

# PARKSIDE COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

#### Blessed Past bold Future

November 2018

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### A Message from Pastor Michelle

This weekend, St. Peter's United Church of Christ celebrates our 150th Anniversary here in the Village of Saukville, WI in Ozaukee County. When you think of 150 years, you think of the fact that 150 years is one century and a half of a second century. This covers a multitude of generations of persons who have walked through the doors of St. Peter's United Church of Christ and experienced the Love of Christ from all of the beautiful persons over the decades who have counted themselves as members of the St. Peter's family. What a Blessing!

I am mindful of the fact, that almost one year ago on Sunday, November 5, 2017, this congregation called me as their first female pastor, their first African American pastor and their first all-gender loving pastor in the 150 year history of St. Peter's. But, the congregation did not stop there. Last June, this faith community held a visioning meeting where dreams, ideas, values, mission initiatives and identity were discussed. At that time, discussion started on changing the name of St. Peter's United Church of Christ. Suggested new names for St. Peter's were sent forth by the congregation and in an October 2017 meeting, the congregation met and decided to change their name to Parkside Community United Church of Christ signaling a new focus and vision for St. Peter's UCC here in the Village of Saukville, WI. The decision was also made to do the name change as a DBA (doing business as) so legally we are still St. Peter's United Church of Christ and to be honest with you, the St. Peter's UCC legacy is forever a symbol of pride, success and a loving faith community so it is fitting that it is still our legal name.

I continue to be honored to serve as your Senior Pastor. I am also honored and blessed to be the first Senior Pastor of Parkside Community United Church of Christ! I truly believe God is guiding us to a new and vibrant future. The legacy of St. Peter's UCC will not allow us to be nothing but have a wonderful and successful future as Parkside Community UCC. If we dream, believe in our Creator God and care for each other in loving community, I have no doubt we can reach new levels and heights in our ministry than we could possibly imagine.

So Let's Get This Celebration Started! See you in the Sanctuary on Sunday, October 28, 2018! Rev. Franz Rigert, our Wisconsin Conference UCC Conference Minister will be our special guest and will bring an inspiring word from Mark 10: 46-52 and Jeremiah 31: 7-9! Let's lift up the next 150 years to the one who created us All!

Parkside Community UCC 166 W. Dekora Street Saukville, WI 53080 Email: saukvilleucc@att.net Phone: 262-284-0588 Web: parksideucc.com Warm Regards and Blessings,

**Pastor Michelle** 

# CARING MINISTRIES

PRAYER

**Prayer Families for the Month:** 

November 4 – Wally and Kathy Quade

November 11 – Ron and Ingrid Newlin

November 18 – David, Colene, Austin, Alyssa, Mason, and Beren Sommer

November 25 – Herb Muecke



Please sign the card in the Narthex for the weekly prayer family on Sunday and keep the family in your prayers. Your additional cards are appreciated by our prayer families. Please join us for Holy Communion Served on Sunday, November 4 at the 10:00am Worship Service



Gluten-free wafers are available for communion. These wafers are free not only of gluten, but also free of wheat, casein, dairy, nut, egg, corn, yeast, and soy, and are low protein. If you need to avoid any of the above, please re-

quest a gluten-free wafer from an usher. They are in a screw-top container on a separate plate.



### **Prayer Chain Information** To call in a prayer chain request please notify

Jean Hamilton at 262-284-3734 or Gail Weigel at dweigel@wi.rr.com.

# **CARING MINISTRIES**

Please let Pastor Michelle know if you plan to enter the hospital. She is always willing to visit anytime, anywhere.

