

They'll Know We are Christians by our  
**LOVE.**

Giving From the  
**HEART!**



October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
Consecration Sunday  
8:30 and 10:00 am Service  
Online and In Person

# PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

GIVING IS A REFLECTION OF GOD'S HEART  
OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

CONSECRATION SUNDAY

## WELCOME!

*We hope worship today nurtures your heart and transforms your mind. At PRCC, we realize we need each other and commit to pray for each other. We reach out in love and compassion to a world in need, knowing we are a work in progress. No matter who you are, where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.*

### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### PRELUDE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Take from us, Lord, our hearts of selfishness.

**Give us hearts full of generosity.**

Take from us Lord, our hearts of indifference.

**Give us hearts full of compassion.**

Take from us, Lord, our hearts full of doubt.

**Give us hearts full of faith.**

Take from us, Lord, our hearts full of fear.

**Give us hearts full of love.**

#### TESTIMONIAL FROM THE HEART

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of abundance,

**You have given from your heart so generously  
from generation to generation.**

**We have been the recipients of your blessings,  
your love, your resources.**

**You have sustained us, given us more than we could have asked for.**

**And, yet we consume, hoard, and cling to our possessions.**

**We fear not having enough, constantly wanting more.**

**You invite us to give of ourselves, and we quickly decline.**

**Open our hearts this day. Let your love inspire our own. Help us to depend on your rather than our own means. Teach us your ways that we might be willing to offer up everything into your care.**

*A time of silent prayer*

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We love because God first loved us. God has freed us from obligatory sacrifices and instead offers us a covenant made through love. We are forgiven and set free to love and give cheerfully and abundantly!

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE

#### FIRST LESSON

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

#### PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

**PREACHING LESSON**

John 3:16  
This is the Word of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

**Generosity Begets Generosity**

Rev. Carol Hill

**OFFERTORY**

**OFFERING OUR 2021 COMMITMENTS**

**TIME OF REFLECTION**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**O God, you made us in your image and loved us enough to give us the best of what you have, your only Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that we who have received so much from you might reflect that love and devotion, living proof of the hope that is in us so that all may know your glory. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

*\*INDICATES TO PLEASE RISE IN BODY AND SPIRIT, IF ABLE*

**BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE, IF ABLE**

***\*DURING OUR TIME TOGETHER, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO STAND AND SING ALOUD AS YOU ARE CALLED TO.***

LEADING US IN WORSHIP – OCTOBER 25, 2020

Rev. Carol Hill, Senior Minister  
Pastor Mollie Foster, Associate Minister  
Liz Swanson, Director of Pastoral Services

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries  
Angie & Andrew Weber, Musicians

Thank you to our Ushers: Tim Lapp, Anita Rifkind, , Laura Sissman, Lonn Naudzius, Fred Siebert, and Bruce Nelson

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**2020 COMMITMENT CARDS**

If you have not already sent in your commitment cards, we will have a time during the service to bring them forward.

**BYOL LUNCHEON TODAY!**

Join us after the 10 am service for a "Bring Your Own Lunch" picnic on the Church Lawn!

# PRAYER REQUESTS

One of the gifts of community is that hold one another in prayer. Each week, we share our joys and sorrows with one another so that we might feel the support of community. No one is alone. God is with us, and we are supporting one another.

## WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR CONGREGATION AND OUR LOVED ONES:

Heather Cannon, Erika Cornelisen, Kylie Figgins, Jon Forsythe, Edith E. Hurlburt, Tom Kapolnek, Candace Kidston, Walter and Christina Kotecki, Geri LeDuc, Lurana Nelson, Leo Netko, Dean Muenzer, Reggie Pantazi, Susan Ruth, Ann Stutts, Kathleen Weller, Joyce Wright, Bill Zoellner, Kate Zoellner.

