

PARKWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"The friendly church with a place for you"
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Mission Statement

We are a nurturing church family, believing and witnessing to the Gospel of God's love by sharing our faith in Jesus Christ and ministering to the needs of the community and world.

> Sunday August 13, 2017 Ordinary Time www.parkwaypcfl.org

OUR DAY OF WORSHIP

The Theme For The Day: Elijah finds the presence of God not in earth-quake, wind, or fire, but in the sound of sheer silence. When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says: "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing bread and cup of the eucharist, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God's presence to others.

WE WELCOME ALL in worship this morning. We especially welcome those who are our guests today and hope that you will feel God's Spirit of grace and love among us here at Parkway. If you are looking for a Church Home, we invite you to consider our congregation.

Please silence cell phones (+) Denotes to please stand, if you are able

PRELUDE

AS WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

L / God speaks peace to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

C / Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God.

L / Where God dwells, steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

C / Faithfulness springs up from the ground and righteousness looks down from the sky. God gives what is good and we respond with abundant praise!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

+HYMN

I don't know where you lay your head Or where you call your home I don't know where you eat your meals Or where you talk on the phone

I don't know if you got a cook A butler or a maid I don't know if you got a yard With a hammock in the shade

I don't know if you got some shelter Say a place to hide I don't know if you live with friends In whom you can confide

I don't know if you got a family Say a mom or dad I don't know if you feel love at all But I bet you wish you had

Come and go with me To my fathers house Come and go with me To my fathers house

It's a big, big house with lots and lots a room

A big, big table with lots and lots of food A big, big yard where we can play football

A big, big house it's my fathers house

All I know is a big ol' house With rooms for everyone All I know is lots a land Where we can play and run

All I know is you need love And I've got a family All I know is your all alone So why not come with me? Come and go with me To my fathers house Come and go with me To my fathers house

It's a big, big house with lots and lots a room

A big, big table with lots and lots of food A big, big yard where we can play football

A big, big house it's my fathers house

It's a big, big house with lots and lots a room

A big, big table with lots and lots of food A big, big yard where we can play football

A big, big house it's my fathers house My fathers house

Come and go with me To my fathers house Come and go with me To my fathers house

It's a big, big house with lots and lots a room

A big, big table with lots and lots of food A big, big yard where we can play football

A big, big house it's my fathers house

It's a big, big house with lots and lots a room

A big, big table with lots and lots of food A big, big yard where we can play foot-ball

A big, big house it's my fathers house

AS WE CONFESS OUR SINS AND HEAR THE PARDON

+ CALL TO CONFESSION

L / The psalmist tells us that when we turn to God in our hearts, God speaks peace to the faithful. As we turn to God in true confession of our sin, we trust in God, whose shalom makes us whole.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

C / Gracious God, you call us to step out in faith, trusting in you for all things. We respond to your command but then sink in doubt and fear. We hide from the challenges of bold discipleship. We are not able to fulfill your commandments, for our purposes are never in full accord with yours. Forgive us, we pray, when we confess with our lips but do not believe in our hearts. Help us to practice our faith in all circumstances. Lift us out of sin into the arms of your mercy. Though we are distracted by noise all around, allow us to hear your voice even when it is the sound of sheer silence. We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENES

P/ Almighty God, In His Mercy......

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Hallelujah"

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah, Halle, Hallelujah Halle, Halle, Hallelujah, Hallelujah (sing twice)

SHARING THE PEACE

L/ The peace of the Lord be with you.

People / And also with you.

(Share the peace with those around you)

CHILDREN'S SERMON & CHURCH PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, your word is very near, on our lips and in our hearts. As this Word is read and proclaimed, by the power of your Holy Spirit, make it become in us the word of faith. Then send us in joy to bring this word to others who also need the good news of salvation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

⁹At [Horeb, the mount of God,][Elijah] came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." 11He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; 12 and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. 13When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." 15 Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. 16 Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him." Here ends our reading

