



SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES Sundays, Oct 1-22 11AM in Room 104A

“When you kill time, remember that it has no resurrection.” - A.W. Tozer. We will focus on making the best use of our day (and night) to develop the essentials of the Christian life such as submission, denial of self, prayer, and pursuit of God. Prioritize your life for God’s use! Sign up under the Events tab at parkviewchurch.org. For more information contact Jeff at jgilmore@parkviewchurch.org or Dave at dfoster@parkviewchurch.org.



There are three mission trips coming up that are led by Parkview Student Ministries. The trips are open to varying ages. Below are the dates of informational meetings regarding each of these trips.

Chicago (open to all ages)
- Info Meeting: October 1 at 11AM
- Trip Dates: March 9-13, 2018

Ukraine (open to High School students)
- Info Meeting: October 1 at 4:30PM
- Trip Dates: June 15-25, 2018

Belize (open to all ages, great for families)
- Info Meeting: October 8 at 11AM
- Trip Dates: July 14-22

For more information contact Todd at tcramer@parkviewchurch.org.



Sundays, Oct 1-22 11AM Rm 107 or Saturday, Oct 14, 8:30AM-2PM Rm 107

If you have been attending Parkview for six months or more, sign up for the New Members Class. You will meet some new friends, engage in great discussion, and grow in your spiritual journey. Sign up on the Events page at parkviewchurch.org.



October 20-22

The 24:7 Fall Retreat is utterly essential to the discipleship mission of 24:7. Below are three ways you can partner with 24:7 to make this the best retreat yet.

Pray - Before, during and after the retreat for life change to happen among all students attending.

Bake - If you feel led and would like to provide a snack for our students during the retreat, drop them off in the Kitchen labeled for the Fall Retreat before Oct 20.

Give - We want to alleviate the barrier of payment that some students might feel. If you feel led, please make a check out to Parkview Church and in the memo line write 24:7 Fall Retreat and place it in the offering basket or drop it off at the office.



Sunday, Oct 15 7:45-9:15AM in the Atrium

Grow in leadership at Parkview! Whether you are interested in a specific Parkview ministry or are just wanting to grow as a leader where you are serving, this class is for you! Large group meetings provide training while smaller cohort meetings provide mentoring. Sign up online under the Events tab at parkviewchurch.org.

The Crown and The Cross; A Study of Mark’s Gospel JESUS: THE HOPE FOR SINNERS

Mark 2:1-17
Pastor Jeff Gilmore
September 24, 2017

“Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”
Mark 2:17b

I. JESUS AND THE POOR AND BROKEN

The Paralytic (Mark 2:1-12)

A. Faith Expressed

- 1) The faith of Jesus.
- 2) The faith of the cot carriers.
- 3) The faith of the paralytic.

B. Faith Resisted

Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, “Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?”
Mark 2:6-7

II. JESUS AND THE RICH AND (IN)FAMOUS

The Tax Collector (Mark 2:13-17)

A. Faith Expressed

He went out again beside the sea, and all the crowd was coming to him, and he was teaching them. And as he passed by, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.
Mark 2:13-14

B. Faith Resisted

And the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, said to his disciples, “Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?”
Mark 2:16

C. Faith Applied

And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”
Mark 2:17

III. JESUS AND YOU!

A. Who is Jesus to you?

B. What does Jesus offer?

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.

Revelation 3:20

C. What must I do?

D. Caution...

E. Challenge...

Community Group Study Questions:

Begin your discussion by asking the group about their individual study of God’s Word and hearing God’s Word reached. The Spirit is working among you! Spend some time asking the group about what God is teaching them. If this is challenging/no one is sharing, take some time to remind the group about God’s abiding presence in them through the Holy Spirit to help them understand truth and convict them of sin.

Orient Your Minds to God’s Word

- Read **Mark 2:1-17**, or feel free to pick one of the stories (2:1-12 or 2:13-17) and focus your discussion on it.
- What roles does Jesus play in this passage? (i.e. healer, friend of sinners)
- Why did Jesus talk about forgiveness of sins before He healed the paralytic? (hint: v.10) Jesus heals on a spiritual level and a physical level in 2:12, what does this teach us about the relationship between the body and the soul?
- Jesus gladly jumped into community with tax collectors, the worst of the worst in Jewish society. What group/groups might be contemporary to tax collectors in first century Israel? What is uncomfortable about stepping into intimate, fellowship relationship with them?

Application for the Heart and Life

(This section is designed for Formation Groups = small (2-3) gender-specific groups for confession of sin and reminding one another of Gospel truth)

Gospel growth

One of our sinful tendencies is towards self-righteousness – thinking of ourselves as better than others. Be careful because it usually creeps into your heart slowly. In fact, the person who tends to deny self-righteousness has demonstrated self-righteousness already. The truth is that “no one is righteous” (Rom. 3:10-12); this is why we need Jesus!
• Where have you become proud in your heart? Do you think of yourself as better than others? It could be towards those who are immoral, or “uncivilized”, or lack self-control.
• Encourage one another towards repentance. Talk through how you might begin to relate to others with compassion and grace remembering your sin and rebellious tendencies.

Gospel promise

We gain courage and confidence to admit pride and self-righteousness by remembering our status is secure in Christ. Spend some time reminding one another that Jesus has become your righteousness. Meditate on and speak 2 Cor. 5:21 over one another...literally. For example, “Tom, for your sake God made Jesus to be sin even though He knew no sin, so that in him you might become the righteousness of God.”



Sunday, Oct 15 8AM in the Chapel

If you would like to get baptized, or want to know more about baptism, join us for an informational class led by Pastor John McHale. **Baptisms will be held on October 29th.** Sign up on the Events page at parkviewchurch.org. For more information, contact John at jmchale@parkviewchurch.org.