

The **law** of the LORD is *perfect*,  
converting the soul: the  
*testimony* of the LORD is **SURE**,  
making **WISE** the simple.

Psalm 19:7

September 30, 2018



**OUR 68TH YEAR OF WORSHIP AND SERVICE  
WELCOME TO WORSHIP!**

We welcome you to Parkway Community Church where our faith can thrive and where our joy in living in Christ is celebrated. Today we continue, and all are welcome to join in and participate in this exciting pursuit.

If you are visiting today, we hope you will consider us as your church home because today we hear again the call to follow Jesus, give up our sinful ways and remember the law of love that has been taught for centuries. We will learn how kindness, forgiveness, compassion and love fit us for life with God and with one another in God's world. God invites us all to grow in our faith. How? Fill out a prayer card and hand it to an usher. Let us know who you are so that we can add you to our mailing list. Read about the ways that we, here at Parkway Community Church, live the life that God and Jesus have asked us to live.

*WELCOME HOME!!!!*

## **WE MEET WITH GOD**

*Worship begins upon your entry to this sanctuary. Please take this time to prepare your hearts and minds to receive God's wish and blessing for you.*

## **WE APPROACH GOD**

*The prelude marks the beginning of our service of worship. Please respect the wishes of others to meditate in silence and let us all take this time together to welcome Our God and Savior to this place.*

Prelude:  
Welcome by  
Community and Church News

Michael Zeiger  
Rev. Adrienne Hausch

## **VOTUM**

Choral Introit: "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"  
*'Oh God we greet you with open hearts, open minds, open doors.*

*Each day we seek you with open hearts, open minds, open doors.*

*Each day we need you. Each day we greet you.*

*Each day we seek you. Enter our hearts today.'*

## **Responsive Call to Worship:**

**L:** The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul:

**P: The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.**

**L:** The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart:

**P: The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.**

**L:** The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever:

**P: The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.**

**L:** More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold:

**P: Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.**

**L:** Moreover, by them is thy servant warned:

**P: And in keeping of them there is great reward.**

**L:** Who can understand his errors? Cleanse thou me from secret faults.

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**P: Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me:**

**L:** Then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

**UNISON:** Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

Hymn # 393

“Blest be the Tie that Binds”

**UNISON PRAYER (please be seated)**

**Gracious God, keep us faithful in little things. When the task is so small that no one will notice our work, may we know and remember that we are doing your bidding and not acting for our own benefit or glory. Remind us that when a smile, a touch, a word could bring sunshine to someone's life, let it shine through us. Allow us to be your faithful and trusted servants and help us to be worthy of your trust. As we seek again your love, let us remember the love that you have shown us in the gift of your son, our savior, Jesus Christ who lives and reigns forever. Amen.**

Words With Our Younger Members

Rev. Adrienne Hausch

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**WE HEAR GOD'S GOODNESS**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Reading

**Scriptures:**

Numbers 11:4-6 and 10-16

(Pew Bible, p. 113)

Mark 9:38-50

(Pew Bible, p. 821)

James 5:13-20

(Pew Bible, p. 983)

**Gloria Patri #734 (please stand)**  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Hymn #419

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

**Sermon: Rev. Adrienne Hausch**  
**“Be Careful What You Ask For”**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GOODNESS**

Prayer before the Offering

Offering for the Whole Work of Christ's Church

**(Please hand in Prayer Requests)**

Offertory Music:

Choir

“In the Season of Our Plenty”

by Mark Patterson

*‘In the season of our plenty, we give thanks on bended knee.*

*For the goodness of God's bounty, ever thankful we will be.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, this will be our song of praise.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, this our joyful hymn we raise.*

*In the year of your pleasure, humbly now we bow in prayer;*

*Giving praise for your good measure, from your gracious hand we share.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, this will be our song of praise.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, this our joyful hymn we raise.*

*In this day of grace and kindness, we rejoice with grateful song.*

*Thanking God for all his goodness, let the sound of praise be strong!*

*Alleluia, alleluia, this will be our song of praise.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, this our joyful hymn we raise.*

**Praise God**

**Hymn #34**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!**

**Praise him, all creatures here below!**

**Praise him above, ye heavenly host!**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!**

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Dear God, you speak to us in silence, yet all languages understand you. Because you call us all into community, we are all brothers and sisters and neighbors. We ask your blessings now upon us and the gifts which we offer that in sharing them, we may discern your presence in our life. In your name we pray. Amen.

Choral Response: "Awesome God"  
Sharing of our Prayer Concerns  
Our Prayers for Ourselves and Our World  
Prayer Response: "Threefold Amen"

Hymn #480 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Benediction:

Benediction Response:

**God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again; if life's perils should confound you, God will put his arms around you; God be with you till we meet again.**

Postlude

### Our Heidelberg Catechism

The Apostle's Creed is so basic to our faith that the more we think about it, the clearer and stronger our faith becomes. I particularly like that the authors ask about how this *comforts* us.

Q. 53. What do you believe concerning "the Holy Spirit"?

A. First, the Spirit, with the Father and Son, is eternal God. Second, the Spirit has been given to me personally and, by true faith, makes me share in Christ and all his blessings, comforts me, and remains with me forever.

Q. 54. What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic Church"?

A. I believe that the Son of God through his spirit and word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. Moreover, I believe that I am and forever will remain a living member of it.

