

PARKSIDE COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



JUNE 2020



A Message from Pastor Susan

Greetings! We are headed into one of my favorite seasons of the Liturgical year, Pentecost. The word Pentecost means 50 days. The disciples were actually celebrating the Jewish harvest festival of Shavuot that comes 50 days after passover when the scene in Acts is reported by Luke.

"When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind,

and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability."

In our faith tradition it has come to be known as the Birthday of the church. But with our church yet to be reopened it feels a little anti-climatic like "where's the party"?! But keep in mind that the first Pentecost was in somebody's home. And soon with great caution and precautions we will try and come together again. But even when the vaccine is found and the time of COVID-19 has passed there are serious issues still waiting for us that have been put on hold.

There is a national decline in people who attend church, decline in belief of any kind, there is a decline in giving, on and on... I don't think any of us is unrealistic or convinced we will buck a national trend overnight but what we are by nature is Hopeful. I think that statisticians rarely think about the

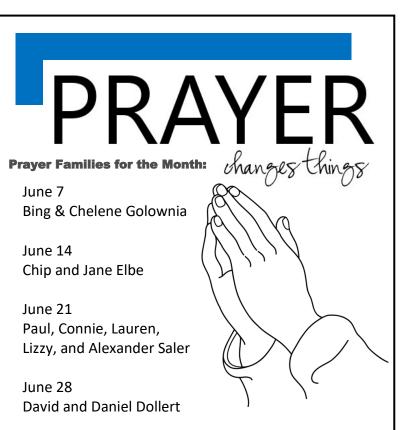
surprises that the Holy Spirit can bring. They tend to forget that our scriptures are full of stories about people who were counted out, given up on, thought of as unworthy, too little to fight a giant, too old to have a child, too lowly born to become a King.

We can never, ever rule out the power of the Holy Spirit. Spirit has given you all the tenacity to hang on and stay the course. Spirit moves and lives and has it's being in each and every one of you. I am convinced that there is a purpose for this and I get excited thinking about what that may be. May each of you feel that deep fire and windy stirring of the Spirit as we envision what's next.

Peace. Pastor Susan

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PO Box 80304 * 166 W. Dekora Street Saukville, WI 53080 Email: saukvilleucc@att.net Phone: 262-284-0588 Parksideucc.com DON'T ASK WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS. ASK WHAT MAKES YOU COME ALIVE, AND GO DO JO, BECAUSE WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS IS PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME ALIVE.



The Caring Ministry group will be sending a card to each prayer family, but your additional cards are appreciated by our prayer families.

LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH MINISTRY

Lighthouse Youth Ministry Board representative needed. One evening meeting a month in Port Washington. Great ecumenical group. Marla Race is in a leadership role on the Board, you would be serving with her to learn the ropes. Please call Marla at (262) 483-9528 with questions or if you are interested in representing Parkside in this important non-profit role.

RETURNING TO CHURCH

On Sunday, June 21 at 10am, Parkside plans to resume in-person worship services. Our Council met on May 19 and thoroughly discussed the situation and put together a plan to move forward. The following precautions will be taken for the indefinite future:

- shortened service
- masks will be supplied and will be mandatory and hand sanitizer will be available
- we will separate people among all the pews to spread out
- no coffee fellowship following the service and no communion
- offering plate will be set outside the sanctuary in the narthex and will not be passed around, but available for members to drop off donations

Please know that if you are in a high risk group and/or are just not comfortable returning to in-person worship services, we understand and encourage you to stay at home. We will be recording the services and making them available on our Facebook page for you to view and join us virtually. The Parkside church council takes this decision to return to in-person worship services very seriously and reserves the right to cancel service should we experience a surge in cases.

Council Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2020

Present: Mark Gierach, Kathy Tauben, Sue Sarver, Joan Brecke, Kaitlyn Beck, Heather Rogge, Pastor Susan Drake

Opened with prayer: Pastor Susan

<u>Council Minutes</u>: Motion made by Heather R to accept the March minutes, second by Kaitlyn B, motion passed. Note: There was no meeting held in the month of April.

<u>Treasurer report</u>- Motion made by Heather R to accept the Treasure report for March, second by Kaitlyn B. Motion by Kaitlyn B to accept the Treasurer report for April, second by Heather R, Motion passed.

Pastor Report – Virtual church services, 22 pastoral calls -looking to update our membership data base with current address, phone numbers and e-mail. Church development research. Committees:

Faith Formation & Youth- Looking to add representative as Heather will stepping away. If you are interested please contact Marla Race.

