



August 2025 Pastor's Report

JULY REVIEW

Turtle Lake Fair: Special thanks to all of the volunteers who helped in the food stand on Saturday—many hands make light work, as they say. Our annual Community Worship in the Park had a nice mix of Parkview folks, community members, and people from out of the area visiting town for the Fair. As always, thank you Wayne Graunke for expertly setting up a sound system and thank you Carol Hougdaal for once again leading the music on the guitar. While our church float entry didn't win, the group still had a great time with Chuck as our driver; Mark as our lead candy provider; Margie, her grandson and myself as "junior" candy throwers; and Madi and Celia as the basketball shooters.



Start of the Practical Church Leadership (PCL) Program: Almost immediately after the TL Fair wrapped up, Peter and I headed out on a road trip to Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, SD for the orientation to the PCL program I'll participate in for the next 12 months (Laurie had a long-scheduled vacation that she was on). After the three days of orientation I now have a better sense of what is ahead. The highlight is that I will complete an "Applied Project" over the next few months at Parkview which will not only help me learn project management and leadership skills but also benefit the congregation. My first seven-week course begins in August and it will be "The Path of Financial Stewardship". As you can see in the picture, I was more excited about the Mitchell Corn Palace visit on the first night than Peter was.



AUGUST PREVIEW

Parkview Impromptu Choir: August will be a big month for the Impromptu Choir. Not only will the choir perform twice (Aug 3rd and 17th) but also we will do something we've never done before—rehearse! Remember that everyone and anyone is always welcome to come up and join the Impromptu Choir whenever they perform.

National Night Out: Once again Parkview will participate in this annual community-wide (at this point region-wide) gathering at the Village Park sponsored by our local first responders. Be sure to come check out our table to help draw more families in to not only participate in our fun activity (it involves rubber ducks, sweets, and tiny Jesus figurines) but also help us put friendly faces to our name as a church. We'll also be introducing a social media photo contest called, "A Little Jesus for Everyone" so check out our National Night Out table for more information.

Celebrating the 50th (+5)

Anniversary of our Sanctuary: On Sun, Aug 17th our 10am worship service will be a time to celebrate God's work, presence, and blessings that the congregation has received through our beautiful worship space since August of 1970.. Preparations are in full swing, including recording this special greeting and message from a former pastor who



cannot be with us in person, pictured here speaking to Bev Becker since she happened to be dropping off some historical documents while I was on the Zoom call. Invite and bring guests with you on that Sunday for not only that very special worship service but also a festive potluck afterward. This is going to be a wonderful Sunday of fellowship, celebration, reunion, and way-too-much food (that is, if all the slots are filled on the potluck sign-up sheet over the next few Sundays 😊)

Vacation the last week and Sunday of August: No office hours on Wednesday, August 27th or Friday the 29th since Laurie is going to be the pastor-in-residence at the Chapel in the Hills in Rapid City, SD. From Monday to Monday that week, she will be responsible for offering three evening Vesper Services as well as officiating any weddings scheduled to take place in that beautiful chapel (currently three are scheduled for the weekend). So while that will count as a Continuing Education week for her, I'll be taking it as my first week of vacation for the 2025-2026 appointment year.

UPCOMING EVENTS THIS FALL

Lay Servant Ministry Learning Retreat: As a member of the North West District Lay Servant Ministry Committee I am co-leading a Conference-wide learning retreat for the laity (laity is the church word for everyone who is involved in the church but is not a pastor). The learning retreat will be from lunchtime on Fri, Sept 12 until late afternoon on Sat, Sept 13 at Luther Park Bible Camp in Chetek. I'll be leading the "Introduction to Lay Servant Ministry: Basic Course" which is for anyone who wants to learn more about how they can help lead their church. If you would like more information about Lay Servant Ministries and/or the learning retreat, please let me know.

Topics that Matter: On Wed, Sept 17th the Parkview United Women in Faith will be kicking off the next season of this popular community forum by inviting back Jeff Kersten, an Agency Liaison from The Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection to discuss the details of common scams that target all of us, the warning signs of a scam, and what to do if you or someone you know falls victim to a scam or fraud. Helpful factsheets from The Bureau of Consumer Protection will be available. As Wisconsin's lead agency for consumer protection, the Bureau of Consumer Protection at the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, provides information and education, mediates complaints, investigates cases, and takes enforcement actions to fight fraudulent and deceptive practices that harm consumers and honest businesses.

Mission Motivation Webinar: On Sat, Nov 15th Parkview will be one of several churches across Wisconsin for folks to gather at and watch a webinar about the Wisconsin Mission Motivation committee and their efforts to promote and support mission trips, missional giving, and missionaries connected to our Annual Conference. Save the date and stay tuned for more information

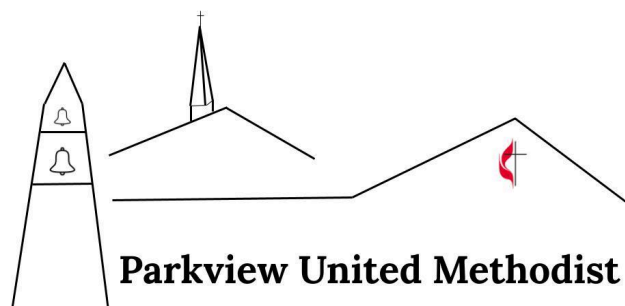
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

August

1st Jeff Hoffman
4th Albin & Lori Peterson anniversary
4th Steve & Judy Benes anniversary
6th Ed & Carol Hougdaahl anniversary
7th Barb Fuller
10th Leslie Betz
10th Jed Monforton
14th Mark & Barb Fuller anniversary
15th Hoyt Rose
16th Ruby Nykanen
18th Tammy Jo Turcotte
24th Hunter Heintz
25th Joe Monforton
25th Sherry Dochniak
25th Joe & Toni Monforton anniversary
28th Abby Monforton
28th Jill Quade

September

1st Kent & Gloria Paulson anniversary
3rd Morgan Mrdutt
8th Paige Davis
9th Delores Barr
10th Lynn Kettenacker
14th BJ & Jill Quade anniversary
14th Dennis & Kathi Zemke anniversary
15th Chris Betz
18th John & Lynn Kettenacker anniversary
22nd Nancy Hansen
22nd Chris & Malissa Betz anniversary
24th Elaine Molls
FALL HARVEST DINNER, Sun, Sept 28
30th Mary Becker



WEEKLY EVENTS

Pastor Adam's (Planned) Office Hours

Wednesday 6th 2:00-3:30pm
Friday 8th 9:00am-noon
Wednesday 13th 2:00-3:30pm
Friday 15th 9:00am-noon
Wednesday 20th 2:00-3:30pm
Friday 22nd 9:00am-noon

Youth Group

Wednesdays starting at 3:30pm

Bible Study

Sundays 9:00am in the Fireside Room

Jesus and Me (JAM) in Sunday School/ "Diving into Friendship with God"

Vacation Bible School

Sundays 9:00am

Save The Date!
Special worship service and festive
potluck to celebrate 50 (+5) years
of worship in our sanctuary.

Church
50th+ ANNIVERSARY



ESTABLISHED 1970

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17
WORSHIP SERVICE • 10:00 a.m.
SERVICE • CELEBRATION MEAL • SPECIAL GUESTS

**TURTLE LAKE
PARKVIEW UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
HWYS. 8 & 63 AT THE ROUND-ABOUT
TURTLE LAKE, WI