

# Parkside News

## THIS OCTOBER New Sermon Series “WHO CARES?”

Our culture specializes in branding people and sorting them into camps that disregard or hate each other – or just don’t care. If a branded person faces misfortune or doesn’t know Jesus, we might be tempted to shrug and say, “Who cares? Not me!”

Branding is nothing new and was prevalent in Jesus’ day. But he refused to let branding determine who he would care for and love. The clear lesson he taught? Who cares about the branded? God does, and so must we. Special Guest Amanda Graves will come and share her story of how Jesus and his people cared for her and loved her back to health, physically and spiritually.

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## Generous Living = Generous Church A Word From Senior Minister, Bart Steever

We are so pleased that we can offer the Trauma Informed Care workshop on October 5 from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Materials, training and lunch are all provided free of charge. At this writing we have 81 people registered, and many are from our community beyond our Parkside family. This will be a great chance to equip ourselves for care and welcome new friends. There is room for many more.

We can offer this valuable resource because of generosity. Our recent uptick in giving has provided significant debt reduction that has resulted in discretionary money to plow back into ministry instead of a payment to the bank. That will be the ongoing result of generous living and generous giving on the part of everyone. Providing the Trauma Informed Care workshop is just the beginning of our intention to invest in new and ongoing ministries that allow us to be a blessing to those who know Jesus, and more importantly, to those who don’t yet know him.

This intention will continue as each of us commits to moving toward the 10-10-80 template as to our financial lifestyle. Giving 10 percent to God, saving 10 percent for the future, and living on 80 percent of our income seems a reasonable way to live for a follower of Christ. But if it is a new way of living for you, it can take some time to achieve those percentages. If you cannot make the move to 10-10-80 all at once, do it in small steps. If you are giving 2% to God, bump that to 3%. If 5%, bump it to 6%. Dedicate yourself to paying down debt, and freeing up money for better causes than interest payments. The freedom this brings to your lifestyle is like a sudden cool breeze on a hot Ohio day.

Generosity is not just a good thing – it’s fun! When you suddenly have some cash available that you can drop on deserving (or undeserving) people and worthy causes, well, it must be how Santa Claus feels on Christmas Eve. As you hold your resources in an open hand for God to use as he wishes, we will continue to decrease our debt, increase our ministry footprint, and introduce new people to Jesus through the generosity of his people.

## CAMPUS NEWS

### Wrapping Up Rerouted

**October 6<sup>th</sup>**

#### A Re-Route In The Desert

**Acts 8**

Phillip was having tremendous success evangelizing people in an urban setting, until Jesus re-routed him to a lonely desert, and a royal official became the catalyst for a Christ-following movement in Ethiopia. Mark and Krista Haley were on one ministry track, Jesus stepped in and re-routed their lives to Ethiopia as well. Seems a crazy mid-life re-calculation to make – but Jesus had other plans in mind.

**October 13<sup>th</sup>**

#### Politicians Too Busy to Change Course

**Acts 26**

Movers and shakers in the world of politics encountered an itinerant rabbi/preacher who had been arrested for inciting riots in Jerusalem. Jesus stepped in and offered them a change of course – and they missed the turn in the road. John Davis will share how Jesus stepped in and re-routed his apparently very successful life, into a life successfully dedicated to bringing glory to God. He didn't miss the turn.

**October 20<sup>th</sup>**

#### Is A Re-Route To Prison Ever A Good Thing?

**Acts 20 & 21**

Paul could have basked in the glory of his success, perhaps taking up residence in a locale where he could preside as the regional bishop. Instead, he set his sights on Jerusalem, knowing full well that Jesus was steering him to be arrested, beaten, chained and sent to Rome. Parkside Worship Minister Jake Farrell was on a good course – two stable jobs, both at which he was very successful. He elected to follow the call of God to the uncharted waters of Parkside Christian Church. It's a good story.

### Mission Sunday

**October 27<sup>th</sup>** is *Mission Sunday*! All offerings collected will go in support of our global and local mission partners, unless you designate for "General Fund".

### Dollar Club

Join the Dollar Club! On Sunday, give one dollar more than you usually do and your dollar will go towards a great need within our community. Know of a need? Visit our [website](#), scroll down on the homepage to the Dollar Club icon, click on the image and enter the nominee's information into the online form. Together, we can impact our community in a powerful way!

### Parkside Cares

Please let us know if you have a loved one who is homebound or in a local care facility who would like to receive a visit that includes a time of communion and prayer. Our Elders and a team of caring volunteers are willing to make those types of visits. If you would like for someone to come for a visit or if you are interested in helping with this ministry team, contact Shepherding Minister, Randy Shivers, [randy@parksidechristian.com](mailto:randy@parksidechristian.com).

## CAMPUS NEWS

### RightNow Media



Take advantage of RightNow Media! Download this free app and gain access to over 10,000 free videos, Bible studies, and children's shows. A world of resources to help you grow spiritually is right at your fingertips! Email [Matt Robinson](mailto:Matt.Robinson@parksidechurch.org) to sign up.

