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**PARK
AVENUE
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

ALL ARE
WELCOME
HERE!



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Opening Welcome & Announcements:

Pastor Henra

All are welcome at Park Ave. We celebrate your multiple identities. Please feel free to invite people to join via Facebook live: [facebook.com/parkavebaptist!](https://facebook.com/parkavebaptist)

Call to Worship

Pastor Darci

Adapted by Pastor Darci from "On calling the spirit back from wandering the earth" by Joy Harjo

ONE: Calling the spirit back from wandering the earth in its human feet; take a breath offered by friendly winds. They travel the earth gathering essences of plants to clean.

ALL: Give it back with gratitude

ONE: In calling the spirit back from wandering we acknowledge the earth who has cared for us since we were a dream planting itself within our parents' desire.

ALL: Let the earth stabilize our postcolonial insecurities

ONE: The journey might take you a few hours, a day, a year, a few years or even more - the journey toward letting go - regret.

ALL: We cut ties with failure and shame

ONE: Let go the pain you are holding in your mind, your shoulders, your heart, all the way to your feet. Let go the pain of your ancestors to make way for those who are heading in our direction

ALL: We welcome our spirit back from its wandering. We gather the pieces together - together.

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Worship Through Singing
"All Are Welcome"

Jill McAfee
artist: Marty Haugen

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger.
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**Poetic Intervention
"Eagle Poem"**

**Pastor Darci
artist: Joy Harjo**

To pray you open your whole self
To sky, to earth, to sun, to moon
To one whole voice that is you.
And know there is more
That you can't see, can't hear;
Can't know except in moments
Steadily growing, and in languages
That aren't always sound but other
Circles of motion. Like eagle that Sunday morning
Over Salt River. Circled in blue sky
In wind, swept our hearts clean
With sacred wings. We see you, see ourselves and know
That we must take the utmost care
And kindness in all things.
Breathe in, knowing we are made of
All this, and breathe, knowing
We are truly blessed because we
Were born, and die soon within a
True circle of motion,
Like eagle rounding out the morning
Inside us. We pray that it will be done
In beauty.
In beauty.

Centering Down:

Pastor Henra

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Time of Prayer

Pastor Darci

Prayer requests are always welcome in the chat. We will put them on our prayer list. If you would like a copy of our prayer list please email: admin@parkavebaptist.com.

Greeting Time in Breakout Rooms

Everyone will be placed in a breakout room to greet each other. Take this time to connect or if we need to, go grab some coffee or your preferred morning drink. We'll start back up in 5 minutes.

Announcements:

Pastor Darci

PABC Online Offerings: Worship on Sunday, Wednesday Gathering @10am & Friday Re-Imagining Prayer creative prayer practice.

We have several groups for you online - including what we are calling "Second Cup" a space we are holding directly after this worship on Zoom to continue checking in and listening and being with each other.

Every other Thursday we have our Amateur Afro-futurists book club, where we are finishing up Octavia Butler's "Parable of the Sower".

3rd Space opening soon. The amount of assistance we are able to offer our neighborhood is based on our number of volunteers, so please join us!

A Time of Offering & Thanksgiving

Pastor Darci

Text giving: 470-300-1731 & giving of creativity! All Gifts Welcome!

Including the gift of your creative collaboration through offerings to our Memorial to Black Lives outside the church - parkavebaptist.com/healingarts or by contributing to our Little Pantry.

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Biblical Reading

Acree Macam

Luke 22:14-20

14 When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. **15** He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; **16** for I tell you, I will not eat it[a] until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." **17** Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; **18** for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." **19** Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." **20** And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

Just(us) Kids Time

Pastor Darci

A time for the young saints or those young at heart to hear a message tailored toward their understanding and growth toward the principles of God.

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"Your Peace Will Make Us One"

Jill McAfee
artist: Audrey Assad

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord
You are speaking truth to power, you are laying down our swords
Replanting every vineyard 'til a brand new wine is poured
Your peace will make us one

I've seen you in our home fires burning with a quiet light
You are mothering and feeding in the wee hours of the night
Your gentle love is patient, you will never fade or tire
Your peace will make us one

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Your peace will make us one

In the beauty of the lilies, you were born across the sea
With a glory in your bosom that is still transfiguring
Dismantling our empires 'til each one of us is free
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A Word from a Fellow Sojourner
Rev. Kyndra Frazier, LMSW, M.Div

Time for Response

Pastor Darci

This is a time for listening and responding to the message we just heard. If you are being called toward covenant with this community this is a time to let us know. Respond as you feel led.

Share prayer request in the chat or privately through our prayer request form here - <https://forms.gle/iupYyKFR6gAWWhVzcA>

If you would like to schedule an appointment with one of our Pastors, click below:

Meet with Pastor Henra & Pastor Darci: <https://calendly.com/minhenra>
https://calendly.com/pastor_darci

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Benediction

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Love Boldly -->Live Inclusively → & Serve Creatively