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Happening Before Sunday

A Special Note From Dawn Jones-Goldstein about the Crop Hunger Walk
This year's CROP Hunger Walk is almost here, and our church family is joining in to make a difference! Sue is coordinating our efforts, and Dawn Jones-Goldstein and her family are going the extra mile—literally. They're starting their walk early, and you may spot them on Saturday, September 27, making their way down Manchester Road dressed as giant crops!

That evening, they'll camp out right on our church playground before setting out again Sunday morning, walking to Eden Theological Seminary to meet up with the rest of the walkers.

You can support this effort in three ways:
🌱 Donate – Every dollar helps fight hunger here in St. Louis and around the world. You donate here to help Dawn out.
🌱 Pray – Keep the walkers and those they walk for in your prayers.
🌱 Walk with us – Join the CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, September 28 and take steps toward ending hunger.

Click here to register and add Parkway UCC to the upper right search bar. The money raised goes to local partners and around the world through Church World Service. For more info, contact Sue Moellering or Pam Manning at susieqslp@sbcglobal.net or pmanning5078@gmail.com respectively. Let's cheer them on, support their efforts, and join together as a church family in this mission of compassion and hope!

Tower Grove Pridefest
Sept. 27-28 | Tower Grove Park
Primarily we need folks to help volunteer for the Gateway Open and Affirming (GONA) Booth on Sunday, Sept 28...however, there are a few slots on Saturday, Sept 27th. Sign up here! For more information, contact Greg Schmelig greg_schmelig@hotmail.co

Next Youth Event - Aloha Mini Golf!
Our next youth event will be at Aloha Mini Golf, 13502 Big Bend Rd, Valley Park, MO 63122, on *this* **Saturday, September 27, at 3pm.**

River Clean Up at the Arch: National Public Lands Day
Saturday, September 27 | 9am-12pm | The Arch
Please see the link below. You need to create an account with the Gateway Arch Park Foundation to register here. For questions, reach out to Grace Teofilo Hilker, Volunteer Manager at grace.teofilo@archpark.org

Worship With Us this Sunday, September 28

Worship with us at 10am this Sunday! Join us here at PUCC or on YouTube Live (@parkwayuccstl)... or participate any time later on YouTube.

We will share **Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16** where God is praised for being shelter, refuge, shield, rescue and faithfulness.

Our gospel lesson is **Luke 16:19-31** where Jesus tells a story about chasms that exist between people. How are these gaps created and maintained by individuals and systems? How can we work to close them? We know what Jesus said and did ... echo that. Instead of separation, let's focus on reaching, stretching, sharing.

Worship bulletin here!

Songs include: *You Are Welcome Here; O Jesus, I Have Promised; Spirit of the Living God; Weave; Blest Be the Tie that Binds; Here Are Our Hearts; For One Great Peace; In the Midst of New Dimensions*

It is with great joy and appreciation that we will welcome Diane Brost, Lexie and Alex Johnson, Gabe and Alex Wiseman into membership this morning during worship.

The first batch of PUCC shirt orders have arrived! If you ordered a shirt for your family by 9/7, you can pick them up on Sunday. I'll put your name on them in the Gathering Space.

Nursery Sunday Hours
Besides during worship, the Nursery is also open before worship from **9:00–10:00am** and after worship from **11:15am–12:15pm** *(*on Sundays when we have a Speaker Series or other need for extended care) for infants and kids through 5th grade, where they will receive loving care from our Nursery childcare providers Kara and Katie.
For more info, please contact me at gabriel@parkwayucc.org

Prayer List Updates as of September 26

New members: *Diane Brost, Lexie and Alex Johnson, Gabe and Alex Wiseman*
Pat Owens - moved within *Mason Pointe Senior Living Community.*
Doug and Amy Yakel - as he retired last week!
Hispanic Heritage Month - September 15 through October 15 (maybe a visit to Cherokee Street is what you need? Diana's Bakery?!)
High Holy Days for our Jewish siblings right now.
Kate Moran - severe pain from Lyme disease (Borgmann).
Mary Faith Green and husband Ted - after her heart surgery (Akers).
Typhoon Ragasa - Philippines, Taiwan, Macao, Hong Kong, China.
Violence across America - *including gun violence.*
Ongoing chaos and grief in the Middle East.
The continuing war with Ukraine and Russia.
Our St Louis neighbors after the tornado in May.