## PRAYER REQUESTS FROM OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup> :

- Happy Birthdays to Krissie on 10/14; 10/18 Cheri; 10/19 - Cheryl; 10/20 - Emma, 10/22- Mike & Ali; 10/23 - Darcy; 10/24 - Nick & Dan; Happy Anniversary to Kati and Angelo on 10/14.
- Prayers for Leena Swanson as she enters the last few weeks of pregnancy.
- George and Nancy are celebrating 64th wedding anniversary next week, on Oct 20; Happy 30th anniversary to JD and Eileen on 10/18!
- We give thanks that both Todd and Sally's hip replacement surgeries went well, and we pray for their follow-up care and recovery.
- Stephanie asked for prayers for her father as he drives from Arizona by himself for a visit with the family.
- Prayers for Reggie who has gotten settled into a new care facility. Jim is pleased with the quality of care and how close it is to their home.
- Prayers for Judy, as she continues to heal, engage in physical therapy and recover from a stroke. Prayers for Laura and Marty.
- Prayers for Marty's nephew as he recovers from a car accident.
- Ginny asks for prayers for her brother Ric who is now receiving hospice care in Glen Ellyn. Please pray for Ric, his wife Betty, son Mike and the whole family.
- Caroline asks us to continue to pray for her health and her family as they support her through the medical challenges
- Please pray for Larry, who had a trip to the hospital this week with a TIA. He will see the doctor next week, so we pray for answers and solutions that promote his wellness and health.
- Please pray for Jane's sister Marilyn who has suffered another stroke and is transitioning into a care facility. Marilyn is having trouble with this new move.
- Katie asks for prayer for Keith's brother Arty will be having a lung biopsy. Please pray for a safe test and clear diagnosis.
- Prayers for Mollie and her family as they care for her grandfather Emmett who is suffering from various medical issues and is declining in health.
- Winnie asks for prayers for her cousin Carol who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Sandy asks us to pray for her friend Carol whose husband Bob passed away 10/10.
- Ryan asks for prayers for the family of his friend Eric, who was 38 years old and suffered a massive heart attack and entered life in the resurrection last week.
- John and Leigh ask that we hold in our prayers the family and friends of their dear friend Nancy Prestine who entered life in the resurrection on Sunday, 10/11.
- Prayers for Tom and Teri, as Tom's mother Gerry entered life in the resurrection this past Tuesday, October 13.

## SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

On Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup> we will be offering our annual Service of Remembrance. Due to pandemic restrictions this service will be presented virtually as a time to honor the memories of loved ones within our church family who have died during the past year. Family members of those whose names will be included will be receiving a letter in the next week. If you do not receive such a letter but have someone you would like to include in this service, please phone Liz Swanson before 10/26. The Service of Remembrance is a very comforting worship service and we want to welcome all who wish to have loved ones included.

Please look at the following names and let us know if any are incorrectly spelled:

*Ruth Naudzius*  
*Katherine Stellini*  
*Susan Bronson*  
*Bruce Claire*  
*\*Alice August Reinhardt*  
*Bruce McKeena*  
*Beverly Nordmeyer*  
*Denny Gawlik*  
*Karen Musa*  
*Claire Fox*  
*Tracey Thanos*  
*\*Marian Stettler*  
*Marilyn Larson*  
*Ava Zachuruk*  
*Mary Collentine*  
*Mia Koslow*  
*John Calvin McPhaul*  
*Virginia Polcyn*  
*Joe Cwik*  
*Conrad Sindt*  
*Juanita Blackburn*  
*George Manasian*  
*Dick Kapolnek*  
*Charles Johnson*  
*Jim Sundry*  
*Brett Siegall*  
*Brooklyn Mengarelli*  
*Maxine DiDomenico*  
*\*Judy Pirok*  
*\*Pauline Numrych*  
*Doug Adams*  
*Anna Adams*  
*Mary Ann Mroz*

*\* indicates member of PRCC*

*Lucy Erickson*  
*Karen Quimby*  
*Karl Tangeros*  
*Ruth Jean Rodriguez*  
*Michael Carpenter*  
*Jim Lego*  
*Aileen Campbell*  
*Arvin Gilbert Klemme*  
*Jim Drewganis*  
*Mayme Francis*  
*Troy Gilbert*  
*Bob Clauss*  
*Edythe Nelson*  
*Shirley Huening*  
*Axl Turner*  
*\*Earlene Beile*  
*Michael McDonough*  
*Gloria Skinner*  
*Andrew Paul Mahler*  
*Chris Haver*  
*Richard Lameka*  
*Tina Biachi*  
*Erma Lee Story*  
*Gus Cryns*  
*Greg Cryns*  
*\*Marty Sandstrom*  
*Shelby Reese*  
*Bob Peters*  
*Nancy Prestine*  
*Gerry Biedke*  
*Fr. Ray Ball*  
*All victims of Covid-19*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NOVEMBER INDOOR SERVICES

We will be offering one indoor service 10:00 am with livestreaming available. If you would like to join us in person, please visit the Sunday Worship page on our website to sign up. <https://www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org/sunday-worship>.

