

God's Messy FAMILY

Finding Your Place
When Life Isn't Perfect



August 14, 2022 ♦ 8:30 am & 10:00 am
Park Ridge Community Church

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, people of God, let us worship!

Here we are family. Here we belong.

Are families perfect, always kind, always insightful?

No, but to be a family means we find unity in God.

The biblical witness tells of the messiness of God's family.

**The scriptures also tell of a tenacious God,
continuing to teach, continuing to guide, continuing to love.**

We are people of the Promise!

And we serve a Promise keeping God!

*HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

see insert

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Persistent God, your promises are enduring and your love is steadfast.

When our faith runs dry and our trust dissolves, you are still present.

You know our fears and our doubts, and you wrap us in your grace-filled embrace.

Reassure our worries. Ease our anxieties.

Remind us that even when all we can see is the mess,
You can transform messes into moments of redemption and reconciliation.

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a right spirit within me.

Silent Prayers are offered.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear these words: The Promise Making, Promise Keeping God walks this road with us, constantly calling us home, unconditionally reminding us that we are family. The steadfast love of God continues from generation to generation.

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.*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC (10 am)	<i>Adagio from Duo No. 1 for Violin and Viola</i>	Jansa
*PASSING THE PEACE		
FIRST LESSON	Romans 4:16-25	
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		
PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER	<i>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.</i>	
MUSICAL RESPONSE (8:30 am)	<i>Precious Lord, v. 2</i>	
*PREACHING LESSON	Genesis 45:4-15 This is the word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God.	
SERMON	Life is Hard, God is Good	Pastor Carol Hill
INVITATION TO OFFERING		
OFFERTORY		
*DOXOLOGY	<i>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.</i>	591
*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING	God of every generation, we give you thanks for family, friends, and home. We celebrate the ways you continue to call us to new places and continually reform us into your family. In the messiness, in the miscommunication, and in the madness, we turn to you. Guide our living and our giving, that you might use our efforts to bless the nations. Amen.	
*HYMN	<i>O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	see insert
*BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE (10 am)	Fantasia: La Sampogna	Morely

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

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP AUGUST 14, 2022 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

Rev. Carol Hill, Senior Minister	Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries
Pastor Mollie Foster, Associate Minister	Sue Douglass, organist
Liz Swanson, Director of Pastoral Services	Angie and Andrew Weber, musicians
Shelley O'Brien, Director of Children's Ministry	Karen Nelson, violin
Morgan Tone, Director of Children's Ministry	Naomi Hildner, viola
Lydia Zweifel, lector	

New Parish Coordinator at PRCC

Welcome, Erin Henke, our new full-time Parish Coordinator! Erin is in the office Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm and is quickly learning our congregation members, processes, and how to support the ministries of our congregation. We will introduce Erin in worship in September, but everyone is encouraged to stop by the office during the week and welcome her to our team!

God of Grace and God of Glory

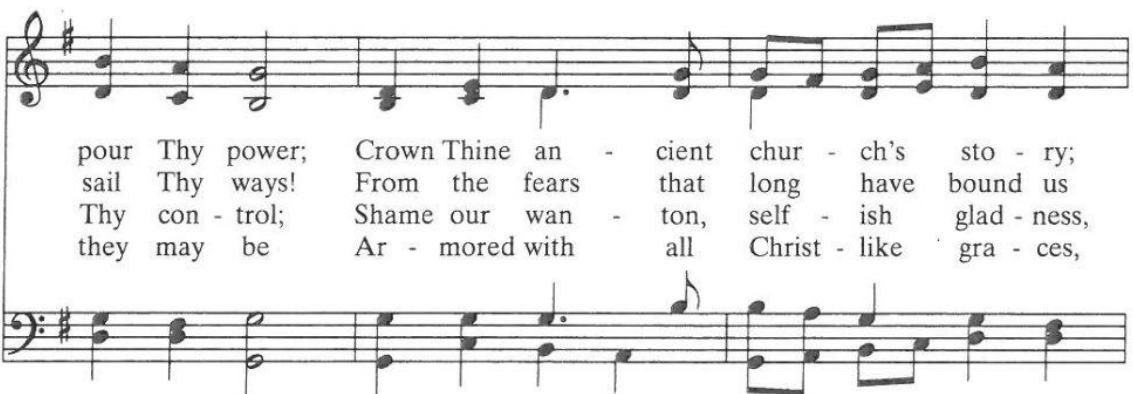
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Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; alt.

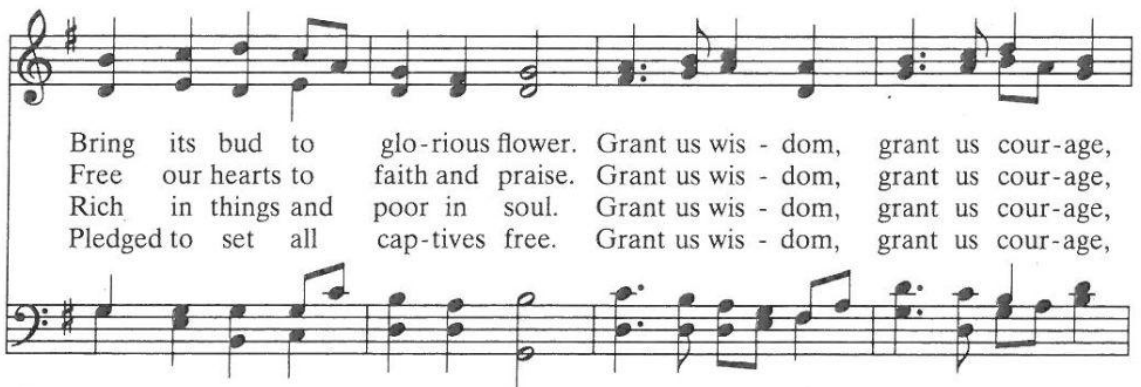
John Hughes, 1907



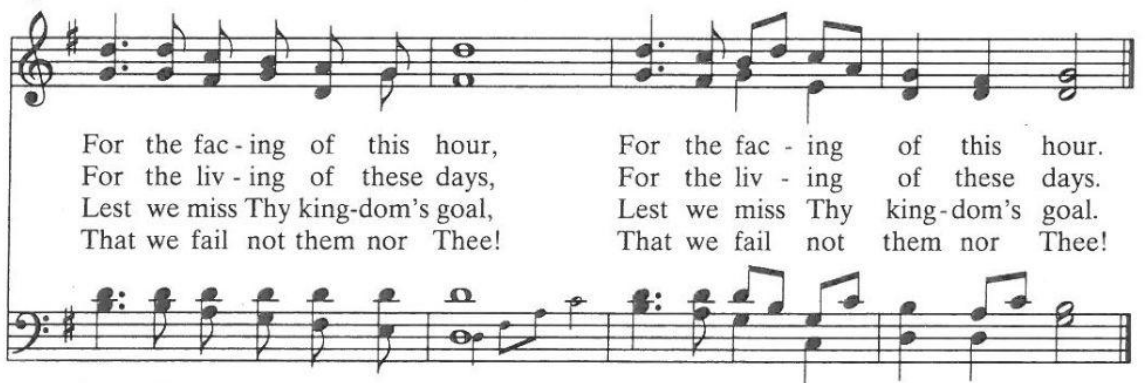
1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Thy peo - ple
2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn Thy Christ, as -
3. Cure Thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, Bend our pride to
4. Set our feet on loft - y pla - ces; Gird our lives that



pour Thy power; Crown Thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
sail Thy ways! From the fears that long have bound us
Thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
they may be Ar - mored with all Christ - like gra - ces,



Bring its bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
Pledged to set all cap - tives free. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal, Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal.
That we fail not them nor Thee! That we fail not them nor Thee!

5. Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Thy salvation
Be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Serving Thee whom we adore,
Serving Thee whom we adore.