Drivers Needed
From time to time, PUCCers are in need of rides to medical appts when their usual circle of support is unavailable. Some in our church family also need help getting to worship. Please let kevin@parkwayucc.org know you are willing to help. You will be added to the list of potential drivers and will receive an email once we have a request for a ride.

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PUCC Announcements

Adventurous Men Out Early

Adventurous men gather this **Thursday, October 2**, in the Heritage Room at 9:15am for coffee and fellowship. No need to RSVP. All are invited.

Questions? Please contact Richard Scherrer at 90fivetpr@gmail.com

PARKWAY
SPEAKER SERIES

Speaker Series Occasional opportunities after worship at 11:15am

"The Economics of Immigration," by Jon Haveman, PhD
Sunday, October 5 | 11:15am
Heritage Room

Immigration can give substantial economic benefits - a more flexible labor market, greater skills base, increased demand and a greater diversity of innovation. However, immigration is also controversial. It is argued immigration can cause issues of overcrowding, congestion, and extra pressure on public services. There is also a debate about whether immigration of unskilled workers leads to downward pressure on wages and even unemployment of native workers. Here to help sort these issues out is Jon Haveman, an expert on the economics of immigration. He has been a Senior Economist with the President's Council of Economic Advisers, an Economist with the Federal Trade Commission, and held a faculty position in the Business School at Purdue University.

Jon may surprise us about the true, objective economics of immigration, helping to dispel myths and untruths about this controversial and timely topic.

"Unseen St. Louis," by Elizabeth Eikmann, Historian and PhD.
Sunday, October 12 | 11:15am-
Heritage Room

When historians visit archives, they often find weird, surprising, and fun material that they rarely get to share with others...but that ends here! Dr. Eikmann shares the stories of a selection of images and objects from various St. Louis archives that reveal an unknown side of St. Louis history. The presentation is fun, upbeat, and conversational spanning from the nineteenth century to today, from newspapers and magazines to photography and phonograph records. Elizabeth Eikmann is an expert in St. Louis history, women's history, and the history of photography. She is a teacher, scholar, and public historian and works as the Assistant Director of Curricular Innovation in the College of Arts and Sciences and as a Lecturer in American Culture Studies at Washington University in St. Louis. She is working on her book project, *In Her Image: Women's Photography in Turn-of-the-Century St. Louis*, which explores the role of white practitioners of photography in the linking of racial identification and vision.

All programs start after worship service at approximately 11:15am in the Heritage Room. For questions, kindly contact Richard Scherrer at 90fivetpr@gmail.com

FIGHTING BLINDNESS
VISIONWALK
#VisionWalkStrong

Join the VisionWalk Team!
Saturday, October 18 | 9am | Creve Coeur Park, St. Louis, MO

Join us for a family-friendly walk, resource fair, and activities for all ages. Togther, we're advancing the fight against blinding diseases and building a brighter future, one step at a time. 9am registration. 10:30am walk begins. Let's cure blinding retinal degenerative diseases together!

Please join PUCC's VisionWalk team, the Believers, or make a donation to the Foundation Fighting Blindness and help us save and restore sight to the 10 million Americans living in darkness. Click here to register.

The team is walking in support of someone very dear to us with a blinding eye disease. We hope that you will support the team by making a donation and joining them at VisionWalk!

Join the fight and help us accelerate our mission! For more info, please contact Jo Grove jogrove08@gmail.com

Trunk or Treat Around the Bend
Join us for one of the most entertaining and fun-filled events at PUCC: Trunk or Treat! The 1½ hour event starts at 5pm, **Saturday, October 18**. We need kids, youth & the young at heart to make the event a success. Immediate sign-up needs: car trunks (goal is 25) and candy.

At the event volunteers needed: greeters, game hosts, activity helpers, face painting, grilling/serving hot dogs, decorations for outside & inside, photographers and much, much more. There is a place for everyone who wants to help.

