

Abundant Life: The Now and the Not Yet

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

ABUNDANTLY.

May 8, 2022

Park Ridge Community Church

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Gate
MAY 8, 2022

10:00 am
MOTHER'S DAY

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

Cansoun per ma mio

Maurice

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We are a Resurrection people,
called by God to live a Resurrection life.

Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed!

**We live our lives each day knowing that Christ has opened the way to new life
to be lived in fullness and forgiveness each and every day.**

Even when our lives take us through the dark valleys,
we know we are never alone;

**Our Risen Lord is always with us,
in our interactions with our brothers and sisters in this world.**

So let us not deny the resurrection in our lives,
but rather live boldly in the world.

**Knowing that in this resurrection life we are a forgiven people,
as we share the good news of God's grace,
in word and deed with the world around us.**

*HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

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*OPENING PRAYER

Gracious and Loving God,
Your love is made known to us most fully within the bounds of relationships here on earth. We have experienced your abundant life and joy through mothers, grandmothers, aunts, godmothers, and those who were not our own mothers, but whose love wrapped around us nonetheless. For those Saints who are with you in heaven and those who are with us on earth, we give you thanks. Help us to live out an ethic of love that transcends differences, supersedes allegiances, and draws us all closer as a community of faith. Inspire us in this time of worship that we might live more faithfully, sharing in your abundance throughout each and every day.
We pray in your name, O God in Community, three in one. **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

Psalm 23

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Shout For Joy!

Beery

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.

***PREACHING LESSON**

John 10:1-10
This is the word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Letter to My Children

Pastor Carol Hill

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Mother's Waltz

A. Weber

***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**

Good Shepherd of the Sheep, you have opened the door to new life for us through your dedication and your sacrifice. May we reflect your love for us by opening the doors of our hearts to you and your church in the act of giving our tithes and offerings. Amen.

***HYMN**

Fairest Lord Jesus

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***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Lutkin

POSTLUDE

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

INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP MAY 8, 2022 10:00 AM

Rev. Carol Hill, Senior Minister
Pastor Mollie Foster, Associate Minister
Liz Swanson, Director of Pastoral Services
Angie Do, Seminary Student Intern
Shelley O'Brien, Director of Children's Ministry
Morgan Tone, Director of Children's Ministry
Lois Zitoli, lector

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries
Sue Douglass, organist
PRCC Chancel Choir
Angie Weber, soloist
John Born, saxophone

THANK YOU!

Thank you for the honor and privilege of receiving the 2nd mile award. My heart and soul has been with this church family for 30 years, through good times and challenges, it is still home to me. Thank you!
- Jan Steiner

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 begins right after 10 am service in Jordan Hall, all are welcome!

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 our mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, and all of the mothers in our lives!

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

NURSERY CARE will be available beginning May 15th! Please let Morgan or Shelley 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 No Youth Group today - Happy Mother's Day!

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 1ST:

- Prayers of joy for our Annual Meeting and our ONA Covenant passing!
- Prayers of joy for our 3 Confirmands and My Communion Class.
- We celebrate that Walter, for whom we have been praying for, is now home and recovering from surgery.
- Please continue to pray for John & Leigh as Leigh's mother has been diagnosed with leukemia and is scheduled to start treatments next week.
- Ginny F asks for prayers for her niece Tracy who is facing a number of different medical challenges

and decisions related to what the best course of action is.

- Colleen asks for continued prayer for her friend Trish who is recovering from a stroke and for Trish's husband Pete who is caring for her.
- Please pray for Marlowe's daughter Candace who fell and broke her hip. She will be having surgery on Monday to repair the hip and then will be facing rehab.

Happy Birthday!!!

5/9 - Abbey Bernardo

5/10 - Bill Williams

5/12 - Judy Artrip

5/13 - Massie Bernardo

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRCC OUTREACH HOUSEWARMING - NEXT SUNDAY, May 15th

The Outreach Committee is currently collecting items in partnership with Exodus to provide a Refugee Family with items to fill a new home. There are many items needed, as you can understand, when you set up a new home. Items need to be new, and there are many options on what you could buy! If you would like to donate, please sign up for an item via the Sign Up Genius - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094baeab2da4fb6-exodus>. Items can be dropped off in the Park Place Room.

**** We will have Coffee Hour upstairs in the Great Hall this Sunday!****

GRADUATION SUNDAY - May 22nd

Attention 2022 Graduates!

On Sunday May 22nd during the 10:00 am Worship Service, we would like to honor and celebrate your accomplishments! If you are graduating from High School, Undergraduate, or Graduate School, please let the office know the details: photo of yourself, degree earned, institution name, future plans. Congratulations on your great achievement! We are so proud of you! For more questions, reach out to the office or Pastor Mollie.