Q. 55. What do you understand by "the communion of saints"?

A. First, that believers one and all, as members of the community, share in Christ and in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and cheerfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

**Rev. Adrienne Hausch – Interim Minister**  
**Rev. Susan Switzer – Church Renewal &  
Revitalization Consultant**



**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**Liturgy:** Pat Raynor

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**Organist:** Michael Zeiger

**Greeter:** Gail Bucci

**Ushers:** John Hrzich, Richard Gruber, Ivan Iniguez

**Hosts:** Jean Karpen

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**Clerk:** Kristin Buksa

**Class of 2018**

**Elder:** Joe Leuci

**Deacons:** Gail Bucci, Kristin Buksa, Mel Ellis

**Class of 2019**

**Elders:** Anna Bishop, Gladys Hampson, Pat Raynor

**Deacon:** Richard Cardozo

**Class of 2020**

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# Community News

## **Christian Workers We Support with Prayer**

Doug Leonard, World Council of Churches

Aaro Rytkonen and family in Oman

Peter and Patty Ford in Lebanon

David Ford in Ethiopia

Pastor Oomman and Jacqueline Verghese in India

Bayesa Jabesa is still in Minnesota due to conflict in his home country of Ethiopia. Pray for Ethiopia.

## **NEST Food Pantry**

NEST food pantry was started in 2015 to find a solution to “food insecurity” experienced by many low-income students and their families. A recent survey of college students revealed 48% reporting food insecurity in the past 30 days, with 20% of community college students qualifying as having very low food security. Among first generation students, 56% were food insecure!!

The NEST serves more than 1,000 people.

Anna is holding a sale of her handmade jewelry in the coffee room. The proceeds will be donated to NEST.

Please stop by the mission table in the narthex to read the article about NEST. To make a donation, please use the mission envelopes in the pews. All checks should be made out to Parkway Church, with the memo line stating “NEST.”

Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

## News and Views

### **OCTOBER.....**

- 2** Ladies Night Out
- 4** Oktoberfest 2018
- 13** Men's Breakfast

### **Food Drive Continues**

The Hicksville United Methodist Church Food Pantry thanks you for all your donations. The requested donations for September are canned beets and carrots, canned ravioli, Beefaroni, and baked beans. The pantry asks for food donations only. It does not have the capacity to house anything else currently. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Church School News**

This morning the children will continue to learn how to find passages in the Bible. We will be continuing the "Bring a Friend" program until December. The congregation is invited to fill out a "green leaf" and place it on the "tree" in the Narthex. There is a Teacher's Meeting this morning following the Worship Service.

### **OKTOBERFEST 2018**

Mark Your Calendars

Oak Chalet

Thursday, October 4 at 6 PM

\$36.00 a ticket. Please give to Dick.

### **October Men's Breakfast**

Breakfast has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 13, so all the young, middle age, and older men can come help unload the pumpkins! Sign up next week.

### **Let's Update the Church Telephone Directory**

If you would like to be included in the church directory, please fill out your information on the Attendance Form. Any changes you may have can be noted there as well. A new Church Directory will be available in November.

### **Parkway "Book Club"**

Parkway's next Book Club meeting will be held on Thursday, October 18, at 7 PM in the coffee room. October's book is "The Witches Tree" by M.C. Beaton. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly. New members welcome!

### **Volunteers Needed for the Pumpkin Patch**

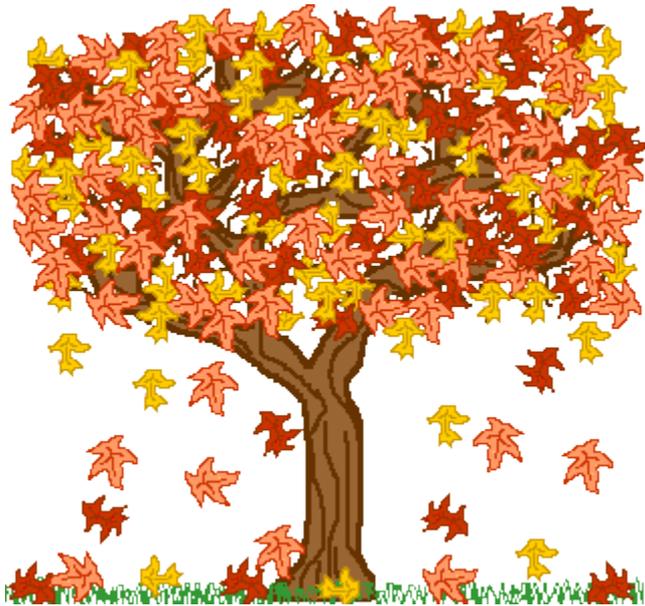
Please help to make our 2018 Pumpkin Patch a great success and acquaint our neighbors and friends with our wonderful church. The Search Committee is anxious to make our community more aware of Parkway and has found that we are well known as the Pumpkin Patch Church! Help enrich this awareness by your presence. The staffing sheets are in the hall. Please sign up for as many time slots as possible. The patch will be open every day from Oct. 6 – Oct. 31, so repeat volunteers are urgently needed. We also need many people to help unload the truck containing 2,000 pumpkins on Saturday, October 6, at 9 AM.

Remember, spending a few hours at the patch is a lot of fun! You will meet many of your neighbors and spend quality time with fellow church members!

### ***Save the Date!***

#### **LADIES NIGHT OUT**

Ladies Night Out will be held on Tuesday, October 2, at 6 PM. We will be ordering from Two Brothers in Levittown. The menu consists of salad, eggplant parmigiana, chicken marsala, ziti, bread and dessert. Feel free to bring your own dinner. Today the \$12.00 is due for the buffet on Tuesday, October 2. The movie "Won't You Be My Neighbor," the story of Fred Rogers, will be shown. Thank you to Marlene D'Angelo for ordering the DVD. Please see Gladys if you have any questions and to pick up your envelope. All are welcome! Bring a friend!



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