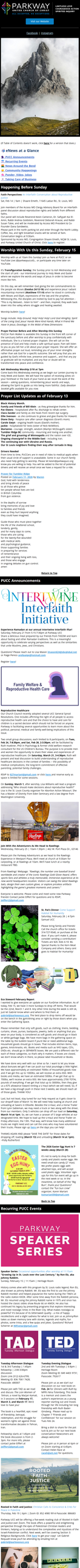

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those supporting families
in their grieving process
of interpretation
and their ongoing living with loss,
and those who engage
in ongoing debates on gun control.
Amen.

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PUCC Announcements

Reproductive Healthcare
Joy Church Council has adopted several UCC General Synod Resolutions. One includes affirming the right of all people to access reproductive healthcare. Rev. Jeff Wright-Riggs, our Associate Minister is a board member which should not be held against him. Parkway is facilitating several opportunities to learn more about the intersection, personal medical and family implications of this critical issue.

This small group discussion, each limited to 12 participants, on **Tues, Feb 24, 7-8:30pm; and Sat, Feb 28, 2-3:30pm**, will be facilitated by Rev. Jeff Wright-Riggs, Associate Minister, and Rebecca Rosenberg, coordinator for PUCC's Women's Ministry. The purpose is to provide men and women the opportunity to share their views and experiences of reproductive healthcare. On **Saturday, March 21, 3-4:30pm**, Ruth will present and lead discussion to build understanding of reproductive healthcare from a medical perspective, including the ethical and moral complications. For long-term support, we will discuss ways of parenting, potential family challenges.

Email Rev.Jeff@joychurchstlouis.com or click here and reserve early as space is limited for some sessions.

Joy Church is a welcoming, inclusive, Jesus Williams with least a progressive mindset. Who would be interested in this about reproductive healthcare? Joy is hosting Kansas City's Planned Parenthood. Parkway's Rebecca has a Master of Divinity from Eden Seminary and a law degree from Washington University.

Join With the Adventurers As We Head to Rawlings
Wednesday, February 25 | 9am | 10am | 11am | 12 - 1:30 PM Pizza Dr., 631-4

Please join the Parkway Adventurers as we head to the Rawlings Restaurant on Gravois Bluffs Blvd near Lowe's and Dick's. Order a carpooling, or at Rawlings at 11am. We'll have lunch at a nearby restaurant.

From Rawlings' Website: *"Rawlings, the number one baseball brand, is a leading manufacturer of baseball and softball gloves, balls, bats, sports bags and athletic e-truly memorabilia. Extensive experience at all levels of competition, from Little League to the Major Leagues, allows us to design their equipment with the needs of professional athletes, highlighting the game's greatest moments and careers."*

Everyone is welcome. Please contact Ellen Cook or the Parkway friends Contact Jackie Effertz for questions and to RSVP. jeffertz3@gmail.com

Sunday Church 9:45am Worship Service Sunday School Fellowship & Worship 2 | 6:30pm Sunday UCC

Please bring Family and Friends! Call the church office for tickets. Cost is $25 per person or free if you can't make it, please consider sending a contribution to help cover the cost. Special thanks to the Men's Group and others. Every cent goes to Habitat for Humanity!

Eco Steward February Report
I wanted to give everyone an update on our Furlough Initiative. As of today, Feb 15, we have 3 more Sundays to drop off items. That would be March 1, March 8 and March 15. The Eco Stewards will be at the table and at Coffee hour when and where to find them at eco@parkwaycrossing.org The best place to drop items off would be Sunday mornings. Please bring a ziploc bag for small items and please label the bag with what it is.

Please remember that only soft goods, such as clothing, linens, bedding, curtains, shoes, purses, backpacks, jewelry, belts or anything that you would wear or use around your home. Please do not bring any hard or sharp or perishable items. Please do not bring items that are too big for the table by the bulletin board if you'd like or need additional bags, please contact Ellen Cook. We are in need of gently used bedding, blankets, pillows, brand-known, like-new shoes, and gently used clothing. Our DVDs etc. should go to SERRAMC books. We are past a different rate for books and magazines. Please do not bring them. Please do not bring items that are in need of repair. We are not accepting any electronics.

