

THE PRCC NEWS

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH JUNE/JULY 2011 ◦ VOLUME TWO ◦ ISSUE TEN

A WORD ABOUT THE GIFT OF LIFE

I WASN'T AT ALL CERTAIN THAT I WOULD EVER GET OUT OF BED. Fifteen years ago this last March, I lay dying from a drug-resistant blood infection. Ironically, I contracted it through the ports used for the kidney dialysis that was keeping me alive. By the grace of God and the skill and persistence of the infectious disease team at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, I survived the infection. Not only was I able to get out of bed, but just weeks later, on May 2, 1996, I received a kidney transplant at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

WHAT'S HIS BLOOD-TYPE? When my brother Scott learned that my kidneys had failed, this was the first question he asked my mother. "Why? He doesn't need a transfusion," she replied. "I know. I want to donate a kidney." Just like that. But that is the sort of straight-forward, unassuming hero my brother is—he didn't even think about it. He simply wanted to help. (He's a mechanical and electrical engineer—so I tease him, saying he was just curious about the process). To this day, he refuses any accolades and would be embarrassed that I am sharing this with you. My apologies, Scott.

BECAUSE OF MY BROTHER'S SELFLESS GIFT OF LOVE...Lauri and I celebrated the 34th anniversary of our incredible, joyful, still-very-romantic marriage on May 29th...I have seen my children grow up, and have been able to love them from the very bottom of my soul each and every day...I walked two of my daughters down the aisle at their weddings...Last May I witnessed my youngest daughter's graduation from college and now her entry into a meaningful career...I am now a proud grandfather of two...I am able to serve as your pastor...I was able to complete my dissertation and receive my PhD...because of this gift of love, I am able to savor each and every moment of each and every day that has been given to me. I no longer take *anything* for granted.

EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE THE MEDIA SHARE SIMILAR GOOD NEWS. Some years ago, the *Chicago Tribune* published an editorial that told the story of 10-year-old boy who, like me all those years before, was in desperate need of a kidney transplant. Also, like me, he was blessed with a living donor, his 4th grade teacher. Like my brother, that teacher's gift was, for her, simply the right thing to do. Recently, the papers told the amazing story of a group of 7 people who donated kidneys all on one day.

I PRAYED WITH THE PARENTS OF A 10-YEAR-OLD ANGEL. It was only a few years after my transplant surgery. He had been hit by a car and for many hours had been kept alive with life-support. There was absolutely no hope that he would recover. The sheer magnitude of his parent's grief was beyond the unbearable. To this day I weep when I recall that tragic night. Yet as we held each other close in the 3 a.m. gloom of the ICU, another level of hope began to dawn. First, his parents asked if I might baptize their beloved son. After having entrusted him to the everlasting arms of God's love, they asked me to locate the nurse so that they could make arrangements to donate his organs. From within the midst of their grief and pain, these young parents longed for a means of redeeming their loss...they longed for a way to share the joy that had once been theirs in the life they shared with their beloved child...and so they did, by giving life to five different individuals...one received a new kidney, one received a kidney and a pancreas, one received a new liver, one received a heart-lung transplant, and one person received new eyesight. I thanked them for their decision. I knew exactly what it meant.

I KNOW THAT ORGAN DONATION ISN'T FOR EVERYONE. And I fully respect each person's freedom to choose. But if organ donation *is* something you might consider, thank you for the gift of life...from me and from the thousands of our brothers and sisters who are waiting and hoping for their chance to celebrate another anniversary...or wedding...or a grandchild...or graduation...or simply the dawning of another day. The State of Illinois has a simple method for registering as an organ donor. All it takes is a phone call to 800-210-2106 or a visit to the web site www.lifegoeson.com.

