Parkside Nazarene Church

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# >> OCTOBER MESSENGER

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## Something Beautiful

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A well-known man of God was asked this question: "Why do I weep whenever I pray or mention the name of the Lord Jesus Christ? This is embarrassing, but it just happens. Can you give me a logical explanation?" The man responded, "You're overwhelmed with love for Him. When you think about the goodness of the Lord, if there's anything that brings tears to your eyes, that would be it. The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 7:9-10 that godly sorrow brings repentance, but I don't think that's why you weep in this case. I believe you just love the Lord. And the fact that you were thinking about His goodness, that just shows you're getting close to Him. That's good. I mean, you love Him so much and it's wonderful that you are grateful for all God has done, so of course you cry. And there's nothing wrong with that."

Does this happen to you? Every Christian remembers that moment when Jesus Christ came into their life. "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. Romans 1:16 NIV (emphasis added) I know a man who testified that whenever he hears or sings the hymn "Something Beautiful", he gets choked up because that's the song that was being sung when he gave his life to Christ, and the

words expressed exactly what he was feeling. I believe that tears of eternal gratitude to Jesus, their Redeemer, are shed by many remembering that pivotal moment. My triggering hymn is "Great is Thy Faithfulness", all three verses choke me up.

It's because we remember where we came from, but now, where we are going, praise the Lord. 2 Peter 3:15 NLT says it all: "And remember, our Lord's patience gives people time to be saved." And then that same patient Savior is always, let me repeat, always with us...helping, protecting, strengthening, forgiving, loving us...so that with a grateful heart we can say, "The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him." Psalm 28:7 NIV.

All because He made us something beautiful.

#### **HYMN, SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL:**

Something beautiful, Was brokenness and

Something good; strife,

All my confusion But He made

He understood. Something

All I had to offer Him Beautiful

Of my life.

Weekly Services: (services are in person and online)

Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Go to: www.facebook.com/

parknaz/ or www.youtube.com

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Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. (in person)

# The October Messenger Continued..

## **SIGNIFICANT OCTOBER DATES:**

01-03: Ladies Retreat

07-09: Pastor/Spouse Retreat

10: Finance Committee Meeting

11: Columbus Day

12: Church Board Meeting

23: Nature Nurture Com Event

30: Teen Night

31: Halloween

# ctober Birthdays

Kasey Kindle	07
Benjamin Kindle	07
Tammy Schroll	10
Andy Murphy	16

## ctober Anniversaries

Nancy & Pastor Don Lain	01
Cheryl & Ernest Szczepanski	
Debby & Harold Kimmey	23
Wanda & Mike Murphy	29

Caramel apples, pumpkin pies.
Fall is here, my oh my!

## **PARKSIDE CHILD CARE CENTER**

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The fun activity in October is always the Halloween Costume Parade! This year it will take place on Friday, October 29 at 10:00 a.m. Weather permitting, the children will parade outside in the parking lot.

If you have any questions regarding the Child Care Center, please contact Cheryl or Marcella: 440-333-6643.

### **NATURE NURTURE EVENT**

Join us for family fun on Saturday, October 23 from 11 am-2 pm on the lawn! Bring your friends and



neighbors to experience the joys of nature. There will be a craft tent, a seedling & compost tent, a bounce house, Outback Ray will be here with his animals from 12-1 pm, Cocky's Bagel Truck, Prayers from Maria Ice Cream Truck from 1-2 pm, and so much more! All are welcome to attend this free\* event! (\*Food Truck purchases at guests expense.) If you have any questions, and to volunteer, please contact Pastor Marcella and/or Ramona Meadows.

# TEEN NIGHT

Teens, grab a friend and come to Parkside on Saturday, October 30 from 7-10 pm for Halloween themed games and food. Please contact Joanne Murphy with any questions or if you would like to volunteer and/or help provide snacks.

