

# Parkman Congregational Church

August 27, 2023

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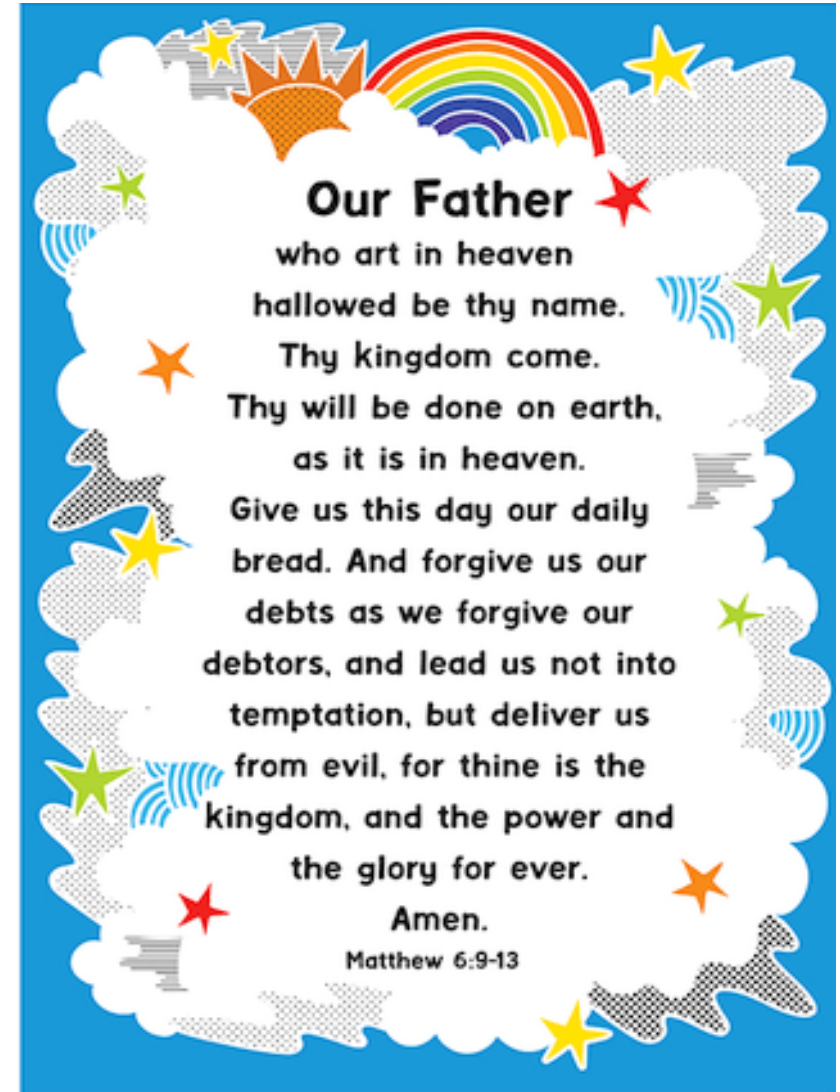


**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30AM**  
**SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE 6:00 - 7:00PM**

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1823 - 2023 Bicentennial



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*Ministers: Members of this Congregation*

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## THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, **August 27**                      Sunday school, 9:00 am  
    Fellowship Time, 10:00 am  
    Worship Service, 10:30 am  
    Evening Prayer Service 6-7:00 pm

Monday, **August 28**                      Elder's , 7pm

Saturday, **September 2**                      AA, 8:30 pm

Sunday, **September 3**                      Sunday school, 9:00 am  
    Fellowship Time, 10:00 am  
    Worship Service, 10:30 am  
    Evening Prayer Service 6-7:00 pm



*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	
08/27 –Matthew 6:9	Our Father in heaven...
09/03 –Matthew 6:10	Your kingdom and will
09/10 –Matthew 6:11	Continue to Provide Father
09/17 –Matthew 6:12	Forgiveness
09-24 –Matthew 6:13	Temptation and Evil
10/01 –Matthew 6:14	To forgive or not to forgive; That is the question...



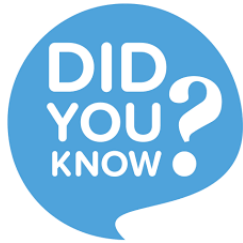
### Scripture of the Month

**Matthew 6:14,15**

***“For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.”***

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As Jesus finishes His teaching on how to pray, He tags on one last thing; *For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.* This add-on seems a little out of place. In the Lord's prayer, we are to pray, *forgive us our debts, as we forgive our*

*debtors.* As we will note though, when we pray this petition, we are asking the Father to forgive us, because we all still sin, we aren't perfect. The thing is, the Lord is the One who grants us the gift of repentance when we sin. We see this in Acts 11 where the Lord granted repentance to the gentiles. We see this in 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2 with a prayer that the Lord grant repentance to some. So we are seeking the Lord to forgive us on a daily basis, because we still sin, all the while knowing though that it is through the redemptive work of Jesus that we are forgiven.

That same petition from the Lord's Prayer though also requires that we forgive others their debts, their sins, their trespasses against us. We all know firsthand that forgiving someone who has sinned against you is hard, sometimes it seems impossible. This is why we are to seek the Lord to help us walk in the same posture that Jesus has towards us, this posture where we remember that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. H.N. Ridderbos rightly asserts, "By forgiving his debtors the believer shows himself to be a child of God." R.T. France expressed the same idea when he wrote, "The point is not so much that forgiving is a prior condition to being forgiven, but that forgiveness cannot be a one-way process."

We can't act like we are forgiven children of God, if we are walking around with unrepentant un-forgiveness in our hearts towards others. If we are being shaped and molded into image bearers than we will recognize the un-forgiveness in us and we will take it to the Lord repenting, seeking Him to cleanse us of it.

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### SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE



### PARKMAN CONGREGATIONAL

### 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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#### Church History in America

Wednesday evenings

September 13<sup>th</sup>

Through November 22<sup>nd</sup>

6:30pm -7:30pm

Sign up at the church bulletin board

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We are looking for volunteers to help at the Geauga County Grange Diner during the Geauga County Fair.

Brian and Chris Lanstrum manage the diner with the profits going to several local organizations. Parkman Church has been a partnering organization for the past few years.

To sign up or for more information see Brian or Chris. You may also sign up on the bulletin board or online using the following link.

[www.signupgenius.com/go/508084ea9ab2da4fb6-2023#/](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084ea9ab2da4fb6-2023#/)

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**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 2023**