



# PARKSIDE COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Blessed Past ➡ Bold Future

January 2019

## *A Message from Pastor Michelle*

We have arrived in 2019! It is a such a blessing and privilege for each of us to have made it safely out of 2018 with the abundant Love, Grace and Mercy of our Creator God! I am looking forward to 2019 with so much anticipation and joy!

I arrived in Saukville to Pastor this beloved congregation on January 8, 2018. I sat in my first Church Council meeting on January 9, 2018 and stood in the pulpit to lead worship and deliver my first sermon to this faithful community on Sunday, January 14, 2018! I would not be here in 2019 to continue to pastor this wonderful community without the profound love and support of each of you. For this, I am humbly thankful. It is a privilege and honor to serve as your Senior Pastor!

I am also celebrating the one year anniversary of my Ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in the United Church of Christ on Sunday, January 6, 2019 which happens to be Epiphany of the Lord Sunday! I am in humble gratitude for being called as a Pastor in my beloved United Church of Christ. I remember with fondness and much joy the AMAZING Spirit-Filled and High Praise Ordination Service I had last year at Grace United Church of Christ in Houston, TX! (Mark Gierach can tell you how amazing it was for he was in attendance representing Parkside!) This service set me on a trajectory from Houston, Texas to here in the beautiful Village of Saukville, WI to be your Senior Pastor.

Let us look to the prophet Micah for a word to carry us through 2019. In Micah 6:8 we see these words, "He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" (NRSV) Parkside Community UCC has a strong and passionate mission of justice within all of the ministry we do here which represents our value and our mission here in Ozaukee County. We feed the poor through the Saukville Community Food Pantry. We house the homeless through our shared ministry with Family Promise. We provide School Supplies during the month of August! This is JUSTICE in Action! Let us continue to be that champion for all as we minister in 2019!

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May we continue to be the beacon of light here in the Village of Saukville, Ozaukee County and the Greater Metropolitan Area of Milwaukee, WI. Our light shines bright and God is pleased!

New Year's Blessings!

*Pastor Michelle*

# CARING MINISTRIES



# PRAYER

*changes things*

## Prayer Families for the Month:

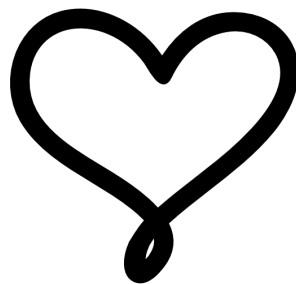
January 6  
Samantha, Ross, and  
Rose Kichura

January 13  
Dan and Gail Weigel

January 20  
Sherrel Paape

January 27  
Sandy Keller

**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, January 6  
at the 10:00am Worship Service*



Gluten free

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



*Please let Pastor Michelle or the church office know if you or someone in your family plans to enter the hospital. Due to the HIPAA law, information isn't available when someone is admitted.*

## CARING MINISTRIES

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

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Thank you notes were sent to:

- Marla Race and Heather Rogge for their organization of Parkside's luncheon on Giving Tuesday and for their representation on the PWSEYM Team.
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We will be planning another Soup Sale Fund Raiser in 2019. Watch for details.

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Caring Cuisine will now be known as our Soup Ministry.

## Prayer Chain Information



**To call in a prayer request  
Please notify**

**Jean Hamilton  
262-284-3734  
jeanmhamilton1943@yahoo.com**

or

**Gail Weigel  
dweigel@wi.rr.com**

## Soup Ministry



There are times in each of our lives when a light meal is very much appreciated. Caring Ministries has frozen quarts of homemade soup available. See any member of the Caring Ministries Team if you know of a member who would appreciate a quart.

# Annual Reports Due February 1

Please submit your annual report to [sauvilleucc@att.net](mailto:sauvilleucc@att.net) by February 1.

## Faith Formation – November Meeting

Faith Formation: Sundays at 9:00 AM

Youth on lower level: Epiphany

Adult Coffee & Conversation in the Council Room :  
UCC Seeds

Growing  
Together  
in Faith

December Meeting

PWSEYM Youth: Giving Tuesday fund raiser surpassed the goal of \$25,000. Funds will be used for programming and space renovation. Monthly youth attendance is growing. December 23 will be a Christmas Party.

Adults: Bible 101 Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm. No class on January 9.

All Church Christmas Program: The Amazing Story of Christmas directed by Heather Rogge.

Mission: Hat and Mitten Tree in Narthex.

Libraries: Children's – being used regularly by the YMCA after-school program children.  
Adult – Feel free to browse and check out books.

Canceled:

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Friday Fun Night for January 11 has been canceled. Join us Feb 8 for the next Friday Fun Night.





# ENDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING

FREE INFORMATIONAL EVENT to be held January 30th at 6pm  
at Parkside Community UCC

Parkside Community UCC members and the general public are invited to attend a free information event to help educate ourselves on human trafficking. The event is being held at Parkside Community UCC. Speaking at the event will be Morgan Young, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Law School, Morgan Young has been working in the field of victim services for over a decade. Morgan specializes in the areas of immigration, family violence, sexual assault and human trafficking. Morgan currently holds the position of Victim Services Training Officer in the Office of Crime Victim Services at the Wisconsin Department of Justice and is the former chair of the WI Statewide Anti-Trafficking Consortium. Morgan also teaches the Law & Contemporary Problems - Domestic Violence course at the UW Law School.



Morgan Young

This session will provide an overview of what trafficking looks like in Wisconsin and how vulnerable individuals become victims. Recruitment activities and the interplay of exploitation and drug use/ addiction will also be discussed as they relate to traffickers and their victims. Red flags for identification and reporting will be highlighted.

We hope you will join us and bring a friend or two as we, together, work to educate ourselves to help solve this growing problem in our communities.

## Stewardship

The December meeting consisted of reviewing the pledges and Time & Talent responses received. There were 17 families represented. Kathy suggested writing an additional letter to families not heard from to encourage them to submit this information. These pledges covered about one-third of the budget that was passed in November.

The June Rummage Sale was also discussed. The congregation will be reminded to begin saving "treasures" on a monthly basis and drop-off will begin in June.

Thank you everyone.



*Please turn in your pledge cards*

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# CHURCH COUNCIL

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## **Council Meeting Highlights from December 11, 2018 Council Meeting**

Present: Pastor Michelle, Sue Sarver, Joan Brecke, Michelle Fuentes, Wally Quade, Mark Gierach, Kaitlyn Beck, Heather Rogge

Pastor Michelle opened with prayer

Motion Brecke, 2nd Fuentes to approve November minutes. Motion passed.  
Motion Quade, 2nd Beck to approve November financials. Fuentes was thanked for her service as Treasurer.

Pastor Report: Bible Study on-going.

Committees:

Faith Formation and Youth Group: #GivingTuesday was very successful. Thank you to all who helped make it a wonderful day.

Stewardship: No report

Worship: No report

Building and Grounds. \$1,183 for sidewalk work. On-going work of regular maintenance of church continues.

Caring: They continue to care

Missions: New member. There will be another speaker on human trafficking in January.

Old Biz:

Call Agreement – Get proposed changes to Mark

Secretary still needed for 2019/2020 term

New Biz:

Minutes from committees and board should be sent to Carrie monthly. Open transparent communication is a good thing, people.

Motion Quade, 2nd Sarver to donate unused metal chairs to 9 Ladies Dancing. Approved.

Motion Brecke, 2nd Quade to adjourn

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## Council Meeting Highlights from November 13, 2018 Council Meeting

Attending: Pastor Michelle, Mark Gierach, Heather Rogge, Sue Sarver, Henry Rogge, Michelle Fuentes, Joan Brecke, Kaityln Beck, Wally Quade

President Gierach called meeting to order at 6:30pm. Pastor Michelle opened with prayer.

No Council Minutes – No meeting in October due to lack of quorum.

Treasurer's Report: Michelle Fuentes presented September and October financials. Brecke made the motion, Quade seconded to approve as presented.

Pastor's Report – Pastor Michelle in Texas Dec 9. Pastor Georgia willing to cover. Posted of-  
fice hours will change to Monday and Wednesday 10:30-2:30.

### Committees

Faith Formation/Youth - \$157.50 raised for the Heifer Project to purchase a goat and chicks.  
Dec 14 White Elephant Family Fun Night. Dec 16 Family Formation leads worship. Please  
support #GivingTuesday effort.

Stewardship –Letter mailed asking for 2019 pledges.

Worship – Nov 25 decorate. Dec 2 advent starts. Christmas Eve Dec 24 worship is at 6pm

Building & Grounds – On-going work on the maintenance of the church

Caring – Regular Prayer List maintenance

Missions – Family Promise. 9 in program this week when we are hosting. Human Trafficking  
presentation well attended.

Old Business - NONE

### New Business

By-Law Change 1 - Council Make Up – Reduce from 9 to 6. President, Secretary, Treasurer  
and 3 at large positions. Quade motion. Beck 2nd. Unanimously passed.

By-Law Change 2 - Job Description for the Council to read that part of their duties are to at-  
tend 50% of the worship services. Fuentes. Quade 2nd. Unanimously passed.

These motions will go to congregation.

2019 Budget discussion

Motion to adjourn by Heather Rogge, 2nd Henry Rogge



# CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**November 18, 2018**

Approximately 30 in attendance

Pastor Michelle opened with prayer at 10:55 am

Review of 2019 Budget

Motion C. Golownia to increase total ministerial package \$306. 2nd Kathy Parsons. Motion passed.

