

The Parkview Banner

August 20, 2020 Issue

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To be planted as a tree in the presence of our God has been the recurring theme of my studies and prayers over the past several months. Coming from times of prayer, anchored by study in the gospel of John and the Psalms, it is a portrait I have been trying to understand more deeply than I have before.

One thing is very clear. To be planted as a tree in the house of God is in part to love, adore, delight in and treasure the Word of God. His Scriptures, given to us as a gift, are beyond anything we have in this world to guide us to His presence and so we must strive to grow deeper and wider in our knowledge and submission to God's Holy Bible.

There are no shortcuts. There is no cheat sheet. Give yourself wholly to reading, memorizing, meditating and most importantly following the words of life shared in the pages of scripture. It is my prayer for you, one of the highest pursuits of life and a road of blessing for all.

"I follow the Bible in all things, both great and small." – John Wesley

"For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

– Hebrews 4:12

"Cling you to the living Word, and let the gospel of your fathers, let the gospel of the martyrs, let the gospel of the Reformers, let the gospel of the blood-washed multitude before the throne of God, the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, be your gospel." – Charles Spurgeon

Justin

Something Special Is Coming to Parkview
on Sunday September 6th at **8:30am**

"Reading Together of the Gospel of John"

Sunday, Sept. 9th, during our regular worship service, we will reach our last message from the Book of John.

So . . . there will be NO Sunday School on 9/6 for adults or children. Instead we'll meet in the auditorium at 8:30am to read the Gospel of John together.

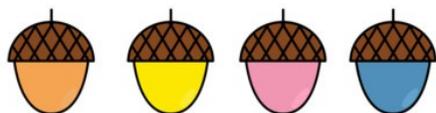
(The Nursery will not be staffed for this Bible reading time, but will be open for parents use only.)



Also, Sign Up at the front hutch to Be One of the Readers

HAPPY
SEPTEMBER
BIRTHDAY

- 9/2 Dale Goss
- 9/5 Jacob Grossnicklaus
- 9/5 Karen Griffin
- 9/5 Michael Cassmeyer
- 9/9 Alexis Wilson
- 9/10 Conner Couch
- 9/12 Mary Ann Turley
- 9/14 Heidi Avery
- 9/14 Sandra Boley
- 9/15 Jason Nickels
- 9/17 Margaret Hall
- 9/18 Clay Grossnicklaus
- 9/19 Dylan Ketchum
- 9/22 Tracy Graham
- 9/23 Therese Hall
- 9/24 Tonya Martinez



HAPPY
SEPTEMBER
ANNIVERSARY

- 9/1 John & Mary Sill
- 9/15 Tommy & Cathy Wilson
- 9/15 Pete & Shirlene
Cozzitorto
- 9/19 Kenny & Crystal Pifer
- 9/23 Roy & Tracy Graham
- 9/24 Lupe & Tonya Martinez
- 9/30 Garrett & Ashley Foster

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Sun. School 9:30a Worship 10:30a (also live online)
Wednesday Night 6:30-7:30pm at Parkview

Monday—Friday at 9am live online
Biscuits & Avery - the morning Psalm Devo

<https://parkview.fr>
[eeonlinechurch.com/live](https://www.facebook.com/PVCCOK/)

<https://www.facebook.com/PVCCOK/>

Facebook group pccfamilyministry2020

Jr High and High School Youth Group

Prayer Warriors

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| 8/31-9/6 Teresa Fulton | 9/7-13 Diane Robbins |
| 9/14-20 Coy & Roberta Eskew | 9/21-27 Mary Sill |
| 9/28-10/4 Rosie Morris | |

Thank You

Your kindness means so much, thank you! For all the prayers, calls and food and for such a great church family, but I miss my hugs. Elsie Hinson (at the passing of her son, John.)

Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?...But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.
Matthew 6:25-27, 33 NIV

Bringing Lord's Supper Thoughts in 8/23– 10/25

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| 8/23 Shawn Jantz | 8/30 Joseph Woods |
| 9/6 Danny Chaney | 9/13 Jared Standridge |
| 9/20 Shawn Jantz | 9/27 Joseph Woods |
| 10/4 Danny Chaney | 10/11 Jared Standrige |
| 10/18 Shawn Jantz | 10/25 Joseph Woods |

Psalm 150

¹ Praise the LORD.

Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens.

² Praise him for his acts of power;
praise him for his surpassing greatness.

³ Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,
praise him with the harp and lyre,

⁴ praise him with timbrel and dancing,
praise him with the strings and pipe,

⁵ praise him with the clash of cymbals,
praise him with resounding cymbals.

⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.

Praise the LORD.



Do you notice how God has chosen to end the Psalms? With an explosion of instruments used to praise his power and greatness. But it is the final verse of the Psalms in which the most important instrument, I believe, is spoken of. “Let everything that has *breath* praise the Lord.” Breathing envisions lungs and mouths. Lungs and mouths, when used to praise, give rise to a voice. And this is the greatest instrument we have. Surely, the musical instruments we use are important, whether they are the ones mentioned here in Psalm 150 or the ones we are more familiar with, guitars, pianos, keyboards, and percussion instruments. Gods commands us to use them. However, in Scripture, he commands us to use the instrument of our voice sevens times more frequently than any other instrument.

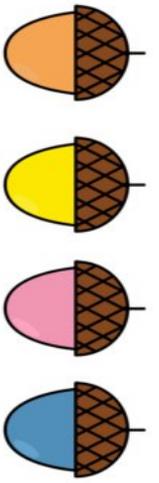
So, how can we use this instrument in the most God glorifying way on Sunday mornings or in the Upper Room? I’ll offer three suggestions here.

First, preparation. I don’t mean you need to wake up early on Sunday morning to warm up your voice. I’m suggesting that you prepare your heart. Use Psalm 150 as a template. Take a moment to consider God in his mighty heavens. Playback the film of your life, or even the past week, and consider the great and powerful ways in which God has moved. Set your mind on the goodness and faithfulness that he’s shown to you and your family. And come to service with a heart of eagerness and expectation.

Second, play your instrument. This may seem obvious, but I’m afraid it probably needs to be said. If it’s time to sing, then sing. Don’t whisper (or speak at normal volume) with your neighbor. Don’t refuse to sing because you don’t know the words (they’re on the screen) or you don’t like the song (that’s ok, we’re not there to praise you). And as you play your instrument, pay close attention to the words, they’re your sheet music. Can you imagine if Matt or Laura didn’t pay attention to the notes or chords in front of them, if they simply went through the motions? Consider the truth of the words you’re singing and sing them with gladness and joy.

Finally, enjoy the instruments of those around you. I know not everyone’s voice is Steinway, Stradivarius, or even a Fender Stratocaster. But as the congregation lifts her voice, let her praise wash over you. Let the worship of your brothers and sisters be an encouragement to you. I’ll see you Sunday, ready to worship our Savior and King with hearts and voices filled with thanksgiving and gladness.

Joseph



September 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sundays: 9:30a Sun Sch 10:30a Worship (also online)		1	2 6:30-7:30p Adults & Kids	3 Auditorium Rsvd 3:15-4:15p Jerry	4	5
6 NO SUN SCH 8:30am Reading the Gospel of John Together	7 Labor Day Parkview Office Closed	8	9 6:30-7:30p Adults & Kids	10 Auditorium Rsvd 3:15-4:15p Jerry	11	12
13	14	15	16 6:30-7:30p Adults & Kids	17 Auditorium Rsvd 3:15-4:15p Jerry	18	19
20	21	22 	23 6:30-7:30p Adults & Kids	24 Auditorium Rsvd 3:15-4:15p Jerry	25	26
27	28 Jerl Joslin Memorial Open Golf Tourney	29	30 6:30-7:30p Adults & Kids	