### Family Christmas Volunteers Needed

The Christmas holiday is a couple months away! Our Family Christmas Night on **December 8<sup>th</sup>** can't happen without lots of planning and volunteers. We want your input and help. See how you can be involved in this event that blesses our Parkside family and community. Contact Meredith Lindsey to learn more. Email [thelindseys38@yahoo.com](mailto:thelindseys38@yahoo.com).

### Condolences

*Please join us in lifting up those in our Parkside family who have recently lost loved ones.*

#### Janet McCord & Family

The loss of her mother, *Mildred Roberts*, on Sunday, September 15.

### A Poem For The Winsome Class

Parkside Partner, Bob Kitchen, has written a poem dedicated to the Winsome Class. Click [HERE](#) to read it!

### Child Care Career Opportunity



The Children's Home is hiring After School Counselors! This is a part time position that provides care for children K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Visit their website, [www.tchcincy.org](http://www.tchcincy.org) and click on "careers" to apply. Call (513) 272-2800 for more information.

## LOCAL & GLOBAL OUTREACH

### International Mission Partner Update

#### Impact Ethiopia Ministries

Click [HERE](#) to read the latest from Mark and Krista Haley!



## PARKSIDE *KIDS* NEWS

### First Look Toddlers - Pre K



Read what our sweet preschoolers will be learning about in the month of October!

We love our superheroes. We love their strength and bravery and how they use their special powers and super weapons to save the day. Whether it's a lasso that forces truth telling or a trident that manipulates water, it's always exciting to watch! What about in real life? We all want to be strong and courageous. We all want to say we would be brave when faced with fear. But how? What can help us be brave? How can our preschoolers be strong and courageous SUPER KIDS without the capes and super powers we see in the movies? This month we plan on giving preschoolers the answers to all of these questions while having some superhero fun! We want our preschoolers to grow up knowing that they can be brave, because God is with them. Yep! God can help them be brave! And they don't even need a cape or a mask!

#### October Key Verse

*"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid...for the Lord your God goes with you."*

*Deuteronomy 31:6*

### Elementary October Focus



Our Kindergarten through sixth graders will be learning that throughout our lives, God may ask us to take risks or do something we may not feel prepared to do. But God will also give us the courage we need to face that challenge. We see this as Jesus faced death on the cross. He chose to be brave and follow through on God's plan.

#### October Key Verse

*"Be strong and brave. Do not be afraid. Do not lose hope. I am the Lord your God. I will be with you everywhere you go."*

#### 56 LIVE!

**Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** will be the first 56 LIVE event of the school year for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade kids. We will play games in the West Gym, eat together and have a devotional time. Cost is \$2 for dinner. Bring a friend and check-in at door 12!

#### *Thank You!*

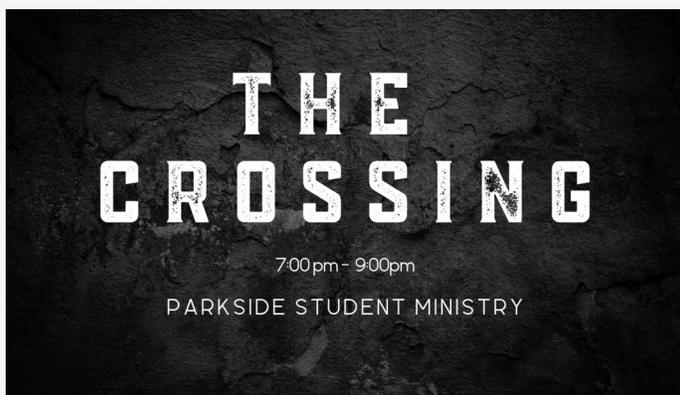
Huge thank you to all the parents who came to Parkside Kids Day! It was fun connecting as parents supporting our kids and this ministry! *Family* is the key word this new school year. We will offer several family oriented events that you can enjoy together.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

### Rel Community

Rel Community takes place Sunday evenings from **6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.!** This is a time for students to spend time together talking about things that really matter. The first series will be *This Is My Campus*.

### The Crossing



7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to join us for the first Crossing of the year. We will be hosting a bazooka ball tournament! Come to Parkside on **Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** Bring friends!

### Volunteers Needed!

Student Ministry needs volunteers to make this upcoming school year great. We are looking for people to serve pizza once a month at Rel Community, people to greet students as they come into Rel Community once a month, Rel Community Leaders, Sunday School Leaders and Crossing Leaders (4 times a year). If you're interested, email Student Minister, Rachel Menzel, at [rachel@parksidechristian.com](mailto:rachel@parksidechristian.com).

### Middle School Fall Retreat

Middle School Students! Join us **October 18<sup>th</sup> through 20<sup>th</sup>** at Butler Springs for Middle School Fall Retreat! We will dive into the lessons Jesus taught from the mount to see the radically different life He is calling us to live.

We will meet at Parkside at 4:30 p.m. on October 18<sup>th</sup> and return to Parkside 1:30 p.m. on October 20<sup>th</sup>. The early bird price is \$75 and the price will increase to \$85 on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you have any questions, email Rachel Menzel at [rachel@parksidechristian.com](mailto:rachel@parksidechristian.com).

