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*1 Corinthians 16:14*

November 10, 2019  
8:30 am

# PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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NOVEMBER 10, 2019

8:30 AM

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

*Welcome to Park Ridge Community Church! We are so thankful that you are present for worship on this day. We strive to be a place where all may gather and find hope, healing, joy, and peace no matter where you are on life's journey. We celebrate that we have diversity in faith, but unity in Christ!*

### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### GATHERING

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Our ever-creating God plants seeds all around.

**We trust in God's grace to produce a crop of abundance!**

Even something as small as a mustard seed,

**Can be used for a great purpose by our God.**

No matter how old or young we may be,

**God is working within us, helping us to grow.**

In our worship, singing, praying, and living:

**Together, we learn, grow, serve, and play!**

Let all that we do be done in love. *(1 Corinthians 16:14)*

#### \*HYMN

*Live Into Hope*

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#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of small seeds and mighty plans, you take our meager lives and with your love cause them to produce acts of loving kindness for you in this world. You hear our cries and find us when we are lost and wandering in fear. You bring us home with you so that we may be made whole, rejoicing in your goodness. Help us to joyfully learn from you all our days, knowing that you are always watching over us. Forgive our doubts and fears that we have allowed to stunt the growth you intend in our lives. Prepare our hearts to receive your word and our spirits to respond in eagerness to serve you.**

*Silent Prayers are offered*

#### \*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Like a tender gardener, God is constantly pouring grace like rain over us. God is pruning the pieces that hold us back. God is feeding us with hope, love and peace. May this be a day when we feel the warmth of the mercy and steadfast love of our God.

**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.*

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

#### PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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.*

#### REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

Thom Goodwin

**\*PREACHING LESSON**

Mark 4:26-32

*This is the Word of God, for the People of God.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

For the Birds

Pastor Mollie Foster

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

**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**

**May the offerings brought this day be used as seeds, planted faithfully and nurtured lovingly so that God's way may be realized anew in this world. Grant us the humility we need to plant and then tend your precious garden. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

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**\*BENEDICTION**

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

**BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE, IF ABLE**

LEADING US IN WORSHIP – NOVEMBER 10, 2019

Rev. Carol Hill, Senior Minister  
Pastor Mollie Foster, Associate Minister  
Liz Swanson, Director of Pastoral Services

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries  
Angie & Andrew Weber, Musicians

**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](http://www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org), call the Church Office (847) 823-3164, or speak with an Usher or Pastor.

**PLEASE SEE AN USHER** for seat cushions, larger font bulletins, and/or hearing assistance devices for use during worship. *Thank you to our November ushers: Vaughan Hapeman, Wayne Tumminello, Scott Nelson, Charlie Giera, and Liz Ewald.*

**FIRST AID** First Aid kits are located in the Church Office, Sunday School Wing, and Kitchen. The AED device is located outside of the Church Office.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are from Sue Carroll in remembrance of the anniversary of her husband's passing.

**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 in the lower level. 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! *Thank you to Tom Klimmeck for our amazing new name tags holders in the Narthex!*

**COFFEE HOUR** **This week will be held in the Great Hall.** Please join us for our Ministry Fair after both services to get a glimpse of all of the wonderful ways to serve. **Thank you to the Chandlers for hosting this week!**

# PRAYER REQUESTS

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

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, Kathleen Weller, Joyce Wright, Bill Zoellner, Kate Zoellner.

## PRAYER REQUESTS FROM NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>:

Caroline Dase offers prayers of gratitude and healing for all our hearts on this All Saints Sunday

We continue to pray for all those affected by the CPS teacher strike and for a healthy return back to school and work.

It is a joy to welcome former Associate Minister Markay Suevel and her mother visiting with us today.

We welcome Emily and Eleanore Zoellner in worship this morning visiting from California.

Please pray for Edward Walniakowski who is suffering from stage 4 liver cancer.

We keep Bernice Zabawski in prayer as she travels to Portland to visit her daughter.

Dan Smith asks for prayers for a co-worker's wife just diagnosed with breast cancer.