College Care: Pizza scrips and cards were sent at midterms to our college students: Nathan Golownia, Jade Rogge, Nicole Golownia, and Lizzy Saler

Thank you notes were sent to:

Carrie Rydzewski – all her wonderful work on the newsletters, digital sign, and website

Sue Sarver – edging

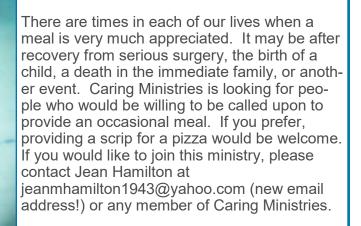
Wally Quade - Building & Grounds work

Rev. Jane Anderson - sermon 10/30

## **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

For our October meeting Stewardship project for 2019 was discussed. Materials have been ordered and the campaign will begin soon. We ask everyone to consider their contribution to the church for 2019 and be ready to turn in the pledge cards when received. They will be mailed to members' homes sometime in November. |We also discussed the rummage sale and are requesting that donations are saved and brought to the church in June.

### **Caring Cuisine**



## **Faith Formation – October Meeting**

Faith Formation: Sundays at 9:00 AM

Youth on lower level: The Prodigal Son (SPARK curriculum) followed by Advent & Christmas

Adult Coffee & Conversation in the Council Room: UCC Seeds

Mission moments: Project Linus—making blankets throughout the year. Heifer project.



Adults: Pastor Michelle has begun Bible 101 on Wednesday evenings, and classes have been well attended.

Save the Dates:

October 21 – Bake Sale for Heifer Project, Trunk or Treat 12:00 noon at Living Hope October 27 – Trunk or Treat and Chili Dinner at Christ the King – 4:00 PM November 9 – Friday Fun Night – F.A.L.L. (Fun and Loud Laughter) Game Night December 2 – Advent begins – Intergenerational Activities December 14 – Friday Fun Night – White Elephant Gift Exchange January 11 – Friday Fun Night – Chili Cook-Off

## Port Washington Saukville Ecumenical Youth Ministry Update

September 23 – Kickoff for the Ecumenical Youth Group was well attended. Good food and great fellowship. The youth in attendance had great ideas for outings and names for the group. You can view pics on our <u>website</u>.

October 14 – Pumpkin and Pizza Event from 4 to 6 PM

October 21 — Trunk or Treat at Living Hope. Adults come see the fun and enjoy chili lunch. November 11 — Craft Day click here for more info.

November 27 — Fund-Raiser Tuesday (# Giving Tuesday):

- Breakfast @ Living Hope 8 10 AM (To Go or Dine In from 6 8 AM)
- Lunch @ Parkside Community UCC, 11:30 1:00 Soup & Salad/Sandwich
- Supper @ Grand Avenue Methodist Spaghetti Dinner 5 8 PM with Silent Auction, possible Poinsettia Sale

Work will begin soon on PWSEYM float for Christmas Parade

All five churches have made a financial commitment.

Legal services have been pro bono. 501c3 is in the works.

There are 4 candidates for the Youth Leader position. Interviews are being set up.

# NOW HIRING: YOUTH DIRECTOR

#### Position:

Paid part-time Director of Youth Ministry for the Port Washington/ Saukville Ecumenical Youth Ministry. Flexible hours to be negotiated with Board of Directors with an average of 10-15 hours per week. Report weekly hours to the Board.

#### Overview / Summary:

The Port Washington/ Saukville Ecumenical Youth Ministry is a shared ministry of five congregations from three denominations in two communities. Our churches joined together in 2018 to establish an independent non-profit because we saw the need for a vibrant Christian group which welcomes youth grades 6-12 of all faith backgrounds. Together, we seek to create a welcoming and safe community where youth can grow in their relationships with God and with each other. The Youth Director will work closely with pastors, volunteers, and board members from multiple congregations to build relationships, lead events, and implement ministry programming which support the organization's purpose and mission.

