

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



TODAY

11AM in the Atrium

Pizza with the Pastors is a great opportunity to learn more about Parkview by meeting some of the Pastors that serve our congregation. Whether you are new, or you've been at Parkview for awhile and want to get more involved, we hope you'll join us for this family friendly lunch.



Friends of International Students exists to provide community, hospitality and friendship to international students at The University of Iowa. If you would like more information about FIS, or to be matched with an International student this school year, stop by their kiosk in foyer this morning. If you are unable to stop by the kiosk, you can find more information at www.iowafis.com.



Sunday, September 10, 10:30AM - Central Campus

Plan to join us for our annual Fall Kick Off service as we worship God together during one outdoor service. Lunch is provided and kids can enjoy various activities and inflatables. Please plan to dress for the weather, bring a blanket or chair, and we hope to see you there! ***Only one worship service will be held on this Sunday.**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Family Ministries Admin

Part-time (25 hrs/week)

This position will provide administrative support to the Family Ministry Pastor and staff, help organize events, manage ministry finances, and communicate with parents and volunteers. See a full job description and apply online on our Employment Opportunities page under the About section at parkviewchurch.org.

Unite Director

Part-time (15 hrs/week)

Children's Ministry is looking for a director over its Unite (K-3rd grade) Sunday morning ministry. This position includes curriculum development, volunteer recruitment and training, teaching Bible lessons, and "stage" directing. See a full job description and apply online on our Employment Opportunities page under the About section at parkviewchurch.org.

BASICS

Sundays, Aug 20-Sept 3
11AM in Room 107

Basics is an entry-level class that meets for three sessions to explore the core beliefs of the Christian faith. We will address and give insight to basic questions such as, What is our purpose in life? Who is God? What is the church? Can I trust the Bible?, and How do I get started reading it? For more information, email office@parkviewchurch.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the school year to work in our children's ministry program. These volunteers provide a safe and secure environment each week building relationships and mentoring children in their relationship with God. We are looking for volunteers for all areas of children's ministry from nursery to 6th grade. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, contact rcrosser@parkviewchurch.org.

Series: 1 John THREE THINGS WE NEED TO KNOW

1 John 5:1-21
Pastor Doug Schillinger
August 13, 2017

OVERVIEW: The last chapter of 1 John serves as a summary of the key theme presented throughout the book—essentials that give us assurance that we have the life God offers!

We can know...

I. WHO WE ARE

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. 1 John 5:1-3

Evidences that we are children of God:

- **Belief:** We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Jesus is our Savior and King, our Liberator and Leader)
- **Belonging:** We love God's people
- **Behavior:** We obey God's commandments

Privileges we have as children of God:

- **We are overcomers**
For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? 1 John 5:4-5
- **We can pray with confidence**
And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him. 1 John 5:14-15

II. WHO JESUS IS

This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. 1 John 5:6-8

Witnesses that point to Jesus' deity:

- His baptism
- His crucifixion/death
- The Holy Spirit

III. WHO GIVES US LIFE

And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:11-13

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. John 10:10

For Further Study

- 1) Throughout 1 John, we have been shown three assurances that we truly know God: believing Jesus is the Son of God, obedience to God's commands, and loving God's people. It is crucial to remember that these are not good works or religious duties we perform in order to earn God's favor, but these are evidences, or signs, of a person who has placed saving faith in Jesus Christ. Check out Kevin DeYoung's elaboration of these truths on our Resources page at parkviewchurch.org.
- 2) Those who believe in Jesus Christ are described as people who have overcome the world and all forces that oppose God. Look at these key passages where this word is also used: **John 16:33; Romans 8:37; and 1 Corinthians 15:50-58.**
- 3) John mentions three evidences that demonstrate that Jesus is the Son of God. Here are the three he listed, and the passages where these events occur:
 - God's declaration at Jesus' baptism in **Matthew 3:13-17**
 - The supernatural occurrences at Jesus crucifixion in **Matthew 27:45-54**
 - The testimony of the Holy Spirit in **John 15:26; 16:13-14**
- 4) John's desire is that we would know with confidence the simplicity of the Gospel and how to experience the eternal life Jesus died for us to have. Look at these clear passages where John lays out the essence of the Gospel, as well as the assurance we can have in Jesus: **John 3:16-17; 5:24; 10:27-30; 1 John 5:11-13.**
- 5) Jesus gives us a great example of praying according to the will of His Father in **Mark 14:32-38**. Notice what Jesus desperately asked His Father to do. His Father didn't do! But Jesus expressed surrender to His Father's plan. Because of our relationship with Jesus, we can be assured that God hears our prayers. When we pray in His will, we submit to His plans, even the times He answers our prayers with a "No" or "Not yet".



Pick up a Ministry Guide TODAY in the foyer or download one from our website under the Resources tab. Inside you'll find information about our upcoming classes and activities for the Fall semester.