## Parkway Newsletter September 7, 2023



15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 10, 2023 10:30 am
Leading Worship - Diane Waghorne

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September Pulpit Supply Sep 17 - Martha Robson Sep 24 - Andie Porter



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**SEPTEMBER 11** is a day to remember the attack on American soil, the number of lost lives, the heroism of first responders, and the resilience of the American people. On September 10, during worship, we plan to salute our country with music by Dale and a patriotic hymn also. May God continue to be with the families who lost loved ones, the first responders forever changed by their experiences, the military who defended our freedom and

those who lost their lives, and all Americans touched by the events of that day in 2001. Please join us on this Sunday as we worship together.



#### **Another Saint in Heaven**

On Tuesday evening, September 5, our **beloved Thekla** went home to Heaven, following our Lord and her **beloved Herb** into Paradise. Prayers that the whole family here and abroad will feel God's Comfort and Peace, and that we will all Praise God for His Gift of Eternal Life for all who believe in Him. Last Sunday morning about 6:00am, the nurse at The Blake noticed Thekla was having difficulties as they administered her morning medicines. Soon, 911 was called. Thekla had experienced a heart attack, and she was unconscious since that time. Andrea and Carla remained at her side, night and day. She was kept comfortable with morphine for pain, while nearby family visited her and those abroad called on the phone. She was dearly loved and will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

# In the Pulpit This Sunday, September 10 Pastor Diane Waghorne

Diane's spiritual life was transformed in October of 1976 when she answered an alter call during a revival meeting in a little Assembly of God church in Kenner, LA. She was "born again" and received the baptism with the Holy Spirit that same week on October 31, 1976! Since then she

has been on fire for the Lord.

After attending an Assembly of God church for 5 years with much involvement and spiritual growth, Diane accepted an invitation to visit Victory Temple church one Sunday morning. That one service lead to a 28 year stay at Victory! Within those 28 years the call of God on her life became increasingly evident, and Diane was ordained and functioned as a woman's pastor at Victory for 20 years. She taught Sunday school, Bible studies, did women's prison ministry, Healing Rooms ministry, counseling, hospital ministry, and food bank operation to mention a few areas of service. Diane has also served for two and a half years in a full time Prayer Ministry.

She is presently ordained with The Missionary Church International and her passion to pastor, teach God's Word and share His love with others is paramount in her life. She has an Associate Degree in Bible Studies from Bethesda Bible College. Diane has 30 years experience in pastoral care.

Diane has been blessed with a wonderful marriage to Charles Waghorne for the past 49 years! Her husband is an ordained minister. She is the mother of four wonderful children: Michelle, Melissa, Daniel and Christian, and the happy grandmother of four beautiful grandchildren: Michael, Joshua, Ember, Owen. Her grandchildren have added a new dimension of joy to her life!



# Join us for Sunday School! "The Chosen"

**The Chosen.** It is the story, based on scripture and constantly critiqued by a learned Protestant clergyman, a most knowledgeable Priest, and a Rabbi who is a scholar on Jewish history and the Torah. The three of them must approve all scenes in all episodes shot, beginning with the initial scripts by Dallas Jenkins. We hope many of you will **join us at** 

**9:15** in the Conference Room, where you can get coffee or juice and maybe a refreshment. For now, **we will begin promptly at 9:30** with the airing of the morning's episode.

On **September 10**, we will continue watching this Bible centered series, finding out if Nicodemus will leave his life as a Pharisee to follow Jesus, and experiencing Jesus as He meets Fatina, the "woman at the well," a very powerful scene. Join us every Sunday if you can!!



## Prayer Requests

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18

#### Prayers from the week of September 3

- **Prayers for Thekla's family**: May God be with **Andrea and Carla** and **their families** as they grieve the death of their mother and continue to grieve the death of their father, Herb. May God's comforting arms enclose them with love and peace.
- Prayers for all in the path of destructive weather.
- Thanksgiving and prayers for all **first responders** who help those in trouble.
- Prayers and appreciation for the PNC.
- Thanksgiving for the rain our yards and gardens have enjoyed this week!

