

# Stories of our Faith . . .

# . . . Stories of our Lives



"Jesus told parables because they serve as keys that can unlock the mysteries we face by helping us ask the right questions: how to live in community; how to determine what ultimately matters; how to live the life that God wants us to live."

-*Short Stories by Jesus*, Amy-Jill Levine

June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

# PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

STORIES OF OUR FAITH...STORIES OF OUR LIVES

JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

ONLINE WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

## 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

*I Believe*

Miller

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Our stories of faith begin with Creation.

**The God of All speaks life into existence, creating worlds, rivers, and humankind.**

Our stories of faith continue, teaching us about how God provides.

**Our Sustaining God provides water in the wilderness for our thirsting souls.**

Our stories of faith reveal our God who yearns for justice.

**Prophets and Leaders emerge, providing correction and direction for the people of God.**

God comes to earth through Jesus, who teaches, heals, and redeems us all.

**Through Jesus' example, our stories reflect His Love - for God and neighbor.**

Through Baptism of water and the Holy Spirit, the Church is called to carry on the story, becoming the Body of Christ for the world.

**Oh God, whose giving knows no ending, inspire us this day to faithfully live your story!**

### \*HYMN

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

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### BLESSING AND CELEBRATING OUR OUTGOING LEADERS

Let us give thanks and bless these friends.

**We give you our thanks for all the time, energy, thought, prayer, research, and heart you've poured into your ministries. We give thanks for the ways God has used you. We ask that God would bless you, confirming the impact you've made and the faithfulness you've shown. As you move on to whatever is next, may you feel our gratitude and God's anointing.**

### BLESSING AND CELEBRATING OUR INCOMING LEADERS

Almighty God, pour out your blessings upon these, your servants who have been given particular ministries in your church.

Grant them grace to give themselves wholeheartedly in your service.

Keep before them the example of Jesus,

who did not think first of himself, but gave himself for us all.

Let them share Jesus' ministry and consecration,

that they may enter into his joy.

Guide them in their work.

Reward their faithfulness with the knowledge

that through them your purposes are accomplished;

through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**We rejoice that God has provided laborers for the vineyards.**

**We will do all we can to assist and encourage you**

**in the ministries to which you have been called,**

**giving you our cooperation, our counsel, our prayers, and our support!**

**Thank you for serving God and serving this congregation!**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We try to stop Jesus from coming into our lives, Patient God,  
**for we know how disruptive he can be.**

He wants us to preach the gospel with our lives,  
**but we prefer to complain how hard that is to do.**

He wants us to do what is right,  
**yet wrong-doing comes so easily for us.**

He would like us not to give up until justice is done,  
**but we just don't seem to have the time.**

**We confess because we know we need to be forgiven by you, Glory and Grace.**

**Bathe us in the life giving waters of your mercy so we can come up from the water,  
ready to do good for others, to give you all the praise, to learn justice, grace,  
and hope from your Servant, Jesus Christ.**

*Silent prayers of confession*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

You are God's Beloved. You delight God's heart. Believe this good news, my friends!

**The Spirit of God rests upon us, anointing us with mercy and peace.**

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## \*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

## \*PASSING THE PEACE

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 16:1-3, 5b-13

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

*You Raise Me Up*

Graham & Lovland

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, which 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

Luke 18:9-14

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

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Heart.

Rev. Carol Hill

OFFERTORY

*Now We Remain*

Sydney

Lorenzo Formosa, baritone

## \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

There are those who have no place to rest,  
may our gifts provide shelter.

There are those who are parched for justice,  
may our generosity quench their thirst.

There are those who wander the streets alone and afraid,  
may our blessings provide a way.

There are those who are in the valleys of suffering,  
may we offer ourselves as companions on the journey.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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| <b>*HYMN</b>              | <i>Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak (v. 1, 2, &amp; 5)</i> | 426    |
| <b>*BENEDICTION</b>       |  |        |
| <b>CHORAL BENEDICTION</b> | <i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>                       | Lutkin |
| <b>POSTLUDE</b>           | <i>One and Only</i><br>Eugene Jarvis, piano                  | Jarvis |

*\*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 – JUNE 14, 2020

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

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries  
 Sue Douglass, piano  
 Angie & Andrew Weber, worship leaders  
 Lorenzo Formosa, soloist  
 Eugene Jarvis, piano

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## 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](mailto: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](https://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](mailto:Thom Goodwin) at [thom@parkridgecommunitychurch.org](mailto: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](mailto:office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org) at [office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org](mailto: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](mailto:Mark Holihan) at [stew0317@gmail.com](mailto: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](https://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](mailto: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

## RAISE A GLASS!

Join us on **TODAY** at 11:30 am, as we raise a glass to those who are concluding a role. [meet.google.com/qru-zeex-ufh](https://meet.google.com/qru-zeex-ufh)  
Join by phone +1 415-903-0414 PIN: 515 841 570#

