



# Pulse

## OCTOBER 2011

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*Parkway United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming congregation within the United Church of Christ. We believe that all people are created in God's image and thus are blessed and loved equally. In this spirit, we welcome all people, including those of every race, spiritual tradition, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression into the full life and ministry of the church.*

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### NEIGHBORHOOD GARDEN PARTY & OPEN HOUSE



We will be inviting neighbors from the Miller Street – Irving Street neighborhood to join us on Sunday afternoon, October 23, 1:00 - 3:00 pm. to tour our church and garden and to enjoy a small carnival. We will be renting a large inflatable slide and will have a variety of games set up and run by the youth group. We would like to treat our neighbors to homemade ice cream and an apple treat. Margaret and Gracie Nicklas Morris are organizing the carnival and food treats. We would like to hear from people who have an ice cream maker and are willing to make a batch of ice cream or are willing to let us use it. We are also looking for apple slicers and/or an apple press to make cider. Please email [Margaret](#) or call her at 724-0941 if you have any of these items. Those who can flyer the neighborhood on Tuesday, October 18 in the early evening please let [Craig](#) know.

### STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship means to take care of God's household. Each of us has our own way of carrying that out, but the key word is "Giving." This year we would like to focus on the joy and community-building character of giving, whether that means pledging money to the church, committing to leadership or active participation in a committee or group here at church, or giving time to nurture yourself?

The Finance Committee invites you to attend a "Cottage Meeting" with a small group of the congregation. You will be invited by one of the following people to attend a 1 ½ to 2 hour "get together" to enjoy the hospitality of another church member, take a little time to talk about the spiritual nature of stewardship, and hear about how our budget reflects some new initiatives at Parkway in 2012. You will receive a Stewardship packet with a few materials to read and a pledge card. We hope you attend and have some fun. If you cannot attend the meeting you are invited to, please consider going to one of the other meetings. If you can't attend a meeting, we will get your Stewardship packet to you. Here are the people having cottage meetings:



- Oct. 2, 3:00 Paul and Carolyn Marshall at the Marshall's home
- Oct. 13, 7:00 Don Swanson and Peggy Taylor at Henrietta Fulton's home
- Oct. 16, 4:00 Bill Donohue and Judy Aanstad at Judy's house
- Oct. 19, 7:00 Beth Bailey and Nancy Vargas at church Fellowship Hall
- Oct. 22, 1:30 Ray Crouse and Libby McWilliams at Ray's home
- Oct. 23, 4:00 John Brais and Conner Evans at John Brais' home

This Sunday, Oct. 2, Craig will give our Stewardship sermon. You are asked to bring your pledge card to church on Sunday, Oct. 30 for Stewardship Sunday. That is also the Sunday of the Neighborhood Network potluck. If you won't be able to attend church that Sunday, you can either put your pledge card in the offering plate any Sunday in October or mail it in with the envelope that will be provided to you. We ask that you turn in your pledge card by Monday, Oct. 31. We will have a December 3 congregational meeting to share with you the final draft of the budget and then have a vote on the budget on the following Sunday.

Peace be unto you, Don Swanson

## **SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER**

**October 2:** World Communion & Stewardship Invitation Sunday. We will focus on the ten words of relationship spoken on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20), celebrate with a variety of breads, and share in an invitation to reflect on our whole lives as stewards of many gifts.

**October 9:** We focus on the realities of broken covenant, reflecting on the story of the golden calf (Exodus 32:1-14).

**October 16:** Children's Sabbath with each of the church school classes sharing in worship leadership. We will celebrate Holy Communion.

**October 23:** We focus on the greatest commandments (Matthew 22:34-46)

**October 30:** Stewardship Celebration Sunday - We hope you can bring your stewardship commitments to worship on this Sunday to offer up as we re-commit ourselves to the ministries of the church. There will be a **potluck** in neighborhood nurture network groups following worship.

**PARKWAY: GOD IS STILL SPEAKING** – The U.S. correctional population - those in jail, prison, on probation or on parole - totaled 7.3 million, or 1 in every 31 adults. That is one quarter of the prisoners in the world, more than any other country.