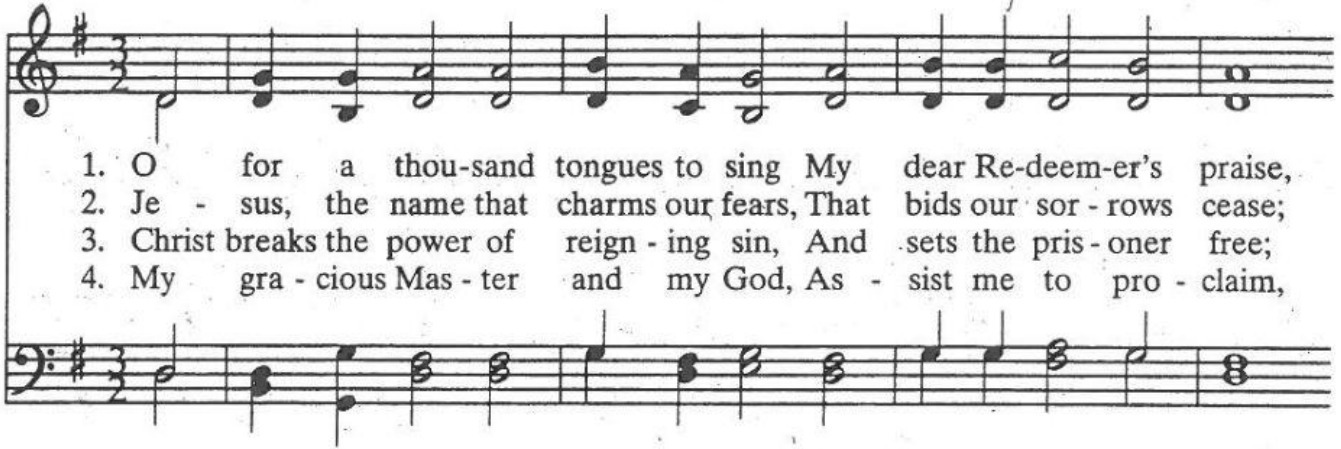
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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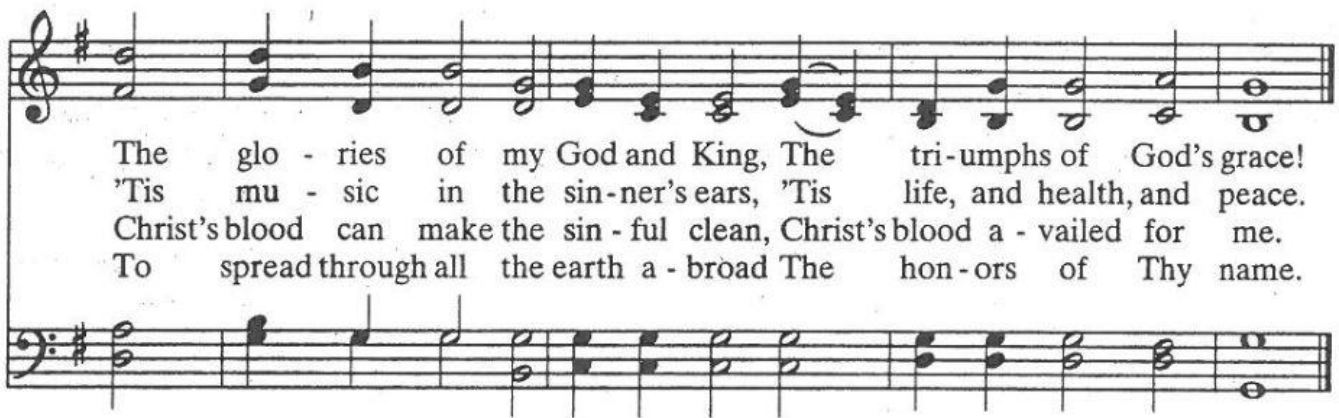
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Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.

Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839



1. O for a thou-sand tongues to sing My dear Re-deem-er's praise,
2. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sor - rows cease;
3. Christ breaks the power of reign - ing sin, And sets the pris - oner free;
4. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As - sist me to pro - claim,



The glo - ries of my God and King, The tri - umphs of God's grace!
'Tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.
Christ's blood can make the sin - ful clean, Christ's blood a - vailed for me.
To spread through all the earth a - broad The hon - ors of Thy name.

Get Involved With Music at PRCC

All Are Welcome!

