

*They are like trees planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season.*



Psalm 1: 3a



Rooted in

Love

October 9, 2022 ♦ 10:00 am
Park Ridge Community Church

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rooted in Love: To Bear Good Fruit

OCTOBER 9, 2022

10:00 am

WELCOME!

We welcome you to worship today. Park Ridge Community Church affirms that all people are made in the image of God and are worthy of God's love and grace. We commit to the ongoing work of being a church journeying together to deepen our understanding of the nature of God's love and to fulfill our responsibility to embody the Christ Spirit in the world. No matter who you are or where you are on this journey, you are welcome and loved.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

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Z. Fibich

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,

**They shall be like a tree planted by the water,
sending out its roots by the stream.**

In worship, we joyfully offer all that we are!

How could we hold back when God gives so freely?

Our lives thrive when rooted in God's love.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

*HYMN

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

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*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Love, we are so grateful for the ways you have enriched our lives. You allow our roots to draw nourishment and strength from your love. You invite us to share your abundance with the world. Yet, we would prefer to hoard it for ourselves. We harbor fears of scarcity, worrying that we won't have enough. Free us from our fears. Forgive our selfish ways. Open our hearts to experience joyful abundance to share with all your children so that all might have more than enough.

Silent prayers are offered

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear these words: God is the good gardener, pruning away that which would hold us back, allowing us to grow, drawing from the source of life itself: God's love. Through the love of God, you are forgiven!

Through the love of God, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

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*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

Galatians 5:22-25

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Amazing Grace

arr. Kinney

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

What a Wonderful World

arr. TNQ

***PREACHING LESSON**

Luke 6:27-36, 43-48

This is the word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Giving from Joy

Sasha Gerritson

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Anita Rifkind, Treasurer

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Menuetto and Trio, Op. 76, No. 4
from *Quartet 49*

Haydn

***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.*

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***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Our roots are firmly grounded in your love, O God. You nurture our lives and strengthen us in body, mind, and spirit. Through your grace, we are able to reach out with arms of mercy, bearing your fruits in abundance to bless the world. Bless these gifts to bless your children! Amen.

***HYMN**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Hear My Prayer

M. Hogan

POSTLUDE

Gospel Medley

arr. TNQ

** INDICATES TO PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT*

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP OCTOBER 9, 2022 10:00 AM

Rev. Carol Hill, Senior Minister
Pastor Mollie Foster, Associate Minister
Liz Swanson, Director of Pastoral Services
Shelley O'Brien, Director of Children's Ministry
Morgan Tone, Director of Children's Ministry
Kathy Logan, lector

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries
Jane Kenas-Heller, piano
Take Note Quartet:
Raymond Schwarzkopf, tenor
Ralph Brooks, lead
Ed Chapman, Bass
Dick Kingdon, baritone
Karen Nelson, violin
Elizabeth Choi, violin
Naomi Hildner, viola
Melissa Bach, cello
Chancel Choir

CHURCH EVENTS

SUNDAY OCT. 09

- 8:30 am** - Chapel Worship (Chapel)
- 10:00 am** - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 am** - Loving Lunches (Parlor)
- 11:30 am** - Youth Group at the Patch (Lawn)
- 7:00 pm** - Karaoke in the Patch (Lawn)

MONDAY OCT. 10

- 10:00 am** - Bible Study (Library)
- 10:00 am** - Kids in the Patch (Lawn)
- 6:00 pm** - Finance Meeting (Library)
- 7:30 pm** - Director of Pastoral Services Search Committee Meeting (Offsite)

TUESDAY OCT. 11

- 12:00 pm** - Kindred Spirits (Jordan Hall)
- 4:00 pm** - Junior Choir (Choir Room)
- 5:00 pm** - Middle School Choir (Choir Room)
- 7:30 pm** - Stephen Ministry (Library)

WEDNESDAY OCT. 12

- 10:00 am** - Staff Meeting
- 4:00pm** - Patch Open
- 7:00 pm** - Action Ridge (Jordan Hall)

