

A Newsletter for the People of Parkwoods United Church

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From the Pastor's Desk...

I am an old Boy Scout so as hard as this past winter has been I still found myself out shovelling a path to the fire hydrant on our boulevard (3 times!!) and walking half-a-dozen houses further along the crescent, shovel in hand, to make sure that the catch basins were clear in order that when the snow finally did melt our street would not be flooded with water. No one commented on my 'good deed' but then again that was not why I did this in the first place. It was good for the community that someone would do this and my Scout training led me. It was the least heroic and impressive task imaginable in the world of winter—but it needed to be done.

As Parkwoods slowly digs out of this past Winter and looks hopefully to the arrival of Spring, I look back on so many of those who have helped carry us through this record-breaking winter. Whether it was simply making it out to worship on a cold Sunday morning knowing that many others would not, or preparing food for a reception following a memorial service, or driving someone home, or assisting in any number of ways to make worship possible, or...well the list is quite limitless really. The need/needs was/were there and Parkwoodsians dug in. We are even still here to laugh off the sometimes harsh winds that have prevailed against our best efforts. That is what you will find in the "news" of this newsletter.

Leadership is critical to the lifeblood of any organization. At our Annual Meeting we expressed thanks to those who have served our Church Council so faithfully over the years and then welcomed, with equal enthusiasm, those people new to Council who have said yes to continue the tradition of being there as and when needed so that our community of faith might remain a strong and viable congregation. For both those who have served and those who now serve, we will always be grateful for the time and energy they give to our life together.

As we look ahead, there will be a study of the book "Simon Peter" during the remaining Fridays of Lent. The 'Wishing Well Players' will delight us with another evening of comedy, fine food and fellowship on April 12th and 13th. The month of May will be a time for two afternoon sessions on "planning my funeral" which we offered several years ago now and which has proven so very helpful to families and myself when that sad but inevitable time comes to our lives and it is time to celebrate a life. June we see two afternoons set aside for our continuing Faith & Film series.

We are the Church though and the highlight of this Spring will be our celebration of Easter—that high moment of faith when we dare to claim that we too are Resurrection people. Join us for a simple communion service on Maundy Thursday, a time of reflection on Good Friday, and then in God's mysterious and mystical action, Easter Sunday, the Day of Resurrection.

With thanks for the Winter behind us and excitement about the next season of our life together, I wish you God's blessing as you read this newsletter and remember our life together in community.

Randy

Council Co-Chair

It is a pleasure to be serving as the Senior Co-Chair of Council for the coming year. I welcome and look forward to sharing the co-chair responsibilities with David Sanders this year. Following consultation with the congregation, our council has decided to trial an alternate governance model for the coming year. This alternate model continues to hold positions that align with requirements of the United Church, and creates three new positions that align with our own mission and vision. Our goal was to create a model of governance that best utilizes our resources and allows us to adapt effectively to our ever-changing environment.

On behalf of the congregation, I would like to thank all the Council Committee Chairs who have agreed to continue in their capacities for another year. In addition to our continuing chairs, we welcome Liz McMulkin as our Coordinator of the Grow in Fellowship portfolio. This is similar to our previous Chair in Membership role. A big thank you to Carolyn Horton and Donna Leistner for their leadership and hard work as Chairs of Membership for many years. Our newest Parkwoods photo directory is a great testament to their dedication to this role. Further, we welcome Jock Lumsden as Chair of Finance, replacing Cam Ferguson. Cam has also served many years on council and we thank him for the tremendous amount of support he provided in this role. Cam is also stepping down as Co-Chair of the Property portfolio. Lastly, we thank Marilyn Manners, Mission and Service Representative and Rita Kent, UCW Representative for their dedication to Council over the last several years. Their roles will now fall under the new portfolios, and we look forward to their continued support of our activities. As we trial this alternate governance model, I recognize and value the wisdom and support of all our Council members, as well as the congregation and thank you for your patience as we trial this alternate model. The coming year will be an exciting one no doubt full of opportunities and challenges.