### General Expectations, Talents, Skills, & Qualifications:

The ideal candidate will be: A baptized Christian and active member of a congregation in partnership with either the United Methodist Church, United Church of Christ, or Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Capable of modeling Christian discipleship through words and actions. Passionate about the faith and spiritual lives of youth. Energetic, Engaging, and Creative. Comfortable building relationships with youth and adults, including parents, volunteers, and other faith leaders. Welcoming of persons from a variety of backgrounds, traditions, and identities. Able to clearly communicate the Organization's mission and vision. Regularly present in the community, seeking opportunities to interact with members of multiple congregations. Organized, responsible, dependable, honest, mature, and accessible. Willing to comply with child safety policies at all times (including regular background screening and training). Able to participate in training events and professional development opportunities as available. Maintaining safe boundaries within professional relationships. Proficient in Microsoft office and professional on social media platforms. Experienced in working with teens 6th grade and older. At least 25 years old with a high school degree. Some college preferred in a field related to ministry, counseling, teaching, or experience in camp, youth programs, recreation, working with children, or a related field.

#### Responsibilities:

The Director of Youth Ministry will work closely with the board of directors to determine events, goals, and specific responsibilities. Based on an agreed calendar of events and work schedule, the Director is responsible to: Be a spiritual guide and role model for youth and families throughout our community. Plan, publicize, organize, and execute regular events for 6th – 12th grade youth which may include (but is not limited to) weekly gatherings, worship opportunities, service projects, retreats/camp/trips, and fundraisers. Work with congregations to support special events for families with children (including but not limited to: Trunk or Treat, Christmas Program, Easter Egg Hunt, and Vacation Bible School). Communicate regularly and professionally with individuals and congregations in person, in writing, and electronically. Develop, organize, and implement a ministry which deepens, grows, and enhances the faith of youth through relevant, experiential, authentic, and life-giving experiences. Intentionally develop professional and life-giving relationships with youth, volunteers, and parents Recruit and train adult volunteers. Ensure all volunteers follow child safety policies. Ensure that essential documents are in place, updated, and distributed in a timely fashion (included but not limited to: youth directory, calendars, registration forms, copyright licensing, budgets, etc.) Offer timely, creative solutions to concerns raised about the youth ministry

Please send resume to Ray Shupe at <a href="mailto:shuper54@yahoo.com">shuper54@yahoo.com</a> .

# **#GIINGTUESDAY**

## November 27, 2018

### What is #GivingTuesday?

Giving Tuesday is a day of international fundraising efforts which began in 2012 as the official kick-off of the charitable giving season. After the rush of Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday is a time to give back to our communities.

### We Hope to Raise \$25,000

for the Port Washington/ Saukville

**Ecumenical Youth Ministry on** 





Thrivent Financial will provide a matching grant of \$1 for every \$2 raised up to a maximum matching grant of \$10,000 per organization for donations re-

**Thrivent Member Network** East WI & Upper MI Region

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- •• Solicit Donations for Silent Auction items
- •• Recruit community sponsors
- •• Donate Baked Goods or Crafts for sale
- Volunteer at one of the events
- •• Attend one of the events & invite friends!
- . Ask friends and family to donate online
- Do your Christmas Shopping with us! poinsettias, baked goods, crafts, and silent auction items available at events!

### For More Info:

**Contact Parkside's church office at** 262-284-0588 or saukvilleucc@att.net

Have a Meal with Us! **Tuesday, November 27th** 

Breakfast @Living Hope in Saukville, 6-9am w/ Saukville & Port Washington Mayors! To-go and dine in options available.

Lunch @Parkside in Saukville, 11:30am-1pm w/ ELCA, UMC, and UCC Church leaders to-go pre-orders available or dine in for fellowship! - Baked Goods, Crafts, and Poinsettias for sale

Dinner @Grand Ave in Port Wash, 5-8pm with music from Limited Edition & Bella Musik

- Baked Goods, Crafts, and Poinsettias for sale
- Silent Auction

Advance Tickets Available at Reduced Rates

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# **#GIINGTUESDAY**

### November 27, 2018

The Youth Ministry that we have launched in collaboration with 4 other area churches has gotten off to a great start! We have held two events since late September that were very well attended and received. We are holding several area fundraisers on Giving Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and have secured a matching grant from Thrivent Financial for funds raised on this date. We need everyone's participation to reach our fundraising goal of \$25,000!