We have done very well with our Furlough Initiative. We have learned about bonuses we get if we can push our total poundage a little higher. We have learned that we can get a bonus if we can push our total poundage and if we get to 5,000 lbs or 10,000lbs, we will receive a BIG, BIG bonus and media, we have an estimated 3000lbs. If we get that up to 5,000 lbs, we can receive a bonus. If we can get it up to 10,000 lbs, we get a bonus of everything. If we get that total up 3000lbs, then they get a bonus of a free pizza party for the church. We are very close to that. We need to have a big push for these last 3 weeks, we should be able to get over of those goals. THANK YOU!

Thank you for your support! We need for our help request as it gets closer to our dropoff date of March 14. We will need help loading at church and unloading at Habitat in Ellisville (besides the truck, we need a pickup truck from Lynn Gatlebarner, we may need a truck or two along with the driver, we need people to help load and unload the truck). **Furlough Initiative March 14 at 9am.** We can run a second trip if Lynn Gatlebarner gets an designated time. We hope to load up the U-Haul and Home Trailer on March 14 and drive to Habitat in Ellisville to unload and then we have a big enough push for these last 3 weeks, we should be able to get over of those goals. THANK YOU!

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THANKS ALWAYS AND Special THAT THE EATER! For those Eaters Who Are Willing to Help Out on **March 15 and March 22 and March 29**. *Holly Bumhartz*

The 2026 Easter Egg Hunt !!
Series every March 29.

It's not to early to shop for both candy and plastic easter eggs. We need to have a lot of both. We prefer plastic eggs with attached tops, and will accept donations of candy and eggs. We hope that this event will go up the next week or so. In the meantime, on behalf of the "Big Bun", thank you! Questions? Contact Ellen Cook, Women's Ministry Chair, Marsen. tomarsen3@gmail.com

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Recurring PUCC Events

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Coffee and Conversation at Panera
Wednesday, February 23 | 10am
Panera on Kennedy/Dodge Blvd
Join us for a beverage and sweet treat. Come connect! No need to RSVP - just show up!

Upcoming dates:
Wednesday, March 23 at 2pm;
Friday, April 17 at 10am;
Tuesday, May 19 at 6pm;
Monday, June 29 at 5pm

Questions? Contact Bonnie at bonnie@parkwayucc.org or 314-872-1930

Pray-Cation! an opportunity to pray and connect
Tuesday, March 24 | 5-7pm
Sanctuary

Drop-in Prayer Time.
Come and go as you please.
Come on by if you'd like to pray together. Please text Kevin (314-590-0667) with questions.

Upcoming dates in the Sanctuary:
Wednesday, April 29 from 6-8pm;
Monday, May 18 from 5-7pm;
Wednesday, June 17 from 11-1pm

We can arrange a prayer time for Easter for another time if you'd like. Just reach out to kevin@parkwayucc.org

Sunday, April 19 Brunch Lunch at Gaslight Square. Come back to church and we'll eat together after worship and adult education! Bring your ideas for planning something to celebrate Mission Monday and Mission Mission Garden. We're enjoying the spring flowers! Feel free to meet us there if that is better for you. We tell you our admission price when we have enough have memberships. Sign up in Carmen knows how many are attending.

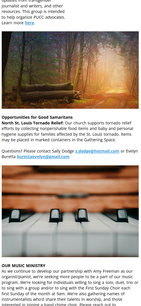
Sunday, April 19 Earth Lunch at Gaslight Square. Come back to church and we'll eat together after worship and adult education! Bring your ideas for planning something to celebrate Mission Monday and Mission Mission Garden. We're enjoying the spring flowers! Feel free to meet us there if that is better for you. We tell you our admission price when we have enough have memberships. Sign up in Carmen knows how many are attending.

SAVE THE DATE! Gateway ONA Convocation 2026
Saturday, March 7 | 8:30am-3pm | Parkway UCC

Sacred, Seen and Affirming Sacred, Seen, and Called: This Annual Convocation is for members of local churches who are exploring or living into what it means to be Open and Affirming. Workshops and speakers and worship will be a part of this amazing day!

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Derek Perry, Parkway Associate Executive Director of the Open and Affirming Coalition of the United Church of Christ and Pastor Emeritus of St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Cincinnati, Ohio. He is a nationally known pastor, artist, and activist committed to justice, inclusion, and creative ministries.

Doors open and light breakfast available at 8am. Worship begins at 9am. We are once again providing current goods to donate to Doorways. We will collect these at the door. The Eden Seminary Scholarship Committee will be meeting at 1pm. Lunch is on your own. There will be a short and easy refreshment time during the day. Registration is a separate registration and email address for each person. Registration fee is $25.00. Registration is open now! Any questions, contact Lorin Cape at buckeyehouse@mindspring.com or 314-772-4772



Opportunities for Good Samaritans
North St. Louis Tornado Relief: Our church supports tornado relief efforts by collecting requested food items and baby and personal hygiene supplies for families affected by the tornado. Drop off donations in the Fellowship Hall Cabinets in the Gathering Space.

Questions? Please contact Sally Schedler s.dedo@hotmail.com or Evelyn Burrell ejburrell@hotmail.com

PUCC Marketplace

PUCC Shirts Available for Sale!
Show your church spirit and spread a little love wherever you go! Our PUCC shirts are both comfortable, soft, and perfect for everything from Sunday worship to community events. They feature our church nameplate so you can wear them with pride and spark conversations about the variety of sizes. Purchase yours today here!

For any questions, contact Gabriel gabriel@parkwayucc.org

New Book! Advocacy Made Easy PUCCers Gene Gaines and Joann's new book, *Advocacy Made Easy: A Guide for Ordinary People Powerful Results*, is now available. 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 using digital tools responsibly, using the SPECT framework. Autographed copies with personal inscriptions are available for $15 through her website here. For more information or to join her launch team, email Joann Gaines.

Community Happenings

Support the Immigrant Community at a Faith Rally TOMORROW from Feb 1 - Sept 1 from 1:30pm | MLK Bridge | Free

Indivisible St. Louis is partnering with members of the clergy and faith community for a special rally on Presidents Day. Like many activists, immigrant rights groups are facing a difficult moment. Many organizations have cancelled rallies and protests in the past few months across our region to gather for a Presidents Day Rally, bringing faith communities together on the MLK Bridge. Join us as we come together and hold space for all who wish to stand in solidarity with immigrant communities. Indivisible STL is a non-partisan organization that is not affiliated with any political party, but is a powerful and hopeful witness, offering a way for those who have grown weary of violence and uncertainty to show up grounded in compassion, connection, and care. We will meet at the base of the bridge at 1:30pm and walk up to the middle of the bridge. We will have a few speakers, music, and a rally in two hours. Indivisible STL is inviting members of those experiencing, and working with, faith and hope. ** A 5am BUS FROM SHAWE EMETH MAY HAVE SEATS REMAINING!

Bus reservations are required and will be accepted on an ongoing basis. Please contact Sarah Sarahjo@stbrideofchrist.com

Together, we will gather in a spirit of solidarity, compassion and for meaningful immigration reform. The blood of our Kin cries out from the ground, and we have from the places where they are forced to hide. We cry out for wholeness, healing, and justice for all. This is an outdoor event. For your own safety, please be mindful of weather conditions and wear comfortable walking shoes. Questions? bernie@bernieschurch.org

28 Days of Black History
Hello and welcome to 28 Days of Black History! You can receive one email each evening for the month of February. Please sign up here https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfcqqq