

PARKMINSTER LIFE

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Parkminster Prayer Meeting Every Thursday

Everyone is invited to join the **PRAYER AND SHARE** meetings online **every Thursday at 7 pm until the time we're able to meet again at church**. Even though we can't be together in person, it's a great way to stay connected, offer encouragement to one another and pray as the body of Christ for one another and the world around us.

The joining info is below and will be the same every week starting this Thursday. If enough people join, we will split up into break out rooms. That would allow groups that normally meet together to split off at some point if they like. Please encourage one another to join in!

If you want to join, but aren't sure how to, please contact Cindy Tawaf. If you haven't used Zoom before, it's suggested that ahead of time, you click on the link below which will take you to a place where you will find a link to install Zoom on your device. Note that if you are not able to join from a computer, tablet or phone with video capability, you can join from a phone (cell or landline) using the phone number, meeting ID and password listed below. We hope to "see" you on Thursdays!

Join Zoom Meeting

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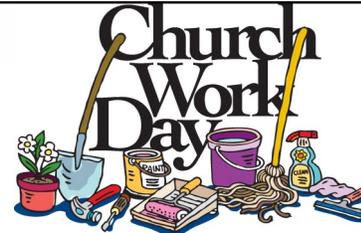
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Dial by your location

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

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**Doesn't it feel good to be needed;
like what you do really matters?**

GET READY TO FEEL GOOD!!

Your Parkminster family needs your helping hand at the annual spring cleanup day.

Except we can't gather as a group this year because of social distancing...

If you and your family are willing to come over to the church and take on a job, contact the church office and you will be assigned a job to help clean up the church grounds.

Rake leaves, clean up a garden, mulch, wash windows, and more!

YOU ARE NEEDED AND CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!

Sign up at

parkminsterchurch@gmail.com

FUN IDEAS FROM FAMILY MINISTRY

Nature Scavenger Hunt on pg 6

16 Activities for Seniors

(or Anyone!)



Summer's Best Two Weeks

**SPORTS CAMP for kids
in 2nd thru 8th grades**

JULY 20—31

Weekdays

9 am—4:30 pm

**Registration Form—
Parkminster.com**

*soccer, volleyball, gaga ball,
basketball, track & field, an
overnight, craft, Bible study,
and much more!*

SBTW REGISTRATION DETAILS:

We must have all your paperwork and a minimum of a \$50 deposit to secure your camper's spot at camp.

Spots are limited!

Ages 7—13 entering 2nd—8th grades

Forms available at Church Office, Foyer & online at Parkminster.com (under Next Steps)

April 1st — Cost: \$220 for first sibling, \$185 for each additional sibling

After July 1st — Cost: \$245 & \$185 for each additional sibling

Healthy Harvest Food Cupboard

Contact the Church Office @ 247-2424

Our Food Cupboard is available to all who attend Parkminster.

It is also available to the community.

During this difficult time, you will be able to get a box of food every 2 weeks if you need it.

Call the Church Office to arrange a time to pick up the food. 247-2424



Easter Plants

*The Chancel Committee
wishes to thank everyone
who ordered and contributed
to the Easter Plant Sale.*

*Your generosity helped us to
"Glorify His Name" by
making the service a*

*beautiful space to celebrate Easter Sunday.
It was also a way to support a local small
business during this time.*

Sunday Worship @ 10:30 am

***Streaming live
Sundays on Facebook***

Or recorded on our
website after 1 pm

Parkminster.com



Deacon's Corner—May

This is a hard article to write because I am writing this 2 weeks before the May newsletter comes out. Normally that is just fine because not much changes. But we are living in strange and unfamiliar times. A lot of us are uncertain, scared, confused, and filled with anxiety.

When the Covid-19 virus first emerged I was paralyzed with fear. I was afraid to go to work or leave my house, I was crying all the time. You could legitimately say that I was a mess! I wouldn't have argued with you whatsoever.

So I began reading scripture and learned that God wants us to share our struggles. He said how else can you do His work if everyone just said they were fine and nobody needed help.

That's when I decided I needed to openly share my struggles. So I shared all my doubts and fears with my other fellow Deacon's. It was VERY uncomfortable at first but it was the best thing I could have done. They are like warriors. If you need something, they are there! I felt immediately embraced by the Love of God. I have been at peace ever since.

And the good news about this is my fellow Deacon's are also your Deacon's! We are not running for cover a dodging anyone. We are here for you! Always!

And interestingly enough, even though I am a Deacon, I still have a Deacon assigned to me too! So I want to share a devotional my Deacon sent to me. It erased my doubts and fears. I hope it does the same for you!

Words from Jesus Calling:

I (Jesus) want you to learn the art of giving thanks in all circumstances. See how many times you can thank Me daily, this will awaken your awareness to a multitude of blessings. It will also cushion the impact of trials when they come against you. Practice My presence by practicing the discipline of Thankfulness.