How to sign-up: In the Gathering Space at church, through One Church **here**, or
email Karen Mariani at ksmariani59@gmail.com

Parkway UCC Adventurers!

Touring the Old Courthouse - A Site of Past Resistance
Thursday, October 30 | 10am
11 North Fourth St., St. Louis

Please join with the Adventurers on a trip to the Old Courthouse. We'll meet at the church at 9:30am for carpooling or around 10am at the Courthouse. We'll explore the newly renovated and accessible museum at our own pace. Afterward, the group will head to O'Connell's for lunch (4652 Shaw). Come join in on the fun and meet some other PUCCers!

The Old Courthouse in Downtown St. Louis, part of Gateway Arch National Park, was built between 1839 and 1862. It hosted landmark cases, including the Dred Scott and Virginia Minor trials, and over 300 freedom suits by enslaved African Americans. Beyond its history, it's a beautiful site to explore. Visit archpark.org to learn more. Prepurchase parking ($10) here.

The only cost for the Old Courthouse is a small, shared contribution for carpool parking. Please RSVP to Jackie Eiffert by **Friday, October 24**, so that we can make sure we have enough drivers and can secure parking in advance for the carpool cars at jeiffert2@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE: Parkway Adventurers go to The Kitchen Conservatory
Wed, Nov 19 | 11am-1:30pm
9011 Manchester Rd

Parkway Adventurers can enjoy a Plymouth Thanksgiving Meal and Demonstration at The Kitchen Conservatory. Enjoy a Thanksgiving-inspired meal, as Audrey Scherrer prepares a velvety pureed carrot soup topped with ginger raisin chutney, pan-seared and roasted chicken used in a flavorful chicken salad with the drippings, topped with a red wine vinaigrette and fresh croutons served with a crisp white wine, plus caramelized honey pumpkin pie with fresh whipped cream. There are only 16 available seats. The cost is $55 a person. Please register and pay online with Parkway's One Church, or by clicking here, as soon as possible, as there is a 16-person limit. Questions- Carol Cobb ccjcobb@aol.com

AWOL
Adventurous Women Out Late

Adventurous Women Out Late 2025
Come build relationships with other PUCCers in the New Year.
We are eager to connect this summer and fall.
~ Carmen Bumgarner cfbum@charter.net

Saturday, November 8 from 9:30am-12:00pm
Explore some historical highlights of St Louis architecture and how they changed the area from blighted to monumental. Tour begins at Union Station. Register here.

Saturday, December 6 from 2-4pm
Come enjoy live theater with us -- *Emma* the play - based on the novel by Jane Austen at The Rep. Register here.

Question? Contact Carmen Bumgarner at cfbum@charter.net

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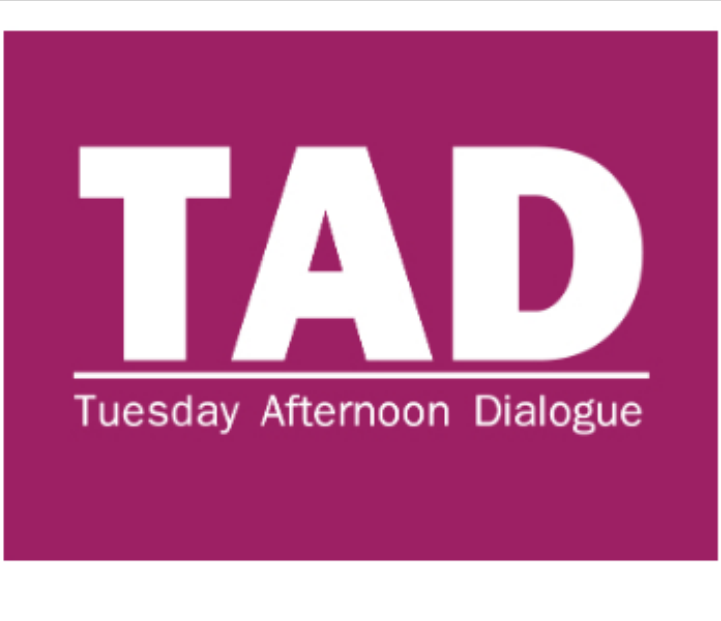
Recurring PUCC Events