As we move through this season of Lent, may it be a time for you to reflect on and renew your faith journey, and enjoy many of the activities and offerings we have this time of year.

Please note the names of the Parkwoods Council for 2019 listed below. Additional volunteers are always welcome.

Easter Blessings,

Diane Sepa-Kishi,
Sr. Council Co-Chair

2019 Council Members

Senior Co-Chair	Diane Sepa-Kishi
Junior Co-Chair	David Sanders
Secretary	Tianna Forde
Treasurer	Ron Wigle
Communications	Carol Gurd
Finance	Jock Lumsden
Ministry & Personnel	Norma Evans
Property	Dave Gurd
Shining Waters Regional Council Representative (former Presbytery Representative)	Ron Wigle
Trustees	Rev. Randy Naylor/Dave Griffin
Grow in Faith	Marg Crew
Grow in Service	John Horton
Grow in Fellowship	Liz McMulkin

**Majority of Parkwoods activities aligned to the Revised Council
Updated March 19, 2019**

Growing in Faith (Worship) – Coordinator: Marg Crew

- Sunday Worship - Randy
- Special Services; Easter, Christmas etc – Randy/Ingrid
- Choir - Contact: Dolores Samuels
- Greeters & Ushers Contact: Rita Kent
- Audio-Visual Team - Contact: Dave Gurd
- Sunday School - Contact: Diane Sepa-Kishi
- Communion Contact: Mary Kishi
- Décor - Contact: Mary Kishi
- Baptisms, Funerals - Randy
- Bible studies - Randy
- Pastoral Care.. Continue to need a more focused coordination...champion/sub-group required.
- Prayer Network - Contact: Carol Jeffs

Growing in Service (Outreach Reach) – Coordinator: John Horton

- Sponsorship Family Project - Contact: Barb McDermott
- Linkert Fund - Contact: Bud Bray
- Exercise for Seniors - Contact: Bev Miller
- Food donations – Eva's Place Contact: John Horton
- Massey Centre - Contact: Nancy-Jean Nickel
- Christmas Cheer - Contact: Nancy-Jean Nickel
- Brookbanks for African Grannies - Contact: Carolyn Horton
- Mitten Tree- Contact: Rita Kent
- Milk Bags for mattresses - Contact: Carol Gurd
- Relief appeals as identified Contact: John Horton
- M&S – Marilyn Manners M&S Champion, Juanita Hogg-Devine Treasurer
- Prayer Shawls – Contact- Carol Jeffs.. inactive at present due to current inventory
- Brookbanks Non-Profit Housing – Dave Griffin
- Burundi Drumming Group – Wendy Jang

Growing in Fellowship – Coordinator: Liz McMulkin

- Membership activities –Contact: To be determined
- Coffee Hosts- Liz McMulkin
- UCW - Contact: Rita Kent
- Quilters – Contact: Lois Keir
- Loaves & Fishes - Contacts: Lois Keir / Muriel Vuskuil
- Young at Heart - Contact: Gerry Dusome/John Logan
- Wishing Well Players - Contact: Barb Johnson
- Art Club - Contact: Loreen Naylor

Trustees – Chair: Rev. Randy Naylor/Co-Chair: David Griffin

Property – Chair: David Gurd

- Maintenance
- Custodial
- Gardening
- Rentals
- Furnishings

Stewardship and Finance – Chair: Jock Lumsden

- Treasurer – Ron Wigle
- Counters
- Envelop Steward
- Auditor procurement

Regional 10 Rep – Ron Wigle

Ministry and Personnel – Chair: Norma Evans

Secretary – Tianna Forde

- Meeting minutes
- Newsletter production
- Annual Report Production

Communication – Chair: Carol Gurd

- Newsletter- approx 3/year
- Annual Report
- Pixel Board – updated weekly
- Liaison with media contacts for print and web-based advertising
- Website

Emergency Relief for Cyclone Victims—Mozambique

Perhaps you have heard about the very damaging cyclone that struck East South Africa in recent days. In response, the United Church of Canada has now launched an emergency appeal for Church-wide national support for to bring relief to this area, especially Mozambique, the hardest hit country.