Chancel Choir

- Begins September 1st, 2022
- Rehearses 7:30-9:00 pm on Thursdays
- Contact Sasha Gerritson if interested in joining: sasha@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

Junior Choir

- Begins September 6th, 2022
- Rehearses 4:00-5:00 pm (5:00-5:30 for Middle Schoolers)
- Contact Sasha Gerritson if interested in joining: sasha@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

Bells On High

- Begins September 8th, 2022
- Rehearses 6:15 - 7:15 pm on Thursdays
- Contact Sandy Bowen if interested in joining: PRCCSandy@msn.com



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 August ushers: Barb Madro, Marty McHugh, Chris Browning, Gretchen Kapolnek, Dave Kapolnek, Jim Sindt, Ace Steele, Dave Figgins, and Joe Figgins.

ALTAR FLOWERS are available for dedication through the Church Office, they are \$40.

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Calling all Sunday School families! Please join us for a **required** Family Meeting on **August 28th at 11:15**. You will have the opportunity to register for Sunday School, hear about the curriculum and ask questions! We will also be going over Sunday School expectations with the children at this time.

New this year: Due to our shortage of Sunday School teachers, 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!

Important Upcoming Dates:

August 28: Kids Club/Required Family Meeting

September 4: Kids Club

September 11: First Day of Sunday School!

September 18: Sunday School

September 23-25: Family Camp!

YOUTH GROUP New 6th Graders are invited to a Welcome Lunch at the Carriage House today at 11:30 am!

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 our 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.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR August 7th

- Happy anniversary to the Benedetto's, 41 years, and the Johnson's, 48 years!
- It is a joy to celebrate the baptism of Harper Jacoda Linske this morning!
- It's a joy to announce the birth of Marisol Sapphire Peralta. Marisol was born on 8/5 to Meg & Jorge
- It's been a blessing and joy for Pastor Carol to engage with Naomi at the Peace Institute in Lombard for a full week training on communications and conflict resolution.
- Gratitude for clean water, warm homes and plenty of food as we know many people can not count the same blessings, especially those in Kentucky affected by floods.
- We hold with mixed emotions our very own Jaclyn Weir as she moves on from her staff role at PRCC.
- As we pray for Jaclyn in her new endeavors, we welcome with joy our new office manager, Erin.
- Family member with lung issues and 3 hospitalizations.
- We pray for Mary and Tom, Elaine Z.'s cousins. Mary suffered a fall and fractured and compressed vertebrae and Tom is doing his best to care for her.
- Ginny is grateful for our continued prayers for her niece Tracy Nelson who is scheduled for serious surgery this upcoming week and faces a lengthy recovery.
- Angie P. also asks for continued prayer for her mom Nikki who has transitioned to a new living situation and will be having some medical tests this week. Please pray for Nikki for clear results in the upcoming PET scan and for a smooth transition out of her family home.
- Karen W. asks us to pray for friends of hers, who are struggling after Tamara, wife and mother passed away last November. Tamara's husband and two adult children are struggling and lost as the grief weighs heavy on them.
- We continue to hold Winnie E. in our prayers as she slowly heals from a fall and is getting over an infection in her knee as a result of that.
- We pray for the friends and family of Patti Foster who entered life in the resurrection on 8/2. Patti is Pastor Mollie's aunt who lived in Kansas.

Happy Birthday!

8/15 - Zach Nelson

8/16 - Carrie Plach

8/17 - Grace Taglia; Alex Biardo

8/18 - Amanda Black; Aria Geye

8/19 - Charles Goetz



UPCOMING EVENTS

JR CHOIR CAMP - August 15th - 19th, 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Students (entering) 2nd grade through those entering 6th grade in the fall. Friends from other schools and other churches are most welcome! To learn more and register, go to <https://forms.gle/TzsAZNWBby52VkU49>

MUSIC AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Senior Contact is serving up Ice Cream Sundaes and Root Beer Floats again on Friday 8/19. Everyone is invited to listen to the Junior Choir Camp concert in the sanctuary at 5:00 pm on Friday 8/19 and then stay for some sweet treats. Let us know if you'd need a ride to church to be a part of this fun event.

RALLY DAY - August 21st! THE TENT IS BACK!!

