

Blessed are all who fear the LORD,
and who walk in his ways.
What your hands provide you will enjoy;
you will be blessed and prosper.
Psalms 128:1-2

Enjoy

LABOR DAY

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

September 1, 2019

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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship God at PRCC! This is a place where persons from a diversity of faith perspectives find unity in Christ. As we begin worship, take a moment to breathe deeply, inviting the Divine to speak anew this day. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, know that you are genuinely welcome here.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(The ushers will pick up prayer cards during the first hymn)

GATHERING/PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God said, "Six days you shall labor and do all your work,
But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord."
Jesus said, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
And I will give you rest."
We come in the name of the Spirit, resting from our labors,
Let us worship God this day!

*HYMN

Called As Partners in Christ's Service

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*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are workers, God, just like you. But we confess that our work is not always done in a manner that affirms and honors each other. Our work is not always done in a spirit that is pleasing to you. We confess that, on some occasions, we have blindly bought goods made by people who are paid too little or work in unsafe conditions. We admit that we have failed to end an unjust system in which some workers have jobs that provide good wages and benefits while other may have no job, or one that pays little and provides few benefits.

Creator God, help us to be your people, working for a world where all workers are valued. A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in. A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill. And one where those who serve—in stores, schools, hotels, restaurants, nursing homes, and many other places—are also served. It will be a world where all workers everywhere share in the abundance that you have given.

Silence is kept

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Our God is a God of grace and transformation. When we ask, God gives us the courage and strength to live out our faith in the workplace and the marketplace, as well as in the sanctuary.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

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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 OF THE PEACE

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 3:1-15

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

SECOND LESSON

Philemon 1:1-21

This is the word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Carol Hill

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

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*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

These gifts we offer, O God, as a portion of the work of our hands. Bless them that they may be used to bring justice for all those who labor. Inspire us to offer our gifts, our talents, our resources, and our very selves to labor for your Kingdom on earth. 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.

All these we do with all your people now on earth and all the multitude of heaven, praising your name and joining in their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

And so as a baptized and commissioned people,
remembering your mighty work in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves, our daily lives,
and our unique locations
for ministry in the world-
homes and hospitals, parks and stores,
prisons and concert halls-
as a living and holy sacrifice
in union with Christ's offering for us
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours,
Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Our Father, who 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**

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

see insert

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE (10 am)

** INDICATES TO PLEASE RISE IN BODY AND SPIRIT, IF ABLE*

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE, IF ABLE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP – SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

Rev. Carol Hill, Senior Minister
Liz Swanson, Director of Pastoral Services

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries
Angie & Andrew Weber, musicians
Sue Douglass, Organist

ITEMS OF NOTE

WELCOME GUESTS!

We are glad you are joining us in worship today. If you are interested in more information about our worship, programs, service, and fellowship please visit our website at www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

PLEASE SEE AN USHER for seat cushions, larger font bulletins, and/or hearing assistance devices for use during worship. *Thank you to our September ushers: Paul Rauch, Sharon Kemerer, George Skoog, Cindy Klimmeck, Jan Steiner, and Paula Mack.*

ALTAR FLOWERS this week are in celebration of all workers who labor and those now retired.

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

NURSERY CARE is provided from 8:30-11:15 am each Sunday. Infants to age 5.

NAME TAGS are available for all people! Thank you for wearing your nametag to help us know one another. If you need a new or replacement tag, please let us know!

GARDEN WORSHIP Thank you to our staff and volunteers for making Garden Worship happen this summer! We will resume 8:30 am worship in the chapel on September 15th.

PRAYER REQUESTS

WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR CONGREGATION AND OUR LOVED ONES:

Martha Bridges, Erika Cornelisen, Kylie Figgins, Jon Forsythe, Edith E. Hurlburt, Tom Kapolnek, Candace Kidston, Walter and Christina Kotecki, Geri LeDuc, Jim Lego, Lurana Nelson, Leo Netko, Dean Muenzer, Pauline Numrych, Susan Ruth, Ann Stutts, Ginny Sutton, Kathleen Weller, Joyce Wright, Bill Zoellner, Kate Zoellner.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM AUGUST 25th:

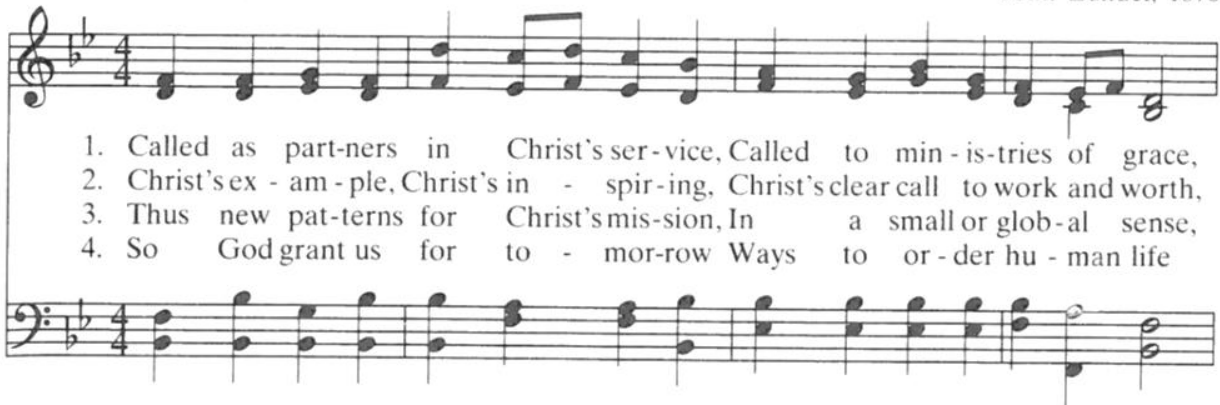
- What a joy to celebrate the Junior Choir Camp last week and in worship on 8/25!
- The Zoellner family welcomes their newest grandchild - Eleanor Ruth on 8/20
- The Klimmeck family celebrated the wedding of Pat and Colleen married on 8/17
- Wedding Anniversaries included the Zuegel's 65th; Janet & Gary Johnson 45th; the Hayes 36th and both the Biedke's and Curtis's 22nd wedding anniversary
- Bill Scharringhausen and Max Chandler both celebrating birthdays on 8/26.
- Paul Rauch celebrates his 85th birthday.
- Please pray for the friends and family of Greg McDonough who entered Life in the Resurrection on 8/2.
- A memorial service for Jim Reeder was held yesterday, 8/31, please continue to keep his family and friends in your prayers.

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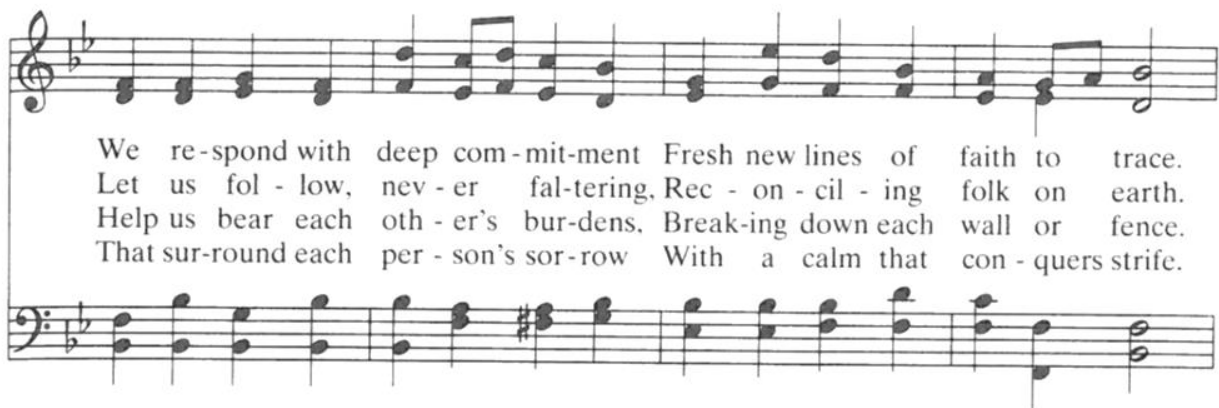
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Jane Parker Huber, 1981