### What can you do to help?

- →Attend one or more of our fundraising events on Giving Tuesday and invite all your friends and family to come too! Whether it is breakfast at Living Hope, lunch at Parkside, or spaghetti supper at Grand Avenue (or all three!) you are sure to meet fun new people and know you are supporting a worthy cause.
- →Consider becoming an individual sponsor or asking your corporation to be a corporate sponsor. This is where we can have the most impact with our matching grant opportunity. Our lowest sponsorship level starts at only \$100 and offers you some benefits in return like free tickets to our events and recognition for your support.
- →Get some friends together to make a basket for the silent auction and ask businesses you frequent for a donation. Our silent auction which will be held at our supper event. See attached forms. Gift certificates are welcome!
- →Donate something you made to our handmade craft sale which will run at our breakfast and lunch fundraisers that day.
- →Pre-order your Poinsettia plant at any of our three events. These will be the flowers used for altar decoration and can be taken home after the Christmas service, order extra to have at home right away!
- →Volunteer to help at any of the fundraising events- we need lots of hands to pull this off!

Contact Heather Rogge for more information at 414-333-8635.



# **11.11.18** CRAFTY DAY FOR #GIVING TUESDAY

### Join us to make items to sell on #Giving Tuesday

Have fun making art, hanging out with new friends, and snacking on munchies! We'll have 4 craft stations with all you need to create holiday ornaments, painted rocks, and welcome signs.

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Get Creative

Have Fun

**Talk and Laugh** 

Get Involved

# GRAND AVE FAMILY CENTER

505 W Grand Ave Port Washington

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

# WORSHIP MINISTRY MEETING

ATTENDING: Pastor Michelle, Mark Gierach, Nancy Gierach

Discussed the final preparations for the 150th celebration Sunday, October 28, 2018

COMMNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE: TUESDAY- NOVEMBER 20th @ Grand Avenue Methodist in Port Washington @ 7:00 P.M.

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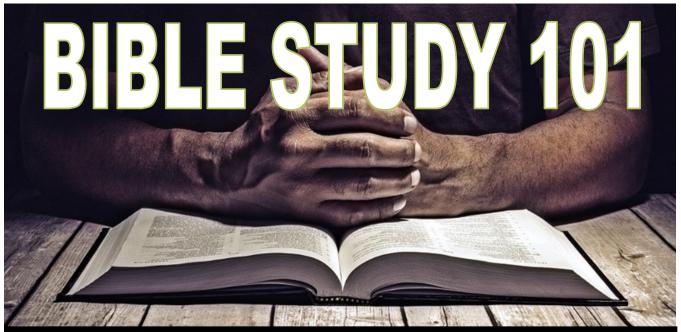
LONGEST NIGHT BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE – THURSDAY – DECEMBER 20th. @ 7:00 P.M. Parkside Community

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE-DECEMBER 24TH @ 6:00 p.m.

MARCH 6, 2019 - ASH WEDNESDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Parkside Community U.C.C. will be hosting a Racial Justice Equality Team Lenten Series Concert.

Next Meeting – Monday, December 17, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.



The Bible Study classes will be continuing on Wednesdays at 6pm in the conference room. Below are the exact dates—note there is no class on November 7th or 28th:

Wednesday, November 14 at 6pm Wednesday, November 21 at 6pm Wednesday, December 5 at 6pm Wednesday, December 12 at 6pm

# online GIVING easy. fast. effective

No matter, how big or small of an amount you want to give, online giving and text giving is now available at Parkside Community UCC.

Did you forget to bring your checkbook to service? Is it more convenient for you to use your credit card? Were you not able to make it to service on Sunday? Now you can make your donation from home in your pj's.

Just visit our website and click "donate" from the top menu, or click <u>here</u> to be taken directly to the website. You can choose what fund you would like your donation to go into and the amount. Payments are made through a deduction from your bank account or with a credit or debit card. If you wish, you can setup automatic monthly deductions from your bank account by calling the church office at 262-284-0588.