Tuesday Afternoon Dialogue
1st & 3rd Tuesday | 1:45pm fellowship | 2:00-3:00pm discussion
Zoom Link (312) 626-6799; Meeting ID: 836 7061 7428; Passcode: 480007

Please join Tuesday Afternoon Dialogue, TAD, on **October 7** for discussion of the last third of the book Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again, by Rachel Held Evans. Evans was a progressive Christian writer, blogger, and speaker known for challenging conservative evangelical beliefs and advocating for women and LGBTQ+ rights within Christianity. Her writing explored a more inclusive and questioning approach to faith. Please join us for fellowship and discussion. We'd love to have you! Fellowship starts at 1:45 pm and the book discussion is from 2 pm - 3 pm. For more info, please contact jeiffert2@gmail.com

TED
Tuesday Evening Dialogue

Tuesday Evening Dialogue
2nd and 4th Tuesdays | 6-8pm | Heritage Room
Zoom Meeting ID: 849 4403 9731; Passcode: 792617

Please join us at TED for friendship and lively book discussions. We will start our next book, *Solito* on **Oct 14**. *Solito* by Javier Zamora is a 2022 memoir that recounts his 3,000-mile solo journey at age nine from El Salvador through Guatemala and Mexico to the United States to reunite with his parents. The book details the harrowing, treacherous, and lengthy journey that was expected to take two weeks but lasted two months, revealing both the dangers faced by migrants and the acts of kindness and humanity encountered along the way. We will be discussing the first 100 pages.
We read a variety of books in TED related to social justice, spirituality, different faiths, history, relationships, current events and nature. We also may choose some random books just for fun. Most books take three or four sessions to complete. Newcomers are always welcome! Bring a dish to share for the pot luck & join us for our next conversation!

For questions, please contact Helen Race at raceh@att.net.

Coffee and Conversation at Panera
Mon, Oct 20 | 10am | Panera on Manchester Rd, Des Peres

Join us for a beverage and sweet treat. Come connect! No need to RSVP - just show up!

Upcoming dates:
Wed, Nov 19 at 10am;
Fri, Dec 12 at 10am;
Mon, Jan 12 at 2pm

Questions? Contact kevin@parkwayucc.org; 314-872-9330

Prayer Corner: an opportunity to pray with someone
Wed, Oct 29 | 7-9am | New Sanctuary

Drop-in Prayer Time. Kevin will be in the Prayer Corner in the Sanctuary. Come on by if you'd like to pray together.
If you see someone else there, simply wait a bit in the Gathering Space.

Upcoming dates:
Thu, Nov 13 from 6-8pm;
Tue, Dec 9 from 8-10am;
Sat, Jan 10 from 7-9am.

We can arrange a phone call or Zoom for another time if you'd like. Just reach out to kevin@parkwayucc.org

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Other PUCC News Around the Bend

You're Invited to a Watch Party on September 30
Tuesday, September 30 | 6-8pm | Metropolitan Congregations United

Join us for the Keynote Address of Faith in Place's 2025 Annual Environment & Spirituality Summit featuring Robin Wall Kimmerer. Kimmerer is a mother, scientist, decorated professor, and enrolled member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. She is the author of *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants*, which has earned Kimmerer wide acclaim. *Braiding Sweetgrass* was a book read and enjoyed by TED this year. After the keynote, we will discuss how we can give and receive healing to the earth around us and create a healthier and more just world. Drinks provided. Bring a snack to share. Call MCU to register at: **314-367-3484**

Prayer Chaplain Ministry at Parkway UCC
You have seen a prayer chaplain up front in the sanctuary many Sundays lately - both before and after worship. You may have availed yourself of the opportunity to pray confidentially one on one - or maybe you've *almost* come forward… or maybe you have *wondered* what it's all about.

Join us for a conversation on prayer and about the particular practice of *affirmative prayer*.

