



PLOW (Park Lake on Wednesdays)

October 4, Special guest speaker on Autism

October 18, Elizabeth and Dan Turk will be speaking on Bread for the World

Fellowship Time on Sundays - Arrive a little early for worship and join us in the Fellowship hall for coffee, juice, and a cookie. It's an informal time for you to meet and talk with other PLPC friends. **10:00 a.m.** in Struble Fellowship Hall, ground floor of the Education building.


Park Lake Front Desk Office Hours - Please note the updated front desk hours are **Monday - Thursdays, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm**, or email Carol Bookhardt at the church office at Carolparklake@gmail.com

Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God in celebration of the upcoming marriage of Hannah DeBevoise to Grant Patterson.

Ushers are Justin Ingram, Tom and Karen Pinnel, Bill Warlick, Kimo Hyatt, and Kwame Aniapam.

Welcome New Members - please join Park Lake in welcoming our new members today after worship.

This Week at Park Lake

Sunday September 24	Monday September 25	Tuesday September 26	Wednesday September 27	Thursday September 28	Friday September 29
9am Sunday School	9:45pm PW Leaders (C1)	7:30 am CCC Open House	9:30am Chapel		PL Office Closed
10am Refreshments & Snacks (SH)	11:00am PW Coordinating Team (P)	10:00am Staff (C)		10:00pm Page Turners (K)	↑ ↓
10:30am <i>Worship (S)</i>					
11:45pm Session Meeting (SH)	12:00am Men's lunch (SH)				
5:30pm Disciples Study (SH)		7:00pm Scouts (SH)	 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY		Sunday, October 1, 2017

Nomination Sheets for the office of elder are available in the narthex and west transept.



**Park Lake
Presbyterian Church**

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Drs. Helen and Dan DeBevoise
Co-pastors

September 24, 2017

Order of Worship 10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Silence

Prelude

Dykes Tune

John West

Choral Introit

God Welcomes All S. African song; words John L. Bell 2008

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

Call to Worship

We come to praise our God,
whose steadfast love is always with us.

**God does not stand by idly,
but fills us with grace to share.**

We are here to praise Jesus,
who chooses to be gracious with all.

**Jesus does not stand by idly,
but brings justice to all treated unfairly.**

We will praise the Spirit in these moments,
who is always at our side.

**The Spirit is with us now and always,
so we may live as faithful people.**

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

*Hymn of Praise No. 420 God of Grace and God of Glory

Scripture Reading

Jonah 3:10-4:11 (Pew Bible OT pg. 811)

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

We think we know how God will react if we confess what we've really been up to - a rap on the knuckles, sending us to our rooms without dessert, or even an eternal time-out. But instead, God is generous with forgiveness, constant love, gracious justice. Let us lift our prayers to the One who always surprises us, as we pray together...

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

It is true that we grumble too much, Patient God. We are easily stampeded by the promises of those around us, only to wonder how we end up where we are. We see so much of everything on our devices, and become convinced we deserve more. Though we know others have the same struggles, we have trouble standing by their side. Forgive us, Unpredictable God, as you continue to shower us with your steadfast love. You as so slow to get mad, yet rush to share your blessings with us. May your Spirit stir us to seek the way of justice, hope, and peace shown to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(time of silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Unlike us, God chooses not anger, but mercy; not punishment, but peace; not just what we earn, but more grace than we can begin to imagine.

Now we know what the kingdom of heaven is like - steadfast love, joy and laughter, the life for which we have yearned. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

*Hymn of Response No. 298 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

*Passing of the Peace

Introduction of New Members

THE WORD

Welcoming the Children

Following Welcoming the Children, age 3 yrs - 3rd Grade, will proceed downstairs for a Bible lesson. The children will return after the sermon.

Blessing of Children

tune - Hymn No. 535, Tallis Canon

Go with them, Lord, and guide their way, through this and every coming day.

That in Your spirit strong and true, their lives may be a gift to You.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 20:1-16 (Pew Bible NT pg. 20)

Sermon

The Problem with a Generous God

Dr. Helen DeBevoise

Affirmation of Faith p. 14

The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

David H. Williams, 1957

Chancel Choir

Words by Henry Francis Lyte

1834, based on Psalm 103

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring,
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace. Alleluia!

SENDING

*Hymn of Dedication No. 343 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

Danish Amen

Postlude

allegro Maestoso

George Handel

*All who are able may stand



There are elders who meet for prayer in the East transept of the sanctuary following worship. You are invited to ask for special prayer by meeting them there or placing a prayer card in the offering plate.

Election of Elders

The Nominating committee for church officers has been selected and will begin meeting to discuss and select candidates for the office of elder to serve for three consecutive years in the Class of 2020. You can be of great assistance in our selection by praying for this committee and recommending individuals for these positions. List nominations for Elder on the bottom of this form and place in the offering plate or return to the Church Office.



Members of the congregation play an important role in this process. You have the opportunity, even the duty, to submit names of members who you believe should be considered. Any communing member, man or woman, any age, is eligible. Elders should be of faith, dedication, and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel both within the church and in the world.

Duties of Elders:

1. Strengthen and nurture the faith and life of the congregation through regular attendance at worship.
2. Encourage the people in the worship and service of God.
3. Equip and renew the people for tasks within the church which fulfill the mission of the church.
4. Visit, comfort, and care for the people, with special attention to the sick, lonely, poor and any who may be in distress.
5. Serve as representative to the Presbytery and the General Assembly, if appointed.
6. Inform the minister(s) and the Session of those persons and structures within the church which may need special attention.
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