



Making
Sense of
Good
&
EVIL

September 25, 2022 ♦ 10:00 am
Park Ridge Community Church

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Making Sense of Good & Evil: Unlikely Friendships

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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

Friends of God, believe this -
God loved the world, God loves the world, we are the beloved!

**May the truth of this great love story
shine throughout our worship today,
and renew our sense of calling.**

So come, with your tiredness, your frustrations and your discouragements;
come with your doubts, your fears, and your longings.

We come to discover yet again how Jesus reveals God's love and mercy.

Come, in friendship to God and to each other,
and in friendship to the world, to listen for God's Word to us,
to offer our prayers, and to renew our calling.

Friends of God, let us worship!

*HYMN

Morning Has Broken

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*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

...Join me as we pray, saying,

**Rock of our salvation,
we know the faults we try to hide from you and others.
We have not cared for all people in the same way.
We do think some are more gifted, or better, or prettier.
We are more willing to rejoice with someone,
than to suffer with another.
We are not sure the prisoners should be set free,
or the poor given hope.**

**Redeemer of all people, forgive us.
Anoint us with your Spirit's power
so our eyes might be opened and our ears freed
to listen to what Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,
teaches us about your love and grace for our lives.**

Silent prayers are offered

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

God's Spirit is upon us: the Spirit of forgiveness, the Spirit of grace, the Spirit of oneness. Today, and in all the days to come, God's Spirit is with us.

Thanks be to the One who is our joy and our strength. 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**

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS: Jaclyn, Todd, & Maggie Weir, and Michael Maher

...We are siblings in Christ, given a new identity through our baptism into Jesus' death and resurrection.

COMMITMENTS OF THE MEMBERSHIP CANDIDATES

COMMITMENTS OF THE CONGREGATION

Will you who are members of this faith community, who are witnessing these promises, share the joys and sorrows, and do all in your power to support these persons in their journeys of faith and their life in Christ?

We will.

Will you welcome these persons into this family of PRCC, embrace their gifts, their needs, and their dreams? Will you recognize that their presence and participation will change the shape of this body of faith and help us to grow in new ways? Will you support them in their journey and assist them in their ministries?

Yes! Yes! Yes! We affirm our love and support to these persons as members of the church family and covenant our support as we all move forward to a deeper faith in Christ Jesus. Loving God, send your Holy Spirit to be among us, knitting us one to another. Help us to grow with each other, to love each other, to support each other. That by our common life in this community we may come to know and serve you and all people, in Jesus' name, we pray.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

For Good
from the musical *Wicked*

S. Schwartz

FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:12-26

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**

Matthew 10:26-32
This is the word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Overcoming Fear with Love

Pastor Carol Hill

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

C. Courtney

***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**

Loving God, we thank you for the abundance of blessings in our lives. We especially give thanks for this community of faith, where we are loved, challenged, and encouraged to go deeper in our faith. Bless our gifts, our ministries, our work that together we might overcome fear with love. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Forth Into the World in Peace

J. Rutter

POSTLUDE

* INDICATES TO PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 25, 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
Lyle Nicholson, lector

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries
Sue Douglass, organist
Erin Henke, organist
Jane Kenas-Heller, piano
Mel Budreck, soprano
Sammi Gallagher, alto
Chancel Choir

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<http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/>

Prayer of Thanksgiving written by Rev. Carol Hill, 2022.

Get Involved With Music at PRCC

All Are Welcome!

Chancel Choir

- Rehearses 7:30-9:00 pm on Thursdays
- Contact Sasha Gerritson if interested in joining:
 - sasha@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

Junior Choir

- Rehearses 4:00-5:00 pm (5:00-5:30 for Middle Schoolers)
- Contact Sasha Gerritson if interested in joining:
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Bells On High

- Rehearses 6:15 - 7:15 pm on Thursdays
- Contact Sandy Bowen if interested in joining:
 - PRCCSandy@msn.com



CHURCH EVENTS

SUNDAY SEPT. 25

- 8:30 am - Chapel Worship (Chapel)
- 10:00 am - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 am - Kid's Club (Sunday School Wing)

MONDAY SEPT. 26

- 10:00 am - Bible Study (Library)
- 7:00 pm - SPRC Meeting (Library)