Please pray for Paul Curtis, brother in law of Grace as he awaits treatment from the VA.

We keep John Born's sister, Allison Baker in prayer as she was just diagnosed with breast cancer.

Please pray for Steve Gibbons, Pat Nelson's son who is facing health complications.

We pray for the friends and family of Pat Nelson as they re-schedule Pat's memorial service.

Please keep the family and friends of Dave Kapolnek's sister Susan in your prayers. Susan entered Life in the Resurrection on 11/2.

A service will be held for Pat Nelson on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Sedgebrook from 2-4 pm.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school takes place during 10am worship. Begin in the Sanctuary.

10-10:15 am - All gather in the Sanctuary as worship begins

10:15 am - Pastors dismiss preschool through high school students and teachers to class after the Children's Message

10:15 am - *preK-5th gr practice pageant songs (Sun. school wing)* then go to class;

*class: preK-2nd gr. Sun. school wing; 3rd gr. Jordan Hall; 4th-5th gr Library*

*6th-12th graders head up to the Great Hall for class after Children's Message*

11:15 am classes finish; parents pick up preK-2nd graders in the Sunday school wing

Please complete a registration form, available from the Sunday school wing or our

website, [www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org](http://www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org), with contact and allergy info. Return forms to Teri or Shelley, or to the church office.

Nursery open for babies through 5-year-olds on the lower level, 8:30-11:15 weekly.

### **Sunday School Offerings**

Sunday school offerings for Nov. 3 - Dec. 1 go to Maryville Academy Christmas programs.

### **Pageant sign-ups begin!**

Our beloved Christmas Pageant takes place during 10am worship on Sun. Dec. 8, with a mandatory rehearsal the morning of Sat. Dec. 7. Please fill out a registration form as soon as possible (due Dec. 1), to let us know which role your child would like. The children will rehearse pageant music during Sunday school music time Nov. 3 - Dec. 1. All children, nursery through middle school, are welcome to sign up!

Questions? Shelley or Teri, [sundayschool@parkridgecommunitychurch.org](mailto:sundayschool@parkridgecommunitychurch.org)

## YOUTH PUMPKIN PATCH

Thank you once again for a fantastic year! Final numbers will be out very soon, the Golden Pumpkin will be handed out next Sunday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>.

## BAPTISM CLASS

We have a number of families who have asked about scheduling a baptism class. In order to facilitate when this class will take place and when we might have a group baptism in worship, we first will assemble a list of interested persons. Please send an email to Jaclyn at [office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org](mailto:office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org) to let her know who would like to be baptized and what your availability is for a baptism preparatory meeting. The Baptism Class will be an hour-long interactive experience for parents and kids about the meaning of baptism. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

On Wednesday evenings from 7:30 - 9 pm, join Pastor Carol and others in Ellinger Transept as we continue to explore our faith through the lens of scripture. On November 13, we will do an overview study of the Gospel of Mark. **There will be no Wednesday Bible Study on Nov. 20 or 27. We will resume in Dec. with our Advent Study.**

### MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Every Monday morning, faithful folks gather in the Church Library, guided by Winnie Erikson and Pastor Mollie to explore the scriptures. All are welcome to gather at 10 am, with the study beginning at 10:30 am. We will begin an exploration of Ecclesiastes, using materials from the *Disciple Bible Study*, and we will consider additional studies for the weeks ahead. Everyone is welcome to join!

### TRIP TO BUDDHIST TEMPLE

Tomorrow, Nov. 11, we will take another field trip to another house of worship. Together we will go to the Meditation Center of Chicago, located at 6224 W. Gunnison St., Chicago, IL 60630. This is Thai Buddhist temple is run by two Buddhist monks to help reach out to the Buddhist community, provide information about the Buddhist traditions and to practice meditation. Those who wish to ride together can meet at 12:30 pm in PRCC Parking lot, and otherwise, we'll meet at 1 pm at the Temple. We anticipate being at the temple from 1-2 pm.