K. Schmit motion, C. Golownia 2nd to approve amended 2019 budget. Motion passed.

Maintenance Trust Fund report by K. Schmit.

Revision to By-Laws for Council Eligibility

Must attend 50% of worship services to be eligible to serve on council. Motion B. Ballbach, 2nd B. Golownia. Motion passed.

Revision to By-Laws for Council

6 members will sit on council: President, Secretary, Treasurer plus 3 at large members. Motion G. Weigel, 2nd N. Gierach. Motion passed.

Church Secretary and Treasurer needed for 2019. H Rogge's 2-year term is completed and M. Fuentes is no longer eligible to serve based on the by-laws change.

Motion H. Rogge, 2nd K. Quade to nominate Joan Brecke for Treasurer. Brecke accepted nomination. There were no more nominations from the floor. Motion passed.

Kathy Tauben nominated for secretary position. She respectfully declined nomination. M. Gierach will approach members not at the meeting to fill the role.

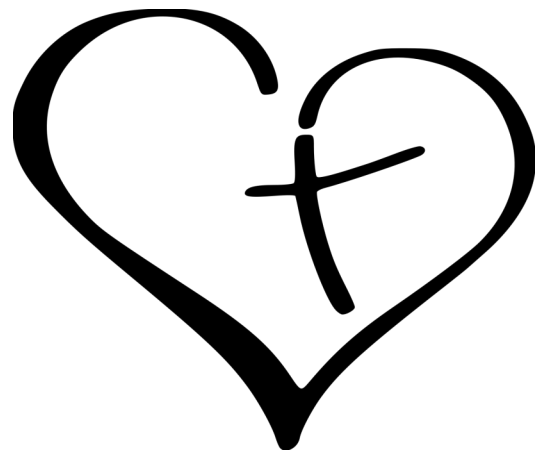
Giving Tuesday details shared by M. Race.

Questions/Comments for the good of the congregation:  
Solar Panels – what are we getting in credits?

We're gaining new members. We're going in the right direction. Keep positive.

G. Weigel thanked M. Gierach for his service on the council.

J. Brecke motion, S. Dickmann 2nd to adjourn.



**Our Next Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday,  
February 17 immediately following 10am worship service.**



# 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 [shuper54@yahoo.com](mailto:shuper54@yahoo.com).

## WORSHIP MINISTRY

Attendance: Pastor Michelle, Joan Brecke and Nancy Gierach met on December 17, 2018

Heather Rogge did a fabulous job with the December 16th Service.

We discussed the upcoming services and what was needed to prepare for these special days.

The attendance for both the Longest Night Service and Candlelight Christmas Eve services was disappointing. Could this be showing us what our future holds?

Saturday, January 12, 2019 there will be a funeral service held at Parkside Community for Doris Goener Olson at 11am. She was baptized, confirmed and married in this church and her family wishes to have her final service here. Pastor Michelle is working with the family.

*Many Blessings for 2019!*



# BIBLE STUDY 101

The Bible Study classes will be continuing on Wednesdays at 6pm  
in the conference room. Below are the exact dates for January—

**Wednesdays, January 16 and January 23 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.

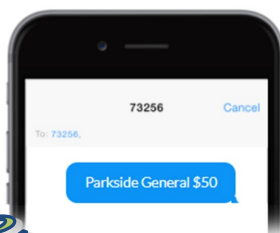
Did you forget to bring your checkbook to service? Is it more convenient for you to use your credit card? Were you not able to make it to service on Sunday? Now you can make your donation from home in your pj's.

Just visit our website and click "donate" from the top menu, or click [here](#) to be taken directly to the website. You can choose what fund your donation goes toward & 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'll receive a reply with a link, then follow the simple instructions.

With online giving and text giving, Parkside Community UCC will incur standard processing fees, but if it's more convenient for you to give this way, please do so!

*Give  
Online*



Family Promise®  
of Ozaukee County

## PARKSIDE TO HOST FAMILY PROMISE GUESTS

We are hosting Family Promise guests the week of January 20. If you can help bring a meal or spend the night, please contact Joan at (262) 483-6795.

Parkside Community UCC is one of 14 host churches supporting Family Promise of Ozaukee County which helps homeless and low-income families and single women in 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.





# 2019 Missions List

January — Saukville Food Pantry

February— Family Promise

March — One Great Hour of Sharing

April — Family Promise

May— Strengthen the Church

June— Family Promise

July — Family Promise

August— Our Church's Wider Mission

September— Family Promise

October— Neighbors in Need

November— Family Promise

December— Christmas Fund

(5th Sunday is Scholarship Sunday)

## MISSION MINISTRY

Meeting Notes from December 11, 2018

We had a new member who attended - Rebecca (Reb) Pinhancos.

