

October

Parkview Church Newsletter 2024

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O Be Careful Little Eyes

We all remember the Christian song we heard as kids that goes "oh be careful little eyes what you see. O be careful little eyes what you see. For the Father up above is looking down in love so be careful little eyes what you see." Well, like most things that we learn as children, there are merit and wisdom to such teachings. I find that this song is one that we can apply even into our adult daily life as we are mindful and cautious of what we allow to enter into our homes, minds,

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spirits, and minds for the body is in fact the temple in which the Lord dwells. Therefore, it is important for us to be careful of what we click on, look at, watch, do, say, and even think because we can unknowingly open the doors of our temple to be infiltrated by sin, the demonic, and spirits other than the Holy Spirit.

As we are entering into the Fall season, we are easily bombarded by all of the pomp, décor, influence and even pressure of the infamous holiday of Halloween. Now, Halloween does not have a long "reign" on the throne of year's holidays. However, when it comes time for October and even September, it seems to take over for a while. That is, until Christmas busts in like the Kool-Aid man and shuts it down. As many of you may know, Halloween or "Samhain" started as an ancient Druidic Fire Festival of Celtic origin. In fact, it was believed during this time of the year between the Autumnal Equinox and the winter solstice that a portal or a barrier would open from the Spirit World into the natural allowing for spirits and demons to roam free. Furthermore, it was thus believed that magic, rituals, and spells given unto such spirits during Samhain had extra power and were more impactful.

Fast forward to today, and Halloween has become a commercialized and highly integral part of American culture. Today, Halloween celebrates things like horror, fear, gore, candy, Fall festivities, witchcraft, and the paranormal. However, what many do not know is that similarly to the days of the Druids, those who engage in witchcraft and Paganism still exist today. In fact, many of these individuals identify as witches and warlocks and are a part of covens (or work individually) that are actually on assignment to pray against churches, Christians, evangelists, and pastors. Samhain is still widely celebrated knowingly and unknowingly by Pagans and every day American consumers. This makes October highest point of witchcraft activity out of the entire year which results in heavy spiritual warfare, spiritual attacks, oppression, and even random freak accidents.

We, the Church, need to stay prayed up, aware, and have our eyes opened unto to Christ. I urge everyone to pay close attention, to watch what you absorb, to pray deeply, and plead the blood Jesus over yourselves, the Church, and our families during this season. There can be a lot of pressure on people during this season to "fit in" or to engage in the decorations, the horror films, the "spooky stuff," a little "innocent magic," and the Halloween practices or celebrations of the season. We must realize that if we engage in these things with our eyes, hands, feet, and thought life, that we give the devil and demonic forces jurisdiction to enter our lives, our children's lives, and our homes.

Don't get me wrong, pumpkins, pumpkin spice lattes, fall leaves, dressing up at a Trunk or Teat, and enjoying candy aren't going to send anyone into the clutches of darkness, for God did indeed make the Harvest season and He is the author of all joy. But it is the context and the content of the season that we must be considering when it comes to our participation and our spiritual consumption. Let us each stay strong in the Lord, pray for the sinners of this world, and reject the prod-

ucts of the Enemy that our masqueraded in appealing and "seemingly innocent" exteriors. Rest assured, we CAN do this in confidence for we know that despite the jeers of the world, we have the cheers and protection of Christ and all of Heaven alongside us.

"For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? ¹⁵ What harmony is there between Christ and Belial^[b]? Or what does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God." -2 Corinthians 14-16



- Rev. Paolo Bellini

"Youth Ministry"

10:00AM Nursery (birth- Pre-K)

10:00AM Kid's Church (Pre-K-4th Grade) Lead teacher Melora Newsome

Junior Youth (5th-8th grade) Senior Youth (9th-12th grade)

1st and 3rd Sunday each month after Sunday Service All Youth and Junior Youth stay in Service, with classes offered after service.

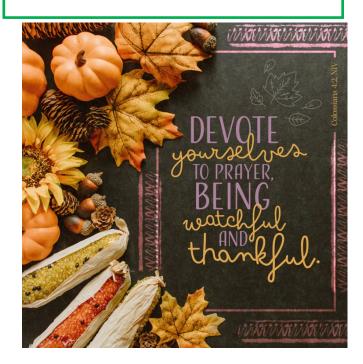
All our workers are background checked. If you want to join that team, please see Melora Newsome.