The God is Still Speaking Class will be studying a curriculum called "Prison Nation" beginning in October. The class will look at innovative programs in the country as well as in our own area. We will also look at what is not being addressed. The curriculum will cover 2 months and will be available online. Interested participants should email their names and email addresses to [Ana Tampanna](mailto:Ana.Tampanna@wake.edu).

## **PARKWAY CO-HOSTS ANTI-BULLYING FORUM**

Interfaith Voice, in partnership with Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) Winston-Salem, will host a community conversation on *The Language of Bullying*, **Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 p.m.**, at Wait Chapel on the campus of Wake Forest University. The program will address the language and effects of bullying from the perspectives of a student and a parent as well as what we can do to prevent bullying in all of its forms inside and outside our schools.

Our panelists will be Loan Tran, a Charlotte, NC high school junior and GLSEN Student Media Ambassador; Ana Tampanna, the parent of a former student who experienced bullying while attending a local area high school; and Dr. Corliss Thompson-Drew, lead psychologist for the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System. Dr. Kenneth Simington from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools will also attend. In addition, the Konnoak Elementary Step Team will perform as they work to stomp out bullying in their own creative way.

"Understanding starts with conversation," said Interfaith Voice co-chair Janet Owen. "We want to help our community understand the challenges faced by our youngest and most vulnerable members, our children, who identify as or are perceived to be lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or questioning (LGBTQ). Bullying doesn't just affect the child who is bullied; it affects family, friends—anyone who cares about that child."

“Most of us grew up in a smaller, less complicated, non-wired world. The opportunities that exist for kids to be bullied today aren’t just in classrooms, or on a bus or playground, but are now 24 hours a day through texting, email, and social media,” said Thomas Farmer, president of PFLAG Winston-Salem. “Many of us grew up hearing ‘sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me.’ Sadly, we know all too well that this is not really the case. The number of students being bullied, resulting in serious negative psychological and physical outcomes, is a travesty. We must work together to protect all children, no exceptions,” said Farmer.

## CHURCH WORKDAY, OCTOBER 8

Our first workday of the fall is fast approaching. We’ll work from 9am – 1pm on Saturday, October 8 sprucing up the church grounds. We need all the help we can get, teens through adult! Especially needed: anyone willing to start tackling the English ivy growing on the trees. Bring clippers, strong screwdrivers or other utensils to pry the ivy off the trees, and wear long sleeves, long pants, sturdy shoes and gloves. For other work around the grounds, bring shovels, rakes, clippers, gloves and other gardening tools. Contact [Henrietta Fulton](mailto:Henrietta.Fulton@parkwayucc.com), 765-8090, if you have questions.

## WALK FOR JUSTICE WEEKEND OCTOBER 15-16

**BUDDY WALK** – This walk will take place with registration at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 15 at West Forsyth High School. Let [Deborah Woolard](mailto:Deborah.Woolard@parkwayucc.com), 922-0530, know if you can join the Parkway UCC Buddy Walk Team. Cost is \$10/person. Those who sign up before September 30 will get their choice of shirt size and will receive them before the walk. If you sign up after the 30<sup>th</sup> not all sizes will be available and you will have to pick your shirts up at the walk.

**PRIDE FESTIVAL & PARADE** – Parkway will have a presence at the Pride Festival throughout the day on Saturday, October 15. We are seeking many people to join us as we march in the parade at 4:00 p.m. that day. Sign up on the easel in the narthex. For more information, visit [Winston-Salem Pride](http://Winston-SalemPride.com)

**CROP WALK** – The CROP Walk, which supports local and global hunger prevention efforts, will step off at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, October 16. If you cannot walk, we encourage you to sponsor a Parkway walker. Go to [Parkway UCC Team](http://ParkwayUCCTeam.com) to sign up to walk or to sponsor.

**IN PREPARATION FOR THE ADVENT SEASON** – The Nurture Committee would like to invite the congregation to think about Advent traditions in their families. Do you display an Advent wreath? Do you light the candles every night or once a week? There are many creative ways to design Advent wreaths and celebrate Advent. Would you share yours?