Rally Day will be held outdoors under the big top on Sunday, August 21st with fun and worship! We will worship together at one service at 10 am and then enjoy Deacon Dogs, activities for the children, music, and fellowship as we kick off an exciting new time of ministry! The Wehman Band will provide music in worship and in a concert. The Youth Mission team will share parts of their experience. The Junior Choir Camp participants will sing! Backpacks will be blessed as the students prepare to return to school! A Ministry Fair will highlight different ways for congregants to get involved! A bouncy house will provide an outlet for those who need to leap for joy! It will be an exciting day to launch the new ministry year together!!

FOLK CONCERT - September 10th

Claudia Schmidt brings her exuberant music to Park Ridge Community Church! With her multi-octave voice, 12 string guitar and mountain dulcimer, she weaves together song, story and spoken word in a one-of-a-kind presentation that will fill your heart and refresh your soul. Look for more details about tickets for this one night only event!

VOLUNTEER

LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SHELTER

Our next date to serve is September 1st.. If you would like to volunteer, you can do so here - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094baeab2da4fb6-lincoln20>

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING THIS SUMMER

Each week, look for activities that children can participate in with their parents during Worship. Additionally, we will meet once per month for a special activity, look out for an August date!

YOUTH GROUP MEETING THIS SUMMER

TODAY - New 5th Grade Welcome Lunch at the Carriage House, 11:30 am to 1 pm

Sun, Aug 21 - Rally Day!

Sun, Aug 28 - Youth Group Kick Off!

FAMILY CAMP - September 23rd - 25th

<https://www.ymcachicago.org/duncan/>

Family Camp is a weekend of fun and bonding with your entire family! Our goal is that when you leave family camp, you've grown closer to both God and your family. It's a no stress vacation where you can focus on relaxing and having fun! At Family Camp, you'll find it's just as easy to grow your faith as it is to have fun-all while getting to enjoy each other's company. Come experience camp, unplug and play as a family! Questions and RSVP: Ask Pastor Mollie, Morgan or Shelley sundayschool@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

Cost: \$89.50 per person if arriving on Saturday/add \$22 per person if arriving on Friday evening.

What's included? Meals: Saturday-Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner, Sunday-Breakfast



**Park Ridge
Community Church
invites you to...**

Rally Day!

**August 21st, 2022
10:00 am**



All Are Welcome!

Join us for:

- One service at 10:00 am under the big tent
- Music by the Wehman Band & PRCC Jr. Choir
- Sunday School Registration & Ministry Fair
- Hot-dog lunch provided
- Children's Activities & Backpack Blessing



Learning · Growing · Serving · Playing

PRCC Family Camp 2022

Experience life-changing fun with your family!

ALL ARE WELCOME! Families, couples or individuals are all a part of our family at PRCC!

Please register by Aug 31, 2022

When?

Arrival: 7:00 PM Friday, September 23rd

Departure: 11:00 AM Sunday, September 25th

Where? YMCA Camp Duncan

- Northern IL; 1 hour north of Chicago, 1 hour south of Milwaukee (30 minutes west of Gurnee)
- Located on Fish Lake
- 300 acres of woodlands, open fields, rolling hills, and nature trails
- Modern bathroom facilities

Cost \$89.50 per person if arriving on Saturday+add \$22 per person if arriving on Friday evening

Tentative Camp Schedule

Friday, September 23

7:00 pm Check-In Begins (Dinner on your own)

8:00 pm Scavenger Hunt

8:30 pm Bonfire

Saturday, September 24

8:00am Breakfast

9:00am Group Devotion

9:15am Group Activity

10:30am Free Time

12:00pm Lunch

1:00pm Adventure Activities

(examples: boating, ropes course)

3:00pm Free Time

5:30pm Dinner

7:00pm Star Lab

8:00pm CampFire Sing-along

Activities: (Times TBD, subject to change)

Self-led activities include:

- Ga ga, 4 Square, Volleyball, Frisbee Golf, Soccer, Basketball, Hiking, Playground

Sunday, September 25

8:00am Breakfast

9:00 am Worship

10:00am Clean up and Pack up

Check out of cabins by 11:00 AM



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