

A Whole Life

discovering balance & abundance in the New Year

I came that you may have life, and have it abundantly. ~ Jesus

JANUARY 13, 2019 10:00 AM

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

*Welcome, sisters and brothers, to Christian fellowship and to worship this day!
Let us bless the Lord with our praise!*

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

JANUARY 13, 2019

10:00 AM

WELCOME!

We hope worship today will nurture your heart and transform your mind. At PRCC, we realize we need each other and commit to pray for each other. We reach out in compassion to a world in need, recognizing we are works in progress. If you wish to learn more, please fill out the "welcome card" found in the pew. No matter who you are, where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

As in Jesus' baptism and our own, we recall God's claim:

"You are my child, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased."

Jesus preached of the life he hopes we experience:

"I came that you may have life, and have it abundantly."

This day and this year, we will attempt to live a whole life.

By God's grace, may we find healing, wholeness, and abundance.

In these moments of worship, let us lift our very selves into God's tender care.

*HYMN

Baptized in Water

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*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We know what it is like to be singed by the flames of our lives, Holy God. We look for ourselves in all the wrong places - success, power, adulation. We carve our names in the granite walls of work, hoping we will be remembered when we are gone. We have gone through the waters of baptism but live as if they have not changed us. We need to hear your sure word, 'do not fear,' Shaper of our lives. Our failures do not cause you to quit loving us, for you continue to claim us, gathering us up in your compassionate arms. In our baptism, we discover not the end, but the first step of our journey with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is kept

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God's words of comfort and restoration are more powerful than any foolishness, any mistakes, any sins we commit. This is good news: we are God's people!

Thanks be to God! By water and word, by the Spirit of God's redeeming grace, we are marked and sealed as God's beloved children. 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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 43:1-7

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

The Apple Tree
Chancel Choir

K. Scott

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

***HYMN** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* 492

***GOSPEL LESSON** *Luke 3:15-17, 21-22*

SERMON **A Spiritual Check-Up** Rev. Carol Hill

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

OFFERTORY *Shall We Gather at the River?* arr. Carter
Chancel Choir

***DOXOLOGY** 592
*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**

We offer our gifts in recognition that we are baptized people, transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit. So, we will hold nothing back but will share our lives, our hearts, our energies, as well as our efforts, in ministry to the world around us. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

***HYMN** *O Spirit of the Living God* see next page

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** *The Lord Bless You & Keep You* Lutkin

POSTLUDE

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

BOLD INDICATES TO SPEAK ALOUD IN ONE VOICE, IF ABLE

LEADING US IN WORSHIP – JANUARY 13, 2019 – 10:00 AM

Pastor Carol Hill, Senior Minister
Liz Swanson, Director of Pastoral Services
Rick Graham, Lector

Sasha Gerritson, Minister of Music
Rick Hagedorn, Organist

O Spirit of the Living God

1. O Spir - it of the liv - ing God, thou
 2. Blow, wind of God! With wis - dom blow un -
 3. Teach us to ut - ter liv - ing words of
 4. So shall we know the power of Christ who

light and fire di - vine, de - scend up - on thy
 til our minds are free from mists of er - ror,
 truth which all may hear, the lan - guage all may
 came this world to save; so shall we rise with

church once more, and make it tru - ly thine.
 clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to thee.
 un - der - stand when love speaks loud and clear;
 him to life which soars be - yond the grave;

Fill it with love and joy and power, with
 Burn, wing - ed fire! In - spire our lips with
 till ev - ery age and race and clime shall
 and earth shall win true ho - li - ness, which

righ - teous - ness and peace; till Christ shall dwell in
 flam - ing love and zeal, to preach to all thy
 blend their creeds in one, and earth shall form one
 makes thy chil - dren whole; till, per - fect - ed by

hu - man hearts, and sin and sor - row cease.
 great good news, God's glo - rious com - mon - weal.
 fam - i - ly by whom thy will is done.
 thee, we reach cre - a - tion's glo - rious goal!

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 and/or hearing assistance devices for use during worship.