SAVE THE DATE

October 12th 2024- Youth Bonfire- Fellowship and Fun- 6pm

Can you Believe that Christmas is only six months away. That means it is time to put the **Soup with Santa** on your Calendar. Saturday, December 7th 2024 at 10am-2pm. We will as always be asking for baskets to raffle, soups to eat and yummy sandwiches. Vendors need to book early to get a spot.

Shoeboxes: This year we will be collecting shoeboxes starting October 1st 2024-November 10th 20024. We will have shoeboxes for you to fill and then mail for only \$10.00. If you choose not to fill a shoebox but still want to be involved then you can donate \$60.00 the cost to build a shoe box and mail it. Labels and boxes will be out on October 1st 2024 for you take one and fill it.







Get Ready! Soup with Santa is coming! December 7th 10:00AM-2:00PM

Ways You Can Support Parkview Church



Parkview does <u>not</u> have a paid custodian. We are currently paying several people for a few hours of work each week and depending on volunteers for all the cleaning. Please see Patti Rang if you are able to assist. with light cleaning, such as dusting blinds and window sills, washing windows, helping with vacuuming, and cleaning the pew chairs.

Many tasks indoor and out are required to maintain our Church, including resetting the sanctuary after funerals and events. All of these tasks are completed by volunteers. All skill levels and ages can assist.

If you see something in the building or on the church grounds that needs maintenance, there are maintenance work request forms in the lobby. Fill out and drop in the hanging file folder in front of the office door. We have a pile of work order requests that need to be completed currently, and we need volunteers to help with those orders. **Please speak with Chris Marcott if you are able to help.**

We are always looking for volunteers to mow the grounds. Chris Marcott has a mowing calendar on the main bulletin for sign ups. Please add your name to the calendar and list the section of the yard you are able to mow.

**Items we currently need donated: box cutters, weed trimmers, weed spray. Donations will be labeled as church property and kept in the maintenance room.



Tithing on your required minimum distribution:

If you were 72 before 2020 and have an IRA or 401K, won't you think about donating a portion to the church. Thank you all for being so faithful with your tithes and offerings. This is an easy way to increase your contributions without actually outputting dollars.

Please check with your financial advisor to determine how you may want to handle your RMD (Required Minimum distribution) this year. It has been a very good way to provide a tax exempt contribution to the church. Hopefully, you may want to consider this option, depending on your circumstance. Rules changed for those who were not 71.5 in 2019. The new age requirement is now 72 for (RMD).



Kroger Rewards Program:

Did you know that Parkview Church receives "free money". This "free money" comes to Parkview thru members and friends of Parkview who participate in the Kroger Community Rewards Program and link their Kroger Plus Shopper Card to Parkview Church, (Organization #YF860).from the Kroger Community Rewards Program. If you have enrolled, thank you. If not, enrollment is a simple process. If you already have a Kroger Plus Shopper Card, just go to <u>www.kroger.com</u> and link your Kroger Plus Card to Community Rewards for Parkview. Each time you use your Kroger Plus Shopper Card it earns cash for Parkview! If you do not have a Kroger Plus Shopper Card it is an easy way for you to save money and help Parkview when you also enroll in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Enrollment in the Kroger Community Rewards Program is free and does not affect any other rewards such as fuel points.

If you are already enrolled in the Community Rewards Program you will notice that **"Parkview Church"** appears on the bottom of your receipt.

If you have any questions, on the Kroger Community Rewards Program, feel free to contact Melora Newsome, 937-416-7026.

Service Opportunities and Updates

(listed alphabetically)

Adopt-a–Family: Collection of Christmas gifts for needy families in the Miamisburg area. The tree is currently in the entry. Coordinators: Susan Orndorf (<u>Orndorf.Susan@gmail.com</u>) or Tracy Ball <u>tracymelora1@aol.com</u>

Blessings in a Bag: Provides food and snacks for children in the Miamisburg elementary schools that have food insecurity. **Monetary donations only are being accepted at this time, and are greatly needed!** Currently, Parkview provides meals to the students at Medlar View and Maddox Lang. **See Chris Marcott if you have questions.**

Blood Drive: Sign up online to donate blood at <u>www.donortime.com</u>. Schedules for 2024 are available in the welcome area. Thank you to all the volunteers who share their hour and greet visitors to our church while donors are here. Your time is important and we appreciate you! **Please pick up an updated donation date card in the entry. Next date is September 16th, 2024 1-7PM.** Blood donations are desperately needed. **Register at:** <u>www.donortime.com</u>. **Please tell your friends and family to donate. Thank you Parkview Donors!**