We are launching this *Prayer Chaplain Ministry* so that we can be more supportive of one another, more encouraged to lean into the Holy and to recognize that none of us is alone. Our intention is to have a variety of prayer chaplains who will listen to you as you talk a bit about your prayer request. This pray-er will then offer an affirmative prayer out loud, reminding you of your inner strengths rather than asking God for a specific outcome. The prayer will focus on you being guided by God's infinite and unconditional love, presence and support… and that any joy or gratitude would be multiplied and any fear or doubt be transformed into peace and confidence.

This after-worship conversation on **October 19** is for anyone and everyone. While it is our hope that some who attend this may be nudged by the Spirit to go a step further and discern whether they may be called to be a PUCC prayer chaplain, that is not our main goal. We want to talk and listen with one another about prayer. Please join us in the Heritage Room.

Questions?
Please reach out to Lynn Mark (synkop8@aol.com)
or Kevin (kevin@parkwayuc.org)

Autumn Opportunities for Good Samaritans

Isaiah 58 Ministries. To help complete Thanksgiving dinners, our church is asked to donate 150 cans of cranberry sauce for clients in Midtown and South St. Louis. Please place cans of cranberry sauce in marked containers in the lobby. This food drive ends **November 7**.

North St. Louis Tornado Relief, food. Please add extra nonperishable food items on Give-a-Meal Sundays and throughout the autumn season for Sunday give-aways to people affected by the St. Louis tornado. Please place items in marked containers in the lobby. Suggested items are canned green beans, corm, fruit, sweet potatoes, soups, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, meats, packages of spaghetti, mac n' cheese, rice, mashed potatoes, and baking items.

North St. Louis Tornado Relief, nonfood. Our church is a collection point for Planned Parenthood as they gather diapers, baby wipes, formula, and other baby and personal hygiene items for mothers and babies affected by the St. Louis tornado. We are also asked to contribute any such items throughout the autumn season. Please place items in the marked containers in the Gathering Space library area.

Questions? Please contact Sally Dodge s.dodge@hotmail.com
or Evelyn Buretta
burettaevelyn@gmail.com

Thanksgiving Baskets for Circle of Concern
Fall starts next week and it is time to think about changing leaves, cooler weather and fall activities. The Thanksgiving Basket program at Circle of Concern is one that our 750 client families love. Parkway and 6 other area churches will again provide shelf stable food that can be boxed and distributed to clients, along with fresh fruit and vegetables, a frozen pie and an Aldis gift card. We will begin collecting the 10 items and the boxes will be packed and then delivered to Circle on **November 8**. We will again be responsible for filling 100 boxes. The items needed are listed below. Lana will place a crate in the vestibule and the list of items can be found on the information table under the bulletin board. Many thanks for participating in this important outreach activity.

Items for Thanksgiving Basket: Cornbread muffin mix Bag or box of stuffing mix Can of cranberry sauce Can of pumpkin Jar of gravy - turkey or chicken Broth - chicken or vegetable Can of corn Can of green beans Can of fruit Box of dried mashed potatoes

For more info for how to help, contact Lana Biondo
lanabiondo66@gmail.com

Respect MO Voters
We are collecting signatures for Respect MO Voters. It's a cross partisan, volunteer group dedicated to getting an amendment on the MO ballot 11/26. This amendment will prohibit the legislature from undoing the will of the majority of voters, as was done after the 11/24 vote. This was also done in the past regarding puppy mills, clean Missouri, and several other issues the citizens of MO voted for. It was also tried in the 80s when democrats were in the majority. This is why it's cross partisan. Whichever side of the aisle you identify with, the majority will of the people should prevail.

Please stop by our table in the gathering space before or after Sunday services. Take some information about the group, consider joining the movement, and sign the petition. For more info, contact Michelle Singer mrsinger71@gmail.com

Parkway UCC ONA-Related Groups
These are difficult times in our state and country for LGBTQIA2S+ — especially for transgender — citizens. Maybe you've said to yourself, "I wish there was something I could do to help." Well, there is something.

There are two groups offered at Parkway UCC to connect members who are interested in advocating for LGBTQ+ people. The first is the **Mission Ongoing—ONA Open and Affirming Group**. Members of this group will receive updates on legislation pertaining to LGBTQ+ Missourians and related actionable items, notices of meetings (virtual or in-person) happening around the area, news updates from transgender journalist and writers, and other resources. This group is intended to help organize PUCC advocates. Learn more here.