Grace and Peace,

Brett W. McCleneghan

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Katrina Englerth	6/1
Ethan Leach	6/1
Anne Longman	6/1
Kent Wehman	6/1
Matt Van Tine	6/2
Paul Battaglia	6/3
Jeffrey Clapper	6/3
Greg Englerth	6/3
Dot Southerington	6/3
Margaret Gearman	6/4
Allison Hennessy	6/4
David Matzen	6/4
Joeseph Petersen	6/4
Nicole Calabrese	6/5
Kristin Hahn	6/5
Susan Schwartz	6/5
John Simmons	6/5
Joann Anderson	6/6
Tom Biedke	6/6
Kelly McKenna	6/6
Bob Englerth	6/8
Carla Kotowsky	6/8
Keith Nelson	6/8
Andrew Gaddini	6/9
Terri Pullara	6/9
Jack Tilley	6/9
Dick Beile	6/10
Lambert DeCardy	6/10
Colleen Moriarty	6/10
James Giblin	6/11
Sean O'Brien	6/11
Kim Schoonover	6/11
Emily Solomon	6/11
Anne Wave	6/11
Rob Sasser	6/12
Winston Williams	6/12
Tim Pruban	6/13
Cliff Stettler	6/13
Charles Koenig III	6/14
Lucy Pruban	6/14
Kallie Webster	6/14
Alma Cox	6/15
Marilyn Johnston	6/15
Lee Baratta	6/17
Bob Klauck	6/17
Mary Biardo	6/18
Reggie Pantazi	6/18
Grace Curtis	6/19
Winnie Ericksen	6/19
Lane Pruban	6/19
Nat Barnard	6/20
John M. Carpenter	6/20
Gus Steiner	6/20
Brock Barsanti	6/21
J.D. Burke	6/21
Alex Baumel	6/22
Cindy Klimmeck	6/22
Griffin O'Shea	6/22
Michael Vigil	6/22
Mark Zorn	6/22
Grace Baumel	6/23
Rob Huening	6/23
Jim Wilcox	6/23
Herb Zuegel	6/23
Sarah Pachowicz	6/24
Nancy Ady	6/26
Pat Battaglia	6/26
Helen Pantazi	6/29
Matt Perez	6/29
June Hedrich	6/30
Lauren Reboletti	6/30

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP IN JUNE & JULY

SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS:

8:30 AM—9:15 AM: Garden Worship, Weather Permitting

10:00 AM—11:00 AM: Sanctuary Worship

* Nursery open from 8:15-11:30 am *

June 5—The Seventh Sunday of Eastertide

Holy Communion / Recognition of Graduates (10:00am)

Sermon: *Words To Live By*

Text: *Micah 6:1-8*

June 12—The Day of Pentecost

Sermon: *Let's Get To The Point*

Text: *Zechariah 7:1-14*

June 19 —Trinity Sunday / Father's Day

Sermon: *Who's Your Daddy?*

Text: *Matthew 1:1, 18-25*

June 26—Second Sunday After Pentecost / Pet Blessing (all services outside)

Sermon: *When The Herd Stampedes*

Text: *Matthew 27: 15-26*

July 3—Third Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Communion / Independence Day Observance

Sermon: *Immediately, If Not Sooner*

Text: *Mark 1:9-15, 21-35*

July 10—Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Sermon: *Do This*

Text: *Luke 10:25-37*

July 17 —Fifth Sunday After Pentecost / Mission Trip Commissioning

Sermon: *Jesus: A Self-Portrait*

Text: *John 10:7-15*

July 24—Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: *Proof of Life*

Text: *Romans 5:1-11*

July 31—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: *We Are The Church Together*

