

COMMUNICATING THE VISION

W. MACK AMIS, JR., D.MIN.

I hope you were able to attend *Round-up Sunday* this past week when we gathered as the Parker Family for Sunday School, worship, and a great time of fellowship. **Thank you, Sunday School leaders, for helping us reach 315 in Bible Study. 315 is the largest number we have had in Sunday School since Covid hit us back in 2019.** What a blessing to see the Sanctuary filled with people. The singing was powerful and the Holy Spirit’s presence was evident. It was a wonderful day, and thankfully no one was injured while riding that bucking bull! Young and old, males and females, took their turns at trying to “tame the bull.” There was much laughter and entertainment!

My prayer is that this effort to bolster our Sunday School program will be a catalyst to seeing our Sunday School attendance reach and surpass the 300 mark on a regular basis. I will be looking for you again this Sunday!

We are still in need of some financial support for **Operation Christmas Child** this year. Our packing party is scheduled for Wednesday night, November 5, in the gym. Right now we are purchasing all the supplies. We still need about \$1,000 to be able to pack 300 boxes. If you haven’t given, please consider making a donation. If you have given and are able,

please give again. This annual mission project is one of the most far-reaching ministries that we participate in all year. The boxes we pack may end up all the way around the world in the hands of some needy children. The children will receive not only fun things with which to play, but they will know that Jesus loves them as well.

Our next major event is our **Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat** event which will take place Sunday afternoon, **October 26, from 3 to 5 p.m.** Please join in and help us bless our community by providing a safe, fun place to come together with people who love Jesus and who love them. Please volunteer to bring your car or truck for *Trunk or Treat* or volunteer to help with games or food distribution. We can use everybody’s help and appreciate your giving your time to help.

We are experiencing some wonderful days at Parker. We are having new people visit us most Sundays. **Make sure you keep up the Parker tradition of being one of the friendliest churches in Anniston and Calhoun County.** I appreciate the opportunity to be your pastor and serve the Lord with you. Have a great week!



Bro. Mack

DEARMANVILLE CAMPUS

BRO. JOEY & BRO. NICK

FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS... The past month has been a rollercoaster in our culture. When I step back away from it, I conclude that **God is providentially working all this mess into a message that could potentially spark the next Great Awakening.** As I pen this, I chuckle at how God can make politicians preach the gospel in a public setting. Our communities and churches are expectant. I have felt this at ParkerDC as well. Momentum and interest in rising! What should we do? There are three things we MUST do. First, we must **PRAY** like we have never prayed before. Second, we must **BE** the church by serving others in love. Thirdly, we must **ENGAGE** people with the gospel message and invite them into our church. The world is waiting. **Let’s go and BE THE CHURCH.**

- UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS -
COMMUNITY YARD SALE **Saturday, October 11th | 7:30 AM - 1:30 PM | Green Field** Free to all vendors. If you would like to reserve a 10x10 space, visit the church website or call our church office. This is a community outreach event.
FALL FESTIVAL ‘25 **Sunday, October 19th | 12 PM | Gym/Parking Lot** We are in need of volunteers and candy for the Fall Festival again this year. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk. Green bins are out to drop candy into.
SLOVENIA MISSION TRIP **October 23 - November 1 | One Way Ministries** Please be in prayer for this team of six adults as they serve.
UGANDA MISSION TRIP **November 1 - 10 | Abana’s Hope / Four Corners Ministries** Please be in prayer for this team of 10 adults and 4 kids as they prepare to serve in northern Uganda and the Acholi people at Abana’s Hope.
CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER **Sunday, November 16th | Fellowship Hall** Mark your calendars for this great time of fellowship and gratitude. Meal will be *after Worship Celebration*. Plan to bring a favorite dish and dessert. Church will provide meat, bread, etc. We will vote on 2026 budget and Nominating Committee report.
NEW STUDENT MINISTER We are delighted to introduce *John and Maddie Nelson* to our ParkerDC family. John has come aboard our team as our new Student Minister. We are excited to do ministry alongside this familiar couple and their boys! Please pray for them!

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

KEVIN ANDERSON

CLC

Reminder to all Youth:

October 8th: Our Wednesday night youth meeting will take place off-campus at Jacksonville High School for *Fields of Faith*. We will join other local church youth groups on the field for a time of worship and Bible Study. Starts at 6:00 pm; ends at 8:30 pm. Anyone wishing to ride on the church van needs to sign up with Kevin. The van will leave the church at 5:30 pm sharp.