Happy Birthday!
TODAY! 10/9 - Jim Sindt,
Siri Nelson, & Ace Steele

THURSDAY OCT. 13

- 9:00 am** - Men's Breakfast (Library)
- 11:00 am - 9:00 pm** - Crop Walk Fundraiser at Harp & Fiddle
- 4:00pm** - Patch Open
- 6:15 pm** - Bells on High Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 pm** - Rainbow Connection Meeting (Library)
- 7:30 pm** - Christian Outreach (Library)
- 7:30 pm** - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

FRIDAY OCT. 14

- 4:00pm** - Patch Open
- 6:00 pm** - Movie in the Patch (Lawn)

SATURDAY OCT. 15

- 9:00am** - Patch Open
- 10:30 am** - Knitting Knights (Lawn)
- 1:30 pm** - Memorial Service for Mary Tilley (Sanctuary)

ITEMS OF NOTE

WELCOME GUESTS! We are glad you are joining us in worship today. Please fill out a postcard found in the pew baskets or in the narthex to share your information with us!

COFFEE HOUR is held in Jordan Hall immediately following the 10 am service. Thank you to the Deacons and Faith Development Team for hosting coffee hour this month.

PLEASE SEE AN USHER... for seat cushions and/or hearing assistance devices for use during worship.

Thank you to our October ushers: Tim Lapp, Anita Rifkind, Laura Sissman, Lonnn Naudzius, Fred Siebert, Bruce Nelson, and Adrian Hill.

ALTAR FLOWERS this morning are in celebration of Julie Bruno & Sue Laurie's 40th wedding anniversary!

RESTROOMS are located on the lower level at each end of the church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is offered for children and youth from Pre-K through 12th grade during the 10:00 am service! Pre-K-4th grade gather in the Sunday School Wing, 5th grade in the Library, and 6-12th grade in the Great Hall! On the 1st Sunday of each month, 6-12th graders will remain in worship for Holy Communion. The Nursery is available for all those under 3 years of age located on the lower level.

ONLINE DONATIONS can be made via PayPal or Zelle, our email is giving@parkridgecommunitychurch.org. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

One of the gifts of community is that we 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:

Laura Beaudine, Heather Cannon, Jon Forsythe, Edith E. Hurlburt, Tom Kapolnek, Candace Kidston, Walter and Christina Kotecki,

Geri LeDuc, Tracy McKenzie, Dean Muenzer, Lurana Nelson, Leo Netko, Brian Stevens, Ann Stutts, Kathleen Weller, Joyce Wright, Kate Zoellner, Bernice Zabawski

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OCTOBER 2ND:

- Lisa shares the joyful news of her son's wedding 10/1 - Congratulations to Cody and Andrey Bryan!
- We hold in our prayers those recovering from surgery this past week including Nancy L, Tim M and Sue D.
- We continue to hold Beth in our prayers as she faces surgery this week.
- Prayers for our loved ones affected by hurricane Ian including, prayers of thanksgiving for Dorothy's son & family who survived but whose home is seriously damaged.
- Grace C is grateful that their home was left unscathed but friends of theirs had their home completely destroyed. We pray for all those affected by this disaster and the ongoing rescue and clean up efforts.
- Laura requests prayers for her friend Herb who is having triple bypass heart surgery 10/6.
- Please pray for little Jillian B who is recovering from a trip to the ER with croup.
- Angie asks for prayers for her mom's health situation especially as she is undergoing radiation treatments for the tumor in her lung.
- Cliff asks for prayers for his long-term care giver and good friend, Solida, who is currently in the hospital receiving chemo for cancer treatment
- Prayers for our world near and far; especially for peace in Russia, Ukraine, Iran and across the world.

VOLUNTEER



CROP WALK

You can register to join the **Bill Zoellner Memorial Crop Walk Team** by clicking [here](#) or scanning the QR code. You can also support a walker with a donation or make a donation to the team online. Don't forget to support the **Harp & Fiddle fund-raiser on Thursday, Oct. 13th**! Mention crop walk when ordering over the phone or dining in person to support the cause! With your support we earned \$105 for fund-raiser at City BBQ and \$395 from D'Agostino's for the Walk. Thanks for supporting these events!