Text: *I Corinthians 12:12-26*

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYER MINISTRY

We keep in our prayers: Donald Anderson (Siri Nelson's father), JoAnn Anderson, Stephanie Beery and her grandsons, Phil Berent, Michael Bianchi, Mike and Pam Brown and family (Barbara and Bill Scharringhausen's nephew), Randal Carpenter (father of Cheri Carpenter), Evelyn Claire, Marie Degaard, Don (co-worker of Martha), Bob Douglass (brother of Dave Douglass), Winnie Erickson, Brian Fogarty, Shirley and Virgil Grand's great-grandsons, Rick Hoyt (co-worker of Mary Crowl), Gary Hughes (father of Cindy Coggin), Alice Keating, Candace Kidston, Grace Koenig and her family, Walter Kotecky (Bernice Zabawski's brother), Jim Lego (Mary Biardo's brother), Lou Limper, Alexis Marsh, Elsie Matthys, Jimmie McSpadden, Evelyn Miller (Judy Artrip's mother), Lurana Nelson, Chester and Leo Netko (father and uncle of Cindy Winter), Pauline Numrych, Lisa & Abigail O'Grady, Carol Potter, Geri Sell, Leah Schaul, Yoshiko Urasaki, Ben Wright (father of Grace Curtis).

We also keep in our prayers the following friends and family:

Prayers of joy on the birth of Matthew O'Neil Volkening on April 27 at 11:46 pm, weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces, and 20 inches long. Matthew is the grandson of Judy and Mike Artrip, and son of Sarah and Matthew Volkening.

Prayers for the family of Carol Marie Karnatz who entered into life in the resurrection on April 15th. Carol was John Karnatz's mother.

Prayers of thanks for those who shaved their heads at the St. Baldrick's Children's Cancer fundraiser at Lincoln Middle School.

Prayers of joy for The Chancel Choir for a successful and meaningful concert.

Prayers of joy for Pauline Numrych's successful eye surgery.

Prayers of strength for Richard Thompson as he fights cancer.

Prayers for Jean Latko and improved health.

Prayers of comfort for a friend as their family struggles with a cancer diagnosis.

Prayers for a buyer for a sister's home that's for sale.

Prayers of comfort for the Salemi family on the passing of their son.

THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

As part of this year's Lenten Healthy Eating Class, our members were asked to donate new and used kitchen appliances, utensils, etc. to RIGHT START FOR FAMILIES, an agency on the West side of Chicago serving single moms and dads and their very young children. Last week, we delivered food processors, blenders, electric mixers, a large cast iron skillet, cookware, miscellaneous kitchen utensils, knives, baking dishes, dish towels, pot holders, coffee makers, storage containers, a microwave oven, etc., etc., etc. to Right Start. Carl Frantz and Bill Scharringhausen rehabbed kitchen cabinets, and in the near future will build much needed storage shelving for the Right Start facility. THANK YOU to all, for your participation in the Christian Outreach ministry of our church!

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Jessica Crowl	7/1
Arthur Hoelscher	7/1
Claire Kallen	7/1
Michelle Petersen	7/1
Erin Self	7/1
Lois Zitoli	7/1
Greg Kapolnek	7/2
Quinn Peters	7/2
Mike Kusibab	7/3
Ellie Naudzius	7/3
Luke Naudzius	7/3
Sandy Bowen	7/4
Olivia Brown	7/4
Ashely O'Shea	7/4
Clare Kunkel	7/5
Eileen O'Neill Burke	7/5
Michael Pachowicz	7/5
Kelsey Schaul	7/5
Jennifer Schwartz	7/5
Anna Artrip	7/6
Dawn Dishar	7/6
Bob Hohmann	7/6
Elizabeth Upton	7/6
Rita Dauphinee	7/7
Ronald Matzen	7/7
Meg Thomas-Cary	7/7
Jackie Tilles	7/7
Erika Fabisch	7/8
Sasha Gerritson	7/9
Char Kenzel	7/9
Kay Bradley	7/10
Bonnie Harris	7/10
Wayne Tumminello	7/10
Tammy Zorn	7/10
Scott Nelson	7/11
Isabella Driver	7/13
Richard Hagedorn	7/13
Joan Huening	7/13
David Ladley	7/13
Laura Lapp	7/13
Richard Lenke	7/13
Stephanie Rubeo	7/13
Vaughn Hapeman II	7/14
Tania Englerth	7/15
George Ristoff	7/15
Caroline Fabry	7/16
Della Oisen	7/16
Josh Sissman	7/16
Janet Sasser	7/17
Samuel Winter	7/17
David Douglass	7/18
Olivia Herman	7/18
Ginny Jacobson	7/18
Mark Biedke	7/19
Leah Donahue	7/19
Elizabeth DuSold	7/19
Evan Simpson	7/19
Chloe Hawkins	7/20
Jamie Webster	7/20
Laura Hapeman	7/21
Sean Keady	7/21
Danielle Soldat	7/21
Amy Tomlinson	7/21
Kent Tomlinson	7/21
Kevin Giblin	7/22
Tony Padula	7/22
Dorothy Lehman	7/23
Joe Lemke	7/23
Brian Keady	7/24
Anna Lemke	7/24
Sara Born	7/25
Jane Fizzell	7/26
Vivi O'Shea	7/26
Kevin Hemphill	7/27
David Hoelscher	7/27
Michael Klimmeck	7/27
Sarah Artrip	7/28
Nolan Hahn	7/28
Phobe O'Shea	7/28
Peg Jeffers	7/29
Travis McChristian	7/29
Katie McKenna	7/29
Devon Williams	7/29
Alex Zitoli	7/29
Margaret Mendenhall	7/30
Penny Gaddini	7/31
Dan Hennessy	7/31
Robin Kopecky	7/31
Karen Nelson	7/31