Pacesetters

October 21 Luncheon

11:00 am

CLC Coffee Corner

Come join us for a time of testimony and praise!

Bro. Bruce & Elaine Anderson

Call the office for reservations by noon on October 17.

We Welcome to Our Fellowship. . .

Tim & Linda Kaylor (MC)

By Transfer of Letter

John & Maddie Nelson (DC)

By Transfer of Letter

MUSIC NOTES

DON GOBER

Jacksonville State University

A Cappella Choir In Concert

Friday, October 24, 7:30 pm

PMBC Sanctuary



CHILDREN’S MINISTRY & LEARNING CENTER

CANDICE FEAZELL

The Children’s Ministry Team is gearing up for **Trunk or Treat 2025**. This is such a sweet community outreach event! We have thousands of guests here on our campus to be loved on and to fellowship with.

We have 100 spots for “trunks” - We need YOU! We will have a poster of spots available in the foyer each service. You can sign your spot and get the paperwork with details.

We also have **candy donation bins by the CLC doors and foyer doors**. Together we can have a great time with our neighbors from all over the county. Great ministry opportunities we can be excited about. – What a pleasure it is to serve with you!

WOMEN’S MINISTRY

CAROLYN CLIFTON

I love all that is happening at Parker! If you’re not here being a part of all these things, I encourage you to come and join us! By the time you get this newsletter we will have just had our Roundup Sunday with times of learning more about Jesus, sweet fellowship, and fun and food ... so sorry if you missed it!

But... There is more happening! **Beginning Wednesday, October 1 @ 6:00 pm in room 201 the Ladies Discipleship Class, led by Katie Edwards,** will begin a new book study, **“Unoffendable,”** by Brant Hansen. Mr. Hansen shares practical ways of living life with less stress and more care by becoming unoffendable. The men’s discipleship group just finished it, and the men couldn’t say enough good about it! **So come join us!** If a ladies discipleship study is not your thing either, because you’re not a lady or you prefer to attend with your husband, Bro Mack has a great Bible study at the same time in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Derrick leads a great men’s discipleship group on the 3rd floor. Wonderful activities are planned for the children and youth as well! (And don’t forget about family night supper at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.) Just come and be a part - eat, enjoy fellowship and soak up some Jesus!

Count A Bunch with Lunch! Sunday, October 19 in the Fellowship Hall 12:30 – 3:30. We must count all the item we are packing in the boxes and place them in baskets for the Operation Christmas Child packing party we will have November 5th. We also still have boxes to put together. We will need about 20 to 25 people to help us with this project. If you will, **please call the church office and sign up to help.** This is so we know how many pizzas to order and that we will have enough help. **Please sign up by Wednesday, October 15th**

Stewardship Committee Report Praise the Lord! Through the faithful giving of the Parker Family we were able to “burn the note” this past Sunday! Now that the “Together We Will” financial campaign is completed, the church has established a new fund, the **“Emergency Maintenance Fund.”** If you would like to continue to give to support the maintenance and upkeep of our facilities, please begin to give to this fund! Our hope is that we can be prepared for the next emergency maintenance issue.

Congratulations to these Sunday School classes that met, or surpassed, their attendance goals for Roundup Sunday:

Anna Class	Teacher: Nadine Campbell
College Class	Teachers: Dustin & Whitney Remington
Community Class	Teacher: Brandon Ransbottom
Resurrection Class	Teacher: Bill Newman
SEC Class	Teachers: Jamison & Katie Edwards
Young Professionals	Teachers: Taylor & Kala Sims, Derrick & Leigh Ann Hartley
Babies/1 Year Olds	Teacher: Tasha Carroll
2/3 Year Olds	Teacher: Dina Smitherman
4th - 6th Grade Class	Teachers: David & Kendal Walters Bro. Mack
Youth Department	Director: Kevin Anderson

Christian Sympathy. . .

Mike Dickert & Family.....Death of Sister

Minister on Call	
October 5 - 12	October 13 - 19
Don Gober.....(256) 283-6156	Bro. Derrick.....(615) 556-7921
October 20 - 26	October 27 - November 2
Bro. Mack.....(256) 454-3049	Kevin Anderson.....(256) 283-5580
	November 3 - 9
Don Gober.....(256) 283-6156	

FREE to all vendors! 256.831.9200 or dclivelove.com to reserve space.

community
YARD SALE

Saturday, October 11, 2025
7:30 AM - 1:30 PM



DC FALL FESTIVAL

YOU'RE INVITED!

