January 2021



It's Either Macbeth or a Makeover

William Shakespeare's *Macbeth* is a tale of selfish ambition, intrigue, and murder. After the death of his wife and his impending failure to gain the crown through treachery, the main character, Lord Macbeth, espouses his "in a nutshell" view of life:

Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player

That struts and frets his hour upon the stage,

And then is heard no more. It is a tale Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, Signifying nothing.

As we come out of the challenges of 2020 and march headlong into 2021, maybe there is a part of you that is tempted to agree with Lord Macbeth. Maybe it is all just sound and fury with no real meaning. Maybe life is just COVID, politics, division, bills, obligations, conflict, and a thousand other mundane things.

If you relate to the above at all – or, even if you are just in need of a reminder of something bigger, grander, deeper – I want you to consider another quotation. This one comes from King David in Psalm 16:8-11:

I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Therefore, my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, because You will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay. You make known to me the path of life; You fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand.

We live in a culture that has lost its sense of *meaning* and its sense of *truth*. We live in a world that would probably concur with Macbeth. Yet, this is not the true story. The true story is that if we embrace the LORD and His Kingdom we will find eternal pleasures at His right hand.

As we head toward 2021, it is a good time for us to reflect and adjust course. We will be starting the year (Sundays in January) with our new sermon series: *Kingdom: When Heaven & Earth Collide*. My hope is that it will help you as you reclaim the meaning, truth, and power that God wants you to live in as His Kingdom representative. Whatever happens in 2021,

may we not agree with Macbeth. Instead, may we seek a makeover through life in Christ and His Kingdom.

The Pastor's Study



Justin McMurdie Senior Pastor





Christian Education Co-Chairmen



BRYAN RISPALJE

JORDAN CARTER

January 2021 Update for Adult Programs & Christian Education

Here is some of what is happening with Life Groups and Adult CE as we kick off 2021:



Life Groups: We have leaders & groups ready for nearly every age & stage of life. Several of these have started and more are about to kick off! If you want to be in a Life Group, please reach out to Pastor Jordan: jcarter@pccmeridian.org OR (208) 569-1980. Also, you can get more information and sign up for a group at the Welcome Center.

Stay Tune for Sunday School Update: We hope to be able to re-launch Sunday School again soon. For now, it is postponed. But, stay tuned in the coming weeks for any new announcements regarding Sunday classes.

New Evangelism and Discipleship Classes: Duane McMurdie, our Evangelism Director, is currently working to develop some abbreviated (4-6 week) classes that will rotate between the "Modern" and "Traditional" Worship times. We hope to get these started in the New Year. They will focus on God's Word & Evangelism and God's Word & Discipleship. These foundational groups/classes will be short-term engagements that will help you grow in your ability to embrace and share the gospel and live out the Christian life. As the church grows, these are classes that will be held on a rotating basis. If you are interested, please contact Duane McMurdie (dmcmaxx@gmail.com), Pastor Jordan (jcarter@pccmeridian.org) or Pastor Justin (jmcmurdie@pccmeridian.org).

Next Steps at Parkview: On January 31, 2021 at 12:30pm (right after our morning services) we will host our first "Next Steps @ Parkview" class. This will be a brief, discussion-based class that will feature the following:

A pizza & salad lunch.

A short presentation on the vision, mission, and values of PCC.

Discussion and Q & A with Pastor Justin and others.

If you want to know more about following Jesus or committing to membership at Parkview Christian Church, *Next Steps @ Parkview* is for you!