Thank you to our January ushers: Paul Rauch, Sharon Kemerer, George Skoog, Cindy Klimmeck, and Jan Steiner!

ALTAR FLOWERS this week are from Elaine Zabawski in memory of Julie Russell.

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

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM JANUARY 6TH

- Prayers from Chris Johnston for Sue is battling breast cancer
- Angie Papassavas asked for prayers for her friend battling breast cancer.
- Charlie Giera asked for prayers for his friend Ann Marie.
- The Dase Family shared prayers of joy that their kitten survived a recent spin in the dryer.
- Please keep the Hill family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Aunt Helen.

A NOTE FROM OUR CHAIR

Happy New Year! Exciting to be celebrating a New Year, new beginnings, and new opportunities to give and receive God's blessings. Job 8:7 says "your beginnings will seem humble, so prosperous will your future be."

As you may recall we were looking for a part time ministry position to assist with our youth programs. We have not had much response to the ministry position and have decided to change the search. The board of directors has voted to form a search committee to begin the process for an Associate Minister. Due to a generous bequest and the hiring of our Senior Minister, the board believed that now is the right time to round out our staff team with an Associate Minister to especially focus on leading our youth ministry.

We are hoping to convene the new Search committee in January and hope to call the right candidate by mid-summer. Please prayerfully consider being a part of the future ministry at PRCC and contact Laura Sissman if you would like to be part of the search committee for an Associate Minister. Whether you are on the search committee or not, please be in prayer that the right candidate will emerge for this moment in our church's ministry. Your participation in growing and caring for our ministries is greatly appreciated.

Blessings,
Laura Sissman
Chair of the Congregation

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL

PreK through high school Sunday school students are invited to begin in worship with families at 10 am and are dismissed to class by Pastor Carol about 15 minutes later. First Communion students go down to the Parlor; all other PreK-3rd graders go to the Sunday school wing for music and class; 4th & 5th graders go down to the Library, while 6th-12th graders go down to Jordan Hall. All finish and can be picked up around 11:15. Sunday school offerings this month go toward Heifer International.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

First Communion class for 2nd grade and older runs during Sunday school time Jan. 13, 20 & 27, downstairs. First Communion takes place Feb. 3 during 10 am worship. Register ASAP at sundayschool@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Acolyte training for 3rd-5th graders takes place after worship next Sunday. Candle-lighting at the beginning of 10am worship starts in February.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation class for 6th-8th graders meets Wednesdays, 6-7:30 pm, with Confirmation of 8th graders on Sunday, May 19. New students are welcome!

Contact Teri & Shelley, sundayschool@parkridgecommunitychurch.org with any questions, or to register.

YOUTH LOCK IN

January 19th – 20th

Attention Middle School and High School students! You've been asking - get ready for an awesome night with your friends at PRCC. Arrive at church at 6 pm on Saturday, January 19th and be prepared for an evening of games, sports, laughter, fun and much more! Dinner, snacks, and breakfast the next morning will be provided. Please bring a pillow, blanket/sleeping bag, toiletries, and a change of clothes for church on Sunday. Email Kate/Darcy with questions - youth@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

OTHER INFORMATION

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK!

If you haven't, please take a moment to visit our Facebook page to "like", share, and comment. We are posting pictures, videos, and upcoming events, and this is an excellent way for you to engage with our church. In addition to your own connection, when you share PRCC posts, invitations, and events, your friends and family may find an entry point to become a part of our church! Help spread the good news of all that God is doing here!

GOT CAKE?

Bring it to church for coffee hour! We aren't picky...cookies, muffins, and other treats work too. Coffee hour happens each week, thanks to our awesome volunteers. We need hosts, starting February 10. Please contact Lauren Kleingers at lauren.kleingers@parkridgecommunitychurch.org, for more information. Thank you!

MORNING MEDITATION

Join us Friday mornings for a free meditation gathering in the Sunday School Wing from 8 – 8:30 am. We ask that you arrive 15 minutes early to settle in so we can begin promptly at 8. There will be a few minutes of guided centering and the remainder of the meditation will be silent.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

All Are Welcome!