The second group is the **LGBTQ+ Faith Alliance**. It includes representatives from 30 faith traditions across the St. Louis metropolitan area and meets monthly in-person or virtually. Learn more here.

For more information, contact Deb Reinhardt
deborahreinhardt@att.net

OUR MUSIC MINISTRY
As we continue to develop our partnership with Amy Freeman as our organist/pianist, we're seeking more people to be a part of our music program. We're looking for individuals willing to sing a solo, duet, trio or to sing with a group and/or to sing with the First Sunday Choir each first Sunday of the month at 9am. We're also gathering names of instrumentalists who'd share their talents in worship, and those interested in joining a hand chime choir. Please reach out to amy@parkwayucc.org today.

Helping Mothers and Babies affected by the tornadoes In cooperation with planned parenthood/MOMNIBUS
Working as a donation location to collect diapers, baby wipes, formula, and other baby items, plus hygiene items for mothers and babies, we are collecting items to help mothers and babies affected by the tornados this summer. For more info, contact Sally Dodge s.dodge@hotmail.com. There will be a container in the gathering space library area.

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PUCC Marketplace

PUCC Shirts Available for Sale!
Show your church spirit and spread a little love wherever you go! Our new church t-shirts are comfortable, soft, and perfect for everything from Sunday worship to community events. They feature our church name/logo so you can wear your faith out loud. Shirts are just $15 each in a variety of sizes. Purchase your PUCC shirt today here!

For any questions, contact Gabriel gabriel@parkwayucc.org

New Book Pre-Order: *Advocacy Made Easy*
PUCCer Cynthia Changyit Levin's new book, *Advocacy Made Easy: How to Turn Civic Frustration into Powerful Action,* is now available for pre-order. This concise, 70-page guide offers step-by-step instructions to help both new and seasoned advocates effectively engage with elected officials at every level of government. It includes updated guidance on writing op-eds, navigating AI in advocacy, and crafting persuasive messages using the "EPIC" format. Autographed copies with personal inscriptions are available for $15 through her website here, with official launch day set for **October 29**. For more information or to join her launch team, email cynthia@changyit.com