### ADVENT DEVOTIONAL CONTRIBUTORS WANTED

We are going to assemble a brief Advent calendar for our congregation to read a short reflection and scripture daily. These devotions will focus on the ways we find God's revelation through music. This devotional Advent calendar will complement our worship and study series on Handel's *Messiah*. If you are willing to write a short (500 words or less) reflection, please contact Pastor Carol.

## OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

### YOUTH AND TEACHER SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

#### **Jeanine Schultz Memorial School Youth and Teacher School Supply Drive**

The Jeanine Schultz Memorial School founded in 1965 by parents and members of the community to address the needs youth not included in public or private schools. Their needs are great and their resources are limited. Please drop supplies in school house in Park Place Room.

### SUNDAY SUPPER – New Openings!

We have had some openings in our volunteer slots, if you would like to volunteer please sign up on the Sign Up Genius page <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094baeab2da4fb6-sunday> or call the Church Office. We would also love to have a list of any persons interested in helping in the future. Many volunteers are needed to cook, serve, and organize donated food for this very worthwhile community outreach ministry. Please email [outreach@parkridgecommunitychurch.org](mailto:outreach@parkridgecommunitychurch.org) to add your name to the volunteer list.

### WINTER COAT COLLECTION

Adult winter coats are being collected between November and January. We are collecting gently used, clean coats for Men and Women. We are also collecting gently used Adult L and XL sweatshirts. These coats and sweatshirts are being collected for those being touched by the Bridge Project. The Bridge Project is a grass roots effort which began with members of the Urban Village Church in Chicago. Please contact Marylynn Collentine with any questions.

### CENTER OF CONCERN

Bring holiday wrapping paper for donation to the Center of Concern. Further their efforts by volunteering time to help wrap gifts at Golf Mill. See website for details, hours of need and sign up. <https://centerofconcern.org/volunteer/>.

## EPWORTH CHRISTMAS DINNER – Grocery Gift Cards Welcome!

An annual Christmas meal will be served at the shelter at Epworth United Methodist Church on Saturday 12/7. Thank you to the Knitting Knights for the donation of hats, to the men's breakfast group for the donation of socks and to the youth & Sunday School kids for assembling and beautifying the gift bags. 65 guests of the shelter meal will be receiving winter weather essentials thanks to all these efforts. PRCC will also be providing drinks and desserts for this dinner. The donated items will be delivered to Epworth on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. ***To assist in these purchases, grocery store gift cards are welcome and appreciated. All donated cards must be in envelope, clearly marked for Epworth Donation, by Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.***

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### YOU'RE INVITED: PASTOR MOLLIE'S INSTALLATION AND DINNER

Pastor Mollie's Installation Service will be held **TODAY** at 5:00 pm. This very special service will feature guest speakers, the Angeli Choir, and officially installing Pastor Mollie as our Associate Minister! The whole church is encouraged to attend. The service will be followed by a meal in Jordan Hall hosted by the Associate Search Committee. Even if you did not RSVP, please come!

### 2019 MINISTRY FAIR

#### **TODAY in the Great Hall**

At Coffee Hour today join us in the Great Hall for the 2019 Ministry Fair! The Hall will be filled with information and ideas for how to best use your talents here at PRCC and beyond. Our committees and Board Leaders will be present to tell you more about the many ways you can become engaged in the life of the church.

### GRIEF AND THE HOLIDAYS

#### **Sunday, November 17th at 2:00pm**

A workshop for people anticipating the holiday season after the death of a loved one. This presentation explores strategies for coping with memories, feelings, and activities associated with the holiday season. Registration is preferred, please call 847-653-3141 for more information and to register.

### CIRCLE 10'S SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS – FINAL WEEK OF SALES

#### **Wednesday, November 20th**

Circle 10's Spirit of Christmas is almost here! All PRCC women are invited to join us starting at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at the Park Ridge Country Club for a festive and relaxing night out with friends, including dinner, homemade desserts, available cash bar, holiday shopping, raffles and more. Tickets are \$30 per person and are available Sunday in the Park Place Room between services or in the church office during the week. **November 15<sup>th</sup> is the last day to buy tickets!**

#### **Celebration Dinner Raffle**

We are also selling tickets for a special raffle called "Celebration Dinner Raffle". Tickets are \$10 each and the winner has a chance to win \$250 in gift cards from Sunrise Grill, along with a \$50 gift card from Wine Styles to go with the dinner!