SECOND READING

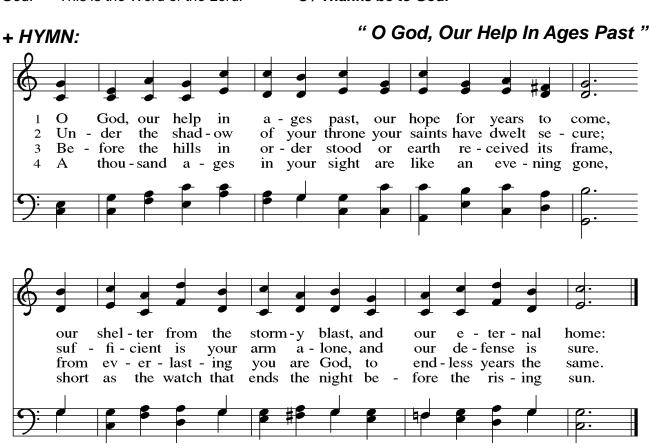
Romans 10:5-15

⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷"or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." ¹⁴But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" *Here ends our reading*

ANTHEM

GOSPEL Matthew 14:22-33

²²[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." ²⁸Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." *This is the Word of the Lord! C / Thanks be to God!*



- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away; we fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home!

SERMON

THE SUFFERING SON WINDOW

+ CREED Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

AS WE RESPOND TO GOD

(The congregation may be seated)
(Please complete Prayer Cards and hand to an usher)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

L/ Because God cares for all without distinction and is generous to all beyond measure, so we, God's people, are to care for all with generosity and gladness. We bring our offerings to be used for God's good purposes in the church and in the world. C / Blessed be God forever.

OFFERING DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

L/ Generous God, we thank you for your call and claim upon our lives. Because there is so much more we can become, and so much more we can do, we pray that our faith will increase; that our practice of generosity will be enlarged; and that our joy in believing will encourage others as we share with them the good news of Jesus Christ; in whose name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

CURRENT: Carol Forehand Helen Lawson, Jackie Hogan, Jean Olson, Faye Jackson, Barb Davis, Rhema Drayton, Margo Adams

CONTINUING: Tony Abbott, Margo Adams, Ed Brown, Pastor Reid, Nick Cosford, Doris Dixon, Ida Mae Fleming, Anne Freeland, Mary Gordon, Anna Jones, Lee Masters, Chris Meek, Marty Reed, Joan Scherer, Marilyn Schubert, Myrt Shoemaker, Marge Smith. **HOMEBOUND:** Darol Keefer, Georgie Krobetzky, Gordon Merkel, Julie Reith, Model Richardson, Bertie Shuster, Alan Stone, Barbara VonNyvenheim, Millie Miller, Helen Gustafson

WE PREPARE AND SHARE THE MEAL

P/ The Lord be with you. **C/** And also with you.

P/ Lift up your hearts. **C/** We lift them up to the Lord.

P/ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C/ It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P/ Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

Choir and People Sing:

Holy, holy, Lord. God of power and might.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord. God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

P/In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **C/ Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

P/ As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Refrain

you break the chains of hatred and fear: Refrain you are the way of justice and peace: Refrain you are the way of mercy and love: Refrain

Refrain: Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace

BLESSING

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scripture Thoughts

n Matthew's gospel, Jesus shows up unexpectedly to his disciples by walking to them on water, frightening them completely. Yet Jesus comes to the disciples struggling in the middle of their storm, and demonstrates that the storm is the meeting place with God, and is not the absence of God. In the storm, Jesus silences their fears, and inspires their faith. We hear how Peter wants to experience the power of God in a new way by also walking on water. Yet Peter's human limitations cause him to doubt and fear, and to fall into the water; faithfully, Jesus reaches out to Peter, and saves him. This is a sign for us that even though we may want more and ask for more, even though we are hindered by our human limitations, even though God's unexpected presence may frighten us, we will need and be given the grace to believe in God's surprising ways. For we are in need of grace to believe in God, to rearrange our understanding of God, and to shift our ideas about where God comes to us, how God shows up, and who God is. We can trust that God will always be consistently for us; in Psalm 85, it is proclaimed that God is steadfast, faithful, righteous, and brings the people righteousness and peace. This is the God who comes to us in Christ Jesus when we are in the middle of our life storms.



OUR FOOD PANTRY will be collecting Cereal during August. Please bring your dried bags or canned beans and place them at the wooden cross in the narthex.