TUESDAY SEPT. 27

- 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)
- All Day (11 am - 10 pm) - Crop Walk Fundraiser at D'Agostino's

WEDNESDAY SEPT. 28

- 10:00 am - Staff Meeting
- 7:00 pm - Bible Study (Chapel)

THURSDAY SEPT. 29

- 9:00 am - Men's Breakfast (Library)
- 6:00 pm - Structure Taskforce (Library)
- 6:15 pm - Bells on High Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

FRIDAY SEPT. 30

SATURDAY OCT. 01

- 11:00 am - Pumpkin Patch Setup! (Lawn)

Happy Birthday!

9/25 - Robin Batagila,
Sarah Hibbard, and
Charlie Giera

9/26 - Gale Fabisch

9/27 - Kathy Tumminello

9/28 - Sharon Solomon &
Eve Hinton

9/29 Lucas Runtz

9/30 Ed Numrych

Interested in being a lector and doing a reading for a service? Contact
Sasha Gerritson at sasha@parkridgecommunitychurch.org
Everyone is welcome to be a lector!

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 Creation Care 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 September ushers: Sharon Kemerer, Cindy Klimmeck, Paula Mack, Lorel Brunet, Tom Brunet, Bill Barsanti, and Bob Mack.

ALTAR FLOWERS this morning are in remembrance of Circle 8 members who have passed on: Earlene Beile, Evelyn Claire, Liz Davis, June Hedrich, Sue Jacobs, Ellie Jacobson, Marilyn Johnston, Rae Patterson, Barb Pfaff, Judy Pirok, Audre Thompson and Phyllis Whitford.

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 SEPTEMBER 18TH:

- We celebrate the welcoming of new members to our congregation and all that God is doing through PRCC.
- We celebrate the meaningful week last Sunday with Sunday School getting back, youth group field trip to game design center, and Sept 11 memorial for the community.
- We give thanks for the helping hands who packed Loving Lunches that were distributed this week to homeless persons in Chicago.
- We pray for Laura and Marty Sissman as they travel to North Carolina.
- We hold Beth P in our prayers as she prepares for a mastectomy.
- We continue to pray for Evan C. as he recovers from his surgical procedure this week, and his body can heal and strengthen as he has additional procedures ahead.
- We pray for a church member dealing with a new medical challenge.
- Liz E. has asked for prayers for her brother Richard as well as her nephew Myles as they each navigate difficult situations.

- Prayers for Kym D that she feels better and stronger in spirit.
- Tom Ruth celebrates completing pulmonary rehab.
- Prayers for a son who has lost his way that he may turn away from drugs.

VOLUNTEER

SENIOR OUTREACH

The Senior Outreach Committee makes deliveries and sends mailings to our homebound seniors and other homebound church members during the year. We will have two deliveries this Fall and the remainder will be mailings, deliveries are where we can use your help. Deliveries involve grabbing one or two recipient names, along with the “treat”, reaching out via telephone and then stopping by the recipient’s home/facility for a short visit to make the delivery. The “treat” and delivery information is usually set up in the smaller church kitchen for volunteers to pick up. We have a September delivery, ready today, that can be made anytime before the end of the month. If you would like to be part of our Senior Outreach delivery team, please email Kimberly at gocubs22@comcast.net to be placed on our list. *Thank you for considering to be part of this valuable ministry to keep all our members connected.*



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 D’Agostino’s fund-raiser on Tuesday the 27th!



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 Oct. 6th 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 LUNCHESES

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 is October 9th. 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: 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!

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL (6th-12th Grades) Youth will depart service after the Children’s Message and help with Kids Club today!

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP! (4th & 5th Grades) Junior Youth Group provides monthly gatherings for 4th and 5th graders! The next gathering will be Karaoke in the Patch on Oct. 9 from 7-8:30pm!

YOUTH GROUP (6th-12th Grades) People of all ages are invited on Saturday, October 1 at 11am, to help with the Patch Set-up on the lawn! Many hands make light work!



PATCH SET-UP:

SAT. OCT. 1: 11:00am

PUMPKIN UNLOAD:

FRI. OCT. 7: 5:00-7:00pm

SAT. OCT. 8: 9:00am



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

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