### Parkway Newsletter September 14, 2023



16th Sunday after Pentecost September 17, 2023 10:30 am Leading Worship - Martha Robson

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### **OBITUARY: William Russell Millar**

William (Bill) Russell Millar died at his home on July 1, 2023. Bill was born March 31, 1955, in Berkeley, California, to Mary Sue Pittman Millar and the late Robert (Bob) Knowles Millar. Bill graduated from East Jefferson High School and attended the University of New Orleans. Bill received technical certifications and made an early career in electronics work. His second career was as an insurance adjuster. Bill's interests early in life were competitive swimming and guitar. As an adult, he took up running and participated in many Crescent City Classics, often with his father. He also competed in marathons and adventure races both locally and throughout the South.



Bill was devoted to his Presbyterian faith and served as an Elder at Parkway Presbyterian Church. Bill cared deeply for his family. For several years, he spent mornings walking and having coffee with his father and friends and was also dedicated to his mother, whom he cared for and lived with for the last several years. Bill's other loves were music and animals. Bill played guitar in several local bands, including Living to Die and Aura. He enjoyed jamming and performing with his friends whenever they took the stage. He never met a dog or cat he didn't fall in love with and wanted to take care of. Bill possessed a great curiosity, imagination, and wit. He was a gifted listener who truly wanted to get to know the people he met. Bill is survived by his mother, Mary Sue Pittman Millar, his sister, Lisa Sue Millar, and several cousins. Please join us on Saturday, October 7, as we celebrate the life of Bill Millar at Parkway Presbyterian Church, 6200 Camphor Street, Metairie, LA. Visitation will begin at 2:00, with a Memorial service following at 3:00. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Parkway Presbyterian Church. To plant trees in memory, please visit the Sympathy Store.



# 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.



## 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 10

- Prayers for Peace in our country as we remember the horrors of September 11, 2001. Prayers for those who have turned away from God. Prayers for Love to replace Evil in our world and that we seek to understand others who are different than we are. May God Bless the USA and the World.
- We were blessed to have Pastor Diane Waghorne preaching on Sunday. May God be with her in her many endeavors to spread God's Love, teach others about the Bible, host prayer meetings, visit nursing homes, support needs in Pakistan, and so much more. Prayers for her ministry and the family that she loves.
- Andrea Koch: I want to thank all of our Parkway family for your prayers during this time. Your love for Mom is evident. She and Daddy were so devoted to Parkway. Although the paramedics resuscitating Mom seemed so wrong at the time (because of her Do Not Resuscitate instructions), I am so glad for the extra time that Carla and I (and the family) had with her. Those were special moments. Thanksgiving also for Julia Switzer and Krista being with us as Mom passed, and for Krista playing a prayer in German from her phone. NOTE: Let us all pray for Andrea and Carla as they mourn, have so many responsibilities as executors, and also return to their families and to work. May God grant them His Strength and Wisdom as they move forward. Prayers and blessings for the whole family, here and scattered throughout the world.
- Cheryl Bradley: Prayers for my friend Cindy who has breast cancer and will get her treatment options from her doctor on Monday. Thanksgiving that my son got back home to Houston safely.
- John and Nancy Miquet: I (John) had a 12 ft fall at work 3 weeks ago and landed on concrete. I am sure my Guardian Angel was there, because I lived to tell it! Please pray for me as I recover. Thanksgiving for our Parkway family who have been praying for us. Bless you all from my heart, in Jesus' name. NOTE: Although John and Nancy had hoped that she could move back to their home, they both realized that it would not be in her best interest at this time. Nancy remains at Metairie Health Center for now. Please continue to pray for her and for John who is still recovering from his fall.
- JoAnn Thigpen: Thanksgiving for answered prayers. Please continue praying for my neighbor Katy who may be evicted from Westminster. If she does have to leave, prayers that she will find safe haven.

- Linette Pourciau: Prayers for good results from tests Barry just took. Prayers for strength as these tests are exhausting. Prayers for my sister in law Ethel. She is back at home after rotator cuff surgery. May her husband, Randy (Barry's brother), be able to give her the help physically and mentally that she needs. May God watch over them both.
- Courtny Bivalacqua: Prayers for Carter who has Strep and possibly hand, foot, mouth, and for Gracie just now starting with hand, foot, mouth. Prayers also for my dad who is very sick. We are not completely sure what is going on, but we know it is not good.
- Martha Bauman: Thanksgiving that I was able to spend time with my daughter Denise and grandson Justin this past week when they came to town for a wedding. Prayers for Lynda Nakamoto whose lower leg was amputated this week. May God grant her courage, strength, patience, and willingness to work hard as she recovers and learns to walk with a prosthesis.
- Sandy McGeehan: Love and Prayers for Julia Switzer who is moving into The Blake on Jefferson Highway. Prayers for Bobbie Roos who has Bursitis in her hips, making it very painful to walk. The doctor didn't know HOW she was still walking when he read the x-rays! She has been given a shot on each side of her hips, but the pain is still there. Special prayers for Sue Millar as she and Lisa plan Bill's Celebration of Life and continue to mourn his passing.
- Betsy Ann Molaison: Prayers needed for Kathleen Piglia. Kathleen is the sister-in-law of my friend Ellen White. Kathleen is very sick and possibly has cancer that is quickly spreading through her body. Doctors have not been able to give the family a definitive diagnosis. Prayers that the doctors can determine a cause and that she can receive treatment to bring her back to health.
- Prayer N Share: Continued prayers for Laurie's hand and Linette's knees. Prayers for all who work in hospitals, nursing homes, and other places of care giving. May they show love and compassion for all the people they encounter and understand they are called to be Jesus' hands and voices on Earth. Prayers for improvement in the Health care shortages. Thanksgiving for answered prayers! Let us all remember to tell God daily that we Love Him!

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

- Prayers for all in the path of storms this hurricane season.
- Prayers for Andrea and Carla and the whole 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.
- Thanksgiving that the triple digit temperatures are over, according to local meteorologists.
- **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.
- Continuing prayers for Laurie Cummings. 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.

- 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! May her health evaluation be positive so she can return to her work at East Jefferson.
- Prayers for the children of the world.
- 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** that we will make wise decisions as we work to correct problems within the infrastructure at Parkway.
- 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 You.
- Anonymous: Prayers for healing. Prayers for an addiction.



# Devotion by Laurie from Jesus Calling by Sarah Young

**Deuteronomy 4:29** But if thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

We need to seek God with our whole being, and when we do, we will find Him standing right beside us. We must remember that His light shines, even in the dark, so during our darkest moments, He will Light our way. We must persevere in our lives, and walk with Him through good times and hard times. He will never forsake us. If we seek Him, we will find Him.

# 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.

tithes and offerings

"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."
1 Corinthians 10:31

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:

MATTHEW 25

- · 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