Those words helped me so much!!

If you want further guidance here is a passage from Thessalonians 5:18:

Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Blessings to all,
Denise Shaffer

MAY

BIRTHDAYS

- 7 Denise Shaffer
- 9 Cameron Truax
Joshua Colegrove
- 10 Ken Avery
- 13 Jonah Gonzalez
Jacob Gonzalez
- 18 Jen Wolford
- 20 Jordan Klotz
- 23 Margie Gartner



ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Haroon & Cindy Tawaf
- 8 Greg & Jeanne Milley



If your birthday or anniversary is not listed on our monthly listing, please email Debbie at parkminsterchurch@gmail.com or call 247-2424

TEACHING JOB OPENING FOR SEPTEMBER

Rochester Classical Academy (RCA), a new classical Christian school that opened in fall 2019, is seeking an elementary school teacher.

RCA offers an exciting opportunity to build a successful classical Christian school from the ground up. We are looking for teachers who are excited to make new inroads in this community.

The subjects and grade levels taught by RCA teachers vary based on the needs of the school and the abilities of the teachers.

This position is open to people with non-traditional training.

If you, or someone you know, might be interested please visit rochesterclassicalacademy.org/employment for more information and how to apply.

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LIFE

GROUPS

Below is a list of our Life Groups!

During this time of separation, some of these groups will meet in an online format. Others will not be meeting until it is safe to again gather in person. Contact the leader of the group for more information:

Not Just Mom—Led by Lynette Wright
737-9096

Women’s Sunday Morning Life Group
Contact church office 247-2424

Men’s Group—Led by Jeff Crosby
360-2115

No Dumb Questions - Led by Dan Kuehn
880-3771

Heart to Heart Bible/Book Study
Contact Ruth Blekkenk 889-6347

Aging Well—Led by Debbie McClurg & Karen Irvine
247-2424

(previously Caring for Aging Parents)

Parkminster Prayer Shawl Ministry
Led by Pat Romanowski 469-8397



Church Office Hours are
Monday—Friday
8:30 am—12:30 pm



We meet Thursdays during the school year
from 6:30—8:30 pm

Kindergarten thru 5th Grade



Kindergarten through 5th Grade children will meet in room 309 at 10:15 am. You can pick up your child/ren after the service in room 309.

Parkminster’s Shine Kids Ministry

Our curriculum consists of studying stories from both the Old Testament and New Testament.

So excited to see you on Sundays! Also be on the lookout for Shine event announcements on Parkminster.com/shine.

Blessings,
Michaela Wright, Shine Coordinator



NURSERY & PRESCHOOL CARE

Nursery Care for infants and toddlers along with **Preschool Care** for 3 & 4 year olds is available **at 10:15 am** in rm 110 on the lower level.

Parkminster’s Vision

We aspire to be a dynamic, Christ-led community, seeking and serving God and our neighbors.

2020 Parkminster Financial Summary

	Jan	Feb	Mar	YTD	YTD +/-
Beginning Balance (Savings + Checking)	214,073.13	213,318.35	220,999.79		
+ Budget Income (details below)	11,809.62	25,545.48	15,723.08	53,078.18	19,378.81
- Budget Expenses	12,364.62	17,551.18	11,499.25	41,415.05	-3,289.20
+ Designated Accounts Income	1,557.23	2,781.03	1,282.73		
- Designated Accounts Expenses	1,757.01	3,093.89	1,818.58		
Ending Balance (Savings + Checking)	213,318.35	220,999.79	224,687.78		
- Designated Accounts Liabilities	25,826.87	25,514.01	25,105.20		
Net Cash	187,491.48	195,485.78	199,582.58		
- Designated Accounts Assets (details below)	183,626.48	183,626.48	183,626.48		
Current budget surplus/deficit	3,865.00	11,859.30	15,956.10		

Budget Income Details:

	YTD	YTD +/-
Pledged offerings	28,330.43	5,135.43 ----+
Unpledged offerings	6,067.01	1,567.01 ---->
Loose offerings	166.30	-208.70 ----+
Misc income	15,047.71	14,972.71
Rents	3,466.73	-2,087.65
Total:	53,078.18	19,378.81

YTD Sustainability Goal		
Pledged / unpledged / loose income		
Goal	Actual	+ / -
30,733	34,564	3,831

(see Note 6 below)

Designated Account Assets:

Pinneo fund	38,080
Geerhold fund	77,747
Manse sale	67,799
Total:	183,626

Definitions:

- "YTD +/-" is the amount we are currently over budget (+) or under budget (-) for that item.
- "Designated Accounts" are funds from savings/checking that are reserved for specific purposes as Deacons, Youth (Prism), Healthy Harvest, etc. Designated Accounts income is separate from budget income and comes primarily from designated giving, special offerings, fundraisers, and bequests.
- "Designated Accounts Liabilities" are the total reserved funds that we are obligated to pay in the future.
- "Designated Accounts Assets" are the total reserved funds that can be spent as Session decides.
- "Net Cash" is Designated Account Assets + current budget surplus (or - current budget deficit).
- 'YTD Sustainability Goal' shows how we are doing on a YTD basis vs our 2020 goal of an additional \$13,853 in income. The '+ / -' column shows how much we're ahead (+) or behind (-) our goal.