The situation is desperate with huge loss of life and property from nightmarish winds and floods, causing heart-rending anguish to a very vulnerable population.

We are reminded that the United Church of Canada acts in close partnership with ACT, an international organization of Church-led support. ACT is active, right on the ground in the afflicted countries.

How can we help? Specially-designated envelopes marked Cyclone One Relief --Mozambique will be on the coffee tables until April 14. Cheques should be made out to Parkwoods United Church. This enables tax relief forms to be made to donors by our Treasurer, who immediately forwards your contribution to the United Church of Canada.

Thank you for giving this appeal your prayerful consideration.

Mission and Service and Outreach Committee: For further information please contact Marilyn Manners or John Horton

Outreach

Stirring Christmas Memories

Christmas Cheer Parcels were prepared and delivered to 31 members of the Parkwoods Family. They went over exceedingly well! More than making a simple delivery, many of the deliverers made a mini visit, which was not part of the delivery requirement, but much appreciated by recipients. This annual project is designed to reach out to folks whom we are thinking about, but who have been unable to be with us on Sundays. Nancy-Jean Nickel and Barbara Griffin anchor the Parkwoods' team of parcel preparers every year.

Mitten Tree: The wonderfully attractive mitten tree of 2018 was dismantled and delivered early in January by Rita Kent to 3 schools-- Roywood, Fenside and the French Catholic School, all within the Parkwoods UC orbit. The donations of mittens, scarves and toques were hugely appreciated by school personnel.

In Full Swing this Spring

The Art Club, Fitness Classes, Young at Heart are all flourishing with robust attendance and community involvement. For information on participating, please contact Bev Miller for Fitness, Loreen Naylor for Art Classes and John Logan for Young at Heart.

Burundi Drummers are continuing to hold practices on Friday evening. Newcomers are welcome. Please contact Glory Wigle or John Horton if you are interested participating.

For the Milk-bags to Mattresses Ecology and Humanitarian support Project our congregation's exterior milk-bags continue to flow in. Their delivery to mattress crocheters is facilitated by Carol Gurd.

Information about our Refugee Family has been reported regularly in our Newsletters, especially coverage since the Al Khateb's arrived in Canada last June. This is a very active project as the following news--past, present and future—explains!

Looking back we are most grateful to the Congregation's support financially, to enable a high level of success in our Project. Two outstanding forms of support highlight the Winter/Christmas Season.

- Christmas Gifts: The congregation responded wonderfully to an invitation to bring Christmas Gifts for the family's first Christmas in Canada.
- As a separate invitation, items of winter clothing were requested, through December and that received much attention from our congregation. A great many items have already been put to warming use. Those that were not quite the fit that we needed have been delivered to a variety of charities seeking warm clothing.

Winter Wonderland for the Family: Lynda McCowan and her daughter Ashley have taken Mom, Batoul and Ghasson skating several times this winter. All three are doing fabulously and loving their ice time.

A Joyful Happening in March: Your Outreach reporter learned of Barb McDermott's account of a visit to a farm that she had with the Family during the March Break.

"All went well at the farm...but it certainly was damp and cold. The kids got to go into a petting zoo (fed deer, llamas, miniature ponies, sheep, goats, rabbits and a variety of fowl). It was great! We had a wagon ride pulled by two horses, pony rides for the kids (Batoul got to go twice!), played in an indoor barn playground, made a craft and had hot chocolate. Mom was a good sport and joined in. The kids were enthralled and, as

made a craft and had hot chocolate. Mom was a good sport and joined in. The kids were enthralled and, as usual, behaved admirably.” Barb M.