Sunday, October 19th
12:00 - 3:00 PM

CANDY GAMES
FREE FOOD
INFLATABLES
AND MUCH MORE...



trunk & treat

Sunday
October 26
3 - 5 pm

join us for a
time of family
fun, safe treats,
and joyful
hearts!

Main Campus

SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE			
	Main Campus	DeArmanville	Total
September.....	267.....	113.....	380

And God's People Gave . . .

MAIN CAMPUS:

Total Approved Budget FY 2025.....\$ 1,354,949.00
Weekly Budget Requirements.....\$ 26,056.71
Given September.....\$ 103,164.39
Budget Requirements Y-T-D\$ 1,129,124.16
Budget Receipts Y-T-D.....\$ 1,063,399.61
Fifth Sundays to Finish - Completed \$ 70,000.00

DeARMANVILLE CAMPUS:

Total Approved Budget FY 2025.....\$ 330,492.00
Weekly Budget Requirements.....\$ 6,355.62
Given September.....\$ 31,830.75
Budget Requirements Y-T-D.....\$ 275,410.00
Budget Receipts Y-T-D.....\$ 272,775.31

Weekly Schedule

MAIN CAMPUS

Sundays
8:30 am - Casual Worship - CLC Gym
- Children's Church - Chapel
9:00 am - Library Open until 10:00 am
9:50 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Classic Worship - Sanctuary
- Children's Church - Chapel
- Library Open until 12:00 pm

Monday thru Friday
7:00 am - Intercessory Prayer Ministry - CLC

Mondays
10:00 am - Pickleball - Gym
6:30 pm - Handbells - Rm 214 Martin Building

Tuesdays
9:00 am - Staff Meeting - Main Campus
10:00 am - Pickleball - Gym
2:00 pm - Flexibility Class - CLC

Wednesdays
10:00 am - Learning Center Service - Chapel
4:45 pm - Library Open until 5:00 pm
5:00 pm - Family Night Supper - Fellowship Hall

Wednesdays (Cont'd)
6:00 pm - Pastor's Bible Study/Prayer Time - FH
- Children's Activities
- Men's Discipleship - Martin Bldg Rm 315
- Ladies' Discipleship - Martin Bldg Rm 201
- Youth Discipleship - 3rd Fl, CLC
7:00 pm - Praise Team Rehearsal
7:10 pm - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays
8:00 am - Woodcarvers - 3rd Floor, Martin Building
9:30 am - Sounds of Joy - Chapel
10:00 am - Pickleball - Gym
2:00 pm - Flexibility Class - CLC

Calendar

October 5 - November 5

Sunday, October 5
6:00 PM - MC Sunday School Appreciation
Dinner - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 8
4:30 PM - Missions Committee Mtg - Library
6:00 PM - MC Youth to "Fields of Faith"

Thursday, October 9
11:00 AM - Parker Serving at Soup Bowl

Monday, October 13 - Columbus Day
Church Offices, CLC Closed

Wednesday, October 15
5:15 PM - MC Stewardship Committee - CR

Sunday, October 19
12:00 PM - DC "Fall Festival"
12:00 PM - MC "Count A Bunch with Lunch"
4:00 PM - MC Deacon Council Meeting - CC

Tuesday, October 21
11:00 AM - Pacesetters Monthly Luncheon - CC

Friday, October 24
7:30 PM - JSU Choir in Concert -
MC Sanctuary

Sunday, October 26
3:00 PM - MC Fall Festival/Trunk 'n Treat

Wednesday, November 5
6:15 PM - MC Operation Christmas Child
Packing Party - Gym

PARKER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Main Church Office Prayer Room CLC
256-236-5628 256-236-1515 256-419-2120
Parker Counseling Center DeArmanville Campus
256-770-7337 256-831-9200
Loving Kids Learning Center
256-419-2845

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exploring
scripture
together

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Join us at
PARKER'S
FALL
FESTIVALS

DeArmanville Campus
Sunday, October 19, 12 pm

FOOD, Games, Inflatables,
Face Painting, CANDY, and

TRUNK
or
TREAT

Main Campus
Sunday, October 26, 3 pm