## DIY BIBLE STUDY

To accommodate a variety of schedules and our ever-changing realities, we will offer an all new form of Bible Study this year! DIY Bible Study will correspond with our preaching series. There will be a Study Guide available on our website <https://www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org/diybiblestudy> OR printed out for you (upon request).

## SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM YARD SIGNS

The colorful, double sided 24 x 18-inch signs come with a sturdy stand. They can be picked up after church on Sundays, or on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays from 9:30 to 12:00 in the Park Place Room. The suggested donation is \$15 and can be paid through Zelle (be sure to indicate that it's for a SJ Signs), or if you are paying by check or cash, it can be slipped under the church office door when picking up your sign. If you need further assistance, please contact Luan Zoellner at [lzoellner@ameritech.net](mailto:lzoellner@ameritech.net).



## BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR CAROL

We meet virtually using the Zoom platform. Study manuals Study Manuals are available from the Church office, or you may order your own online. This manual and your Bible are the only items you'll need for this study. We will watch a brief video together each Wednesday and have discussion. There are daily assigned readings, but if you cannot complete the assignments, please come to class anyway!

## ILLINOIS WOMEN WITH THE VOTE

Please join us on Zoom this Tuesday, 10/27 at noon for a presentation from Debbie Fandrei, Curator of the Raupp Museum on the fight to get women the right to vote in Illinois. Debbie will talk about different issues, some of the key players and some fun stories of the historic process of getting Women the Right to Vote 100 years ago.

## DEPRESSION AND GRIEVING IN THE TIME OF COVID - Grief in the Holidays

### October 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

For several years, Stephen Ministry has taken note of the fact that October is mental health month. In this difficult time when we are all feeling isolation, depression, and grief, we are taking advantage of having Dr. Gregory Sarlo as a member of our congregation. Dr. Gregory Sarlo is a clinical psychologist who deals with these issues on a daily basis. He is going to share with us what he knows about coping with these feelings. **All are welcome** to join the Stephen ministers as we learn more about how to care for ourselves and each other. To learn more please see the October CC News, contact a Stephen Minister, or the Church Office.

## PUMPKIN PATCH

Visit <https://www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org/pumpkin-patch> to sign up to volunteer!

## WELCOME THE ONA TEAM

As we begin our journey through the Open and Affirming process, we need to conduct some research to see what is of the greatest need and interest to our community; your input is critical in helping us with this task! You can find this survey at <https://forms.gle/Nn2oYYVeJnV4ngKy9> or by contacting the Church Office or from the October CC News.

## YOUTH COSTUME PARTY

All 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us on the Church lawn on Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Come dressed as your favorite emoji and enjoy games, s'mores, a candy hunt, and a costume contest!

## CROP WALK 2020

THANK YOU to everyone that contributed and walked this year; it looked very different, but it was very successful! PRCC contributed 36 walkers and our total raised as of October 22<sup>nd</sup> is \$10,805! Thank you for your support and love!





*"For God so loved the world he gave his one and only Son,  
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."*

John 3:16 NIV

## **GOD IS AN EXTRAVAGANT GIVER**

### **Which Characteristics Describe Your Giving?**

- Prayerful
- Spontaneous, an Outflow of My Loving Heart
- Reflects My Life Priorities to Allow Giving, Regardless of Temporary Circumstances
- Represents My First Blessings and Resources, Not Leftovers'
- Proportionate to My Means
- Given Cheerfully and Joyfully

**EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY IS AN REFLECTION  
OF GOD'S HEART**

*"But since you excel in everything--In faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you - see that you also excel in this  
grace of giving."*

2 Corinthians 8:7 CEB