### **Our thanks for those who have concluded their term of service:**

Laura Sissman, Chair of the Congregation  
Lonn Naudzius, Clerk  
Dave Swanson, Contingency Fund Manager  
Beth Parsch, Co-Chair of Senior Contact  
Charlie Giera, Deacon  
Gretchen Kapolnek, Deacon  
Dan Smith, Deacon  
Reggie Pantazi, Trustee  
Mary Biardo, Trustee  
Scott Collins, Trustee  
Paul Rauch, Usher

### **Our blessing and gratitude for those assuming new roles:**

Thom Goodwin, Chair of the Congregation  
Naomi Siebert, Vice-Chair of the Congregation  
Kate Joyce, Clerk  
Tim Mauery, Contingency Fund Manager  
Michael Proue, Co-Chair of Senior Contact  
Sally Mauery, Deacon  
Mike Laginess, Deacon  
Laurie Runtz, Deacon  
Eileen Riley, Fellowship Committee Member  
John Sasser, Staff Parish Relations Committee Chairperson  
Paula Mack, Trustee  
Bruce Webster, Trustee  
Lonn Naudzius, Trustee,  
Tricia Williams, Creation Care Team Chairperson  
Kati Weber, Usher

## OUTDOOR OFFICE – Joy in June

Come and meet with Pastor Carol outside PRCC. Pastor Carol will set up an outdoor “office” on Mondays and Wednesdays (weather permitting) from 10 am - 1 pm. There will be a chair that gets wiped down after “visits”. All are welcome to come and pray, chat, catch up, or just say hello. Please wear your mask as we continue to keep each other safe!

### **Outdoor Office Joy in June (10 am - 1 pm)**

#### **June 15 and 17 June 22 and 24**

If you would prefer or need, Pastor Carol can come to you! She will stand outside your house with a mask at an appropriate distance, and you can catch up that way. Call or email to schedule a time and day that works for you!

## PRCC CONNECTS – Google Hangouts

Our weekly online check ins will continue over the summer once a week on Wednesday at 12:00 pm.

## BUILDING CLOSURE

The Building closure and in-person worship suspension will continue until we are given clear guidelines from the state and/or new instruction from the CDC. Please see the June CC News to view our phased re-opening plan.

## PRCC YOUTH LUNCH BUNCH

Youth are invited to bring their own lunch and blanket or chair on the church lawn with their peers and Pastor Mollie! We will be safely distanced from one another as we spend time chatting and catching up!

When: Tuesdays, June 9 - July 28 @ noon

Where: PRCC Lawn (by the Butterfly Garden)

Nine youth may sign up at a time to abide by the Stage 3 guidelines. Youth can sign up for as many weeks as they'd like!

To sign up, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e4cabad2da5f49-youth>



# 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, Troy Gilbert, 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.

***Sunday Services are filmed in advance, any requests that come in after recording will be included in the following week's service. Prayer requests mentioned online will not include last names to protect the privacy of individuals since services are available to the broader public.***

### PRAYER REQUESTS FROM JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>:

- Happy Birthday to Rachel, Jeff, Anne, Larry, and Karen.
- Happy 51st anniversary to Bill and Luan on Sunday, June 7!!
- Happy 9th Anniversary to Jessye and Larry and Happy 15th Anniversary to Adrian and Pastor Carol this week!
- Bill and Luan celebrate that all their family: Emily, Bill, Zoe, Kate, Anne, and their families will be here in June to spend time together.
- Sue and Marty celebrate good doctor's and dermatologist visits and safe travels up to Michigan.
- Celebrate Outdoor Time shared with so many of you! Prayers and catching up have been a blessing!
- Prayers for safe travels and blessed time away with Robin and Ed as they travel to their home in the UP as well.
- celebrating a joy that a pipe that was broken, allowing water to pour into the nursery was repaired, landscape was enhanced, and windows continue to be installed!
- Paula's niece and nephew, whose pregnancy has been a challenge, will be induced on July 15, so the finish line is in sight.
- Marty, who has moved to a new rehab facility this past Friday and will be there for the rest of June.
- Judy, who is home, healing, regaining strength, and pray for her continued healing and relief from pain.
- Sue's mom Gloria, in Florida nursing home, where she has stopped eating and drinking and continues to struggle with dementia.
- Ginny asks for prayers for her friend Alice having a very serious surgery. She asks for strength for Alice to 'fight for her life'.
- We hold the family and friends of Aileen Campbell, Pastor Bob Campbell's mother in our prayers as they grieve her loss and pray for Bob's father Robert who is still in the hospital struggling with Covid-19.
- Please pray for the family and friends of Jim, Mary's brother who entered life in the Resurrection on 5/30.

- Please pray for Mark's friend Karen, whose father Karl recently entered life in the resurrection. Karl was the founder of PR's Norwegian Day Parade.
- Please pray for Mary and Eric's friend and choral conductor, who is going through a tough time.
- Please pray for Jennifer, Haukur, and family as they grieve the loss of Jennifer's grandmother Ruth, who entered life in the resurrection on 5/25.
- Prayers for Jaclyn's friend Troy, whose cancer has spread and is beginning hospice care, and for his husband Joe, who is supporting Troy and also grieving his sister's death to cancer.
- We pray and commit to work for an end to gun violence.
- We pray and commit to working for racial justice, an end to white supremacy, and the systematic dismantling of racism.