2011 SECOND MILE AWARD RECIPIENTS:

KEITH AND KATIE REBOLETTI

Since 1978, The Park Ridge Community Church has sought to recognize and honor those individuals from the congregation who give of themselves “above and beyond,” those who go the second mile to love and serve God and neighbor.

The Second Mile Award links past, present and future ministries and the individuals who have been instrumental in creating and sustaining the outreach, service, worship, fellowship, and learning that take place here and beyond the walls of our church.

The selection of the Second Mile Award nominees is entrusted to the Board of Directors. However, the entire PRCC membership is invited to join in the selection process. You were asked to nominate an individual or couple who exemplify the genuine spirit of Christian love, fellowship and service within the life of Park Ridge Community Church and in the living of their daily lives. We received many nominations, each one an exemplary model of Christian faithfulness and service. With the members of the Board of Directors charged with the responsibility of making the final choice, they were faced with excruciatingly difficult choices. The final selection was very, very close. As the Board members submitted their ballots to me, time and again, their votes were accompanied by comments concerning the struggles they had in making a choice between such excellent nominees.

This year the Second Mile Award recipients are a couple whose presence within the life of this congregation is absolutely essential. Their deep faith and unwavering commitment to serve God and God’s people in this place and well beyond the walls of this place will always stand as the finest examples of Christian discipleship.

Keith and Katie Reboletti have served in so many roles in the Church over so many years, that I will apologize now for all that I am probably omitting. They are both Stephen ministers, having received months and months of training to serve as care givers to those experiencing transitions or loss in their lives. Katie recently took a further major step by participating in an intensive two-week training program so she may serve as a Stephen Ministry leader.

In our Christian Education Ministry, they founded and led the Companions in Christ Adult Sunday School class with a large number of students representing many different segments of the congregation. Katie has recently worked with the Sunday School on the Kenyan school supply project. She was also a member of the Senior Minister Search Committee that called Pastor Brett.

Keith was Chair of the Board of Trustees for at least 7 years. During his tenure, the Trustees began a much-needed evaluation of needs/projects for the church facilities—which led to the Renewing God’s House renovations in 2002-2004. We would not be able to enjoy our wonderful facilities if not for his foundational work.

Both Katie and Keith have been active members of their Community group and all of the activities that group brings to our congregational life.

Keith has served as an adult leader on a number of Youth Mission Trips. Katie was an adult leader on the first PRCC Youth Wilderness Canoe Trip.

Beyond the walls of the church Katie and Keith, along with their children, Zach, Luke and Lauren, have been key leaders in the ongoing efforts to rebuild the Gulf Coast after Hurricane Katrina with Solid Rock Carpenters/Habitat For Humanity.