### CONSECRATION SUNDAY

As has been our wonderful tradition, we will worship together on Consecration Sunday, **Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10:00 am**. All will be invited on that day to pledge our gifts of gratitude for God's blessings and to God's work for us as a family of faith, our community and the world. After the service, we will gather together for a catered lunch to celebrate God's gifts. All are welcome. If you did not receive your Stewardship materials or need a new pladge form, extras are located in Ellinger.

### WALL OF SOUND

November 24<sup>th</sup> at Harp & Fiddle, join us at 7:00 pm for this fun, family friendly event! We will be playing all of your country favorites!

### MORAVIAN LOVE FEAST

#### **Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm**

Please join us for this short and simple service to hear the story of Christ's birth, sing the carols of the season, and enjoy a cup of sweetened decaf coffee and a special home baked bun. It's a perfect way to begin centering ourselves this Advent season.

### 2020 WOMEN'S RETREAT

#### **Living Water Retreat for Women of All ages - February 7th - 9th**

Cenacle Retreat & Conference Center (513 W. Fullerton Chicago) Women of all ages are welcome! You do not need to be a member of PRCC so invite your friends. Come for a weekend of renewal and refreshment to explore how water brings life to us physically & spiritually. Rev. Anna Voinovich will lead the retreat. **Please see the registration form on the back page!**



grateful  
thankful  
blessed

The Park Ridge Ministerial Association  
invites all to attend

**An Ecumenical Community  
Thanksgiving Service**

**Tuesday, November 26, 2019**

**7:30 pm**

Featuring:

Rev. Amanda Joria, Preacher

Combined Community Choir

Offering to support Sunday Night Suppers  
Followed by Desserts, Coffee & Fellowship

Those wishing to participate in the  
Community Choir are invited to arrive at 6:30 pm for Rehearsal.

Hosted at Park Ridge Community Church  
100 Courtland Ave. Park Ridge, IL 60068

## WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Next Sunday
8:30a Chapel Worship	10:00a Bible Study	10:00a Women's AA	7:00a Men's Breakfast	8:30a Community Bible Study	8:00a Meditation		8:30a Chapel Worship
9:15a Ministry Fair in the Great Hall	1:00p Field Trip to Buddhist Temple	10:15a Chair Yoga	10:00a Women's AA	12:00p Staff Meeting	10:00a Women's AA		10:00a Worship
10:00a Worship	5:30p Structure Meeting	11:30a Kindred Spirits	6:00p Confirmation Class	6:30p Bells			12:00p Angeli Choir
4:00p Angeli Choir	7:00p Yoga	4:00p Junior Choir	6:30p Women's eCircle	7:00p Rainbow Hospice			2:00p Grief and the Holidays
5:00p Pastor Mollie's Installation Service		6:30p Jazz Band Practice	7:00p Fly Fishing	8:00p Chancel Choir			4:00p Youth Group
8:00p Men's Basketball		7:00p Rainbow Hospice	7:30p Bible Study	8:00p Men's Basketball			8:00p Men's Basketball
		7:30p Stephen Ministry	7:30p Finance Committee				
	7:30p Membership Meeting						

### STAFF & CONGREGATION LEADERSHIP:

Rev. Carol Hill, Senior Minister

Pastor Mollie Foster, Associate Minister

Teri Biedke, Director of Children Ministries

Sasha Gerritson, Director of Music Ministries

Thom Goodwin, Vice-Chair of the Congregation

Shelley O'Brien, Director of Children Ministries

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### WOMEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM (Please return to the office)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE/EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

I HAVE ATTACHED:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$250 for a single room including meals

\_\_\_\_\_ \$205 for a shared room and I would like to share with \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50 deposit

\_\_\_\_\_ I would be happy to drive and have room for \_\_\_\_\_ others.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will need a ride from the PRCC parking lot.

\* Credit Card payments can be made during the week at the Church Office