Other springtime activity of the Family involves familiarizing the adults with Income Tax regulations of Canada Revenue. Ron Wigle has been particularly supportive in that regard. As well, the Operations Team has been looking into employment resources, attending a workshop in that regard, and meeting with Mohamad to discuss his employment goals and ways of reaching them.

An engagingly comprehensive update of the progress regarding the Family since they arrived follows: It is submitted by Barbara McDermott, Chair of the Operations Team, the group which is steering the Family Project.

John Horton, Outreach Chair

A Year In Review: Highlights For Our Parkwood’s Sponsored Family The Al Khateb’s

June, 2018 saw the Parkwoods Congregation embark on an amazing journey of faith as we welcomed Mohamad Al Khateb and his family to Canada. Here are a few of the highlights.

- June 6th the Al Khateb’s arrive at Pearson International to begin their new life in Canada.
- Lynda McCowan our host extraordinaire graciously bridged the gap until our family could take possession of their apartment.
- Mohamad, Sheymaa, Ghassan and Batoul much to their delight move into their new fully furnished home at 1300 York Mills on July 7th.
- Summer 2018 included outings to the public library, learning how to ride bikes and scooters, playing at local parks, cooling off at splash pads, an inflatable backyard pool and water play grounds, enjoying the tourist sites in downtown Toronto, IMAX theatre and cinema viewings, a visit to Cobourg beach, picnics, watching fireworks, witnessing the “salmon run”, a Chuckie Cheese experience and regular visits to Tim Horton’s.
- Secured an Arabic speaking dentist ensuring that their health care needs could be met communicating in their 1st language.
- Coordinated shopping excursions, provided transportation for appointments, opened bank accounts, arranged for Internet, telephone and TV services, acquired many of the necessary documents (SIN numbers, Health Cards, Permanent Residence Cards etc.)
- Arranged for an interpreter to visit the family to support our budget discussions.
- Enrolled Ghassan (Grade Five) at Forest Manor P.S. as he qualified for the LEAP programme (intensive English/Math instruction in a small group setting), Batoul (Grade Three) at Fenside P.S. and the parents Mohamad and Sheymaa in LINC English classes.
- Both Sheymaa and Mohamad advanced a level in their English studies as of Feb. 2019.
- Offered educational support, providing weekly homework help and tutoring.
- Organized some Toronto Recreational Programming for the children: fall session/soccer for Ghassan, art classes for Batoul, winter session/basketball for Ghassan, ballet for Batoul, and Ultra Swim 1 lessons for both. Ice skating, tubing and tobogganing are rounding out their winter time activities. For the spring session there is soccer for Ghassan, basketball for Batoul and they both will attend a week long activity camp in July. Swimming lessons will continue during the summer session.

- October 21st our family was officially welcomed by the Parkwoods congregation. Mohamad publicly expressed his sincere thanks for our sponsorship and a celebratory reception followed. They also attended Parkwoods for the making of gingerbread houses and enjoyed the Christmas Eve service as well.
- Celebrated and observed many special events with our family: Ramadan and Eid (upon their arrival to Canada), birthdays, organized Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's parties, and attended a thank-you/appreciation sponsor party hosted by the Al Khateb's to name a few.
- Supped with the Al Khateb's on various occasions...they are the consummate hosts.
- Organized a festive cheer bucket from the Parkwoods congregation, delivering these gifts to the Al Khateb's on Christmas Eve.

Barbara McDermott, Chair of the Operations Committee Sponsorship Project



Communications

2018 Annual Report: This document was published and distributed in advance of the 2018 Parkwoods Annual Meeting held on Sunday, March 3, 2019. There are copies available in the lobby, but please, only one copy per family.

Website: Our website is up and running again after dealings with a 'hacker' a few times last year! Tianna Forde currently is responsible for maintenance of the website and keeping information regarding church group activities, announcements, a monthly activity calendar, Council contacts, weekly Sunday bulletins, special events and photos current and up to date.