- **Dale Norris**: Prayers for relief of pain and comfort for my **friend Steve** who has had surgery but is suffering with pain.
- Martha Bauman: Travel mercies for Denise and my grandsons as they travel to Louisiana for a wedding. Thanksgiving that I will have some time to see my family! Continued prayers for Elliott Bauman's hands.
- **John and Nancy Miquet**: **Prayers for both of us** as we struggle with what keeps happening in our lives. **NOTE: Nancy** is still trying to improve through physical therapy and learn to do most things with her right hand and right leg. The strokes have greatly affected her left arm, hand, and leg. **John** is having issues with his leg—swelling and redness. He has been in the hospital twice in the past week. May God bless them both and draw them closer to Him and to one another.
- JoAnn Thigpen: Prayers for daughter JuJu, that she will have patience and strength at work during an upcoming challenging time. Prayers of safety for daughter Amy and her husband Jeff who have gone to a music festival in Nevada. Prayers for my former husband Bob who will undergo a new procedure to repair his heart valve with a smaller one and later a pacemaker. Prayers also that Bob will return to his close relationship with God. Thanksgiving that Katy, a friend from Westminster, may have found a "safe haven" to live now that she has to leave the Tower. Her new place needs work but will be near her son, which is a good thing. Prayers for the children of the world.
- Linette Pourciau: Thanksgiving that Cameron's problem with eating may have been diagnosed. He will undergo a procedure that may have caused his eating issues. May it be so. Cameron will also be getting tubes in his ears which will hopefully alleviate ear problems. Answered prayers. Prayers that God will lead my Aunt Dot to make the right decision about moving. Prayers for Wendy Hebert who has Myotonic Muscular Dystrophy, that she feels God's Strength, Comfort, and Peace. Prayers for my sister Ethel who is having rotary cuff surgery. Prayers for Barry as he undergoes tests and possible procedures.
- Betsy Ann Molaison: Continued prayers for Diane Pugh and her husband Randy serving as her caregiver. After a year of intensive treatment for breast cancer, Diane underwent breast reconstruction surgery last week. Prayers that she is near the end of this difficult journey and will enjoy remission and good health.

#### Ongoing Requests for Prayer with Additions and Updates Weekly

- Prayers for Andrea and Carla's family, Ginny Dabbs, Sue Millar, and all who are mourning a loss.
- Prayers for Nancy Holland and her family as they grieve the passing of baby Amelia. Continued prayers for Hillary, Amelia's mom, as she continues to fight for her health.
- Prayers for Nancy Miquet to feel God's spirit within her and to spend time in prayer and sharing the love of Jesus with everyone she meets.
- Prayers for the victims of fire in Mississippi, Louisiana, and in Maui, Hawaii, and victims of storms, hurricanes, and earthquakes on the west coast.
- God be with those who have lost everything materially and help them to "start over." For those whose family or friends have perished, we ask God to give them Comfort and Peace.
- Prayers for an end to this brutal heat, and special prayers for those who are
  homeless or live without A.C. and for those who must work outside. May we all be
  very careful because this heat can be deadly.
- Prayers for a strong America to lead the world instead of fighting among ourselves.
   May the upcoming debates and primaries be respectful and informative and our Democratic Process return to civility and truthfulness.