For text giving, just text the word "Parkside" to the phone number 73256. You will receive a reply with a link and you just follow the simple instructions to choose the amount and account.

With online giving and text giving, Parkside Community UCC will incur standard processing fees, but if it is more convenient for you to give this way, we encourage you to do so.



# Family Promise ° of Ozaukee County

### Parkside Community UCC Hosts Family Promise Guests Week of November 11



Parkside Community UCC will be hosting Family Promise guests the week of Sunday, November 11. If you can help with meals or spend the night, please contact Joan Brecke at joanbrecke@gmail.com or call the church office at 262-284-0588.

Family Promise helps homeless and lowincome families and single women in Ozaukee County achieve sustainable independence. Our mission is to assist those in need to rebuild their lives with compassion by providing resources and services to empower people that are experiencing homelessness. Many of our clients often have little or no income and often are dealing with a disability.

Volunteers are at the heart of Family Promise; without them, it cannot exist. Volunteers provide a variety of services: cooking and serving meals, playing with children, helping with homework, and staying overnight. Beyond providing lodging and meals, volunteers interact with the guests, treating them with respect and responding with compassion. LASATA CARE CENTER CHRISTMAS GIFT LIST FOR 2018 W76 N677 Wauwatosa Road, Cedarburg

Toiletries Aftershave lotions and colognes Soft Toothbrush, toothpaste, denture brush, mouthwash Large boxes of Kleenex or Puffs Hair pics, Brushes, Combs Dove bar soap Hand and body lotions Cologne, perfume Chapstick

<u>Candy</u> Andes Chocolate mints Sugar-free candy

<u>Miscellaneous</u> Clip earrings, pins, necklaces Decorative tins of cookies, candy Stuffed animals (a favorite) Large faced watches (men and women's) DVD Movies Please place items in the designated box located in the Fireside Room by Sunday, December 9.

Please <u>do not wrap gifts</u>. Staff must see items to meet individual needs. Enclose your name/organization and address so we can send a thank you and deliver donations to Activity Dept. or front desk by December 15th. If you have questions please feel free to call Kathi Roberts, Activity Director at 262-512-2803 or Judy O'Connell at 262-512-2804.

#### Seasons Greetings

The season for giving is just around the corner and we at Lasata Care Center are hoping that you will consider putting us on your giving list once again this year. Our residents are blessed with the community outpouring of love that we have seen in the past years for our Christmas gift donations. They look forward to opening their gifts with much anticipation knowing that their packages are hand selected personally for each one. Because of organizations and individuals like yourselves, we are able to ensure that the smiles on Christmas Day will be there because of your generous giving. Have a safe and blessed Holiday Season.

Kathi Roberts ADC/AC Activity Director

Lasata Care Center



# For the love of God, Vote!

For the love of neighbor...

For the love of creation...

For the love of children...

For the love of God...

Vote Faithfully by Minister Jason Carson Wilson, M. Div., Justice and Peace Policy Fellow UCC

Oppression silences voices and hampers dreams and ambitions for ourselves and our neighbors. Liberation lets those voices be heard. God's liberation opens the door for dreams and ambitions rooted in justice to have the chance to become reality. Casting a ballot is one way to proclaim liberty to the captives and to the oppressed go free. Let your faith liberate you.

Let our faith inform our vote!

### Where can you vote?

To find your polling place, just click <u>here</u>: or go to myvote.wi.gov

### What is on my ballot?

To see a sample ballot, just click <u>here</u>: or go to myvote.wi.gov





### Lift Every Voice

Friends,

In Hebrew Scripture the word most often translated "voice" is "qol." This is also the word translated as noise, or sound, or vote. In a broader sense, I would say the Hebrew word, qol, simply means letting oneself be heard. Using our voice to make a sound is certainly one way to be heard, and using our vote is another.