Advertising: Advertising has been placed in Don Mills Residents Inc. (DMRI) newsletters and on the North York Mirror website noting the availability of exercise classes, Art Classes, Christmas and Easter services plus any other special events taking place at Parkwoods.

Photos: Photos continue to be taken during events or meetings at Parkwoods to publish on our website or in our newsletter. If you do not wish to have your photo taken, identify yourself to the person in charge of the function and move to the back of the room so you will not be in the photo. Permission forms, signed by a parent or guardian, are still required for children to be photographed.

Newsletter: If you would like to receive your newsletter by e-mail, send your e-mail address to *dcgurd@rogers.com* This will help reduce printing costs and the photos are in colour for your added enjoyment!

Scent-free Environment: Just a reminder that Parkwoods is considered a 'scent-sensitive zone'. We ask that you do not wear scented products when attending any functions in the church building.

Carol Gurd
Communications Chair

Photos: Tianna Forde, Megan Kenny, Lynda McCowan, Carol Gurd



Better Living Exercise Classes

We will be taking a break in early April.

**NO CLASSES APRIL 2ND OR APRIL 4TH
CLASSES RESUME ON APRIL 9TH**

You are welcome to join anytime, Tuesdays and Thursdays
93 Parkwoods Village Drive, Activity Room

“Currents”

In March of 2018, Parkwoods began a process through Presbytery with 3 other United Church congregations called “Currents”. Currents is facilitated by The Missional Network and aims to help congregations learn more about the communities that surround them. Specifically it aims to identify where in the community the spirit of God is already active. The focus of this process is not on creating new outreach programs or activities aimed at evangelism, but rather to actively listen to our community and learn more about it.

Since last March, we have completed a number of steps of the Currents process. The final stage involves running a small experiment - an additional method of learning more about the community that surrounds us. For our experiment we decided to speak to the Podium Toastmasters group, longtime tenants of Parkwoods. Through these meetings we learned of a Speechcraft program that this group offers in partnership with community groups. We thought this was an ideal opportunity to offer a program jointly between Parkwoods and Podium Toastmasters that would appeal to our congregation and the wider community. We polled the congregation and found there was interest for such a program and we are currently advertising this program to the wider community. This is a 6-week program running Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. on April 3rd to May 8th. It focuses on building communication and leadership skills in a friendly and welcoming environment. Parkwoods is sponsoring the program and providing the space and as such, cost of the program is just \$10. Should you know of anyone who would be interested in participating, please have them call or email the church office to register.

As we wrap up this iteration of the Currents process, we reflect on the wealth of information we have gathered and look forward to continuing to foster efforts to connect with and listen to our neighbours. Many thanks to my fellow committee members David Sanders, Joan Palmer and Lynda McCowan for their participation and dedication to this process, and to Randy and our Presbytery coach Ian Manson for their support throughout this process.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Sepa-Kishi

Christian Development

We were fortunate in the Fall of 2018 to hire Alana Sprunt and Mardi Roback as our Children’s Ministry Program Specialists. Both women have used their extensive experience to enrich Christian Development for our children and youth. In addition to regular classes, we had a special Sunday in November when Nancy-Jean Nickel and Floreen Forde led a festive day of gingerbread house decorating. Our Syrian refugee family joined our Sunday School in this holiday tradition. The children and youth also made all of the Christmas cards for the Christmas cheer baskets sent out in December, which were very warmly received.

Alana and Mardi have been busy planning for the remainder of the year. For Valentine’s Day the Sunday School made cards for the homeless who are served by Hungry Six Homeless Foundation. The cards were handed out with packaged meals and clothing during their Valentine’s Day Meal Hand out on February 17th. Special activities are also planned for the season of Lent and for Easter, in addition to regular classes. Our sincerest thanks to Alana and Mardi for their time and effort to go above and beyond the curriculum to deliver such a great program to our children and youth. New children are always welcome to join our program!