We would like to have a variety of Advent wreaths in the Narthex and the kitchen/coffee area November 6, 13 and 20.

*Advent Candle Ceremonies for the Home* handout and additional Advent resources for families will be available at the displays. If you would like to offer your Advent wreath for the display, please contact [Janice Nelligan](mailto:Janice.Nelligan@parkwayucc.com), 778-0086.

## Art Activities for the Advent Workshop

We are seeking a few more leaders who can prepare a simple Advent art activity – ornament, hanging, etc. for all ages for our Advent Workshop that will follow worship on Sunday, December 4. If you have an idea and would like to share an activity, please contact [Vicki Schwartz](mailto:Vicki.Schwartz@parkwayucc.com), 608-4685.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** – On Sunday, December 18 we will present the Christmas play. If you would like to be a part of this event, please contact [Conner Evans](#), 245-3949. More details to come.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS** - Mary & Jim Maddrey and Alice & Jim Mascenik, who joined Parkway UCC on September 18!

Mary and Jim Maddrey are longtime residents of Walkertown. Jim retired from RJR Tobacco and now has his own engineering consulting business. They like traveling, reading and riding motorcycles. They especially enjoy time spent with their two granddaughters, their daughter and her partner. They are a part of the East Nurture Network Neighborhood.

*Contact info:* Jim and Mary Maddrey, 5442 Wallasey Road, Walkertown, NC 27051; 336-595-3004; Jim: maddrej@aol.com; Mary: maddrem@aol.com.

Alice and Jim Mascenik moved to Winston-Salem in July from Colorado, but they are not entirely new to North Carolina. Jim is a graduate of UNCG and Alice was employed as a customer service representative at American Express, Greensboro for several years. Jim is currently employed as an Assessment Coordinator at WSSU. Alice is originally from Connecticut and has 2 children and 2 grandchildren. Jim is from New Jersey. They met in 1990 in Ft. Lauderdale. Both are pet enthusiasts who love snow and enjoy reading, walking, and exploring new restaurants. They are members of the Central Nurture Network Neighborhood.

*Contact info:* Jim and Alice Mascenik, 501-G Park Ridge Court, Winston-Salem, NC 27104; 283-9930; Jim's cell: 720-984-6668; Alice's cell: 720-334-0728; Jim: researchspecialist.jkm@gmail.com; Alice: alicemascenik@yahoo.com.

## **BIOGRAPHIES FOR ONLINE DIRECTORY**

Don't forget to write a little something about yourself to include in our online directory! Five sentences are ok; 15 sentences are ok; it all depends on what you want us to know about you. Things to include would be: where you grew up, how long you've lived in W-S and been at Parkway, your occupation, your family, your hobbies, your various roles at Parkway – things like this to help us get to know the other members of our church community better. Whether you've been a member of Parkway for 40 years or a participant for 4 months, there are probably those among us who don't know any more about you than your face and name. Check out the biographies already online at [Parkway UCC](#). Email your bio to [Pat Eisenach](#) (not your Nurture Neighborhood leader). If you don't remember the log in information or you're not in the current pictorial directory, contact [Pat](#).

**IT'S TIME TO ORDER COFFEE** - The deadline to order coffee is Sunday, **October 16**. The cost is \$11 for all varieties. Please make sure to specify whole or ground beans. Contact [Rebecca Reel](#) with the details of your order and then place a check in the offering plate. Your coffee will not be ordered if you do not communicate with Rebecca. [Coffee Descriptions](#)

## **TWO CARE CALENDARS HAVE BEEN CREATED**

If you can assist with taking a homebound member on an outing, or can give a ride to church on Sundays, please contact Nurture Committee Chair, [Ann McLain](#). Online Care Calendars have been set up for ease of planning.