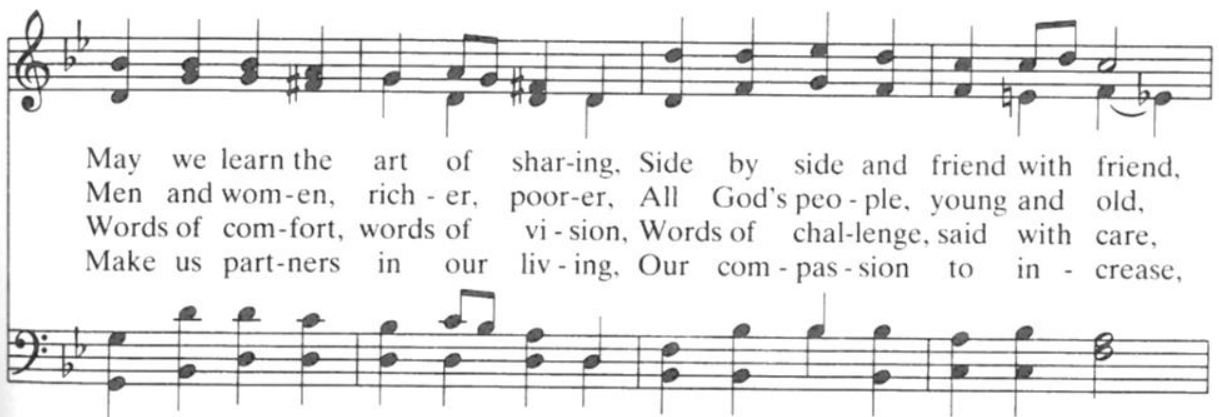
John Zundel, 1870



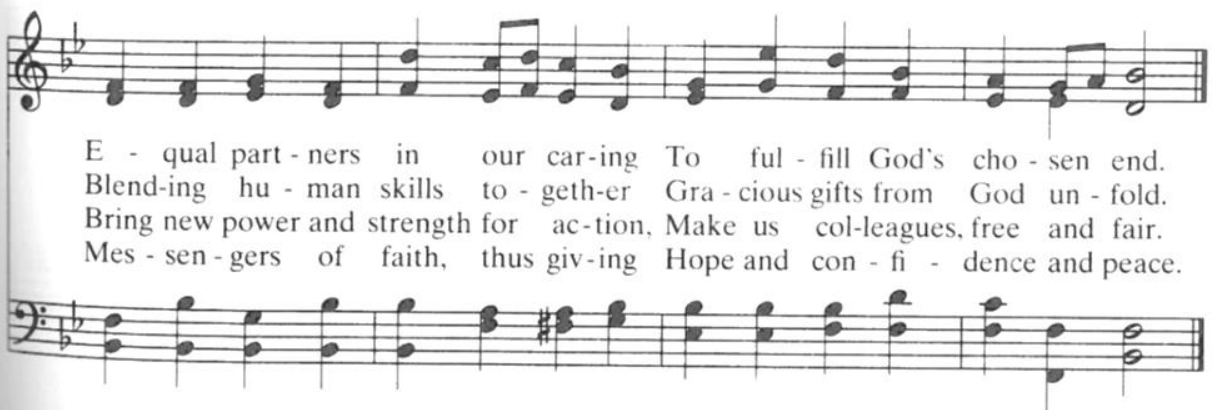
1. Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, Called to min-is-tries of grace,
2. Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
3. Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, In a small or glob-al sense,
4. So God grant us for to-mor-row Ways to or-der hu-man life



We re-spond with deep com-mit-ment Fresh new lines of faith to trace.
Let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, Rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
Help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, Break-ing down each wall or fence.
That sur-round each per-son's sor-row With a calm that con-quests strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, Side by side and friend with friend,
Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, All God's peo-ple, young and old,
Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, Words of chal-lenge, said with care,
Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, Our com-pas-sion to in-crease,



E - qual part-ners in our car-ing To ful-fill God's cho-sen end.
Blend-ing hu-man skills to-geth-er Gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.
Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, Make us col-leagues, free and fair.
Mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing Hope and con-fi-dence and peace.

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE Irregular

African-American spiritual

African-American spiritual
Arr. Wendell Whalum (1932-1987)

1. I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2. I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 3. I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 4. I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y - where, Lord,

an - y - time!
 (an - y - time!) I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

use me an - y - where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (my Lord,) (an - y - time!)

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IMPORTANT INFO & UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

No Summer Sunday School today, nursery care is available downstairs.

GIFT CARDS OF GRATITUDE FOR KATE AND DARCY

We will recognize their ministry in worship on Sunday, Sept. 15 and we'd like to give them a gift from the PRCC church family. If you would like to participate, please bring gift cards of gratitude to the church office before Sept. 15. Gift cards can be of any value to any place you think they might enjoy! If you'd prefer to donate a monetary gift instead, please memo checks to "Kate and Darcy". We give thanks that Kate and Darcy will continue to minister with our youth, even if no longer as staff, and we look forward to honoring them as a church!

LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SHELTER

Assistance is needed for **Thursday, September 5th's** dinner at **Lincoln Park Community Services**. We will be serving at their new facility at 1521 Sedgwick. **Cooking** begins at **2:00** in the church kitchen, and then we'll be **serving at 7:00**. We plan to leave church at 5:30 and return before 9:00. If you'd like to be a part of this worthwhile ministry, please contact Luan Zoellner (lzoellner@ameritech.net).

NEXT SUNDAY: RALLY DAY – One Service at 10:00 am

September 8th, 2019

Join us for a day filled with Fall kick off activities including Sunday School Open House, the Community Big Band, and delicious Deacon Dogs!

OUR FALL LEARN N' GO SERIES: Encountering God in the Diversity of Faiths

In Sunday Worship, Bible Study, and Sunday school, we will explore some of the fundamental components and beliefs of a variety of faith traditions. We will be invited to go and see other places of worship and hear directly from leaders in those traditions. **Series begins on September 8 and runs through October 27**. Come along for a time of learning, exploration, and encountering the Divine!

YOUTH LUNCHEON

You are invited to a dessert fest at Pastor Mollie's house (Carriage House) on **September 15th from 4:00pm-6:00 pm**. There will be ice cream and a variety of other desserts for you to enjoy! Bring your favorite ice cream topping to share! (If you're a football fan--don't worry, so is Pastor Mollie--the games will be on!) This will be a great opportunity for Pastor Mollie to get to know you whether you're a youth veteran or a rookie!

Parents: You are also invited to join in from 5:30-6:00 pm. If you have any questions, please email Pastor Mollie: pastormollie@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

COFFEE WITH PASTOR MOLLIE

Pastor Mollie will be available for coffee and conversation, drop in and say hi, anyone from PRCC is invited to sit down and get to know Pastor Mollie a little better as she begins her journey with us. **Drop in on the following Tuesdays at the Northwest Highway Starbucks: September 17th 9 am to 11 am, September 24th 11 am – 1 pm, and October 8th 11 am – 1 pm.**

PRCC GOLF OUTING

The Park Ridge Community Church Golf Outing will be Sunday, September 29th at the old Orchard Country Club. 1:00 pm shotgun start with a scramble format. Dinner will be held after, and those not golfing are welcome to attend! Registration is now open online by visiting the Golf Event page on our website or you can get a paper form in the Church Office. Golfers - \$125 (includes 18 holes, cart rental, and attendant) Dinner Only - \$35/person.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS WANTED!

In between services and after the 10 am worship concludes, we have a wonderful opportunity to fellowship and connect with other PRCC friends and families! All are invited into Jordan Hall to drink coffee, eat lite snacks, and mingle. **HOWEVER - WE NEED YOUR HELP!!** We are seeking hosts to volunteer to prepare treats **EITHER** after the 8:30 OR after the 10 am service. This can be as simple or elaborate as you'd like. Reimbursement is available to cover the cost of food.

MARYVILLE BACKPACK COLLECTION – Thank You!

A huge thank you to all who so generously donated backpacks to **Maryville's Undocumented Children's Program**. Because of your generosity, we **EXCEEDED** our goal and collected 120 backpacks! Now these young immigrant children will have a sturdy new backpack to carry their few belongings in, as they travel to their new homes. A special thank you to Circle 10, the Men's Morning Breakfast, and the Yogi's for their contributions!

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Next Sunday
8:30a Garden Worship – Last One!	Church Office Closed	10:00a Women’s AA	7:00a Men’s Breakfast	8:00 am Community Bible Study	8:00a Morning Meditation		10:00a Worship
10:00a Worship	6:00p Evening Meditation	10:15a Chair Yoga	10:00a Women’s AA	1:30p Staff Meeting	10:00a Women’s AA		11:15a Rally Day Fun Fest!
8:00p Men’s Basketball	7:00p Yoga	11:30a Kindred Spirits		6:00 pm Bells on High			8:00p Men’s Basketball
		7:30p Youth Committee		7:30p Choir Party - offsite			
				8:00p Men’s Basketball			

STAFF & CONGREGATION LEADERSHIP:

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 Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries
 Thom Goodwin, Vice-Chair of the Congregation
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