

Sacred Earth, Sacred Work

“God saw everything that God had made,
and indeed, it was very good.”

Park Ridge Community Church Learning · Growing · Serving · Playing

We intend as individuals to grow in our understanding of the true nature of God and the way of life taught by Jesus Christ. Unity with God is the goal, Jesus Christ is our way, the Bible is our greatest resource, and the Church is our visible, sustaining fellowship.

August 2, 2020
8:30 and 10:00 am
Outdoor Service & Online



PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

SACRED EARTH, SACRED WORK – THE GOOD CREATION
AUGUST 2ND, 2020

HOLY COMMUNION

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.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens."

We gather to praise you!

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..."

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens."

We gather to celebrate you!

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..."

And God saw that it was good..."

We gather to celebrate our God.

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens."

We gather to worship you!

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..."

And God saw that it was very good..."

We gather to worship our God!

All praise, honour, majesty and power

belongs to our Creating God! Amen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We have been created for goodness by you, Artist of all things, but we continue to be filled with bitterness. Your Word would enable us to speak of joy to others, but we offer only judgment. The Spirit which breathes hope into us could be shared with everyone we meet, but we are tempted to hold our breath until we turn blue, rather than giving peace to those around us.

But you have said that everything created is good, even we foolish children of yours, God of wonder and grace. With the Spirit as our sister, we know we can bring healing and hope to those who need it most. With your Word, Jesus Christ, as our brother, we know we can tell others of your mercy and of our love for them in every moment.

Silent prayers of confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

By God's grace, our chaotic choices become creative grace for others;
our foolishness can be transformed by God's goodness;
our lives can become new by the Spirit of our God.

The good news is as true as it was on creation's first morning: Creator God is the redeeming Word who is the Breath of life for all people, even us. Thanks be to God for forgiveness and grace in our lives. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 8

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE 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.

PREACHING LESSON

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

What a Wonderful World

Rev. Carol Hill

CREATION CARE OPPORTUNITY

TIME OF REFLECTION

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Like the gifts of creation, we are but stewards of all we possess.
And like the gifts of creation, they are not to be hoarded,
but shared with the hungry, the lonely, the lost, the struggling.
As we offer our gifts, receive our thanks and praise in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

I pray God in Community be with you!

And also with you!

May the Holy Three who are One be in your hearts.

May we be filled with imagination, with words, with life itself.

Let us sing our praises to God who makes us one with all people.

We join all creation in singing glad songs to our God.

...With those who see and worship,
as well as those who doubt and despair,
we offer our songs of praise to you:

Holy, holy, holy are you, Majestic Name.

All creation joins in praising your goodness and wonder.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who is with us to the end.

Hosanna in the highest!

....As we struggle to understand such a gift,
as we seek to live such faithfulness,
we live in that mystery called faith:

Christ died, your Word silenced by the world;

Christ was raised, your Word singing of resurrection joy;

Christ will come, the Word which will call us home to you.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

***BENEDICTION**

Created and called to be faithful stewards,
we are sent forth by our God.

**We will take all that is good to places of brokenness,
all that is beautiful to those who live in despair.**

Called and commissioned to be faithful disciples,
we are sent forth by Jesus, Word of hope.

**We follow Jesus to every place he would lead us,
to every person who will bless us.**

Called and filled with the very breath of peace,
we are sent forth by the Spirit, God’s grace.

**We will join the Spirit in bring life where there is fear,
in offering love where hate seeks to take hold.**

And now,
may the peace of creation’s Imagination,
the peace of grace’s Word,
the peace of hope’s Spirit,
and the deep, deep peace
of God in Community, Holy in One,
be with you this day and for always. Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

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POSTLUDE

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

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE, IF ABLE

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

LEADING US IN WORSHIP – AUGUST 2, 2020

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

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries

WAYS PRCC STAYS CONNECTED

While our building is closed to regular activities and events, we are committed to remaining connected while maintaining social distance.

Email Joys/Concerns

We want to know how you are! If you are celebrating, tell us! If you're facing a challenging situation, tell us! If you would prefer to keep your prayers confidential, please tell us that as well. Email all joys and concerns to our Director of Pastoral Services, Liz Swanson at liz@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

Join Google Hangout at Noon on Wednesday

Stay for 5 minutes or up to an hour, as we are guided through a prayer, brief devotion and time of checking in. This Hangout will be guided by a PRCC Minister or Staff person. You can join online at meet.google.com/odp-gkmd-ppy or by phone at +1 929-324-9209 PIN: 127 512 232#. If you need help logging into or need a church google account, email Thom Goodwin at thom@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

Pass the Peace - Make a Call

Pick up the phone and reach out to a few folks from church to say hello! Need help downloading the directory app? Notice that your picture on the app is outdated? Email Jaclyn at office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org for help!

Yoga and Meditation

Cindy Klimmeck is offering ZOOM Yoga and Meditation, the link for all of her meetings is <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9671602932> Meeting ID: 967 160 2932. Monday Meditation is at 9 am, Monday Night Yoga is at 7 pm, Chair Yoga is Tuesday at 10:15 am, and Friday Meditation is at 9 am. **You will need to enter the password 227332 to gain access.**

Send in your Offering

We are still counting on your tithes and pledges. Feel free to drop a check in the mail to 100 Courtland Ave. Park Ridge, IL 60068 OR sign up for Automatic withdrawal (this is free)...contact Mark Holihan at stew0317@gmail.com to set up electronic giving and never have to worry about it! You can also give through Zelle or PayPal. To give online go to: bit.ly/prccdonate or, contact the Church Office for more details!

CONTACT US:

Call the Church office: (847) 823-3164 or email office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org if we can serve you! Phone calls and emails will be answered promptly whether we are in the building or not.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR CAROL OFFICE HOURS

Beginning in August, Pastor Carol will be taking meetings by appointment. She can meet you at the church, your yard, or a local coffee shop. Please reach out to Pastor Carol or the Church Office to make an appointment.

AUGUST GARDEN SERVICES

For the month of August, we will be offering two outdoor services at 8:30 am and 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>



Cans of Care

Wednesdays

1. Buy/Collect items to donate to Food Pantry
2. Locate closest PRCC Cans of Care Collection Point
3. Drop Items into Collection Bin

(Contact Church Office to arrange pick-up, if needed)

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 JULY 26TH:

- We celebrate a week of virtual VBS where our kids were encouraged to be everyday heroes.
- We celebrate Axl's tumor has shrunk and he had a beautiful birthday celebration this past week!
- We wish happy birthdays to Genevieve, Shea, Amanda, Robin! Happy Birthday to each of you.
- Baby Naomi is now home! The family is very appreciative of our prayers.
- Ongoing prayers for Sue, Beth, Marty, and Larry.
- Prayers for Paul as he heals from a procedure last week.
- Prayers for teachers, school administrators, and parents as they navigate difficult choices for education.
- Debbie stopped by office hours asking for prayers for her husband Patrick who has stomach cancer.
- Dave and Gretchen request prayers for their sister-in-law, Bonnie. She has a non-cancerous growth in her brain. They will not do anything at this point but will continue to monitor it moving forward. Please pray for her peace of mind and for her stability.
- Dave and Gretchen also ask for prayers for their nephew, John. He has Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. He has been relatively stable over the past few years, but the cancer has now taken an aggressive turn. His treatment will now change and become much more aggressive. Please pray for his strength to continue his fight and for good results.
- Ginny's friend Doug has asked us to include his daughter Marnie in our prayers. Please pray for Marnie, her family and medical team as she faces a life-threatening illness.