

PARKSIDE COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

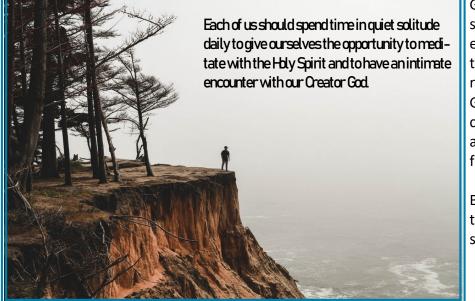
Blessed Past 📥 Bold Future

A Message from Pastor Michelle

We are in Eastertide Season. Jesus Christ has Risen! Alleluia! As the year marches along, we are now in the season of Eastertide. This season continues through Pentecost Sunday which is June 9 this year. On Resurrection Sunday, we found out that when Parkside Community UCC 166 W. Dekora Street Saukville, WI 53080 Email: saukvilleucc@att.net Phone: 262-284-0588 Web: parksideucc.com

Jesus rises from death, we learn that death did not have the last word. Jesus' death and subsequent Resurrection gives way to new life.

In what ways can we embrace New Life? It is said that you must clear out the dead, unproductive and broken parts of your life in order to enjoy new life. We are given the opportunity to embrace new life when we are living a life of purpose and hope for the future. There must be intentionality with each of our steps in life. If you have been putting off doing something important in your life, Eastertide season is the perfect opportunity for you to embrace your new life by living a life with purpose and to embrace all that God has laid in your pathway. Pursue your dreams! Don't think that your dreams are not worth pursuing. There is no better time than the present to embrace your heart's desires. I have said many times and it bears repeating, each of us should spend time in quiet solitude daily to give ourselves the opportunity to meditate with the Holy Spirit and to have an intimate encounter with our Creator God. This allows Spirit God and the Creator to communicate with us in a most intimate and meaningful way.



God's grace is abundantly sufficient and is granted to each of us by God as a free gift that we must do nothing in return to receive. Embrace God's grace for your life and clear out the clutter in your life and embrace life anew and fresh!

Blessings on your journey in the newness of Eastertide Season!

Pastor Michelle

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 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!

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New Cards Available and New Ordering Procedures!

We have some new cards in stock, including <u>Petsmart, Great Clips,</u> <u>Caribou Coffee, Dairy Queen,</u> <u>Dick's Sporting Goods, Pap Murphy's, Ulta Beauty,</u> and more!

We are placing orders on a twice monthly scheduled basis for any cards not in stock, after the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

To keep it simple for you, we will be marking these dates on the Parkside church calendar, which you can view <u>here</u>.

Yes, we will still have plenty of cards in stock, but if you are looking for something special — just place your order and we should receive the order within 5 to 10 days from the 2nd & 4th Sundays.

REMEMBER –

Scrip is a great way to support Parkside and profits from this fundraiser will go to providing financial support to our Missions and Caring Ministries!



CARING MINISTRIES

PRAYER changes things

Prayer Families for the Month:

May 5– Sue Paape

May 12 – Mary Kiepert May 19 – Nancy Strehlow

May 26 – Howard and Joan Brecke 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, May 5 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.

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But to give us the ability to love, God had to give us free will to decide whether to love or not to love. Why? *Because love always involves a choice.*

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

Thank you cards were sent to : Mark And Nancy Gierach for organizing the Craft Fair and food.

Marla Race for providing Lenten devotionals and organizing the bake sale.

Check out the CareNote display. We have added several new brochures. If you have magazines you would like to share, please place them in the magazine display for others to enjoy.

We will be sending handmade bookmarks to our visitors once the popcorn packets are used up.

Thank you for supporting Caring Ministries through Fair Trade, card sales, and recycling aluminum, tin cans and metal!



Prayer Chain Information



To call in a prayer request Please notify Jean Hamilton 262-284-3734 jeanmhamilton1943@yahoo.com or Gail Weigel



Soup Ministry

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



Mission Meeting

Present: Pastor Michelle, Sandy D., Kathy T., Joan B

We are continuing our mission of educating the general public on the issue of human trafficking. With this in mind on May 7th at 6:00 we will be showing the movie "I Am Jane Doe". This will be followed by question & answer period led by Pastor Michelle and Mary Knetter, who is the Sexual Violence Services Director of Advocates Along with this we have been collecting items for families that are ready to leave Advocates and start their new life on their own. Items needed are any household goods; ex. paper products, cleaning supplies, hygiene products, hand soap, dish soap, detergent, etc. We will

also be collecting Scrip cards if anyone wants to purchase these instead of going shopping.

I will meet with Carrie and together we will get FB, e-mail, newspaper article to promote this event.

We are host church for Family Promise the week of 5/19 - 5/26. Not sure how many families are guests at this time We have a Volunteer Coordinator Meeting at Family Promise tonight, 5/23 at 6:00.