- Prayers for teachers and students as a new school year begins, especially Cathy Dupuy, Lauren Crochet, Andrea Koch, Dale Norris, and Excel with their precious little ones, 6 weeks-4yrs. May their year be peaceful and successful. Prayers for school safety across our Nation.
- Prayers for college students as they move into their dorms and for the parents who feel such a void as they return back home without their children.
- Continuing prayers for Laurie Cummings who has severe pain in her right shoulder, neck, down her arm, and into her hand. Her right hand is swelling and red, and she is unable to use it productively. Prayers needed for relief from her pain and symptoms. The procedure was August 25. Praying for a successful outcome. Praying that she can regain comfort and use of her hand!
- Continued prayers of comfort for Linette Pourciau for the continuing severe pain in her knees. She is receiving very little relief since getting the stimulator. This is frustrating and the pain continues.
- Prayers for Pat Slater as she struggles with her health and is isolated at home because
  of the brutal heat. Her Parkway family cares so much for her, and God cares even more!
   Prayers of resolution for the things in her life that cause her to worry.
- **Prayers for children** who are kidnapped and sold, abused, abandoned, hungry, homeless, or feel unloved or all alone. May God wrap His arms around these children who don't deserve what is happening to them.
- Prayers for our Pastor Nominating Committee, that they will make decisions according
  to God's Will. Prayers that we will be patient and "Wait on the Lord." Thank you Courtny,
  Karen, Reid, Dale, and Patsy. We know how hard you are working. You are
  appreciated.
- Prayers for the Session as they work for Parkway's Finances, Property, Christian Education, Personnel & Operations, Missions, and Congregational Care & Outreach.
- Prayers for all our Parkway Family, wherever they are, and may each of us feel a
  special relationship to our Lord and pray fervently for one another. Special prayers for
  those in "Reach Out" and for those who are mourning the loss of a spouse or loved
  one.
- From New Orleans and across the globe, there is hatred, prejudice, indifference, violence, pride, and disrespect. Prayers for Peace, within our hearts and between our fellow citizens of this planet, both locally and throughout the world. May Christians spread the love of Jesus so that His Love overcomes all faces of evil.
- Our Father, may people who have turned away from You and Your Word return to
- Anonymous: Prayers for healing.
- **Anonymous:** Prayers for an addiction.



# Devotional from These Days: God's Leading in Our Lives

Matthew 10:40–42 <sup>40</sup> "Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup> Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a

righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. <sup>42</sup> And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward."

Many churches now add the phrase "all are welcome" to their signs. Those words boldly state that we are happy to have anyone join us, no matter their station in life. This is a high standard to which we all are called and of which we sometimes fall short. Jesus reminds us that welcoming others does not mean doing something fancy. It is as simple as offering a cup of cold water or maybe even some lemonade. Greeting people by name, looking them in the eyes, and listening to their stories are all simple ways to both be disciples and welcome disciples. By welcoming all, we welcome Christ among us, as well as the living God who sent him.

JOANNE THIGPEN SHARES THIS WITH US: **B-I-B-L-E Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth** 

# September Birthdays!



Alex Zemmer 5
Bradley Crochet 7
Rick Meyer 8
Julia Switzer 11
Craig Muller 12

Patrick Michael Green 15
Patsy Green 19
Gracie Bivalaqua 21
Ann Calvert 22
Barbara Valasek 22
Morgan Calvert 25
Bill Chancey 25
Bill Weissborn 28
Linette Pourciau 30
Jessica Vaughn 30
David Dawson 30

### **Tithes and Offerings**

Your generosity is a vital component of our ministry. Please consider prayerfully how God's blessings have enriched your life so that you may enrich the lives of others. One-time gifts, recurring gifts and annual pledges make mission and ministry possible.





In addition to the offerings collected during the Worship Service, you can also give in the following ways:

1.Online at

https://onrealm.org/ParkwayPresbyte/-/give/now;

- 2.By setting up an automatic draft with your bank;
- 3.By mailing a check to 6200 Camphor St., Metairie, LA 70003



### Reach Out

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:34-35

**David and Judy Hafford**: The Haffords are living in Nashville, TN, for now. Their children, Denise and Bruce, live in Nashville and are glad to be in the same town as their parents!

**Nan Cowan-Levy** is almost homebound because of her painful, debilitating arthritis, bursitis, and other issues. Please keep her in your prayers, give her a call, or drop her a line to let her know that her Parkway family loves and cares for her.

**Nancy Miquet** is at Metairie Health Care Center where she is getting much needed physical and occupational therapy. Please pray that God will give her strength and healing so that she can return one day to her active life! She would love to hear from her Parkway family. We need to encourage and support her hard work.

**Charles Calvert** needs our prayers. His precious wife, Ann, passed away October 28<sup>th</sup>, and we know how devastating that is for him and their daughter and the whole family. Sending a card to 2905 Verna Street, Metairie, LA 70003, will let Charles know that his Parkway family is praying for him and that we care for him. We ask God to be with Charles and the whole family and give them His Comfort and Peace during this difficult time.

**Beryl LaBruyere** moved to Ashville, NC.

**Myrna Grieff** is at Colonial Oaks. Myrna looks forward to having visitors again. She is very homesick and would enjoy visits or phone calls.

**Bill Weissborn** resides in the Southeast LA Veterans Home. The address is 4080 Airline Hwy, Reserve, LA 70084. He would love to hear from his Parkway family.

