



THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Peace

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.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

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Christ sets before us this day life and death
and calls for us to choose life that we and our children may live.

We accept life, so teach us to live.

Christ sets before us this day the challenge to seek peace and to pursue it.

We accept the challenge of peace, so enable us to pursue it.

Christ sets before us this day the call to be peacemakers;
to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to a suffering world.

We gather to embody God's love and desire for peace for all people;
to hear and give voice to creation's cry for justice and peace.

We gather to embrace the unity of God's people and Christ's church;
to make peace a reality.

HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory, v. 1 - 4

(see insert)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sisters of Mercy of the Americas

Loving God, you inspire us with love for all persons
and concern for the well-being of all creation.

**Give us today the strength and courage
to transform the compassion of our hearts
into acts of peace, mercy, and justice.**

Forgive us for the arrogance that leads to moral blindness,
for desires for vengeance and retaliation,
and for willingness to sacrifice others for our own security and avarice.

**Help us to renounce all forms of violence:
prejudice, unfair allegations, intolerance, and injury.**

Give us the courage to resist threatening postures,
calls to arms, mobilization of troops and weapons, and
all actions that threaten the lives and livelihoods of innocent people.

**Empower us to live out the caring presence
of the merciful and generous persons we claim to be.**

**Make us channels of your peace, bearers of healing,
women and men who hear and respond with alacrity
to plead for justice in our world.**

**We ask all this in the name of Jesus
who came among us to show us the way.**

Silent Prayers are Offered

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the Good News, the Prince of Peace offers us love and forgiveness for our sin and the assurance that the Holy Spirit will open up new possibilities of 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 READING

Galatians 5:22-26

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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.

MUSICAL RESPONSE

My Country 'Tis of Thee, verse 1

PREACHING LESSON

John 3:1-17
This is the word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Carol Hill

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev Marjory Macaskill

Where swords are turned to ploughshares
and spears to pruning hooks
where the guns fall silent
and the rumors of war cease:

**We see the love of God
written on the hearts of humankind
And offer our thanksgiving to God.**

Where one says 'I am my brother's keeper'
and the guardian of their days
Where mothers' children grow old
in lands free from strife:

**We see the love of God
written on the hearts of humankind
And offer our thanksgiving to God**

Where enemies destroy the barriers that divide
and no man's land becomes home to each and all
Where color, creed and nation
unite not stand apart:

**We see the love of God
written on the hearts of humankind**

And offer our thanksgiving to God.

Where silent remembering inspires songs of freedom, justice, truth
and the sacrifice of old shapes the passion for our future
Where those who gave their lives and youth
let us age in years and wisdom:

**We see the love of God
written on the hearts of humankind
And offer our thanksgiving to God.**

Where courage never fades in the battle for the right
and power is given to the weak, the least, the last
Where compassion finds a home
to root out fear, mistrust or pride:

**We see the love of God
written on the hearts of humankind
And offer our thanksgiving to God.**

**For the love of Father, Son and Spirit
is the source of human love
the fire of God within us
shedding light upon our path
write this love upon our hearts God
as we offer you our thanks and our resources
through Jesus Christ our Savior
who offers life to us. Amen**

HYMN

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

(see insert)

BENEDICTION

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

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE, IF ABLE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP MAY 30, 2021

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
Sue Douglass, organist

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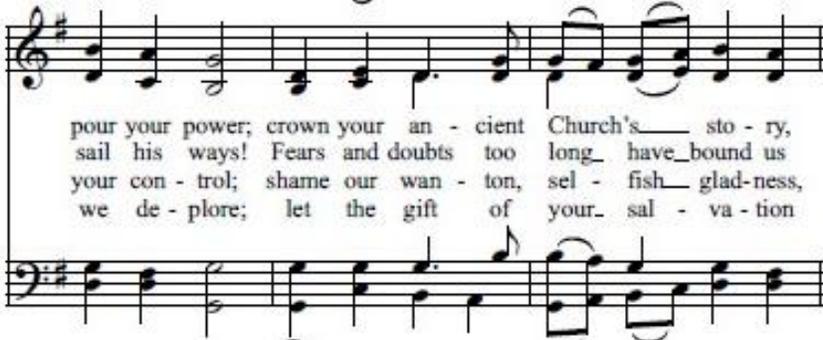
Scripture passages read from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Prayer of Thanksgiving written by Rev Marjory Macaskill, Chaplain University of Strathclyde, and posted on the Church of Scotland's Starters for Sunday website. http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/data/assets/pdf_file/0006/8349/13Nov2011.pdf

God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn your Christ, as -
3 Heal your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak re - sig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your power; crown your an - cient Church's sto - ry,
sail his ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, sel - fish glad - ness,
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,
free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
be our glo - ry e - ver - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age for the fa - cing of this
grant us cour - age, for the li - ving of these
grant us cour - age, lest we miss your king - dom's
grant us cour - age, ser - ving you whom we a -



hour, for the fa - cing of this hour.
days, for the li - ving of these days.
goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
dore, ser - ving you whom we a - dore.

ternal Father, Strong to Save



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
 calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.