We would like to continue having speakers on a monthly or bi-monthly basis. Possible speakers would be Det. Erik Englebretsen, Hartford PD, Emma Myers, Survivor /Advocate/Speaker from Lacey's Hope Project; Deacon Steve from Franciscan Peacemakers, Wendy Smith, WCATA. Joan to follow-up.

Mission for May is Strengthen The Church. This offering supports the expansion of ministry and growth of UCC local congregations. Your support of this offering will help the UCC fulfill on its commitment to creating a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the emerging needs of local communities.



Please set aside a few hours in your calendar to come and help do some spring cleaning around the church yard on Saturday, **May 11 from 9am to Noon**. Rain date is May 18.

It may not be glamorous work, but it's a wonderful way to serve the Lord and give back for all of His blessings. After all "cleanliness is next to Godliness!"

Faith Formation – April Meeting Faith Formation: Sundays at 9:00 AM Youth on lower level Adult Coffee & Conversation in the Council Room: UCC Seeds Children: Current theme: Lent and Easter Prayer Rock Garden to be created on NW corner of building PWSEYM/Lighthouse Youth: Marla was asked and has created a video about Lighthouse to be shared at the Wi Conference. With additional funds available, the Youth Leader position has been increased to 30 hours at \$20/hour Activity and meeting dates are below. Adults: Bible Study will resume in June. Pastor Michelle is planning a book study for summer. Libraries: Children's – Used regularly by the YMCA after-school program children. Adult - Feel free to browse and check out books and materials. Bake Sale: Thanks to all those who baked goods. \$275.77 was raised and added to the church budget. Friday Fun Nights: Gathering is at 5:30 with a potluck at 6:00. Games and activities follow. Join in the fun! Bring a friend or two or even more. Save the Dates: April 25, 26, 27 - LIGHTHOUSE - Feed My Starving Children: Meal packaging at Grafton Portal Industries May 5 – LIGHTHOUSE – Youth Ministry Meeting with miniature golf outing and Fiesta Taco Bar to follow May 10 - Family Fun Night - Cinco de Mayo with tacos May 12 – Mother's Day – flowers from Faith Formation June 2 – Last day of Faith Formation; Graduation Sunday June 9 – Pentecost, Birthday Bash! following worship June 14 – Family Fun Night: Patriotic Flag Day Party June 15 – VBS with Living Hope, at Living Hope

June 16 – Father's Day, Ice Cream Social following worship



Join us Sunday, May 5 from Noon to 4pm for mini-Golf at <u>Paradise Golf & Recreation</u> (click for map) followed by a taco bar fiesta back at Lighthouse Youth Ministry HQ (A.K.A. Family Activity Center)! Cost: \$6.00 (covers everything). Meet us at the FAC to get on a bus to head over to min-golf at Paradise Golf and Recreation. Once we've played our round of golf we'll get back on the bus and head back to HQ for the Taco Fiesta!

JANE DOE

TUESDAY, MAY 7 at 6:00 PM LOCATION: PARKSIDE COMMUNITY UCC 166 W. DEKORA ST (by Grady Park), SAUKVILLE Questions? Contact us at 262-284-0588 FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Join us for a viewing of the movie, "<u>I AM JANE DOE</u>", a documentary chronicling the legal battle that several American mothers are waging on behalf of their middle-school daughters, who were trafficked for commercial sex on Backpage.com. Following the movie there will be a question & answer period led by Rev. Michelle Freeman of Parkside Community UCC and local advocate, Mary Knetter. Knetter is the Sexual Violence Services Director of <u>Advocates of Ozaukee County</u>, a local organization that works to end domestic and sexual violence through education, prevention, and intervention services.

ABOUT THE FILM

"Called "a gripping legal thriller" (Esquire); "a powerful call to action" (The Los Angeles Times); "viscerally emotional" (The Washington Post), I AM JANE DOE chronicles the epic battle that several American mothers are waging on behalf of their middle-school daughters, victims of sex trafficking on Backpage.com, the classified advertising website that for years was part of the iconic Village Voice. Reminiscent of Erin Brockovich and Karen Silkwood, these mothers have stood up on behalf of thousands of other mothers, fighting back and refusing to take no for an answer." Source: iamjanedoefilm.com

HELPING VICTIMS

Please consider bringing a donation to help families that are ready to leave the Advocates program to start a new life on their own. Items needed are any household goods; ex. paper products, cleaning supplies, hygiene products, hand soap, dish soap, detergent, gift cards, etc.

education is the first step to prevention



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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is members respond to our neighbors in need of such items as rent, utility or medical bill assistance, gas cards, taxi vouchers, store vouchers, car repairs and also by referring them to the food pantries and help with finding housing. There are 5 conferences in Ozaukee County; Mequon, Cedarburg, Grafton, Port Washington/Saukville and Belgium/ Fredonia. Monies beyond expenses

at the St Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Ozaukee County provides the funds used by these conferences to assist county residents in need.