With that being said, the 2011 PRCC Second Mile Award is presented to Keith and Katie Reboletti, a couple who exemplify the genuine spirit of Christian love, fellowship and service within the life of the church and in the living of their daily lives, wherever God has led them along their journey.

So it was my honor and privilege to present the recipients of the 2011 Park Ridge Community Church Second Mile Award to Keith and Katie during the Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 1st. Together, they remain important role models for all of us who are members and friends of Park Ridge Community Church.

Grace and Peace,

Brett McCleneghan

STEPHEN MINISTRY MESSAGE BY ANITA RIFKIND



Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them." John 14:23.

Fr. Damien, former Abbot and now Guestmaster at the Abbey of Gethsemani, has a version of what it means to be a person of faith that is uniquely his own. For him, it has lately taken a more than slightly mystical turn, and like my 95-year-old rabbi friend, Herman Schaalman, Fr. Damien is somewhat surprised that what he thinks he knows continues to change and grow despite his being 77. He says, "When you do something 'perfectly,' you have just begun." He thought for years that this was something he read in the "Rule of St. Benedict," which is what monks and many others use to structure their lives. But when he got elected Abbot and had the time to look it up, he couldn't find it anywhere, so he thinks it was a "personal revelation." Certainly people have thought up crazier things.

In point of fact, Fr. Damien says that each of us has a version of what it means to be a person of faith that is uniquely our own, because we are each unique, and an integral part of God's perfect creation. The problem, he says, is that we choose the illusion over reality. That is, we think we are in control of our lives when the reality is that only God is in control. We choose the illusion that we are independent, when the reality is that we do not and can not exist outside of God's kingdom, which is as much within us as it is around us.

It is worth noting that it is the *choosing* that is the operational word in all of this – not the achieving. For Fr. Damien, the paradox is that once we choose God, we can do little on our own to further God's purpose. It is grace, God's love, that controls even that. All we can do is fulfill what he calls our individual *charism*, which is a fancy word for a gift of God to each of us that must be shared. Simply put, it is God's love flowing outward from each of us to all of the rest of creation. We do not have to actually *be* perfect; not that it is possible anyway. It is not our concentration or our performance or our dedication that are necessary: only that God is what we want more than anything else.

Fr. Damien believes that each of us is an expression of the divine will, that God has never stopped speaking to God's creation, and that God is continually coming alive in each of us. Moreover, once we are alive in God's reality – that is, once God has made God's home with us, we are alive there forever.

When I returned from my first trip to the Abbey, 24 or 25 years ago now, I had the powerful and unsettling sensation that life at the monastery was reality, and that my "real life" was in fact the illusion. That sensation has faded slightly over time, but I continue to sense that time itself is somehow different between the two places. And if I haven't been there in a while, I begin to get very homesick.

While I was on retreat last week listening to Fr. Damien's theology, it wasn't a leap for me to see the Stephen Ministry program as *charism*, as God's love flowing out from those who have chosen to express their faith in this way. A Stephen Minister is physical evidence that God's love is not an illusion, that God's home is with each of us – wherever we are, whatever we are doing..

So if you are homesick, literally or figuratively, or if you are facing some changes or problems and would like a reminder of how much God loves you, contact Pastor Brett (847-823-3164) or Ginny Feurer (847-299-1781.) Fr. Damien won't show up at your door, but someone else pretty special will.

A TOUCHING THANK YOU TO CIRCLE 8!

This letter was received by the church office May 24, 2011. We would like to share it with you.

To the Women of Circle 8,

In April 2008, your church provided a stuffed dog for my niece, Madison age 6, who was in critical condition after a car accident that claimed the life of my sister, Barbara age 30, and niece, Angelina age 7. Madison had the dog at her side until she passed away a few days later. It wasn't until I got the dog that I noticed that your church and specifically the women of Circle 8 dedicate their time to make these dogs for children at Lutheran General Hospital. It's very hard for me to write this e-mail because I am still very heartbroken from my loss. More importantly, I don't think I can put into words how much your act of kindness has moved me and continues to move me. It brought me hope, it encouraged my faith, showed me the love of others, and ultimately brought me peace.