JOIN THE RIDE TEAM

Are you interested in volunteering to give rides to those in need? Click [here](#), scan the QR code, or contact the church office to be added to our ride team list! We will work to pair you with someone who needs rides to church services or events.



LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SHELTER

Assistance is needed to help prepare food for Lincoln Park Community Shelter. Join the team on November 3rd for meal prep at 11:30 am in the church kitchen. If you would like to volunteer, you can do so by clicking [here](#), scanning the QR code, or by contacting Luan Zoellner at lzoellner@ameritech.net.



LOVING LUNCHES - TODAY IN THE PARLOR!

Come join in serving PRCC's newest Outreach Partner, Loving Lunches. Each month PRCC will assist Loving Lunches by preparing and assembling 300+ lunches which will be delivered to those experiencing homelessness in the Chicagoland area. Our next date to serve after today is November 29th. If you would like to volunteer, sign up by clicking [here](#), scanning the QR code, or by contacting Paula Mack at paula.mack@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL (Pre-K-5th Grades) New this year: We are asking each family to commit to teaching Sunday School one day of the year. Sign up on the PRCC website for a day that works best for your family. Sunday School registration is live. Please sign your child(ren) up on the PRCC website!

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL (6th-12th Grades) Youth will depart service during the Children's Message and meet in the Great Hall!.

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP! (4th & 5th Grades) Junior Youth Group provides monthly gatherings for 4th and 5th graders! Tonight is Karaoke in the Patch from 7-8:30pm! All are welcome to join in the fun!

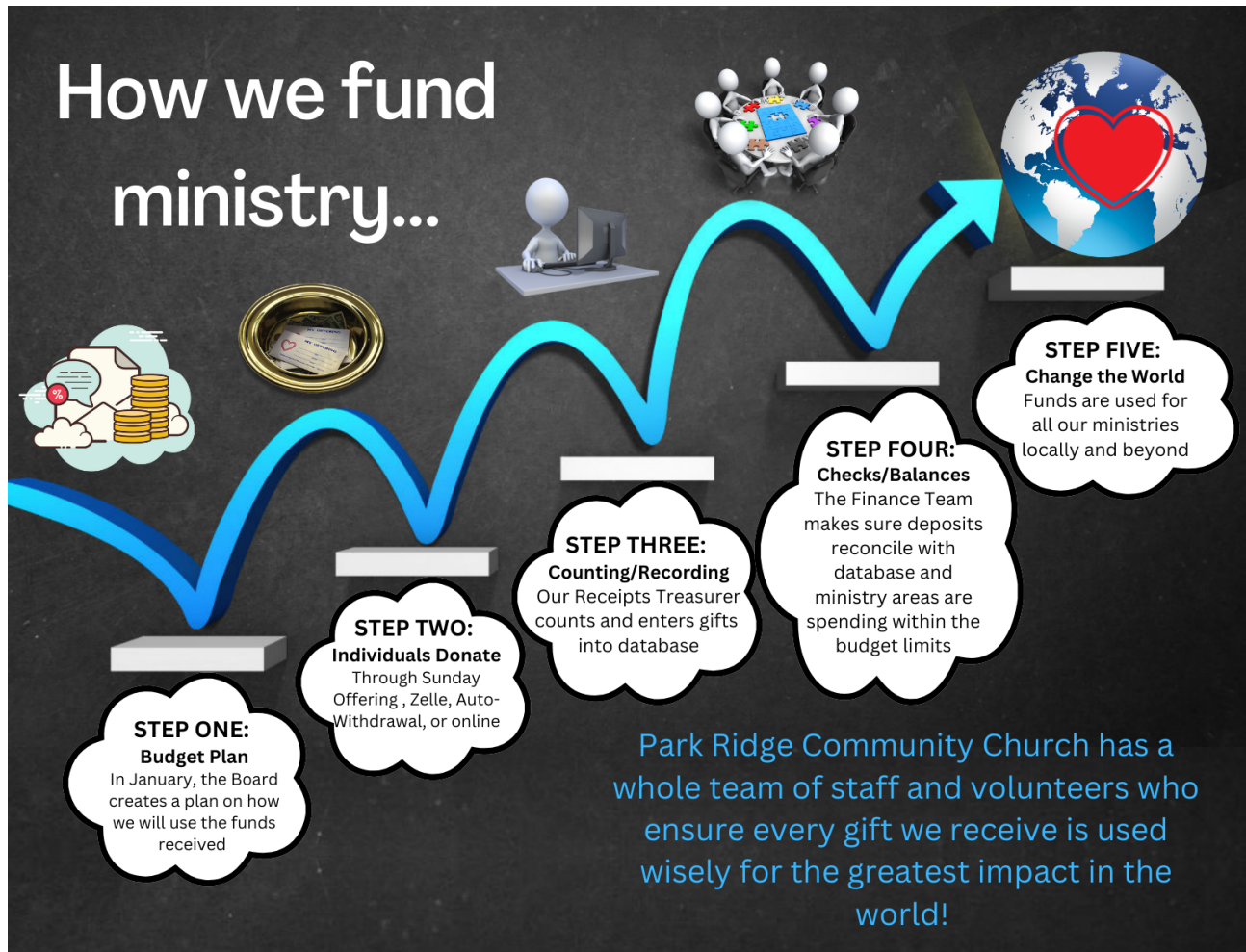
YOUTH GROUP (6th-12th Grades) Youth Group will meet in the Patch today from 11:30am-1pm. Lunch provided!

