

God's Messy FAMILY

Finding Your Place
When Life Isn't Perfect



August 7, 2022 ♦ 8:30 am & 10:00 am
Park Ridge Community Church

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

God's Messy Family: Promise Maker & Promise Keeper

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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

Take My Life, v. 1-4

see insert

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of our lives, you have given us family that we would not always choose. We have not treated our siblings well, often bickering, fighting, and abandoning them completely. In this messy family of yours, we have been the culprits of trying to cut out others. Resolution and reconciliation do not come easily to us. May the stories of Jacob and Esau and Joseph and his brothers, remind us that sibling rivalry is nothing new. Fill us with your spirit of care. Give us hearts of compassion. Forgive our hardness of heart.

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

*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.*

CELEBRATING THE BAPTISM OF HARPER JAGODA LINSKE (10 am)

Parents: Sarah Linske and Kasia Pawlina Godparents: Donna Millencamp and Stan Pawlina
Questions of the Family

Congregational Assent

Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to Harper being baptized as she grows in faith?

We promise our love, support and care.

How will you do this?

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 our 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 seeking continually to learn more of the true nature of God and God's Purpose.

Though she is too young to understand, articulate for Harper what you have learned about God's love and purpose on your spiritual journey through the years.

For you, little one, Jesus Christ came into the world: for you he lived and showed God's love; for you he suffered the darkness of Calvary and cried at the last, "It is finished;" for you he triumphed over death and rose in newness of life; for you he ascended to reign at God's right hand. All this he did for you, Harper, though you do not understand it yet. And we will continue to tell you this good news until it becomes your own. And so the word of Scripture is fulfilled: "We love because God first loved us."

Blessing of the Water, Baptism, and Lighting of the Baptismal Candle

Prayer of Dedication

God of wonder and grace, we thank you for your love revealed here this day to this community, these parents, and this child. We pray that this community will always provide a safe shelter of your love in which all children may grow and play. We pray that these parents may continue to feel the sweet wonder of your presence so transparent here today. We pray that Harper will bask in your love as she makes her journey through this life. Amen.

Introduction to the Congregation

God Claims You

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*Refrain**



Har-per, Har-per, God claims you, God helps you, pro-
Child of prom- ise, Fine

tects you, and loves you, too.

1. We this day do
2. We your fam- ily
3. We are here to
4. And if you should

all a- gree a child of God you'll al- ways be.
love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow.
say this day that we will help you on your way.
tire or cry then we will sing this lul- la- by.

D.C.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 28:10-22

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

MUSICAL RESPONSE (8:30 am)

Precious Lord, v. 1

*PREACHING LESSON

Genesis 37:12-28

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

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

From Generation to Generation

Rev. Carol Hill

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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

God of every generation, use these gifts and use us to be agents of healing in the world. Enable the difficult work of reconciliation that all might know of your promise and steadfast love. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

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.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

*HYMN

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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 AUGUST 7, 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

Jan Slaughter, lector

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries

Jane Kenas-Heller, piano

Mark Holihan, musician

Lorenzo Formosa, vocals

Sarah Hibbard, vocals

TODAY!!!



FREE Sunday Fun Day

AUGUST 7TH 11:30-1:00

- Pizza
- Family Feud Game
- Relay Races

**RECONNECT WITH SUNDAY
SCHOOL FRIENDS!**

Take My Life

HENDON 7.7.7.7

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874

H. A. César Malan, 1827

1. Take my life, and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee.
 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love.
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, Al - ways, on - ly, for my King.
 4. Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;

Take my mo - ments and my days; Let them flow in
 Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beau - ti -
 Take my lips, and let them be Filled with mes - sa -
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use Ev - ery power as

cease - less praise, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for Thee, Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 ges from Thee, Filled with mes - sa - ges from Thee.
 Thou shalt choose, Ev - ery power as Thou shalt choose.

526 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our
 2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there
 3. Are we weak and heav - y la - den, cum - bered

sins and griefs to bear! What a priv - i - lege to car - ry
 trou - ble an - y - where? We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged;
 with a load of care? Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge;

ev - ery - thing to God in prayer! O what peace we of - ten
 take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so
 take it to the Lord in prayer. Do thy friends de - spise, for -

for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear, all be -
 faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share? Je - sus
 sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his

cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer.
 knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer.
 arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a sol - ace there.

WORDS: Joseph M. Scriven, ca. 1855
 MUSIC: Charles C. Converse, 1868

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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 this week are in loving memory of Tamara, the best wife, the best mom, the best friend!

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL will meet today after the 10 am service for a special Sunday School Event!

YOUTH GROUP will meet tonight for a Youth Swim Party at Hinkley Pool - 7:30 to 9:30 pm!

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

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

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR JULY 31ST:

- Jim and Judy S's 57th wedding anniversary was July 31st!
- It is a joy to announce the birth of Carmella Rose, Pat & Bob T's first great grandchild, born 7/23.
- We pray for all the communities and families who have suffered loss of life and property in the flooding in eastern Kentucky. This area is very close to where our mission trip just went and has affected some of the ASP groups there now. We pray for all the efforts to respond to this emergency.
- Ginny F. asks us to hold her niece Tracy in our prayers as Tracy faces some medical tests this coming week in preparation for serious surgery in early August.
- Please hold in prayer all those seeking treatment for addiction especially a friend of the Swansons has taken the difficult step of going into treatment this last week.
- We continue to hold Angie P. and her mother, Nikki in our prayers as they are both recovering from covid and regaining strength.
- Winnie E. asks us to hold her in our prayers as she recovers from injuries she sustained in a fall while on a trip.
- Pray for the friends and family of Sharon Kay Stang who entered life in the Resurrection 7/14. Sharon was a friend of Ginny F. from college.

Happy Birthday!

8/8 - Terry Krahl; Sadie Nelson

8/9 - Denise Steele; Will Soukup

8/10 - Lynne Kolze

8/12 - Chloe Sanderson

8/13 - Liz Swanson; Rachel Parker; Theo Pomeroy

UPCOMING EVENTS

FAREWELL TO JACLYN - TODAY at 9:30 am in Jordan Hall

Join us August 7th in Jordan Hall between the 8:30 and 10 am service to celebrate Jaclyn's time here with us at PRCC. We are collecting a love offering for Jaclyn, if you would like to make a contribution you can do so through Zelle or by check, please memo offering for Jaclyn.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT MEETING - TODAY!

Join us at 2 pm in the Library as we discuss the coming Ministry Year, themes, and new ideas.

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!



AUGUST 21ST AT 10:00 AM

- One service at 10 am
- Outdoor Worship under the TENT!
 - Deacon Dogs
- Music from The Wehman Band and the Jr Choir
 - Activities for children
 - Backpack Blessing
 - Ministry Fair

VOLUNTEER

RAINBOW CONNECTION

PRCC is developing a new opportunity for community support for the youth of the LGBTQ community in Park Ridge! If you are interested in helping to develop this program, there will be an interest meeting on August 9th at 6 pm in the library, or you can join via zoom - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87019226014?pwd=bEVTaitjib1VPZHEvS1lIRzIBT0pRZz09>

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.

YOUTH GROUP MEETING THIS SUMMER

TONIGHT - Youth Pool Party at Hinkley Pool, 7:30 to 9:30 pm

Wed, Aug 10 - Pie Night at the Carriage House, 6:30 to 8 pm

Sun, Aug 14 - 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.vmcachicago.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.



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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