We must also extend a thank you to our Nursery Caregiver, Nathalie Zeta. Nathalie joined us in December and has provided care in our nursery for our youngest members. Nathalie has taken great care to provide a welcoming environment and also provides childcare during special congregational meetings. Nathalie’s care allows for parents to enjoy our services and participate in our meetings and activities and we are grateful for her support!

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Sepa-Kishi

Parkwoods 58th Anniversary

On Sunday November 25th, Parkwoods United Church celebrated 58 years of faithful service in the community. After the worship service a congregational lunch was served by the Loaves and Fishes in Connolly Hall.



United Church Women

Kay Mountford from 'Sleeping Children Around the World' was the guest speaker at the U.C.W.'s annual Christmas Candlelight Service in December. Her talk and slide presentation of the charity's operations and the distribution of bed kits provided to children from any culture and any region, was both interesting and very informative.

Once again the Mitten Tree was full to over-flowing with hats, mitts and scarves that were later distributed to the three elementary schools in the area.

Rita Kent,
UCW President





Choir & Music

Music at Parkwoods offers a wonderful variety of sounds and styles gifted to us by the choir every Sunday. The Christmas season in particular was very well received and I would like to thank all those who have expressed their appreciation, especially for the Christmas Eve service. We were extremely pleased to welcome new singer Desmond Henry to the Bass section, in time for the Christmas services.

In February, despite terrible winter weather and choir members away on vacations, we had a wonderful Choir Social evening during which we didn't have to practice or do anything except have dinner and play charades and have fun. Many thanks to Lynda and the Social Committee for their fantastic organization.

Earlier this month, we received the sad news that our long time Organ Tuner, Burkhardt Moeller, had passed away. We extend our sincere condolences to his wife and family and remember with gratitude wonderful attention and dedication Burkhardt had for his craft of organ maintenance. He has already been greatly missed. Due to illness he had been unable to service the organ over the past while, and with the organ sounding off and in need of tuning we were able to book an appointment with Doddington & Doddington of Guelph ON, and the organ has now been restored to proper pitch.

Upcoming services include special music for the Holy Week cycle starting on Palm Sunday (April 14) and Good Friday (April 19) at the 10:30 AM services. For the Easter Sunday service on April 21 we plan to celebrate the Risen Christ with a flourish as we will be joined by solos and extra instrumentalists. The next 'Praise Service' will be on Sunday, May 5, and we expect that by now the congregation will be more familiar with the songs we use for this service.

If you are interested in joining us in song, please see myself, Glory or any choir member as we would be thrilled to have you join us.

Ingrid Ziegler,
Music Director



Finance

Our 2018 finance year was exceptional due to unbudgeted one-time income and expense items. I have taken the liberty of adjusting the Receipts and Disbursement Statement as found in the Annual Report and removing these one-time items to better understand what a 'normal' year might have looked.

Again this year, the financial support of the congregation (Local plus Mission and Service) is most appreciated. You exceeded 2017 by slightly over \$9,000.00! Congratulations! Hosting the Provincial Election yielded an additional \$17,500.

The 2019 Budget was approved at our March 3rd Annual Meeting. We projected total income of \$254,500 which included anticipated rental amount for the upcoming Federal Budget. Our planned expenses of \$351,880 include a one-time mould remediation cost \$15,000 and \$32,000 for our Refugee family. The resulting deficit will be partly offset by a transfer of \$27,000 from our Refugee account and a \$56,000 draw from Investment Funds. The remaining deficit is planned at \$14,380.

Last year, we emphasized the need to minimize our past dependency on depleting our Investment Funds each year. If you were at the February 24th service, Cam Ferguson announced the Investment Funds Replenishment Program and pledged \$30,000 to match donations of those in the congregation, who could participate in this important program at this time. So far, we have received an additional \$8,000. We will be sending a separate letter, outlining the details of this initiative and emphasizing its importance.

Your generosity in the sharing of your personal financial resources is most appreciated. Thank you.