Just because we have to be socially distant does not mean we cannot get outside and explore nature. Go out as a family and do this scavenger hunt. You can as a family add more things too the list. Be creative! Get outside! Have fun together!!

Nature Scavenger Hunt

Look and listen! See if you can find:

1 One person riding a bike.

2 Two people out walking or running.

3 Three animals or bugs.

4 Four things that are BIG.

5 Five things that are little.

6 Six different textures or patterns.

7 Seven different types of sounds. (Listen!)

8 Eight different types and colors of rocks.

9 Nine different types of flowers or plants.

10 Ten different colors in nature.



Brought to you by:



16 Activities for Seniors (or Anyone!)

Wake up the senses with lavender or other essential oils

Basic stretching: arms, legs and neck

Color, draw or doodle. Or Zentangle!

Color sort (such as with beads or paint swatches)

Sensory boxes (choose different objects, textures)

Make greeting cards from recycled paper and magazines

Kinetic sand or play dough

Indoor garden with seeds or small plants

Listen to soothing instrumental music

Learn a new dance, such as ballroom, tap or Zumba

Make jewelry with beads, wire and ribbon

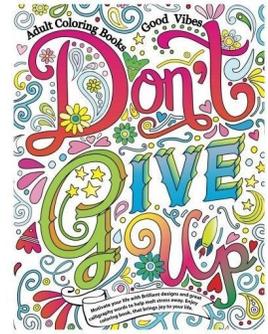
Cup stacking with paper or foam cups

Singalongs (Think: "Sound of Music" or "Grease")

Paint rocks or sticks to display outside

Livestream religious services via the Internet

Take a stroll or wheel around the grounds



Brought to you by: SAFE Gatherings & CongregationU



Parkminster Church Prayer Vigil—4/24/20

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

PRAISES! The Willit family is recovering at home from the Corona Virus. Patty & Jeff are cleared and Mark is better.

† Pray for Lisa Pooley and her family as they mourn the death of her stepfather.

† Pray for continued healing & a swift recovery for Karen Irvine as she recovers from knee surgery.

† Brandon Willit has been assigned a 1 year tour of duty in Kuwait. Please pray for him, his wife Kelsey and two little boys, Alex and Rocky.

† Pray for comfort and healing for Elinor Craig who continues to recover from a broken hip and shoulder. She is now living at the Friendly Home. Prayer & cards are welcome!

† Please pray for healing for Rev. Amy Fowler's husband, Gene who is being treated for a brain tumor with radiation and chemotherapy after having surgery.

† Please continue to pray for a miracle healing for baby Alex. His mom, Heather Bennett grew up coming to SBTW. Alex has a very serious lung disease.

† Continue to pray for healing for Jeff Crosby's back and relief from pain.

† Pray for Iona Kuehn as she works to regain better use of her hand.

† Pray for Kathy Scott's health. She gets sick easily.

† Pray for Cindy Tawaf's dad, He's having health issues and has transitioned to live with a family member.

† Pray for Elizabeth Porterfield and her mother - for family in Venezuela, and for peace and security there for family and all who live there. Prayers for peace, stability of life, and the well being of the people in Nicaragua, Venezuela and Haiti.

† Pray for several of our members who are caring for aging parents as they deal with health and housing issues.

† Pray for Ralph & Sylvia Heimann as they live with health issues.

† Pray for the Session as they seek to discern God's purposes for our congregation.

† Pray for the trustees as they work to care for the church building & grounds, and the manse.

† Pray for the church leadership as they continue to guide us through this time without a pastor and through the transition as our new pastor begins.

† Pray for our congregation during this time of

† Pray that our church officers be filled with the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Contact the Church Office for the following:

Prayer Chain (via email)

Prayer Vigil Update (in weekly bulletin)

***Parkminster Life Prayer Vigil
(in monthly newsletter)***

**Contact Debbie McClurg in the church office
at: Phone: 247-2424**

E-Mail: parkminsterchurch@gmail.com

**Due Date for the
JUNE
Parkminster Life
Is May 18th!!!**



FYI:

The church office
will be closed on

Monday May 25th for Memorial Day.



**Sound Team Technician
Trainees Needed** Contact
David Jackson or if you are
interested.