

# Parkman Congregational Church

## July 16, 2023

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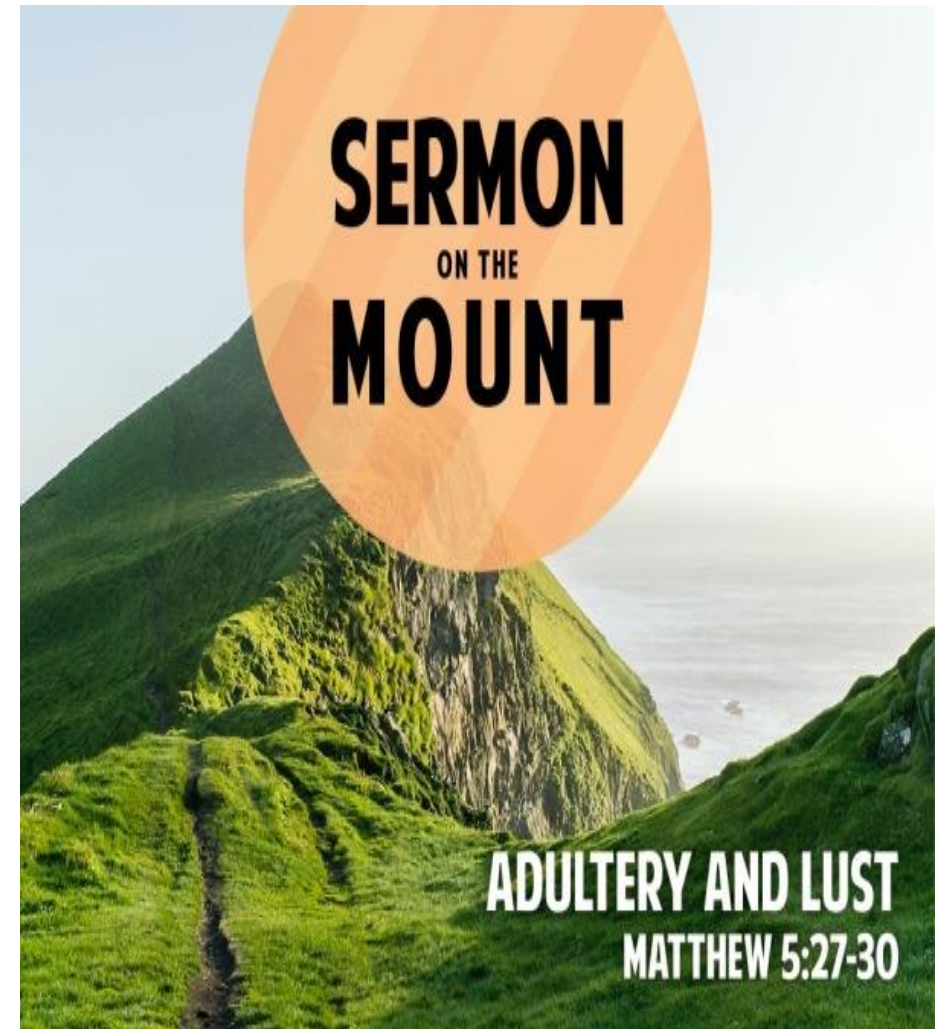


**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30AM**  
**SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE 6:00 - 7:00PM**

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1823 - 2023 Bicentennial



*Pastor: Reverend Will Coley*  
*Ministers: Members of this Congregation*

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## THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 16                  **OUTDOOR WORSHIP, 11:00am**  
Evening Prayer Service 6-7:00 pm

Saturday, July 22    AA, 8:30 pm

Sunday, July 23                                  Sunday school, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:00 am  
Worship Service, 10:30 am  
Evening Prayer Service 6-7:00 pm

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*NOT* God's plan for my life  
*BUT* my life for God's plan  
*NOT* God's vision for our church  
*BUT* our church for God's Vision

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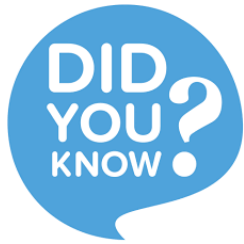
MATTHEW	
7/16 –Matthew 5:27-30	I If you Think it (Part 2)
7/23 –Matthew 5:38-42	Law of the Claw...
7/30 –Matthew 5:43-48	You Therefore Must Be Perfect
8/6 –Matthew 6:1-4	Giving to the Needy



### Scripture of the Month

*“You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect*  
Matthew 5:48

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*You therefore must be perfect, as you're heavenly Father is perfect.* Many argue, "Jesus doesn't mean that we're called to be perfect, because He understood that no one's perfect. Everyone falls short of the glory of God, so He must mean something else." But He meant what He said – we are to be perfect, just as in the Old Testament where God said to His people, *"Be holy; for I am holy."* (Leviticus 11:44).

We cannot be holy the way God is holy, nor can we reach perfection before we get to heaven. Jesus knows that, and He knows that this ethic is a difficult one. He also knows that we adjust our personal standards to our level of performance. Every last one of us has done this. Instead of elevating our performance, we reduce the standard. Jesus is explaining that God's standard does not change, and God's standard is perfection.....

That is what the gospel is all about, and that is why the law drives us to the gospel every time. When I read Jesus' words, I hear the law. I hear what I am required to do, which causes me to pray, "Lord, I cannot do these things. Help me!" He gives me One who did do those things, and He cloaks me in the righteousness of Christ, which is what grace is. Grace is not that God abolishes or compromises the standard. Grace is what He gives us as a gift. He has given us a Savior who is not only adequate but also perfect. That is the amazing thing about grace.

- RC Sproul

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► **SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE** ◀

**PARKMAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

**6:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

**COME AND JOIN IN**