My son who is now 2.5 years old and out of all his toys asked his daddy to get him the stuffed dog. I watched him struggle to carry it down the stairs to show me what he had. It brought me to tears. I feel like my niece's legacy will live on and she will not be forgotten.

Again, I don't know the best way to say it, but don't ever think the work you do is just to make a physical stuffed animal. It moves more people than you can imagine and has a deeper impact than can ever be described. You are truly doing God's work and it makes me so proud to be a Christian and so proud that there are wonderful people like you in our country who put others ahead of themselves. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for being there for my family in our time of need.

God Bless You All,

SUMMER IN THE PARK—SENIOR STYLE

Once again the Senior Contact committee is looking forward to showing our appreciation for your being part of our church family by hosting:

Dinner and Concert in the Park this summer!

Dinner will be picnic style on the church lawn at 6:30 pm and the concert will feature Big Band music beginning at 8:00 pm on Friday night August 5th. If you are joining us for dinner, please RSVP to the office by August 3rd and if you are joining us for music just come by anytime. We look forward to a relaxing evening of fun and fellowship. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Liz Swanson.

MOVED? NEW CONTACT INFORMATION?

If you have moved, changed your phone number or email address, please let the church office know. We will update our system which not only keeps you posted with the most current information, but also helps save us money by reducing mailings returned to us. Simply call 847-823-3164 or email office@parkridgecommunitychurch.org. Questions? Ask for Nic Kremer, Parish Coordinator.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Park Ridge Community Church — Vacation Bible School - 2011



All children preschool - through completing 5th grade are invited to Shake It Up Café - PRCC 2011 Vacation Bible School on June 27 - June 30 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Registration remains open. Help us provide the correct number of teachers and materials by registering soon. Just \$10/child or \$25/family of 3 or more children. Bring a friend! For more details and to register, visit us at: parkridgecommunitychurch.org/christianeducation, or contact Teri Biedke with questions at (847)823-3164 or teri@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

Sunday School Volunteers Needed!

Thank you to all our continuing, “graduating” and new teachers! We still have a few opportunities for the fall. We would love to have you join us and help with Sunday School as a teacher, assistant or substitute. Volunteers work in teams and often alternate Sundays so they still have time for worship and other commitments. A weekly lesson plan, music, and crafts are provided. We are seeking loving adults who will help our children on their faith journey by reading scripture or a weekly Bible story and then leading a class discussion. If you are interested in learning more, please contact *Teri Biedke* at 847-823-3164 or teri@parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

FOOD DONATION—JUNE 5th AND JULY 3rd

Don't forget! The first Sunday of every month is our food donation collection day. All items benefit the Maine Township Food Pantry. Items most needed are non-perishable foods such as peanut butter, jelly, macaroni and cheese, pasta, pasta sauce, etc. Questions can be directed to the church office (847-823-3164) or you can visit their website at www.maintownship.com or call 847-297-2510.

KINDRED SPIRITS CAFE

Don't forget to leave your Tuesdays mornings open for chair yoga at 10:15 am and lunch in Jordan Hall starting about 11:30 am. All are welcome to bring a sack lunch, we will supply the beverages, delicious desserts and lively conversation.

- 6/7 is a time to celebrate our June birthdays.
- 6/14 is Flag Day so we will draw our attention to the flag.
- 6/21 will be entertainment by Tom Horvath, also known as Broadway Boy.
- 6/28 is another day of games and BINGO.

This is a great place to come with your kids! On your way to or from the library or any other uptown activity, plan on coming by for an entertaining, intergenerational lunch time. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining the fun.