Stewardship-No meeting held

Worship- Discussion with council was as follows:

At this time, we are looking to hold in person church service on June 21st, 2020. (Please note this can change if information is provided through State, Local or Public Health.) To help safe guard our members there will be changes: Self-serve communion cups, offering plate place outside of the sanctuary, to social distance pews will be closed, masks/face coverings would be required, music will be instrumental. Information will be provided to church members; we would look to continue virtual service for those that are unable to attend.

<u>Building & Grounds</u>-Need to replace the stove in the church house. The grease traps were cleaned, sanitizing completed after the tank was cleared. Plumber installed a hot water faucet. Need to have a yard clean up around the buildings -watch for a list to be sent via e-mail and posted in the conference room so we can go separately and then cross off the list.

Power washing and painting need to be done on the carport. Will be looking in the future to replace a furnace or two. Fire inspection found deficiencies on fire suppression system-Motion made by Heather R. to repair cost not to exceed \$1,300, second by Kathy T. Motion passed.

Caring-No meeting held; prayer list continues to be circulated.

<u>Missions</u>-Family Promise had asked due to Covid-19 to provide hotel and meals for families in need. The volunteers from the participating churches collected monetary donation and gave to Family Promise.

Old Business:

- Awaiting additional information for repairs to the steeple to proceed.
- Rental of the church house-waiting on proposal from Advocates of Ozaukee Co.
- Rummage Sale- Due to the Covid-19 will need to have further discussions as to the date.
- Vendor Shows: Still are looking for someone to head this up once we are back open.

New Business:

Recommendation and motion made by Joan B. to invite Pastor Susan Drake as our settle pastor, motion was second by Kaitlyn B. Motion passed. Compensation Package for ½ Time Pastor Position (compensation package details are available to our members by request by contacting the church office)

Members will receive information regarding congregational voting on our recommendation. (A letter regarding voting was mailed to each active member on May 27th and an email was sent to each active member with an email address in our membership software on May 26. If you didn't receive the letter or the email, please contact the church office at saukvilleucc@att.net to ensure we have your correct contact information on file.)

Motion made by Joan B, second Kathy T to adjourn. Motion passed. Closed with the Lord's prayer *Council meetings will resume every 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.*

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

Our next meeting will be held on Monday June 8 at 6pm at church.

Plans will be made as to how the rummage sale will be held (or not) and for this years' stewardship campaign.

Please remember to continue sending your tithes and offerings to church.

Also, if you committed to an amount over your pledge, please remember to include that.

Submitted by your Stewardship Committee

UPDATED CONTACT INFO

If you have moved or changed phone numbers, email addresses, or physical addresses, please send a an email to the church office at saukvilleucc@att.net to ensure that we have your current contact information. Also, if you are not getting occasional updates from Parkside via email, please make sure we have your current email address and check your gmail "updates" folder or spam folders.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

June will be a continuation of outside maintenance.

- Shrubs will need trimming and weeds pulled, poisoned, and removed.
- The fence on the south side of parsonage needs to be removed.
- Need to plant grass where tree was removed next to digit sign. Will need leveling, black ground and seeding.
- Dan Race is keeping the lawn looking good and has recently edged.

If you can help with yard work, please click <u>here</u> to sign up or contact the church office at saukvilleucc@att.net. Hopefully nothing more breaks. Recently had thermostats replaced, two water heaters, grease trap cleaning, kitchen hood cleaned, fire suppression system serviced, and dishwasher failure.



Congratulations to our Graduates!

Oliva Metz

Olivia Metz graduating from Port Washington High School. She will be attending Bradley University in Peoria Illinois, a medium size selective private school. She will be majoring in Journalism and minoring in Political Science. Olivia is hoping to be able to join their basketball band (a pep band) and the school newspaper there as well. She will be joining a Jobs Daughters Bethel down in Peoria.

Henry Rogge

Henry Rogge is graduating from West Bend High School. He will be attending UW-Stevens Point in the Fall. He is interested in Environmental Science and Physics, German and Cello as possible minors.

Nathan Golownia

Nathan is graduating from Lakeland College.

Jacob Maechtle

Jacob is graduating from Lakeland College.

Marla Race

Marla is graduating from Lay Academy.



<u> Parkside's Vendor Shows — Volunteer Needed</u>

If you are interested in helping raise funds for Parkside by heading up a Vendor Show, please contact the church office at saukvilleucc@att.net.





Join us for a virtual fellowship meeting via Zoom. Tuesday, June 2 at Noon. Email saukvilleucc@att.net for details.

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