First item we talked about was our Monthly Mission list. We are going to leave it as is for 2019.

Talked about January being Human Trafficking Awareness month. We want to have a speaker from the law enforcement community hopefully in January. Joan followed up with Ozaukee Sheriffs Dept. and was connected to Lt. Marshall Herman who was interested in this subject! He is willing to make some calls to some of his contacts in the DCI (Division of Criminal Investigation) and will get back to me next week. She also left a message for Special Agent Raymond Taylor from the WI DOJ Human Trafficking Bureau, hopefully he will get back to us soon as well. Another contact that we will follow-up with is the Lakeshore Regional Child Advocacy Center here in Saukville.

**“ I tell you the truth,  
whatever you did for one of  
the least of these brothers and  
sisters of mine,  
you did for  
ME ”**

**Matthew 25:40**

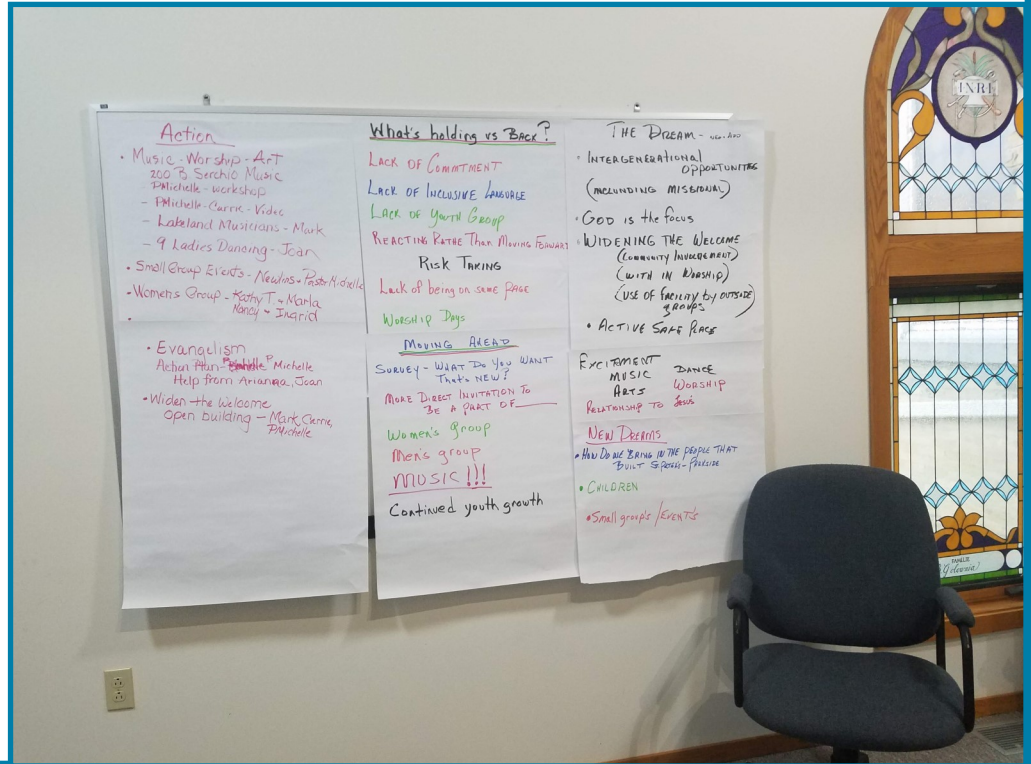
# Visioning Meeting

We are holding a Visioning Meeting on February 2nd from 9am to Noon at Parkside. All Members, Past Members, Those Thinking about Becoming a Member, or just Those Interested in Parkside are all welcome and encouraged to attend and provide input to help us build a vision for a better future.

Continental Breakfast will be provided.

We'll look at the sheets we put together last year (pic at right), discuss what did we get done; what's left undone that we still want to do; and what is our 3 year plan.

We hope to see many of you there!



## January Mission of the Month: Food Pantry



The Saukville Community Food Pantry is an all volunteer, non-profit organization providing warm meals, groceries, school supplies and support to families in need in Ozaukee County. The number of families served has grown tremendously since we opened our doors in 2012. In the first month of operation, the pantry helped 23 families. Today, we

serve over 80 families a month and help over 315 families a year. Saukville Community Food Pantry has created a shopping experience for our families to allow them to choose the foods that work best for their family and any dietary needs they may have. Outside of the needs of the pantry we provide a free meal site, holiday meal boxes, mobile food pantries and a growing school supply program.



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for the February 2019 Newsletter.

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