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>

SUNDAY SUPPER

Our next date to serve is May 22nd. If you would like to volunteer, you can do so here -

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094baeab2da4fb6-sunday26>. Volunteers must be at least 13 years old to serve, volunteers ages 10-13 are welcome with an adult.

We are adding an additional volunteer opportunity to Sunday Supper, we are also looking for volunteers to make dessert for 10-15 people, prior to 2 pm on the 22nd.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

ADULT ED: Tuesday Daytime Bible Study: Disciple II - Into the Word, Into the World

All are invited to join in *Disciple 2: Into the Word, Into the World* Bible study on Tuesday afternoons from 1:30-3:00 pm. All are welcome to participate as we read and consider the scriptures together and discuss how these ancient texts apply to our lives today! <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81599270512?pwd=VWQzc3R0SEVHNzIraXNQOWdPOW1aQT09>

ADULT ED: Thursday Evening 6:00 – 7:30 pm: Abundant Living

During our Abundant Living Bible Study, we will consider the Abundant Life that is available to us here and now, and we will also consider the abundant life that is to come in eternity. This series will continue on Thursdays from April 21 – May 26 and will include Five Wishes, memorial service planning, and obituary writing. Bleak? Nope! We will celebrate the ways we experience abundant life and celebrate the hope and promise of resurrection! **May 12th - "Five Wishes"; guest presenter Liz Swanson.**

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER - City BBQ May 12th!

Grab lunch, dinner, and dessert on Thursday, May 12th. 20% of all proceeds will go directly towards the Youth Mission Trip!

YOUTH MISSION TRIP! Mission Trip Location - Knott County, Kentucky

We currently have 27 youth and 12 adults participating in the summer mission trip with the Appalachia Service Project! All participants are highly encouraged to attend special training dates before our departure in June! We will be discussing our work projects, learning of issues residents face in Central Appalachia, and our purpose for going to this region.

ASP Training Dates:

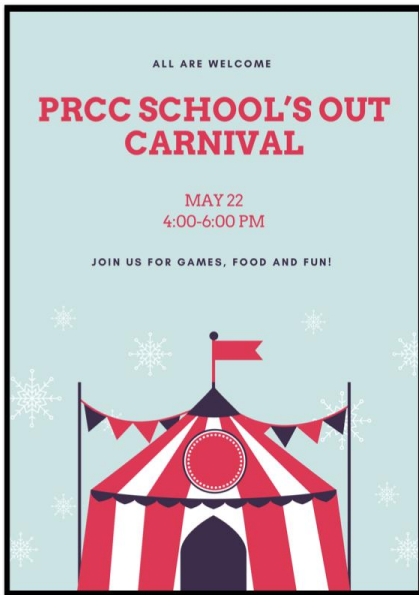
Sunday, May 15th: 11:30 am -1:00 pm ~ During this training, Youth will learn who is in their work crew!

SCHOOL'S OUT PARTY

On May 22nd from 4 to 6 pm, all families with children in grade school are invited to come celebrate with games and activities. Need more information, contact Shelley or Morgan at sundayschool@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

FAMILY CAMP - Save the Date!

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



OPEN AND AFFIRMING COVENANT PASSED!

As of May 1, 2022, the following Covenant will now accompany our Statement of Purpose:

PRCC Statement of Purpose (passed 1961)

We desire to associate ourselves in a fellowship of the Christ Spirit and covenant to accept one another in diversity of faith, supporting each other in love and respect. The fellowship that is our church grows from and builds upon the traditions of the various Christian Churches of the centuries.

We intend as individuals to grow in our understanding of the true nature of God and the way of life taught by Jesus Christ. Unity with God is the goal, Jesus Christ is our way, the Bible is our greatest resource, and the Church is our visible, sustaining fellowship.

As members of this church we shall go forward together in freedom, supporting one and other; seeking continually to learn more of the true nature of God and his purpose.

PRCC Open and Affirming Covenant (passed 2022)

Park Ridge Community Church affirms all people are made in the image of God and are worthy of God's love and grace. With God's help, we covenant to accept one another in diversity of faith and love, seeking to promote a sense of belonging for all — to be a place for the whole person to feel both fully known and safe.

This church values the richness of the world around us, in our congregation, and in our staff. We celebrate the participation and contributions of people of all ages; races and ethnicities; sexual orientations; gender

identities and expressions; economic circumstances; family structures; physical, cognitive and emotional abilities; and faith traditions.

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May 12th!!!

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