Matthew 25 Trips to Blue Ash on the 2nd Wednesday and the 2nd Monday of the month. Contact Melanie Fox for details. <u>melanie-fox39@hotmail.com</u> (See more information below.) <u>PILL BOTTLES ARE NO LONGER BEING</u> <u>ACCEPTED!</u>

Planting Seeds: Service Opportunities and Updates

Planting Seeds: As a 100% volunteer organization, we are always looking for additional volunteers as the need is great. Please go to <u>https://plantingseedsgives.org/volunteer-1</u> and register for SignUp Genius to see all of our times available. This is a great opportunity for anyone, including students looking for service hours, to see and be a part of what God is doing in our community. Donations of new and lighted used furniture and household items are always welcomed as well as monetary donations.

Website and Social Media News!

The website and social media team has completed several updates across all our publicity platforms.

- 1. The website underwent a total redesign that went live shortly before Easter.
- 2. The address for the Facebook page has been updated:

https://www.facebook.com/ParkviewChurchMiamisburg

3. The Instagram page has been updated and linked to our Facebook page <u>https://www.instagram.com/</u>parkview_church_miamisburg/

4. We have a new YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/@ParkviewChurchMiamisburg</u>

Join Us on YouTube! Here's How!

Each week's service is shown live on our website, along with services for the last 3 weeks. But what if you want to watch a service from a month or 2 ago? Visit our YouTube Channel.

There are 3 ways to easily find our YouTube Channel:

1. From our website, click on the YouTube Icon at the bottom of each page. It will take you directly to our YouTube Channel.

2. From our Facebook page, click on the About tab. You can find our YouTube Channel link under Website and Social Links

3. You can also search YouTube for Parkview Church Miamisburg.

Once you find our channel, we recommend you:

- 1. Subscribe so you are notified when new services are posted
- 2. Like Videos that you watch

3. Share Videos on your social media platforms.

These 3 actions help other people find Parkview Church and hear the good news of God's love.

Services for You



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Planting Have some clutter you need to get rid of, replacing items or are you downsizing? Call Planting Seeds at 937-388-4122 or request a pickup on line at www.plantingseedsgives.org.

Planting Seeds distributes new and lightly used home furnishings, appliances and household goods to needy families in partnership with several local charity organizations. Currently are areas of highest need is bedding, pillows (new only), towels (bath and kitchen) and cookware.

If you would like to learn more about the ministry, and see videos and pictures of how God is blessing families in our area follow us on facebook @ Goddoesdeliver, or our website noted above.

Planting Seeds is a non-profit, 501(C)3 organization with all donations being tax deductible.

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Miamisburg Food Pantry "Helping Hands"

224 Maple Ave, Miamisburg, OH 45342 (937) 866-9323 >Call to make an appointment

Must show proof of Miamisburg residence such as: rent receipt, current mail, and meet income guidelines set by the Dayton Food Bank and federal/state guidelines.

Hours: Monday 6-8PM, Wed and Fri 2-4PM



With God's Grace **Mobile Food Pantry**

www.withGodsgracepantry.org

No proof of residency or income required. Miamisburg Nazarene Church 1216 Richard St. Miamisburg, OH 45342

2nd Monday of the month: 6:00-7:30PM



Threads Clothing Pantry

33 Lawrence Ave. Miamisburg

Call Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM to make an appointment

Open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings and Wednesday evenings by appointment only. Operated by Miamisburg Christian Church

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Worship—Sunday at 10AM

OFFICE HOURS (9:00AM - 1:00PM) MONDAY - THURSDAY

Pastor: Rev. Paola Bellini PastorB@parkviewmiamisburg.org

Lead Team Chair: Suzzi Luken suzzi_katherine@yahoo.com

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Prayer Requests or Thanksgivings pray@parkviewmiamisburg.org

General Office Communication info@parkviewmiamisburg.org



Game Day Do you enjoy playing cards or dominoes? Come join us on the 1st Saturday of the month at 2:00PM. (Except holiday months when we meet on the 2nd Saturday) Bring a fun loving spirit and snack. Contact Mary Helen Welch 937-723-0809 or Don Fox 937-838-0312

Next meeting September 14th at 2:00PM

Next blood drive is:

Monday, November 18th from 1:00-7:00PM

Register at www.donor.com & enter code:205 or call (937) 461-3220.

Please register to host an hour during the donation drive. Also, we are accepting cookies to service or \$20 to purchase cookies.

Results from the last blood drive:



Men's Coffee and Conversation

When: Tuesday Mornings Time: 9:30AM-11:00AM Where: In Room 115 Ask Doug Fox if you have questions



THE MONDAY NIGHT CLASS AT 7PM

Meeting at Canterbury



Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:00AM Charlie and Pam Lemaster, Leaders



Sunday Morning at 11:00AM

Berman Layer, Leader New study, "Genesis through Job" All are welcome for fellowship!

Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays 9:30-11:00AM Check with Wanda Heiney, 937-428-5826



Prayer Group Schedule

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00AM-7:00AM

Praise and Prayer Meetings Thursdays at 10:00AM

A prayer to the God of my life.



Anniversaries

Dale and Katie Marshall (5)	10/06
Scott and Tina Stamper (11)	10/19
Marvin and Charmaine Hoops (66)	10/25
Joseph and Jinhee Park (28)	10/26

Birthdays

Terry Miller	10/03
Joshua Gebhart Deana Parker	10/04 10/08
Patti Rang	10/14
Mary Helen Welsh Seth Fugate	10/16 10/17
Ken Williams	10/17
Kenneth Gore	10/19
Byron Pettit Jack Grayer	10/20 10/29
Marvin Hoops	10/31
Rosemary Schenck	10/31



Anniversaries

Sonny and Maria Mills (59)	11/13
Joe and Deanna Stebbins (60)	11/21

Birthdays

Debbie Hines	11/06
Donna Weeber	11/07
Scott Mills	11/09
Julie Zink	11/18
Murielene Case	11/23
Bill Williams	11/24
Seth Weeber	11/28
Alpha Borad	11/29

News from the Lead Team:

- Funds received from the City of Miamisburg for the lease of Sunflower Park were applied to the mortgage as a principal paydown in September. When sale of the park is completed, all sale funds will be applied to the principal of our building.
- Funds collected from the Chicken Dinner Fundraising were \$1,766.00. All funds were placed into the general expense account for the church. We were all extremely pleased with the event and are looking forward to having one next year.
- The company that came in and stripped and waxed the floors has finished the process and the floors look a lot better now.
- The AC unit for the Youth Room needs replaced. We are looking at bids to replace the unit currently.
- The Global Methodist Church is developing programing to train Lay Leaders and Pastors in the church. Information about this can be obtained by reaching out to Sara Burchett and she will provide you with the website to learn more. Also, there is an informational diagram in the hall on a bulletin board to review.
- October 20th will be the next Lead Team meeting. The Leadership Development will be providing recommendations for the new lead team positions. Several positions will need new recommendations. The Global Methodist Church required the positions to rotate after service for three years.

Thank you!

Sunday, September 15, 2024 was a memorable day for so many reasons. Berman's 101st birthday and our 80th wedding day celebration. Which included family, church family, friends, and special guests with presentations. Following the Sunday church service there was a meal with a variety of delicious foods and deserts (carried in by you all) organized by Maria and Scoot Mills; thanks to them. We also received as many beautiful thoughtful cards thank you all. Vi and I have been so blessed during our lives and we thank God daily for this gift of life and blessings which includes all of you. Love you all. **Berman and Vi Layer**

Thank you for to the wonderful people who so lovingly and thoughtfully shop and put together the Labor Day caring baskets. IT was a labor of love. Thank you and God Bless, **Vi Layer**

September 26th– October 31st. Grief Counseling Thursdays from 2:00PM-4:00PM UPCOMING

October 12th: Youth Bonfire: Fellowship and Fun: 6:00PM– Depends on the fire ban being lifted.

-November 5th- Election Day Dinner: 4:30PM-7:00PM

"What's Happening in the Church"

Reaching New Heights Homeschool Co-Op invited local artist **Derry Cox** to speak during a lesson. Photographer Derry Cox uses an advanced biological research microscope to create his abstract triptychs, blending science and aesthetics. He discussed using infrared technology and math to create art. The students were exposed to a kaleidoscope of art work involving clouds, insects, and nature. He is also featured here on PBS: <u>The Art Show | Season 8, Episode 6 | PBS</u>