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, Kate Zoellner.

Altar Flowers this week are in Celebration of Anita and Stu Rifkind's 50th Wedding Anniversary!

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM MAY 23RD:

- We celebrated the Confirmands last Sunday and the ways they inspire renewed commitments in each of us!
- We are celebrating a few birthdays this week: Birthdays - 5/23 Dorothy D.; 5/25 Arlyn R.; Michelle P. and Jonathon B. on 5/28
- Keep Fred F in our prayers as he battles a few serious health challenges, and prayers for the family as they juggle being together and apart.
- Former member Tammy Zorn passed away after a long battle with small cell lung cancer. Prayers for her children, Nic and Alex.
- Please keep in your prayers Cheri C, John H and their family, as Cheri's mother Betty Carpenter entered life in the Resurrection on Friday, May 14 after 93 years of life and love.
- We mourn the loss of beloved member Jane Moody, who entered life in the resurrection on May 20. A celebration of life will be held on Wednesday, May 26 at Mj Suerth Funeral Home in Edison Park, visitation is from 10-12 with a service at noon, followed by interment at Town of Maine Cemetery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE SERVICES

Join us OUTSIDE for one service at 10 am. Please bring your chair and continue to practice social distancing.

YOU'RE INVITED TO A TENT TALK!

PRCC Leadership, including Tom Goodwin, Chair, Naomi Siebert, Vice-Chair, and Pastors Mollie and Carol would love to chat with you! They are setting up monthly "tent talk" time, and all are welcome to stop by and chat about whatever is on your heart. **Tent Talks will be held June 6 at 2 pm; and July 17 at 4 pm.** They have chosen different days and times to accommodate a variety of schedules! If these times don't suit, feel free to suggest an alternate time to meet. Don't have time to stop by? You may also email all of them by sending an email to leadership@parkridgecommunitychurch.org. They look forward to hearing from our church family!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Senior Contact Group will be hosting an ice cream social on Saturday June 5th from 11:00 to noon. Come to the Antique Fair in Hodges Park and then stop by for an ice cream treat. In order to keep the ice cream fresh and from melting we will be in Park Place Room with the door and windows open and some tables for comfortable seating. Please join us for a time of catching up with each other and sharing a sweet treat.



CHEFS NEEDED!

Assistance is needed to help prepare food for Lincoln Park Community Shelter. Because we can now use the church kitchen, we will gather together to make dinner for the shelter on the afternoon of **Thursday, June 3, 2021**. We will start the preparations at 2:30 and plan to be finished by 4:30. "Many hands make for light work", so please consider helping with this worthwhile project. Please contact Luan Zoellner at lzoellner@ameritech.net or (847) 525-8353 if you are available to assist. (We will be wearing masks to protect everyone.)

SUMMER YOUTH GROUP!

This summer (June-August), Youth Group will meet on Wednesday evenings! All Youth who have completed 6th-12th grades are invited to the Church Lawn for games, building projects, & treats! Dates: June 2, 9, 30 July 7, 21, 28 August 4.

YOUTH MISSION EXPERIENCE!

This August, Youth will participate in a local mission experience! Youth will be serving local non-profits and our neighbors with home projects! If your home is in need of a simple repair, paint, window cleaning, yard work, etc (or you know someone in need), please contact Pastor Mollie!

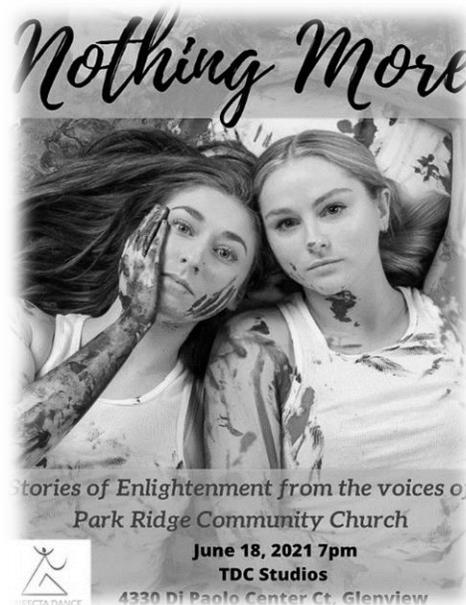
SAVE THE DATE: VBS 2021

When: June 14-17

What: Discovery on Adventure Island

How: Register Here - <https://prcc.mycokesburyvbs.com/>

For tickets, visit:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nothing-more-tickets-154243166463>





Join us for Discovery on Adventure Island VBS!

June 14th – 17th