Jackie Hogan's address for the foreseeable future is: Ms. Jacqueline Hogan, 6835 Smith Rd Panama City FL 32404

Household Prayer: Morning

Holy God, the new day begins with such promise. Help me to enter into this day with joy and confidence in your power and goodness. Whatever challenge I may face, help me to trust in your presence, remembering that you are stronger than any difficulty or threat. If you will surround me in the embrace and affection of steadfast love and faithfulness, of righteousness and peace, then I will be lifted up and strengthened to follow you. In Christ's name, I pray. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Gracious God, favor me with the sheer silence of your presence at the end of this day. Quiet any voices of fear and doubt that would trouble me, toss and turn me. Grant me, and anyone who enters the night hours with anxiety or pain, your perfect peace. Favor your children with calm and rest, with healing and renewal, as we sleep and dream in your arms of mercy. In your Son's dear name, I pray. Amen.

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Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 -

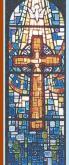
A house of prayer for all peoples

Psalm 67 -

Let all the peoples praise you, O God. (Ps. 67:3)

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 - God's mercy to all, Jew and Gentile

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28 - The healing of the Canaanite woman's daughter



PASTOR RIC CONCLUDES
THE SERMON SERIES! Pastor
Ric today concludes the sixSunday sermon series on the six
stained glass windows that
adorn our sanctuary. The sermons have included the messages held within each window
and what this message means
for our lives. Today- The Cross

Of The Suffering Son Window (Chancel Area) – In memory of Oscar and Arvie Barnes by the family and friends.

OUR OFFERINGS IN JULY:

Operating – 12,153
Food Pantry – 5,302
Two Cents A Meal – 13
Projector – 20
Youth – 7.50
Flowers – 20
Sign – 15
PW - 55

OUR CHOIRS WILL BEGIN REHEARSING on this Wednesday, August 16th with the Hand Bell Choir at 5:30 PM and the Sanctuary Choir at 6:30



PM. We can always use more people in both of our choirs. For more information about our choirs, please speak with our Director of Music, Caty Connor.

OUR YOUTH GROUP is planning to attend a poverty simulation event at Evangelist Catholic Church. Participants will role-play the lives of low-income families, including single parents trying to take care of their children and senior citizens trying to maintain self-sufficiency. Admission is free, but registration is required and ends Aug. 22. The simulation, will be 6-8:30 p.m. Aug. 24 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 1008 Fortune Ave., Panama City. Pizza will be served. Our youth group will meet at church at 6 and go together.

We are establishing a Worship Planning Team. This team will be responsible for implementing some new ideas that the Session is recommending. We need persons with a creative spirit and a willingness to think "outside the box". If interested, please speak with Pastor Ric or a member of the Session.

THE BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

will be today. We will have a new and special blessing with backpack tags and devotional tags for parents to use each day as a blessing to their children.

Barbara vonNyvenheim's phone number: 989-619-2080



This Week's Ministry Calendar at Parkway

Joday— Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Sunday School For All Ages

10:00 AM Worship Service11:15 AM Fellowship

Monday:

7:00 PM AA in Skipper's Nest

Wednesday:

11:30 AM Wednesday Workers

5:30 PM Bells 6:30 PM Choir

7:00 PM AA in Skipper's Nest

Thursday:

6:00 PM Hooks and Needles

Saturday:

7:00 PM AA in Skipper's Nest

Xext Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School For All Ages

10:00 AM Worship Service11:15 AM Fellowship

Our Saints Serving This Sunday

Elder of the Day: Angie Worcester Lay Assistant: Wanda Segers Children's Church Teachers: Angie Worcester

Office Hours:

Monday: 7:30-3:30 Wed: 7:30-12:00 Fri: 7:30-3:30



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Fellowship Time is important to the life of the congregation. We always want to provide wonderful

treats during this time. If your last name begins with **E-I** would you please bring goodies for next Sunday's fellowship.



Birthdays and *G*nniversaries

8-14 Alitta Maund
8-14 Wanda Segers
8-15 Margaret Cain
8-18 Rebecca Certalich
8-18 Brittany Howard
8-19 Kay Borovich
8-19 Sherl Morden
8-15 Gary and Lynn Certalich

Attendance last Week:

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Daily Devotionals are available on the Welcome Table.

HEARING DEVICES are available for those who need hearing assistance in our worship service. Please see Jean at the control desk in the back of the sanctuary to procure one for use during the worship service.

Give us a call:

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If you don't see your birthday or anniversary please call the office @ (850) 785-7081, so KC can update correct information.