Our vote is the means we have to make an impactful noise about the local, state and national issues that concern us. Voting is a powerful tool, and this is why we see so many focused efforts targeted at voter disenfranchisement. This is why districts are redrawn and political parties engage in gerrymandering. This is why voting rights legislation and access to the polls is constantly being challenged.

So as people of faith, what is the noise we want to make in the 2018 election cycle?

What are the sounds of affirmation or dissent that must resound loudly through this election cycle for school board members, state representatives, for mayoral and gubernatorial elections? What are the sounds of the faithful that must ring through the halls of Congress signaling our desire for change?

No matter your opinion or political affiliation, your voice - your vote - matters and you deserve to be heard.

This is why it is critical for faith communities to engage in nonpartisan voter registration, education and empowerment programs to help us make some holy noise by lifting up the common good through our political process.

These are difficult, complex and challenging times. There is much at stake as we head to the voting booths this November. An unprecedented level of divisive and heated rhetoric dominates the airwaves and public dialogue. A substantive, thoughtful, respectful exchange of across differences on the key issues of the day is becoming harder to achieve. And the disproportionate influence of money in campaigns threatens to drown out the voice of the average voter.

This is precisely why our voice and our votes matter. Churches can play a unique role in this election cycle by encouraging respectful, informed dialogue that builds community and a hopefilled vision of the future that includes all people. We can help restore the soul of democracy.

The UCC Our Faith Our Vote toolkit provides information and ideas to assist individuals and congregations with engaging the electoral process in nonpartisan and meaningful ways. We must equip ourselves, and our communities, to make thoughtful, informed decisions about those who will lead us in the future. The Our Faith Our Vote campaign is one way to help us lift up our voice. We hope you will join us in this effort.

Grace and peace,

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The Rev. Traci Blackmon Acting Executive Minister United Church of Christ, Justice and Witness Ministries

'Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet!' — Isaiah 58:1

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ucc.org/ourfaithourvote



# **NOVEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH:**

# FAMILY PROMISE OF OZAUKEE COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT 2017

Letter from the CEO

Thanks to the commitment of our volunteers, Family Promise of Ozaukee County helped more than fifty families who were at risk of homelessness in 2017.

Our visionary Board of Directors expanded services to include Rapid Re-Housing and Homeless Prevention. Our compassionate Volunteer Coordinators and Volunteers hosted our families with dignity and grace. Our dedicated Case Manager focused on transforming the lives of the families we serve. This team approach ensured that 76% of the families we served entered safe and stable housing and 84% increased their income upon exit from our program. When everyone does their job, amazing things happen!

We are pleased to share our 2017 Annual Report. We are proud of our progress and extraordinarily grateful for all of you.

Warm Regards,

Kathleen Christenson Fisher

Chief Executive Officer



56 Individuals Supported 29 Adults, 27 Children



35 Months of Rent \$ 21,700 **Rent Assistance** 

### **FAMILIES** in SHELTER



7 Families 7 Adults, 11 Children 4 Single Women



# **NOVEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH:**



### A message from Suzy Frazier, Chair, Family Promise Board.....

Hi All,

The Sip & Sample fundraising committee is busy recruiting fabulous restaurants to participate in our event with the YMCA again this year. We would love to have our churches help us with the silent auction by perhaps putting a basket together of something fun or perhaps provide some tickets to sporting events or the arts. Perhaps you have a craftsman or artist that might make something for the auction. Crossroads is going to put together a basket of board games and fun family activities. whatever you think might interest our guests and convince them to bid high.

Tickets for the event will be available in a couple of weeks so make sure all your friends know about it and have a chance to participate.

Thanks for your support!

Click here to purchase tickets for Sip & Sample event on December 6.

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### **Council Meeting on October 9, 2018**

We did not have a quorum, so no meeting was held. Our next meeting will be held 6pm on Tuesday, Nov 13.

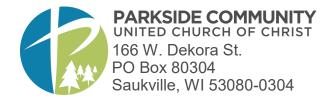














Please submit newsletter items to the church at

saukvilleucc@att.net by November 26.

for the December 2018 Newsletter.



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