball player go away for summer vacation? **They didn't want to get called for traveling**

What did the student say when their teacher handed them their report card at the year? **Do you know a good place to get a refund?**

Why did the teacher scold their student all year long for something they didn't do? **It was their homework that they didn't did**

Why did the Lithuanian go to summer school? **It wanted to be a Smarta.**

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