You're invited to join Pastor Carol on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm in the Library for a study on wholeness, which will include the enneagram, spiritual practices, relationship enrichment, and more!

COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES NEEDED

We would like to begin sending care packages to college students affiliated with PRCC. If you have or know of a college student that is a part of our church extended family, please email their mailing address to the Church Office at office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

In preparation for PRCC's annual meeting in May the Nominating Committee will begin meeting soon. This committee presents candidates for the Congregation to consider for leadership positions and to vote on at the annual meeting. Please prayerfully consider serving on the Nominating Committee. If you are interested or need additional information, contact Tricia Williams at tricia.williams@parkridgecommunitychurch.org



UPCOMING EVENTS

PASTOR CAROL'S INSTALLATION SERVICE

We will celebrate Pastor Carol's Service of Installation on **TODAY at 4:00 pm** with a dinner to follow. This brief service and dinner will celebrate and pray God's blessing on our journey in faith with Pastor Carol. All ages are welcome and encouraged to attend.

MENTAL HEALTH SERIES

January 30, February 6 and February 13 at 7:30 pm join our Stephen Ministry team as we learn from NAMI and others through a mental health series!

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Starting in February, our Worship Services will begin with acolytes bringing in the light of Christ. Children 3rd grade and older are invited to act as acolytes, lighting the candles at the beginning of 10 am worship. Families will be invited to an information/training session on Sunday, January 20th.

PASTA DIVINE DINNER AND AUCTION – FEBRUARY 9TH

Please plan to join us for a fun evening of food and fellowship for the entire family as we continue one of PRCC's most enjoyed fundraising traditions. Tickets will go on sale in January.

We are currently in the process of collecting items for the auction. Please contact us if you are willing to donate an item or experience to make the auction successful. Proceeds from Pasta Divine will be shared with Avenues to Independence. Dave Kapolnek 847.529.6845 or Dan Smith 847.707.4345

NEW MEMBER SUNDAYS

We had 8 newcomers and 2 long time members join us at the New Member Information session on January 7th. It was an informative and enriching evening exploring membership at PRCC.

If you were unable to attend and would like to learn more about PRCC, it's doctrine, beliefs, theology etc., please talk to Pastor Carol or anyone on the membership committee about setting up a meeting or contact Jaclyn in the office at office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org

The next New Member Information session will be on April 7 after the 10 AM service.

New Member Sundays are scheduled for Sunday, February 10 and April 28 at the 10 AM service. We will welcome new members during the service and enjoy cake and fellowship after.

Membership committee: Larry Adams, Sara Born, Caroline Dase, Lauren Kleingers, Paula Mack, Keith Reboletti, Julie Smith, Cathy Stewart and Tricia Williams



WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Next Sun
8:30a Chapel Worship	10:00a Bible Study	10:00a Chair Yoga	7:00a Men's Breakfast	9:00a Community Bible Study	10:00a Women's AA	11:00a Private Baby Shower	8:30a Chapel Worship
10:00a Worship	10:00a Women's AA	10:00a Bible Study	10:00a Women's AA	1:00p Circle 8		5:00p Private Chapel Wedding	10:00a Worship
11:00a Youth Committee		11:30a Kindred Spirits	6:00p Confirmation Class	8:00p Chancel Choir		6:00p Youth & Parent Meeting	11:30a Acolyte Training 3:00p Angeli Choir
1:00p Circle 2	7:00p Yoga	1:00p Great Hall Reserved	7:00p Fly Fishing	8:00p Men's Basketball			
3:00p Angeli Choir		6:30p Youth Basketball (closed)	7:30p Bible Study	7:30p – 9:00a Youth Lock-In			
4:00p Installation Service & Dinner		7:30p Board of Directors Meeting					
8:00p Men's Basketball							

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PRCC NAME TAGS

Beginning in February, we will be printing permanent name tags for everyone to wear on Sunday morning. Please fill out the following information and either place it in the collection plate or return it to the Church Office for your name tag. Thank you!



Adult(s) (preferred names)

Child(ren) (preferred names)

Which entrance do you most commonly use?

Narthex _____
Park Place Room _____