Jock Lumsden,
Finance Chairman

Property

So far, our \$170,000 investment in replacing the Link roof plus the replacement of the three heating/cooling units seems to be justified. We are 'dry, warm in the winter and cool in the summer' and enjoying the freedom from wet ceilings and wet floors.

However, we are left with a mould problem and are seeking quotes from remediation companies to ensure we have addressed this issue in the proper manner. It will require the removal, replacement and painting of identified drywall areas in the church office and the York Mills entrance foyer. We have budgeted \$15,000 for this work.

David Gurd,
Property Chair



Loaves and Fishes

The Loaves and Fishes served a soup and sandwich lunch in January for the Congregational Meeting on the 20th. Our regular 'end of the month' lunch was provided in February with lunches planned for March, April and May.

On February 15th we catered for a Memorial Service for Maaike Russell

Thank you everyone for your continued support and to the volunteers who help. Please remember to buy your tickets, so we have numbers to purchase and prepare sufficient food.

Muriel Voskuil

Quilters & Crafters

Our little group has been busy making several quilts, throws, aprons and other crafts. A sale in the fall made over \$200.

As a fundraiser we are selling tickets on a reversible quilt which was donated to us. Tickets are available in the lobby or from group members. They are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 or a book of 10 for \$15.00. The raffle draw will be on May 12th – Mother's Day.

New Quilters and Crafters are always welcome to join us Monday's at 9:30 a.m. and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and conversation too!

Lois Keir

Thank You

To all our wonderful Parkwoods friends.
Your cards, messages, phone calls, caring and prayers have brightened
our days throughout these difficult past few months.

Love and blessings to you all for the promise of Easter.

Burt & Carol Keffer



Come and join us for Easter Worship

We invite you to celebrate Easter with us by attending any of our worship services.

Sunday April 14th	Palm Sunday (with a parade of Palms)	10:30 a.m.
Thursday April 18th	Maundy Thursday Service & Communion	7:00 p.m.
Friday April 19th	Good Friday	10:30 a.m.
Sunday April 21st	Easter Sunday Service & Communion	10:30 a.m.

Everyone is Welcome!



Memorial Easter Flowers

Parkwoods would like to have a floral display in the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 21st. This offers an opportunity for members of the congregation to purchase an Easter plant – lily, tulip, daffodil or mum – which can be taken home following the Service. The cost of these plants is \$12.00 each.

For those of you who wish to have their plants given in memory of a loved one, a notice will be placed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. I will be taking orders for plants in the lobby following our worship services starting Sunday, March 31st and continuing until Palm Sunday, April 14th.

Mary Kishi



These important dates need to be noted on your calendar
so you won't miss out being with us.

**FRIDAY APRIL 12TH and
SATURDAY APRIL 13TH @ 8:00 P.M.**

"Wishing Well Players" is proud to present

"CONSOLATION"

A light hearted one-act comedy by Charles George. Come and enjoy the "strange and funny goings on" that happen in a "nice little hospital... or so the nurses would lead you to believe". The antics are humourous and the cast of characters somewhat eccentric.

Dessert and coffee after the play.

Tickets: \$15.00 each with a portion of the monies raised going to support Parkwoods Sponsorship Project.

For ticket information contact Barb Johnson at 416-497-6216

SUNDAY, MAY 5TH @ 10:30 A.M.

"PRAISE WORSHIP"

(See Ingrid's Music Report for more details.)

Save The Date

SUNDAY, MAY 12TH @ 10:30 A.M.

