

Abundant Life: The Now and the Not Yet

I came that they may have **LIFE**, and have it

ABUNDANTLY.

May 29, 2022 ♦ 8:30 am & 10:00 am
Park Ridge Community Church

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Glory

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ASCENSION SUNDAY

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

Battle Hymn of the Republic

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We shout for joy to God who rides upon the clouds!

**We sing praises to our awe-inspiring God, before whom the earth quakes,
and whose abundant blessings provide for all in need!**

God is Sovereign over the earth, Defender of the defenseless, and Parent to orphans;
God creates families for those who are alone.

God leads captives to freedom and breaks the yoke of oppression.

God goes forth before the people, marching through the wilderness of their lives,
bringing forth restoration and justice.

Sing praise to God, rider of the ancient skies, who dwells in holiness.

Proclaim the power of God!

O God, how awesome you are in your sanctuary! You give power and strength to your people.

During these 50 days of Easter, we proclaim for all the world to hear - Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen indeed!

Our paschal candle is a reminder that the light of Christ burns brightly in our midst,
infusing new life, new hope, new joy into all the world!

May our lives reflect Christ's light each and every day!

*HYMN

This is My Song

see insert

*OPENING PRAYER

Keeper of all time, you are enthroned on the rubble of death's shattered power, calling us to your side and giving us a new vocation, by which we serve the broken of the communities in which we live.
Constant Presence of hope, you strengthen us so we never give in while confronted by evil; you continually pray for us that we never quit when faith proves to be more of a challenge than we imagined.
God in Community, Holy in One, we lift our hearts to you, **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

RECOGNITION AND BLESSING OF TOM GOODWIN, CHAIR OF THE CONGREGATION

We give you our deepest thanks for all the time, energy, thought, prayer, research, and heart you've poured into leading our congregation. We give thanks for the ways God has used you. We pray for your rest and recovery from the heightened needs this season has presented. We pray that God would bless you, confirming the impact you've made and the faithfulness you've shown. As you move on to this next season, may you feel our gratitude and God's anointing.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

MINISTRY OF MUSIC (10 am)

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

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.

MUSICAL RESPONSE (8:30 am)

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies, v. 1

*PREACHING LESSON

John 17:1-11

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

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Eternal Life

Rev. Carol Hill

LITANY OF GRATITUDE AND REMEMBRANCE

Almighty God, before whom stand the living and the dead,
we your children, whose mortal life is but a hand's breadth, give thanks to you:
For all those through whom you have blessed our pilgrimage,
whose lives that have empowered us, whose influence is a healing grace,

We lift up thankful hearts.

For the dear friends and family members whose faces we see no more,
but whose love is with us forever ...

We lift up thankful hearts.

For teachers and companions of our childhood and youth,
and for the members of our household of faith who worship you now in heaven ...

We lift up thankful hearts.

For those who sacrificed themselves,
our brothers and sisters who have given their lives for the sake of others...

We lift up thankful hearts.

That we may hold them all in continual remembrance,
and ever think of them as with you in that city whose gates are not shut by day and where there is no night...

We lift up thankful hearts.

That we may now be dedicated to working for a world where labor is rewarded,
fear dispelled, and the nations made one,

**O God, help us to live faithfully that we might praise your name
day by day, forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Give Me the Roses

Cornelius & Rowe

***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**

Ever-present and loving God, your Word tells us to cast our cares on you because you care for us. In faith and trust we present these gifts, and ourselves, to you. Bless and multiply them to meet the needs, both hidden and apparent, of your beloved ones. Inspire each of us to live as Christ's witnesses, today and ever more. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN**

My Country Tis of Thee

see insert

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

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

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP MAY 29, 2022 8:30 AM & 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
Dave Kapolnek, lector

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries
Sue Douglass, organist
Angie and Andrew Weber, musicians



Please join the family of
Allen Knoblauch

in celebration
June 4th
11:00 am

Park Ridge Community Church
100 Courtland Ave. Park Ridge, IL 60068

YOU'RE INVITED!