## **THANK YOU**

Dear Parkway, I wanted to write you a quick note thanking you all so much for the student assistance check. I was able to pay for the majority of my books for this semester with that money and I am so grateful for that! Thank you for your continued support and know that you are all in my prayers. Patrick Campbell

**LAMB AVAILABLE** – If you're interested in buying lamb for your freezer, please contact [Laura Frazier](#), 971-3834.

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Nicholas Laws, Nicole Laws	October 1
Mike Davis	October 2
Rebecca Gall	October 3
Gayle Moore	October 4
Ron Wright	October 4
Bobby Severs	October 5
Judy Aanstad	October 9
Donna Smythers	October 13
Janice Nelligan	October 14
Cathy Jones	October 17
Emily Cole	October 19
Daniel Cole	October 20
Dalton Waller	October 20
Anna Marie Vargas	October 21
Patti Woodard	October 22
Lucy Austin	October 23
Breck Radulovic	October 24
Lucas Rattigan-Coe	October 25
Nathan Coggins	October 26
Elizabeth Holt	October 28
William (Bill) Speaks	October 31
Nancy Vargas	October 31



## Coming in November – Save the Dates

**All Saints Sunday** – In anticipation of All Saints Sunday on Sunday, November 6 we hope you will let the church office know of loved ones you would like to have lifted up in the service that day.

**Thanksgiving Service** – We will gather for a potluck supper and worship to mark Thanksgiving on Tuesday, November 22 in the evening.

### **Parkway's Got Talent – A Concert to Address Hunger**

Saturday, November 5, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

A light dessert with refreshments will be served following the concert

Admission: Non-perishable food items which will be given to the Shalom Project/Pantry

Talented members of Parkway United Church of Christ will perform a concert to include musical compositions, singing and light comedy.

This concert is offered as part of a week of efforts across the United States by United Church of Christ congregations to alleviate hunger in their communities.

There will also be an opportunity for attendees to complete a postcard about public policy to address hunger issues which will then be sent to members of Congress.

If you have not yet received an email or call about performing, please call or email [Vicki Schwartz](mailto:Vicki.Schwartz@parkway-uc.org), 608-4685 before October 9.

This will be a lovely evening for the entire family, friends and neighbors. If you need a ride to this event, please contact your neighborhood coordinator. This event will be advertised throughout the Winston-Salem community and sister congregations.

Let's enjoy an evening of beautiful music performed by our very own talented members and lend our support to alleviate hunger in our community.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> Memorial Service for Ray Van Cleve 10:30 am  Coe/Hooper Wedding – 4:00 pm
<b>2</b> World Communion Sunday  Youth 1 pm	<b>3</b> Cottage Meeting at P&C Marshall's Home 3:00 pm	<b>4</b> Nurture Committee 7:00 pm  Interfaith Voice/Anti-Bullying Wait Chapel 7:00 pm	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Worship Committee 6:30 pm  Env. Movie Night Temple Emmanuel 7:00 pm "Gasland"	<b>7</b> Worship Committee 6:30 p.m.  Men's Gathering, 6:30 pm-Box-lunch prep for Habitat Women's Build	<b>8</b> Church Workday 9:00-1:00  Community Connections 11:00-2:00 Holy Spirit Fellowship  Habitat Women's Build
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Church Council 7:00 pm	<b>13</b> Cottage Meeting at home of H. Fulton 7:00 pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Buddy Walk 9:00 am  Pride Parade 4 pm
<b>16</b> Children's Sabbath  Deadline for Coffee Orders  CROP Walk 1:30 pm	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  Neighborhood flyer walk	<b>19</b>  Missions 6 pm  Cottage Meeting at church Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm  Choir Dir. Search Committee Mtg 8:00 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Green Group, Jr. to Zoo  Cottage Meeting at home of R. Crouse 1:30 pm
<b>23</b> Cottage meeting at home of J. Brais 4:00 p.m.  Neighborhood open house 1 pm	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  Julie Wilson on Vacation	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> J  Julie Wilson on Vacation	<b>28</b> Green Group, Jr. Meeting 6:30 pm  Julie Wilson on Vacation	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> Communion Stewardship Sunday  Potluck after Worship	<b>31</b> 	<b>Notes:</b> Choir Practice every Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.  Bible Study Class each Sunday @ 9:45 a.m. God is Still Speaking Class each Sunday @ 10:00 a.m.  Quilters meet every Thursday @ 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall				