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Parkview Church Newsletter 2024

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Connecting people to Jesus and one another.



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"Advent: The Call for Constant Expectation"

During the season of Christmas, we await and live in the delightful expectation of Christmas décor, Christmas shopping, gingerbread houses, the gifts we may receive, gifts we plan to give, family that we will see, that "ugly Christmas sweater" that we will wear, the Christmas party that we plan to go to, and the smiling little faces that will light up the room on Christmas morning. Christmas is always a very special time. But we the Church, during this Advent season, take it upon ourselves to consider the greater essence of the Christmas season and that is the expectation of the coming King, the Messiah, Jesus Christ.

However, Advent (and even Scripture itself) do not teach us to only expect Christ for a season or to only look for Him within the manger and then stop our search for His arrival. No, my friends. But in fact, Advent teaches us to expect Christ with anticipation in every moment, minute, second, day, season, situation, and in every aspect of our lives. Why? Because Christ is constantly providing His presence to those who would be so humble and so innocent as to always seek Him with a new expectation. He indeed provides His special presence to us, and He does so especially to those who seek to hear His voice every morning, who seek to find out His will for their day, and who seek to know the redemption that He has planned for their situations. Indeed, the Christ the King is here! The King has come! But the King also stands at the door of every aspect of our realities, knocking, beckoning, and with a desire to bring forth His presence anew in our lives daily.

So, let us constantly expect Him so that we may unwrap the continuous gifts of His conviction and of His revelation. May we let Him in, so that we may worship Him in all that we say, in all that we do, and in every day that we live. Come, let us expect Him to deliver us. Come! let us expect Him to preach to us. Come, let us expect Him to move us differently each time we say His name. Come, let us expect Him to call us by name. Come! let us expect Him to transform our hearts and to transform this desperate world. Come! let us adore Him! Come! let us behold Him, Christ the Lord! today, tomorrow, and forever more.

"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise."

-Isaiah 43:19-21

~Pastor Bellini

“Children’s and 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 and completed Safe Ministry training with the Global Methodist Church. If you want to join that team, please see Melora Newsome.



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

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.



Youth Chili Cook-Off
 Saturday, February 8th 5:00PM-7:00PM



Blessings in a Bag is Changing!

Currently Parkview Church is partnering with Trinity Church and St. James Church to service 4 elementary schools and provide weekly meals for 324 students. The cost for Parkview Church is \$1,500.00 a month, which isn't affordable.

Chris Marcott and Melora Newsome met with the other churches and a decision was made that Parkview Church would only provide meals for one school, Maddox Lang Preschool, which is 46 meals per week. We will be converting a room in our church to store the items and maintain complete say and control over what we provide for the program. This will also allow us to partner with Maddox Lang for back to school support and Teacher Appreciation Days.

This will start in January 2025. We will provide more information soon.

Ways You Can Support Parkview Church

We have interviewed someone to start as a Custodian, as a temp to hire. Raven Burns is one of the homeschool co-op moms who is at the church every week on Monday and her daughter is a member of one of our girl scout troops. Raven also works part-time for Kettering Medical and has passed a background check. Melora is going to work with Patti Rang and Pastor get her trained.

Many tasks indoor and outdoor 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.

Please let our Administrative Assistant know if you are able to help with light cleaning, such as dusting blinds and window sills, washing windows, helping with vacuuming, and cleaning the pew chairs. Any abilities are welcome!

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.

**Items we currently need donated: box cutters, weed trimmers, weed spray. Donations will be labeled as church property and kept in the maintenance room. In the spring, we will need help with weeding and laying mulch.



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 www.kroger.com 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. **Big Changes for this year! More information to come.** Coordinators: Susan Orndorf (Orndorf.Susan@gmail.com) or Tracy Ball tracy-meloral@aol.com

Blessings in a Bag: Provides food and snacks for children in the Miamisburg elementary schools that have food insecurity. **See Children's Ministry page for big updates!**

Blood Drive: Sign up online to donate blood at www.donortime.com. 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 January 20, 2024 1-7PM.** Blood donations are desperately needed.

Register at: www.donortime.com. **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. melanie-fox39@hotmail.com (See more information below.) **PILL BOTTLES ARE NO LONGER BEING ACCEPTED!**

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 <https://plantingseedsgives.org/volunteer-1> 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. *****Currently needs someone to sort bedding during the day.*****

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

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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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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PARKVIEW
CHURCH

Worship—Sunday at 10AM

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

Pastor: Rev. Paola Bellini

PastorB@parkviewmiamisburg.org

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Prayer Requests or Thanksgivings

pray@parkviewmiamisburg.org

General Office Communication

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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 November 2nd at 2:00PM

Word Search

H	R	L	Y	V	E	L	A	B
O	B	L	E	S	S	O	A	R
L	R	G	I	F	T	V	S	A
Y	E	G	F	P	S	E	B	T
J	O	Y	A	T	A	E	B	S

JOY, LOVE, GIFT, HOLY, BLESS, STAR

Nativity Word Scramble

- STBALE _____
- HEEPS _____
- NLGEA _____
- TSAR _____
- GAMREN _____
- JHPOES _____
- OENYDK _____
- EUSSJ _____
- SKNGI _____
- YMAR _____



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 in West Carrollton



Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:00AM

Charlie and Pam Lemaster, Leaders



Sunday Morning at 11:00AM

Berman Layer, Leader

All are welcome for fellowship!

Women's Bible Study

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



Praise and Prayer Meetings
 Thursdays at 10:00AM
 Lead by Pastor Bellini or Suzzi Luken



Prayer Group Schedule

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



Anniversaries

Jack and Susan Grayer (57) 12/29

Birthday

Brayden, Embry	12/02
Judy Yarbrough	12/03
Sebastian Burchett	12/05
Diane Shirley	12/07
Pam Lemaster	12/11
Donna Cronin	12/12
Sara Lindsey	12/13
Darlene Fugate	12/16
Janet Myers	12/18
Janice Miller	12/20

News from the Lead Team:

- Work is progressing on Roof Repairs. The previous roofing company used old materials and did not properly seal the roof; it allowed water to leak into the building. Denny is working on repairs and is looking to start replacing the damaged ceiling tiles.
- Election Day Dinner was successful. We served 373 meals, with carryout accounting for 47% of all sales. The committee is discussing extended carry-out hours next year. We look forward to doing more sales via credit card purchases next year as well.
- Chuck Fugate is going to design an additional sign for VBS this year. We had many positive comments about the new election day sign this year and we are hopeful this will improve our communications with the community.
- Vercom has installed a new phone system after we discovered our old phone system has security issues. Also, the old phone system didn't allow for us to change greetings when someone called the church. We are now able to set up a new greeting.
- Tracy Ball and Pam Lemaster are working on a plan to replace the tables in the entry with ones that are nicer and more like a café style layout. If you wish to help, please donate to hospitalities so they are able to update the entry sooner.

Building Maintenance Team

1. Denny McNeil- Chair
2. Dick Gaiser- Co-Chair (phone calls, checking exit lights once a month)
3. Eric Van Doren- Repair & Maintenance
4. Doug Fox- Lawn & Snow

UPCOMING
Events

- New Bible Study starting: "Because of Bethlehem" Lead by Denny McNeil. Runs for four weeks starting on November 27th- December 18th 7:00PM-8:00PM
- December 7th- 10:00AM-2:00PM Soup with Santa
- December 8th-December 14th- CPAM will be using the building to practice for their upcoming show. Performances are on Friday and Saturday.
- December 16- 6:00PM-7:00PM Reaching New Heights will have their Christmas Concert- all are welcome.
- December 24th: Children's Service: 5:00PM
- December 24th: Candlelight Service: 11:00PM



“What’s Happening in the Church”

There were so many events at the church this month! First was Election Day Dinner where we served 373 meals and raised funds for Blessings in a Bag. Then we had Lay Leader Week, and then Hanging of the Greens.