All are welcome to join us for the marriage of Dr. Greg Sarlo and Danny Brewer
on June 5th at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

This Is My Song

1. This is my song, O God of all the na-tions,
2. My coun-try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
3. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king-doms:

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine;
Thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
but oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
O hear my song, thou God of all the na - tions,
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the na - tions;

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The piano part includes a bass line with a 'p' (piano) dynamic marking and a bass drum line with an '8' (octave) marking. The score is divided into eight systems, each with a vocal line and a piano line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

AMERICA 6.6.4.6.6.6.4

Samuel Francis Smith, 1831

Thesaurus Musicus, London, c. 1740

1. My coun - try, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,
 2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, Land of the no - ble free,
 3. Let mu - sic swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees
 4. Our *fa - thers' God, to Thee, Au - thor of lib - er - ty,

Of thee I sing; Land where my *fa - thers died, Land of the
 Thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and
 Sweet free-dom's song; Let mor - tal tongues a - wake, Let all that
 To Thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With free-dom's

pil - grims' pride, From ev - ery moun-tain - side Let free - dom ring.
 tem - pled hills; My heart with rap - ture thrills Like that a - bove.
 breathe par - take, Let rocks their si - lence break, The sound pro - long.
 ho - ly light; Pro - tect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

*Or "parents."

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!

PLEASE SEE AN USHER...

...for seat cushions and/or hearing assistance devices for use during worship.

Thank you to our May ushers: Sharon Kemerer, George Skoog, Cindy Klimmeck, Paula Mack, Lorel Brunet, Tom Brunet, Bill Barsanti, and Bob Mack

ALTAR FLOWERS this week are in Celebration of Deuce and Rae Hill's 10th Birthday!

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

NURSERY CARE is available today - Thank you to Hannah Siebert and Katie Hill for volunteering today! Please let Shelley or Morgan know if you are in need of childcare - sundayschool@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Children are dismissed from worship after the Children's Message.

YOUTH GROUP has moved to Wednesday evenings for the Summer! We will meet from 6 - 7:30 pm beginning June 1.

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 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, Ann Stutts, Kathleen Weller, Joyce Wright, Kate Zoellner.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MAY 22nd:

- Prayers of joy for our Graduates!
- We are so excited to celebrate the Confirmation of Sam Hill!
- Prayers of Gratitude for Pastor Angie as she completes her internship here at PRCC.
- Charlie G. and Kym D. celebrate 1 year and 16 months together!
- Please pray for Sasha as she travels to work with a friend & participant in the Special Olympics.
- We hold Karen's friend in prayer as she seeks the assistance and support she needs for a complex medical situation.
- Please pray for those who are recovering from illness & medical procedures including Karen,

- Anne and Winnie and for those with upcoming procedures including Bob T.
- We hold Tim M's cousin Michael in our prayers as he is in the hospital with covid and a blood clot in his heart.
- Grace asks us to pray for her friends Tina S. & Laura C., both of whom are battling cancer.
- Please pray for the friends and family of Paul Burt who died of cancer after a long battle.

Happy Birthday!

5/29 - Sue Cocagne; Karl Sissman
5/30 - Ann Swindell; Rae Hill; Deuce Hill
5/31 - Judy Johnson

6/1 - Kent Wehman; Ethan Leach
6/3 - Paul Battaglia

UPCOMING EVENTS

2022 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 20-23 5-7 PM

Pre-K-5th Grade

This year's Vacation Bible School theme will invite students to experience what it means to care for our earth. Crafts will be made from recyclables, and we will consider how to love God and God's beautiful creation! Together we will grow in faith, have fun, and change the world!! Register Here -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSetAvfUewhpcmtylwPIZDTrxYEA12iqYzGxr-448Hoa4AqLQw/viewform?usp=sf_l ink

VOLUNTEER

LOVING LUNCHES - June 12th

Come join in serving PRCC's newest Outreach Partner, Loving Lunches Each month PRCC will be assisting Loving Lunches by preparing 160 lunches which will be delivered to those suffering with homelessness in the Chicagoland area. Sign up here - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094baeab2da4fb6-loving>

LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SHELTER

Our next date to serve is June 2nd.. If you would like to volunteer, you can do so here - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094baeab2da4fb6-lincoln17>

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

YOUTH GROUP MOVING TO WEDNESDAY THIS SUMMER!

Beginning June 1st, Youth Group will meet on Wednesday from 6:30 - 8 pm. Please check the Church Calendar for specific dates!

FAMILY CAMP - Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for a PRCC Family weekend at Camp Duncan September 23rd - 25th, more details to come!