Due to some members retiring, the Port Washington/Saukville Conference is seeking new members to serve the community. We are well organized and training is available You do not assist alone, as our visits are always done in pairs. Vincentians offer " a hand up not a hand out". If you hear the call to assist, please contact Joe DeLucia at 262-685-6034.

SAVE THE DATES!

Lighthouse Upcoming Events!

Port Washington Saukville Ecumenical Youth Ministry



Cinco de Mayo Mini Golf Outing and a taco bar fiesta back at the Family Activity Center.



9am to 3pm - Vacation Bible School at Living Hope ELCA in Saukville.



"Wildfire" Summer Camp mission trip. Pre-registration is required.



Council Meeting

Present: Mark Gierach, Henry Rogge, Kathy Tauben, Kaitlyn Beck, Sue Sarver, Pastor Michelle

Pastor Michelle opened with prayer.

Motion made by K. Beck, second K. Tauben to approve March minutes. Motion passed Treasurer report-Motion made by K. Tauben, second K. Beck to approve March financials.

<u>Pastor Report:</u> Lenten/Easter service preparation. Looking to attend conference in Minn MN in May. Prep for the last bible study.

Committees:

Faith Formation and Youth Group: Beck- Meeting scheduled for Thursday April 11th.

Stewardship: Discussion re: Rummage Sale, Stewardship campaign in the fall. No meeting will be scheduled in July or Aug.

Worship: No meeting

Building and Grounds: Back storm door was replaced on the parsonage, Further discussion regarding a spring clean up at church and parsonage. Lawn care will continue to be complete by Dan Race.

Caring: Monthly prayer list provided, cards continue to be sent Missions: No meeting

Old Business:

Call Agreement – Discussion set for May Membership status –Reviewed and approved letter to be mailed regarding continuing membership.

New Business:

Stone Soup Event, sponsored by United Way of Northern Ozaukee Co. to benefit the Family sharing, PW and Saukville food pantry and Advocates pf Oz. Co. Oct. 5, 2019 Nancy Gierach will be working them and they would be using the kitchen and fellowship hall.

Piano in the former youth room is looking for a new home.

The youth room will be used by the food pantry – furniture to be sold or donated.

Looking to replace large tables in the fellowship hall.

May church council meeting will be change to May 21st.

Motion made by H. Rogge, second Kaitlyn Beck, to adjourn. Motion passed



Thank you to our Parkside Community UCC Leadership Council for keeping us moving forward!



Thanks to the following members for purchasing Easter flowers to decorate our sanctuary!!

From Tom, Heather, Jade, and Henry Rogge In Loving Memory of Red Habersetzer and Hazel Neumeyer

From Lynn Beck and Bob Dickmann In Loving Memory of Geraldine Dickmann

From Gail Flom In Loving Memory of all who have passed, may they rest in peace! In Gratitude to God for God's good will to all, thank you!

From Sue Dickmann In Loving Memory of Geraldine Dickmann

From Sandra Dickmann In gratitude to God for Family, Friends, Church

From LaVerne Dollert In Loving Memory of Edwin Dollert

From Kristine Schmit In Loving Memory of my Grandparents, Esther & Edwin Dollert Sr.

From Bing & Chelene Golownia In Loving Memory of Mary Ann Golownia Maechtle

From Sandy Habertsetzer In Loving Memory of Red Habersetzer

From Ron & Ingrid Newlin In Gratiutude to God for our family and 13 grandkids

From Kathy Tauben In Loving Memory of Kathyrn & Robert Rausch

From Dan & Gail Weigel In Loving Memory of Ed & Lucile Geisser; In Loving Memory of Nona Isenberg; In Loving Memory of Frank & Eva Weigel

From Penny Fransee In Loving Memory of my Father, Everette T. Christoffel

Join us for Friday Fun Night!



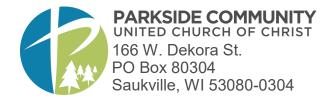
We invite you to join us the 2nd Friday of every month for a FREE night of games, food and fun!

At 5:30pm we gather for fellowship and at 6pm we all enjoy a potluck dinner together followed by games for all ages to enjoy. If you don't have a dish to pass, don't worry— just bring YOURSELF!

> Friday Fun Nights are open to the whole community, not just Parkside members.....

Dates and Themes for 2019:

May 10 — Cinco de Mayo Fiesta! June 14 — Patriotic Flag Day Party! July 12 — Summer Picnic! August 9 — Fun at the Fair! September 13 — Apple Fest with Carmel Apple Bar! October 11 — Pumpkin Carving & Games! November 8 — Movie Night with Popcorn & Pizza! December 13 — White Elephant Gift Exchange!





Please submit newsletter items to the church at

saukvilleucc@att.net by May 25.

for the June 2019 Newsletter.



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