**Darrell Fink,** one of our charter members, hopes to be back at Parkway as health permits. You can let him know with a card or a note that we are thinking of him and praying for him.

**Sue Millar** is presently at Chateau Rehab, recovering from gall bladder surgery and mourning the loss of her son Bill.

**Evelyn Scarborough** a beloved part of our Parkway family, is having great difficulty with her eyes. She would love to hear from her Parkway family, but she is no longer able to read. Therefore, she asks that her dear friends call her to chat instead of sending cards.

**Betty Bankston** She is at her residential home in Metairie. She is having physical therapy and working hard to heal and she can now receive visitors. What we can do is pray for this precious saint, that she feel God's arms around her and experience his comfort and peace.

**Joan Taylor** is living at home by herself, but her two sons really watch after her. Mark comes by each morning before work to help her get her day started and breakfast eaten; Kenny comes in the late afternoon to fix anything broken, make sure all is well, and watch her eat dinner. She says she is so blessed to have them and their wives. Sometimes it is hard for her to hear on the phone,

but she would love to receive a card from her Parkway friends. Joan asks God each day for a clear mind, able feet, and strength. She hopes to get strong enough to return to church soon!

Jim Seibold (Bobbie Roos' son-in-law) and his family need continued prayers. Jim has been battling an undiagnosed illness for two years. He has been to numerous physicians and undergone batteries of tests, but no one has been able to correctly diagnose his condition. He has been given numerous drugs to combat the symptoms but nothing has helped. This has impacted his ability to work full time, resulting in financial worries. Jim is regressing rather than progressing. His wife Robin, is his main care-giver and is doing her best to support her husband and care for their two boys, James and Robbie. Please keep this dear family in your prayers. Update: Good news: Jim was able to sell his Sam's list of clients where he no longer maintains a vision exam practice. He maintains a practice at Walmart for half a day, 3 days a week.

**Patti and Leslie Evans. Patti**, our former longtime member, is battling health problems and needs our prayers. **Leslie Evans new address is** Cambridge Physical Therapy in Snellville, GA. They would love to hear from their Parkway family and get the newsletter. Cards with a note would be a special treat.

Think of any of our Parkway family you haven't seen since the Pandemic began in March 2020. If you are able, reach out by phone or a card. Let the office know if you get any news to share or just to let us know you were in touch. Each member of our Parkway family needs to be reminded they are loved by us and by God!

The session has pledged for Parkway to become a Matthew 25 Church.

The **Matthew 25** invitation focuses on **Matthew 25**: **31-46**, the parable of the sheep and goats in which Jesus makes clear, that what we do matters to God and how we treat others is important to God.

The Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA) is asking that by proclaiming to be a Matthew 25 church, congregations embrace one or more of the following three focuses:



- Building congregational vitality
- Dismantling structural racism
- Eradicating systemic poverty



#### Prayer 'n Share - Mondays at 10 am

Please join us. The telephone number is (720)740-9740. Then dial the access code when prompted: 528-8266.

### Parkway Calendar

Saturday	Women Sharing Hope AA Group	10:15 AM
	Christian Congregation in the US Worship	6:00 PM
	Helping Hands AA Group	6:00 PM
	Stick with the Winners AA Group	8:00 PM
Sunday	Parkway Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Parkway Sunday Worship	10:30 AM
	Parkway Sunday Hospitality	11:30 AM
	Narcotics Anonymous	12:00 PM
	Girls Scouts (every other Sunday)	2:00 PM
	Soldiers for God Ministry Worship	8:00 PM
	Iglesia des Prescensia Worship	6:00 PM
Monday	Prayer 'n Share (339-207-8781)	10:00 AM
	Helping Hands AA Group	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Helping Hands AA Group	6:00 PM
	Soldiers for God Ministry Bible Study	8:00 PM
Wednesday	Helping Hands AA Group	6:00 PM
	Airline Park AA Group	8:00 PM
	Soldiers for God Ministry Bible Study	8:00 PM
Thursday	Helping Hands AA Group	6:00 PM
Friday	Helping Hands AA Group	6:00 PM
	Alanon	7:00 PM
	Airline Park AA Group	8:00 PM



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