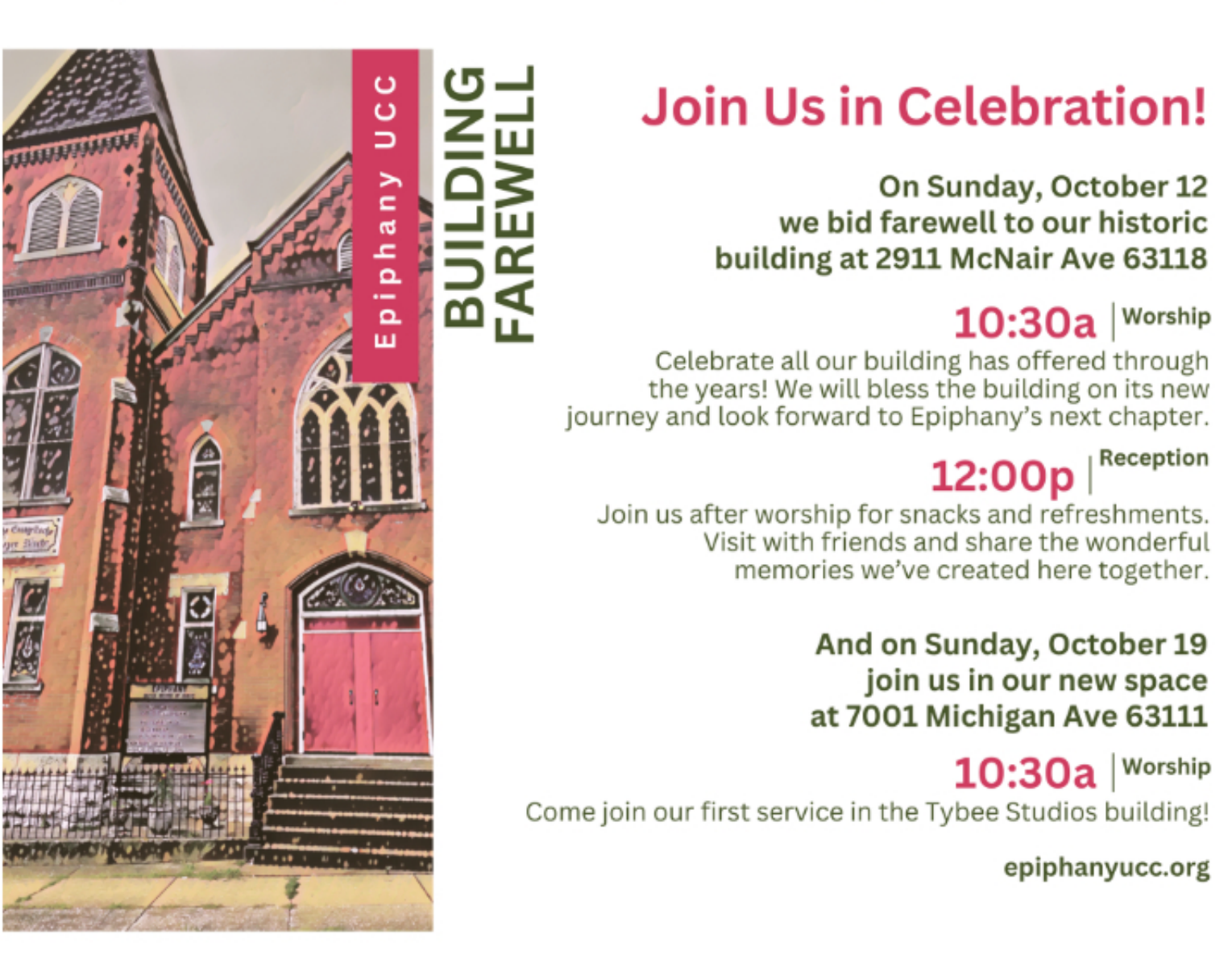
Community Happenings

Mark your calendars for Food, Fun, and Fighting Hunger!

Happy Hunger Action Month Volunteers! Saint Louis Area Foodbank has lined up awesome events to make a difference—and have a blast doing it:

Tuesday, September 30:
Raising Cane's (ALL metro St. Louis locations): Raising funds as 15% of qualified sales supports the Foodbank with code **RCFUND96**. You must mention/use the code when ordering.

Will you join them at one—or all of them? Bring your family and friends, share the events widely, and be part of the fun that fuels our community. Thank you for being the heart of the work this Hunger Action Month!


Epiphany UCC
BUILDING FAREWELL

Join Us in Celebration!

On Sunday, October 12
we bid farewell to our historic
building at 2911 McNair Ave 63118

10:30a | Worship
Celebrate all our building has offered through the years! We will bless the building on its new journey and look forward to Epiphany's next chapter.

12:00p | Reception
Join us after worship for snacks and refreshments. Visit with friends and share the wonderful memories we've created here together.

And on Sunday, October 19
join us in our new space
at 7001 Michigan Ave 63111

10:30a | Worship
Come join our first service in the Tybee Studios building!

epiphanyucc.org

IGNITING JOY!

Folk Concert Benefitting Peace Community Building
Sat, Oct 18 | 7pm | 475 E Lockwood Ave, Webster Groves

Join the music at **Eden Theological Seminary** for an inspiring evening of folk music featuring **Wendy Bruner, Merry Keller, Susan Drake, and Julie Jennings**—with special remarks from **Dr. Starsky Wilson, CEO of the Children's Defense Fund**, on empowering children through literacy and leadership.
Suggested donation: **$20 at the door**. Proceeds benefit **Eden Theological Seminary**.
Learn more here.

Celebrate Children's Sabbath
Sun, Oct 19 | 10am | Wehrli Chapel, Eden Theological Seminary 475 E. Lockwood Ave

The service celebrates the work of Peace UCC toward child well-being. Peace UCC hosts Children's Defense Fund (CDF) Freedom Schools enrichment summer, after-school and winter break programs.

