



# Blessed Assurance

*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,  
and I will give you rest.*

*Matthew 11:28*

November 8th, 2020

Online Service

# PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

REST FOR THE SOUL  
NOVEMBER 8TH, 2020

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## 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

The Voice of God beckons: Return to me, my children, Remember me.

**God has known us since before we were formed in the womb.**

The Voice of God beckons: Stay near to me, my people, Forget me not!

**Too often we have failed to listen, trying to make our own way.**

In this time of worship, may we remember who we are.

**Let us remember Whose we are.**

We remember God's promise and sing the song of gladness:

**The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

**Praise be to our faithful God!**

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You guide us to a life of freedom from our bondage to power and greed.**

**You promise to provide our daily bread, shelter for the night, and shade for a day on our journey.**

**Yet we wander from the path that you have set before us and put our trust in other gods - the false gods we have created for our own sake, for acclamation, and for security.**

**Forgive our lack of faith and our arrogance.**

**Lead us back to your way of love, justice, and righteousness.**

*A time of silent prayer*

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"If you seek me with all your hearts, you will find me.

Call to me and I will restore you and heal your wounds."

God hears us, forgives us, and makes us whole.

**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

Jeremiah 31:27-34

#### 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**

*Blessed Assurance, verse 2*

**PREACHING LESSON**

Matthew 11:28-30  
This is the Word of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

**Rebuild and Rest**

Pastor Mollie Foster

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

**TIME OF REFLECTION**

**\*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**

**Lord our God, you are faithful to your promises, showing your steadfast love to your people. Receive these offerings we give and let our lives show forth your grace to all the world. Amen.**

**\*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 – NOVEMBER 8, 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  
Sue Douglass, organist  
Bells on High, Sandy Bowen, Director

**\*\* NOVEMBER SERVICES \*\***

In person services have now been suspended until it is safe for us to meet together again.

# 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 NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>:

- We are celebrating the following Birthdays: Dave and Sam's birthdays on 11/1; Eric on 11/2; Tom on 11/3; and Kevin on 11/4.
- This past week was Paula and Bob's and Cindy and Tom's 35th wedding anniversaries!
- We celebrate the Connections and support for each other through Kindred Connections and the Stephen Ministry presentation on Tuesday attended by about 30 people. Tuesday was a time to share some of our struggles and grief. For those who weren't able to access the Zoom, we hope you will take time to watch the recording.
- Teri is celebrating the birth of her great niece Charlotte.
- We pray for Shelley's dad, Fred who is recovering from surgery this past week.
- Please hold in your prayers Caroline whose medical challenges encountered a new hurdle this week and she has an upcoming cardiac procedure that we surround with our prayers.
- Pray for Mary's aunt Lois, who is 94 with a malignant melanoma and discerning what is next for her.
- Please pray for Teri's father Joe, who is preparing for an upcoming procedure and his patience as he lives into the limitations of the meantime.
- Tracy asks for prayer as she recovers from surgery this last Wednesday (10/28). Tracy had her first knee replacement surgery almost a year ago and has been struggling to fully recover ever since.
- Marylynn asked for prayers for their nephew Patrick, who has been battling cancer and is now hospitalized with Covid; for her brother-in-law Patrick, who is preparing for a bone marrow transplant after he was found to have multiple myeloma; and prayers for her brother Greg, who was just diagnosed with adenocarcinoma of the esophagus.
- Longtime and beloved member Judy entered Life in the Resurrection on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Please hold her daughter Laura and their family in your prayers.
- Please pray for Sandy's daughter in law and her family as they grieve the loss of her mother Marcia who entered life in the Resurrection 10/25.
- We have been praying for Luan and Bill's friend Warren, who entered life in the resurrection this week. We pray for his wife Mitzi and all of their loved ones.
- We have been praying for Ginny's brother Ric, who had been in hospice care, and entered life in the resurrection this week.
- We hold in our prayers the McGuffey family, whose Great Uncle Gene entered life in the resurrection this week.
- On this All Saints Sunday, we pray for all of those who ache from the loss of a loved one, regardless of circumstances, we miss our Saints, and pray for all who grieve this day.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## 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).

## 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!

# STAYING CONNECTED

## KINDRED SPIRITS AND BEYOND

Join us on Zoom on Tuesdays at noon or come to Park Place Room on Thursdays from 11:00 until 12:00. You can browse the book cart, pick out a jigsaw puzzle, drop off food for the pantry or just social distant visit with Liz Swanson. We are also connected with weekly emails or mailings to your home. They include updates on church news, scripture reading & reflection as well as a puzzle page. If you haven't received these, please let Liz Swanson know.

## WEDNESDAY ZOOM - CONNECT WITH PRCC

Join together online for a brief prayer, scripture verse, and check-in. Share a joke, fun fact, hardest thing to buy at the grocery store, update on a surgery, you name it! Let's stay CLOSELY CONNECTED while maintaining social DISTANCE! We meet via Zoom at noon on Wednesdays. All are welcome!

<https://zoom.us/j/91239346091?pwd=R3ZWSWdHWG85a1Q5b1AzbXJ6OXpiZz09>

Meeting ID: 912 3934 6091 Passcode: 622858

*This week's readings - Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 and Luke 8:22-24*

## KINDRED SPIRITS CAFÉ ON ZOOM

Join Liz at noon for lunch and conversation -

<https://zoom.us/j/92014175334?pwd=Njd2UXpkN0pMV0dSYTdScWhnankxdz09>

Meeting ID: 920 1417 5334 Passcode: 994443

November Schedule:

11/10 - Pastor Carol visit

11/17 - Give thanks with Thanksgiving traditions and recipes

11/24 - Happy Thanksgiving!

## PARK PLACE VISITS WITH LIZ

Join Liz for a socially distant check in Thursdays from 11 am to noon. She will meet one at time with a mask, to catch up and offer out new activities such as reading materials or puzzles.

# STAYING INVOLVED

## YOGA OPPORTUNITIES

Cindy Klimmeck offers 4 types of yoga/meditation throughout the week: Monday night Yoga at 7 pm, Chair Yoga on Tuesday morning at 10:15 am, Yoga Nidra on Thursday evening at 8:30 pm, and Mindfulness Meditation on Friday morning at 9 am.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9671602932>

Meeting ID: 967 160 2932

personal ID is 227332

# OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

## CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

The ***Fraternite Notre Dame*** operates a religious and humanitarian mission in Chicago's Austin neighborhood where they serve the poor through a daily soup kitchen, food pantry, an afterschool program and other ways. In December, they serve a Christmas meal to 1000 people and give a gift to every child. Every gift is welcome; however, they struggle with gifts for teenagers. Starting in November through Saturday, December 12th, place unwrapped gifts in the Christmas box located in the Sanctuary. We will deliver all gifts on the afternoon of December 12th. Let the office know if you would like to be part of the **delivery team or wrapping team**. Please see the November CC News for gift ideas.

## SUNDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

PRCC will be a part of ***Sunday Night Suppers***, but with different procedures due to Covid-19. Until health guidelines change, we will provide 85 pre-packaged meals from a restaurant or caterer, 85 individual drinks (juice or milk), and 85 pre-packaged individual desserts from a store (sorry, no homemade items allowed). The time commitment is from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. each date. Please sign up through ***Sign Up Genius*** on the Church Website. Thank you for considering to help provide meals for local families in need.