YOUTH SCOOP—SUMMER SCHEDULE—JUNE, JULY, AUGUST

Summer Youth Activities

JUNE

Sunday, June 5, 10a Worship, Graduate Sunday

Sunday, June 12, 5-7p, Carriage House

END-OF-YEAR BBQ FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

Bring your friends and a veg, fruit, side, beverage or dessert to share.

RSVP to Pastor Nicole by Friday, June 10. We'll spend some quality time w/ each other, design the mission trip t-shirt, and do a canned goods scav hunt!

Saturday, June 18, 9a-1p, PRCC CAR WASH!

JULY

Saturday/Sunday, July 9 & 10, 8:30a-8:30a

(then we'll go to the outdoor garden service!)

MINI-MISSION TRIP/ALL-YOUTH LOCK-IN!

A day of service with Good News Partners in Rogers Park!

Open to all youth entering middle school through current 12th graders.

RSVP to Pastor Nicole by July 1.

Friday, July 15, 9a-6p GREAT AMERICA!

(weather permitting)

Adults and youth please RSVP by JULY 8 to Pastor Nicole. Cost: \$40.

Bring additional money for food. Youth Account funds available.

Saturday, July 16, 9a-1p, PRCC CAR WASH! Part 2!

Sunday, July 17, 10a Worship, PRCC

MISSION TRIP COMMISSIONING SERVICE

AUGUST

Sunday, August 7, 8:30 & 10a Worship, PRCC

MISSION TRIP RETURN SERVICE

Sunday, August 21, 5-7p, Carriage House

END-OF-SUMMER BBQ FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

Mission Trip-Specific Activities

JUNE

Thursday, June 23, 6p (meeting starts 6:45p)

FOR ALL MISSION FAMILIES! Costa Rican Dinner & Final Mission Trip Family Meeting!

A delicious, catered Costa Rican meal, time to get to know one another, and final bits of important information as we head into our final month of preparation before the trip. Cost: \$13/person. RSVP by JUNE 1 to Pastor Nicole

Sunday, June 26, 6p

Mission Trip Chaperone Gathering

Gather at the home of Julie Hennessy for a casual potluck and an opportunity to prepare for the trip. Please bring an appetizer, fruit, salad, or dessert to share – significant others are more than welcome! Consult your email invitation or church directory for Julie's address and phone number. RSVP by JUNE 1 to Pastor Nicole.

JULY

Sunday, July 17, 10a Worship, PRCC

MISSION TRIP COMMISSIONING SERVICE

Sunday, July 24-Sunday, July 31

INT'L MISSION TRIP COSTA RICA

AUGUST

Sunday, Aug 7, 8:30 & 10a Worship, PRCC

MISSION TRIP RETURN SERVICE

Visit www.prccyouth.org or the church calendar for more information about these upcoming activities.



HEY THERE!



SIGN UP for Junior Choir Camp!

We would love to have you singing with us!

Junior Choir Camp

Wednesday August 3 - Friday August 12

Please visit the PRCC website for an informational packet,
read about all the fun things happening at camp,
and swing by PRCC to register!

Even if you can't be there for the whole camp,
sign up for a portion of the camp—at a reduced cost of course!

If you have any questions, feel free to call me
at 312-560-1072 or email sashagerrit-
son@yahoo.com. You can also visit our web-
site at www.parkridgecommunitychurch.org.

Can't wait to see
you there!

Don't Miss Out!
Register Today!

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*Rev. Ms. Nicole Urbach
Associate Minister*

*Teri Biedke
Director of Christian
Education*

*Patrice Dombro
Parish Secretary*

*Sasha Gerritson
Minister of Music*

*Rick Hagedorn
Organist*

*Nicole Kremer
Parish Coordinator*

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JUNE/JULY 2011

Important dates!

**End of Year BBQ for Middle
and High School Youth
Sunday, June 12th, 5-7pm*

**PRCC Youth Car Wash
Saturday, June 18th, 9am-1pm*

**"Shake It Up Café"
Vacation Bible School
June 27th-30th, 6-8pm*

**Summer Office Hours
Begin May 31st
9am-12—1-3pm*