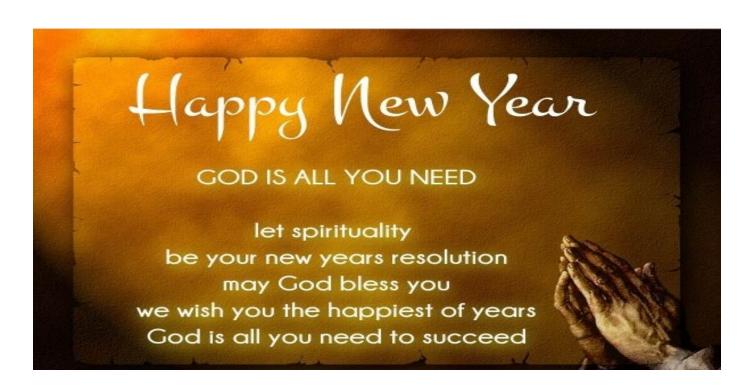
Children's Minister

I have a few PCC Kids related updates this month

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Thank You! I just wanted to say "thank you" to my church family at Parkview for giving me the blessing of being the Children's Minister for the last 2+ years. I will be continuing to serve at PCC Kid's checkin as well as volunteering to teach in Elementary Kid's Church. However, I will be stepping down from my staff role as Children's Ministry Director. This will allow me to be a more active presence in other areas at PCC.

We have made many strides over the last two years as we have connected with many parents and kids to help them know Jesus' love. The entire volunteer team for PCC Kids is still in place and we will be looking for the next person to move the ministry forward. The future is bright and I am grateful for your support in moving PCC Kids this far. Pray that God will help the next Children's Ministry Director to thrive!



Elders:

1/03 Marcy Timm & Bill Logsdon

1/10 Debi Irish & Roy Johnson

1/17 Lyle Gessford & Barb Bowman

1/24 Bill Logsdon & Marcy Timm

1/31 Roy Johnson & Debi Irish

Deacons:

Mike Malone, Chairman

Barbara Bowman, Cal Bowman, Ken Bruning, Jonah Crump, Lyle Gessford, Hollis Johnson, Julie Malone

Prayer Chain Captain:

Bonnie Fredriksen (208) 375-1390



We want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of

Don Farley

Don passed away on
December 18, 2020 following
a prolonged illness.



January Calendar

1/1	New Years Day Offi	ce Closed	1/20	Men's Coffee	8:30 am
1/6	Men's Coffee	8:30 am	1/20	Prayer Group	6 pm
1/6	Prayer Group	6 pm	1/20	Youth Group	6:30 pm
1/6	Youth Group	6:30 pm	1/20	Trustees Mtg.	10 am
1/11	Elders Meeting	6 pm	1/21	Finance Cmte Mtg.	4:30 pm
1/13	Men's Coffee	8:30 am	1/21	General Board Mtg.	6 pm
1/13	Worship Cmte Mtg	4:pm	1/26	Men's Coffee	8:30 am
1/13	Prayer Group	6 pm	1/26	Prayer Group	6 pm
1/13	Youth Group	6:30 pm	1/26	Youth Group	6:30 pm
1/18	Martin Luther King Office Open		1/31	Next Steps @ Parkview	12:30 pm

January Birthdays

Ken Bell	01/01
Hla Koh	01/01
Ta Ree Oo	01/01
Rota Way	01/01
Perry Cantwell	01/04
Randy Hopper	01/05
Barbra Wiseman	01/11
Elizabeth Zimnicki	01/15
David Anderson	01/19
Lyle Gessford	01/20
Justin McMurdie	01/20
Alex Larkin	01/22
Marcy Timm	01/23
Ari dah	01/25
Ler Lah Pe	01/29
Debbie Rothstein	01/29



January Anniversaries

Leon & Debbie Rothstein	01/06
Ron & Fran Daly	01/09
Ray Westmoreland & Debi Irish	01/11
Robert & Karma LeMaster	01/16
Gary & Sharon Pearson	01/19

PCC Staff

Justin McMurdie **Senior Pastor** Jordan Carter **Associate Pastor** Youth & Worship Pastor Bryan Rispalje Collin Freese Youth Assistant Starr Johnson **Choir Director** Shawn Lopez Worship Leader Lizz Roberts Children's Intern Haro Moo Custodian Mary Harper Co-Office Manager Nancy Warren Co-Office Manager



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