“QUILT RAFFLE”

Tickets: \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.00; 10 for \$15.00

This is a fundraiser by the Quilters & Crafters Group



Watch the monthly calendar for these important activities:

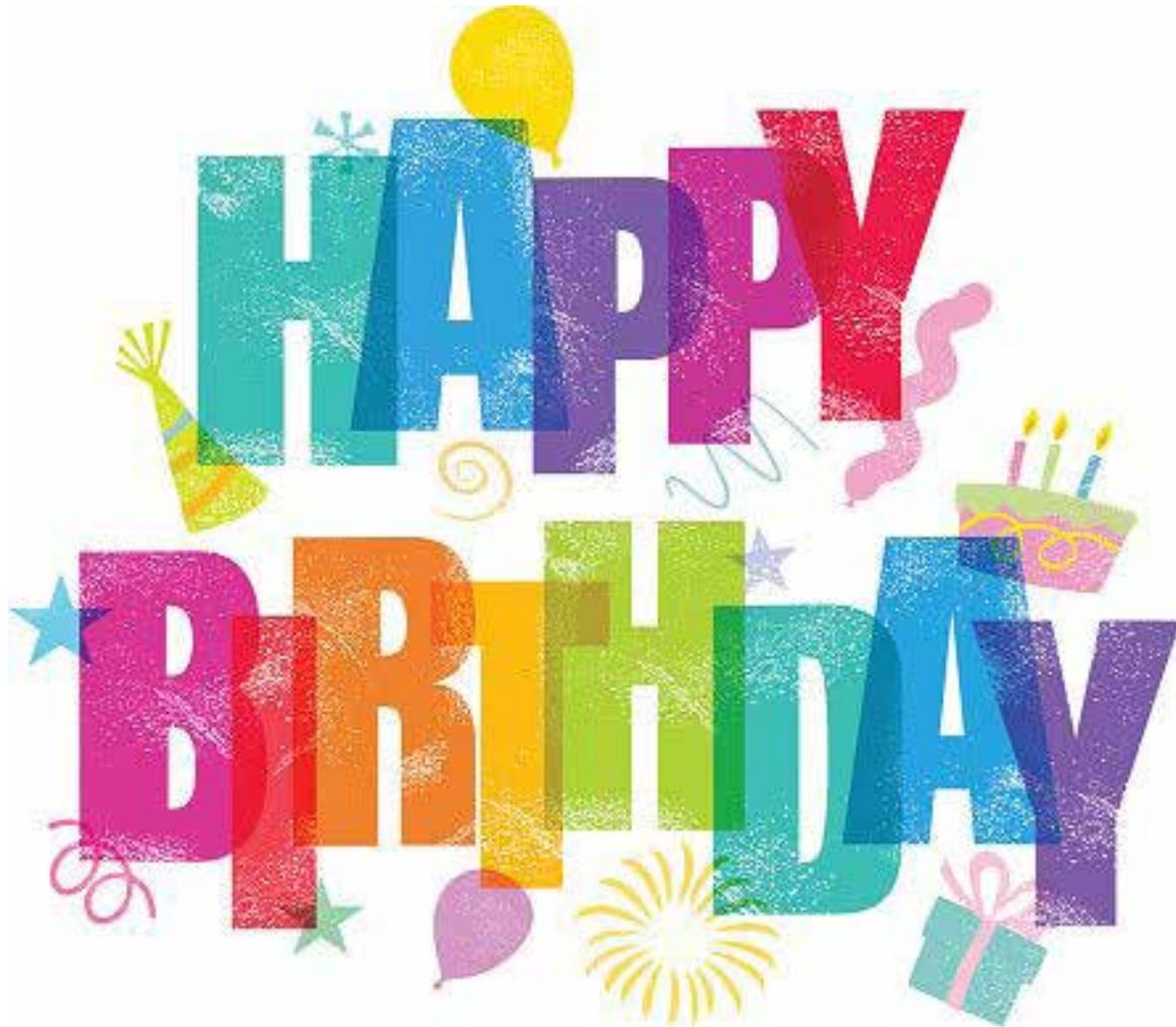
“A Few Last Words”

A seminar on funeral pre-planning.

“Faith & Film Series”

Movies to be shown in May or early June:

“Green Book” and “Roma”



Congratulations to

Jean Fraser

who has celebrated her 106th Birthday!

and to

Jack Lumley

who has celebrated his 90th Birthday!



In Memoriam

Maaike Russell

Longtime member of Parkwoods & U.C.W.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her family