CONFIRMATION CLASS (7th Grade and up) Confirmation Class will be offered in 4 Sessions throughout the school year. Session 1 will be on Sunday, October 23rd from 11:30-3:30. Lunch included! Contact Pastor Mollie to sign up.

Stewardship



One piece of our stewardship journey is understanding where the money goes. We sign up for auto-withdrawal, send in a Zelle or Paypal payment, or drop money in the offering plate... then what?



Our 2022 Stewardship Journey...

Starting October 9...

- Stewardship Begins!
- Sermon series begins w/ Stewardship Moment
- Online materials and Videos start popping up!
- Pledge Forms are distributed electronically to children, youth, and adults (and in paper form to an identified group)
- Interviews conducted

Concluding on November 13... Consecration Sunday!
Stewardship wraps up! Inspiring Worship Service at 10 am, followed by a shared meal of celebration!

CONSIDER YOUR PLEDGE AS A PERCENT OF YOUR MONTHLY INCOME.

Annual Income	Monthly Income	2%	3%	4%	5%	10%
16,000	1,333	27	40	53	67	133
20,000	1,667	33	50	67	83	167
25,000	2,083	42	62	83	104	208
30,000	2,500	50	75	100	125	250
35,000	2,917	58	88	117	146	292
40,000	3,333	67	100	133	167	333
45,000	3,750	75	113	150	188	375
50,000	4,167	83	125	167	208	417
60,000	5,000	100	150	200	250	500
75,000	6,250	125	188	250	313	625
100,000	8,333	167	250	333	417	833
125,000	10,417	208	313	417	521	1042

On average, Americans give 2% of their income to charity. Giving even 1% more of annual income to charity would be transformative for our congregation and other organizations doing good in our community.



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to sign up to volunteer at this year's patch! If you have any questions or would like more information, please email Pastor Mollie at pastormollie@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

FUN IN THE PATCH

10/9 @ 7-8:30PM: KARAOKE IN THE PATCH:

Hosted by the PRCC Jr. Youth Group, come and sing your heart out!

10/10 @ 10AM: KIDS IN THE PATCH:

Yoga with Cindy, Stories with Park Ridge Public Library, and Pumpkin decorating!

\$5 per child, includes mini pumpkin to decorate, ages birth-10 yrs old

10/14 @ 6PM: MOVIE IN THE PATCH:

It's a Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown

10/17 @ 9:30-10AM: TODDLERS IN THE PATCH:

Stories with Park Ridge Public Library, ages birth-5 yrs old

10/30 @ 6-7:30: PARTY IN THE PATCH:

Halloween Party for all PR Youth 6th-12 grades, via Park Ridge Parish Youth

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