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PASTOR DEBI



I want to let you all know about some concerns in my personal life that have led me to take a leave from my ministry at the church.

In July of 2020, my partner Bob was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. He underwent 9 months of chemotherapy until his body was too weak to continue. He then went into hospice care. Even after stopping chemotherapy, he has been so sick from the chemotherapy and the progression of his cancer that his quality of life has been significantly impaired. Between COVID, and the chemotherapy, and the cancer he has been confined to his home for the last 15 months. He has been very ill for most of this time.

As many of you know, pancreatic cancer is one of the most aggressive cancers, with only 20% of all patients surviving one year of treatment. Bob's health is declining, and he is nearing the end of his life. I have taken a leave from the church so that I can be with him while his health is changing and walk with him through his last days.

In my letter of call (the covenant with which I began my time at Parkview), I am able to take up to 45 days of accumulated sick time for personal illness or accident, or to care for a member of my immediate family (defined as spouse, partner, child or parent). I am also granted 5 days of compassionate leave, to be used after the death of a family member or in a time of personal crisis. I will be using this time to care for Bob, and to care for myself as I grieve his loss.

The Church Council and Personnel Committee have been generous and supportive of me as I walk through this hard time. They are in the process of hiring a short time supply pastor who will lead worship and provide emergency pastoral care and hospital visits. Dave Wightman and Harv Bartz have graciously filled the pulpit the last two Sundays so I could be with Bob.

I am not sure how long I will be gone. As you know, it is not possible to time a terminal illness. This week the hospice nurses have finally found the right drugs to control his pain and nausea, and we are having some good time together. He has two grown daughters, a son-in-law, and two grandsons, and this is a time for us all to be together to surround him with love and support. He is physically weak but mentally sharp. We had hoped to have time for vacations and visits with extended family, but that was not to be. So, I am grateful that I am able to take leave while he is in this brief remission, and I know hard days are ahead.

I will share with you more information as I know it. Kim Wightman will be in contact with me, and will keep me up to date with what is happening at Parkview. If you need anything from me, Kim will be my point of contact.

I ask you to keep me and Bob in your prayers. I deeply appreciate your understanding, and your generosity in allowing me to take the time I need to be with Bob.

Pastor Debi

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June Birthdays

06/01 Gordon Robideaux

06/04 Leo Nguyen

06/04 Lorna Santema

06/07 Roger Appeldorn

06/08 Oscar Dahm

06/09 Heather Jones
(Rodriguez)

06/12 Laura Hecimovich

06/13 Rebecca Bierbaum

06/13 Jane Jones

06/16 John Kummer

06/19 Valerie Flesner

06/22 Russell Bierbaum

06/22 Phillip Schaetzel

06/23 Bethie Baer

06/24 JoAnn Williams

06/26 Irma Wightman

06/30 Laura Drew

PARKVIEW BOOK CLUB

June book is: "Smoke and Ashes" by Abu Makherjee
Meet Monday, June 21, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m. on North lawn of PUCG
Bring your own beverage & lawn chair.

July book is: "The Women of the Bible Speak" by Shannon Beam
Meet Monday, July 19th, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m. on North lawn of PUCG
Bring your own beverage & lawn chair.

Any questions contact Sue Clancy at 651-429-0309



THANK YOU!

To everyone who showed up to help. We had a great turn out and accomplished a lot. An additional thank you to those who had an extra day of spreading mulch and cutting up and disposing of a dead pine tree.

LECTIONARY

Second Sunday after Pentecost	<u>1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20, (11:14-15)</u> <u>Psalm 138</u>	<u>Genesis 3:8-15</u> <u>Psalm 130</u>	<u>2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1</u>	<u>Mark 3:20-35</u>
Proper 6 (11) Third Sunday after Pentecost	<u>1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13</u> <u>Psalm 20</u>	<u>Ezekiel 17:22-24</u> <u>Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15</u>	<u>2 Corinthians 5:6 -10, (11-13), 14-17</u>	<u>Mark 4:26-34</u>
Proper 7 (12) Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	<u>1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49</u> <u>Psalm 9:9-20</u>	<u>Job 38:1-11</u> <u>Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32</u>	<u>2 Corinthians 6:1 -13</u>	<u>Mark 4:35-41</u>
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	<u>2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27</u> <u>Psalm 130</u>	<u>Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15, 2:23-24</u> <u>Psalm 30</u>	<u>2 Corinthians 8:7 -15</u>	<u>Mark 5:21-43</u>

COVID UPDATE & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Beginning May 30th, we will stop requiring reservations for the Sunday worship service. Instead greeters will start marking attendance from a roster of members for contact tracing purpose.

We will allow verbal prayer requests, vaccinated attendees may be unmasked, but be respectful of the unvaccinated and immune compromised. We will continue with social distancing. The Church Council has decided to allow singing without masks for fully vaccinated worship attendees as well.

Hymnals have been replaced in the Sanctuary. (Thanks to Bruce and Ward for their help).

Beginning June 6th all social distancing and group size requirements are removed for the fully vaccinated .