### High School Fall Retreat

High School students are invited to One21 HS Fall **November 8<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup>** at Butler Springs Christian Camp. This fall retreat offers opportunities to commune with God, meet new people, deepen friendships, laugh, sing, and play.

We will be meeting at Parkside at 5:00 p.m. on November 8<sup>th</sup> and will return to Parkside at 1:30 p.m. on November 10<sup>th</sup>. The price is \$90. If you have any questions, email Rachel Menzel at [rachel@parksidechristian.com](mailto:rachel@parksidechristian.com).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Trauma Competent Care Training

Back2Back Cincinnati is offering *Introduction to Trauma Competent Caregiving* **October 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at Parkside. This Biblically based and research supported training has reached over 50 countries. The introduction will give participants an overview of how children and adolescents have been effected by trauma and what they need to heal. You will leave with practical steps to help in your home, church or ministry.

This training is free to those attending Parkside and others working in the surrounding community in Cincinnati. Lunch and materials are provided.

Register at

[parksidechristian.com/trauma-competent-care/](http://parksidechristian.com/trauma-competent-care/)

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### 2019 Women's Retreat

Ladies! Clear your calendar for the 2019 Parkside Women's Retreat, *Reset*. We will gather together at [Higher Ground Conference and Retreat Center](#) in West Harrison, Indiana **October 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. through 3:00 p.m. on the 12<sup>th</sup>**. The cost is \$65 per attendee. Cost covers lodging, 3 meals, snacks, games, and prizes. Scholarships are available. Register by emailing [parksidecareteam@gmail.com](mailto:parksidecareteam@gmail.com).

### Saturday Morning Men's Breakfast

Mark your calendar for our next Men's Breakfast, **Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 8:00 a.m.** in the Heritage rooms. A complimentary breakfast of pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, and more will be provided. Come enjoy good food and good fellowship with a group of great guys. It's a perfect way to start your Saturday! You can sign up on a Welcome Card or contact the church office at (513) 231-9482. Invite a friend! If you have a question, contact Shepherding Minister, Randy Shivers, at [randy@parksidechristian.com](mailto:randy@parksidechristian.com).

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### *Save The Date* Veteran's Day Celebration

Save the date! On **Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**, will be having a Veterans' Day Celebration Connection Lunch at noon in the Worship Center. We will have a special Veterans Day Tribute along good food, inspiring music, and great fellowship. Anyone who is free during the lunch hour is welcome to join us for this special luncheon. Please invite your friends! You can sign up by calling the church office at (513) 231-9482 or fill out a Welcome Card.

## CLASSES & GROUP LIFE

### Rooted Groups

New Rooted groups have formed and begun! If you'd like to learn more about this 10 week small group experience, email Matt Robinson, at [matt@parksidechristian.com](mailto:matt@parksidechristian.com).

### Young Couples Class

Married, in your 20's or 30's, and looking to connect with other couples? Come to Parkside's Young Couples class to grow in community and deepen your faith. Classes are held **Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.** in the new Cambridge Room. It's a great time to jump in!

### Grief Share

Grief Share has resumed and meets Monday evenings in the Fireside Room from **6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** Grief Share focuses on providing caring support for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Each week this group will watch and discuss a biblically based video dealing with various topics associated with grief. The class is designed so that you can join at any time. If you are interested or have questions please contact Mary Meredith (965-8439) or Peggy Elliott (231-8339).

### Memory Care Support

Teresa Youngstrom is available to help support those who have a loved one dealing with memory care issues. Email [teresa@teresayoungstrom.com](mailto:teresa@teresayoungstrom.com) to learn more.

### Healthy Sexuality Community Resources

People who struggle with sexual issues often find it hard to go to someone they know. If you need help and need to find that help in a more anonymous way, we recommend two credible resources.

#### Men's Healthy Sexuality At Crossroads Community Church

<https://www.crossroads.net/healing/mens-healthy-sexuality/>

Perfect for Men struggling with destructive sexual behaviors. Live a life free of pornography and other destructive behaviors. Feel understood, find hope and gain freedom. Weekly (join anytime)

Campus: **Oakley**; Room: **KC220**

Day: **Thursdays**; Time: **6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Childcare is available with one week advance registration. [see their website]

Questions? Email Corey Barnett at

[cmbarnett87@gmail.com](mailto:cmbarnett87@gmail.com) or [hello@crossroads.net](mailto:hello@crossroads.net).

If you need immediate care, please contact our team for a Listening Appointment at [hello@crossroads.net](mailto:hello@crossroads.net).

#### Jerry Armelli & Prodigal Ministries

God has not been silent to the prayers of individuals with sexual addictions and unhealthy attractions.

Many have experienced the power of Christ to address the deep needs of men and women with same-gender attractions and other forms of sexual brokenness. With each year that passes, more understanding is being given to offer tangible help for those courageous enough to take the journey into sexual health and wholeness.

Thirty-three years of experience. Support is offered: mentoring, counseling and support groups. Help for family and friends of loved ones who struggle is also available.

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