The Rev. Dr. Starsky Wilson will be preaching. Dr. Wilson is the CEO of the national Children's Defense Fund. The service will be live-streamed.

33rd Annual Interfaith Dinner & Celebration 2025
Tuesday, October 28 | 6-8pm
4970 Oakland Ave, STL, MO

Since 1985, hundreds of people have gathered at the Annual Dinner to celebrate our region's vibrant interfaith community, renew commitments to one another, and invest in the bridge-building efforts of IPSTL.

Each year the Interfaith Partnership honors one or two members of the interfaith community for their steadfast commitment to deepening relationships across lines of difference. As awardees, these individuals are recognized for bravely bringing people together, for actively building an interfaith community that is responsive and resilient, for working towards collective transformation, and for being a friend to many.

All proceeds go to supporting the activities and service projects of Interfaith Partnership of Greater St. Louis. Register here. Seats sell out fast!

COMING SOON!!!
UBUNTU
A Gala Celebrating Multiculturism

Mark your calendars for this year's Ubuntu Gala, presented by the International Institute of St. Louis!
Friday, Nov 7 | 6-10pm | The Franklin, 816 Allen Ave, St. Louis, MO 63104

Step into the spotlight for a night that celebrates, recognizes, and honors the stars of our community, the supporters of the Institute and all those who champion multiculturalism.

"Ubuntu: I am because we are" reflects the impact of these change-makers, whose work brings inclusion and cultural richness to the St. Louis region and beyond.

Guests will enjoy an unforgettable evening of fine dining, live entertainment, and maybe even a few cinematic surprises. Formal invitation and additional details coming soon.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Please contact David Gonzalez, VP of Development via email at gonzalez@iistl.org

Missouri Mid-South Conference

Hold the Date Announcements for events in the St. Louis Association
Hold the Date for the following events:
Fall Association Business Meeting, **Saturday, October 4** at Samuel United Church of Christ in Clayton beginning with check-in at 8:30 AM; the meeting will begin at 9:00am
Conference Annual Gathering, **Saturday, October 18** at William Woods University, Fulton, MO. Online: via Zoom. In-person registration deadline is Wednesday, October 8, by 4:00pm. Zoom registration deadline is Friday, October 17, by noon. Register here.
Installation Service for Rev. George Miller at St. Lucas United Church of Christ in Sunset Hills on **Sunday, November 2** at 3:00pm
Ordination Service for Sylvie Bowen-Bailey at Samuel United Church of Christ in Clayton on **Sunday, November 16** at 2:00pm
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More information will be coming this fall with details about these events.

Christian Education Updates

Hey! Hay! Youth Hayride and Smores Fall Fun at Queeny Park
Saturday, October 11 | 6-9pm | Queeny Park

Calling all middle schoolers and high schoolers! Ask a friend to join us for this autumn adventure. We will meet at church, gather up some chairs and smores ingredients and head to Queeny Park for a 45-minute hayride and an hour around a private fire. We will be back to church around 9pm. For more info, contact Kevin Cameron at kevin@parkwayucc.org

CEnews Link
You can find the September 25 Christian Education newsletter here! If you'd like to be included in the CEnews mailing list, please just contact gabriel@parkwayucc.org

Join the Sunday School Ministry Team
We're looking for two volunteers to help teach Sunday School in 2025! If you enjoy working with kids and youth, this is a great way to serve—low commitment, just one or two Sundays a month.

Interested? Contact Gabriel Requadt, Director of Christian Education, at gabriel@parkwayucc.org or 314-872-9330 x101.

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Something to Ponder

A feel-good story about accompanying one another!
An Uber Driver Stayed by His Side When He Was Alone in the ER. 7 Years Later, They're Still Friends. Click here for the full story.

Video

Fascinating video about apple trees.
https://youtu.be/syDRoJ1PdYI

Jokes

My favorite fall color is plaid.
One bad apple can spoil the whole brunch.

My favorite kind of pie is whatever kind I'm eating.

You know it's fall when the mosquitoes are wearing flannel shirts.

Why did the tree giggle? *It heard acorn-y joke.*

Questions of the Week

What is the biggest lie you once believed?

When was the last time you lied to someone?

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