Hello Parkview UCC Families!

The CE board is working on programming for the upcoming year and have a few opportunities for your youth to participate.

1. The CE Board has created two surveys to identify your family's desire to participate in Sunday school or use the Nursery this summer and for the 2021-2022 school year. Responses will help the CE board plan programming.
 - a. Survey for parents with Sunday school age children - <https://forms.gle/vE9Nr3Z4iFA9ZMCi8>
 - b. Survey for families who use the Nursery - <https://forms.gle/88QKRb5B2h4umyvj8>
2. Next, we are looking for families who are willing to be a pen-pal to our homebound members. Are you willing to draw a picture, write a letter or send a postcard? Then this activity is for you. Email ticefamily1@gmail.com with your desire to participate and the CE board will send you a name of a homebound member to start corresponding to.
3. Finally, stay tuned for fun activities planned for this summer! Every 3rd Sunday of June, July, August and September the church will be having an outdoor service. We are in the planning stage of at least one Sunday of Fun hosted by our confirmation class for our younger children. Stay tuned for more to come.

Hope to see you all soon,
The CE Board

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2021 SILENT AUCTION

It isn't too early to start thinking about what will happen this fall with the Parkview Silent Auction. Hopefully, we will be able to get together to raise funds as we have in the past.

This year there will be changes in the leadership of the Auction. **Leslie Peabody, Leslie Wagner and I will no longer be co-chairs, so we will need volunteers to take our places.** I am willing to help out on some level, but not as co-chair. We may want to schedule a meeting of the Women's Fellowship soon to decide what we want to do next and possibly come up with ideas about the Auction. If the Women's Coffee Klatch is willing to discuss some ideas on one or more Wednesdays, we could possibly start there.

Please connect with me by phone (651-470-3275) or email (ka.stone@comcast.net) and let me know if you have suggestions.



Parkview String Quartet at Railroad Park



Saturday, June 5, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Come enjoy Light Classical Music played by the Parkview String Quartet at Railroad Park in downtown White Bear Lake, on Saturday, June 5, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Railroad Park is located at 4752 Highway 61, at 4th St. and Washington Square.

Monetary donations will be collected for the White Bear Lake Area Food Shelf.

We hope you can drop by!

Kathryn Christie & Barb Memory - violins,
Christina Ogata - viola, John Madura - cello



We will be touring the Panola Gardens in Lindstrom, MN and have lunch on Wednesday, June 30. Cost is \$27.25 per person. **Sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.**

We will be carpooling. Please indicate if you can drive.

Deadline for reservations is June 23.

Make check payable to Sue Clancy and place in the "Moderator mailbox" at Parkview.

Questions: Sue Clancy & Lois Keech

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Contact Us

Church Office	<p>Office Administrator: Kim Wightman (651) 429-3346 office@mnParkviewUCC.org</p> <p>NOTE: To contact PUCC Volunteers, call or email the Church Office for forwarding.</p>
Spiritual Care	<p>Pastor Deborah Hasdorff (651) 429-3346 (office) (651) 894-3333 (cell, preferred) Email: pastor@mnParkviewUCC.org</p>
Staff	<p>Pastor: Rev. Deborah Hasdorff Office Administrator: Kim Wightman Director of Music & Organist: Heather Cogswell Accompanist: Kevin DeWan Children's Christian Edu. Instr. (CCEI): Ruth Johnsen Middle School CCEI: Nursery Attendant: Meredith Bowermaster</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Office Hours</u> <u>(please call ahead)</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mon, Wed & Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM</p>
Church Officers	<p>Moderator: Sue Clancy Vice Moderator: Leslie Peabody Past Moderator: Allen Holcomb Clerk: Kim Wightman Treasurer: Laura Hecimovich</p>

The next issue's deadline is the 15th of this month for activities/events through the next month. Please submit your handwritten articles or e-mail them to:
office@mnParkviewUCC.org
to reach the office by the deadline.

Please feel free to call the Church Office at (651) 429-3346 if you need more information or have questions.
Weekly Bulletin and E-Blast Deadline is Wednesday Noon

Did you fill out a Building Use Request Form for your event?

Reminder: Building request forms need to be completed **two weeks prior to your activity.** These forms are located in the Church Office and on the table outside the office.

In case of Building Emergency:
Vern Hagel, 651-432-7943 (cell)

Website, Calendar and Event Information:
www.mnParkviewUCC.org



Parkview UCC



Parkview Voice Mail Messages

The church has several options for leaving a voice mail message.

Church Phone: (651)429-3346

To bypass message and leave voice mail:

Press # for Office Administrator
Press 1 for Pastor Debi

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Whoever who you are, wherever you are on life's journey, YOU are welcome here!

A Progressive Christian Community

Pray We Never Forget

By Kelly Roper

Pray we never forget that
The freedoms we hold dear
Were kept safe for us
With blood, sweat, and tears.

Remember those who made
The ultimate sacrifice.
To preserve our nation,
They laid down their lives.