

PLEASANT RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A joyful church, guided by God, loving our neighbors.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Lectionary Year A Sunday, 19 November 2017/10:30 AM Service

- Everyone is asked to sign the **Ministry of Friendship Pad** at the end of each pew.
- **Visitors:** Please completely fill out your name, mailing address, and e-mail address to enable us to extend our Christian hospitality. Please pass the pad toward the center aisle, and then return it to the outside aisle with the cover open so that you may learn the names of the other worshippers.
- **For sight impaired worshippers:** Large Print Hymnals are available from the ushers.
- Unless otherwise announced, please join us in Heritage Hall following worship for donuts and coffee.

**Those who are able, please stand*

THE GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *We Gather Together* KREMSER, arranged by Lani Smith
CHORAL INTROIT *Surely the Presence* MERRILL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 123

One: To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

ALL: As the eyes of a maid look to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, Giver of every good gift.

One: Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

ALL: Look with favor upon us, O Lord, and be pleased with our praise and thanksgiving.

One: Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER: Gracious Creator, your day draws near with deliberate haste. We prepare ourselves for the providence that you promise to us in Christ. As we gather in this place to give you all praise and glory, fill us so with the Holy Spirit that we may discern your will. May we thereby be led to worship you in all that we do, with thanksgiving to Jesus who shows us the way. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #4 (Purple Hymnal) *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

*CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. In confession we acknowledge our brokenness and our need for God who is faithful, just, loving and forgiving. In humility and in faith let us confess our condition to God by praying together.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. Christ calls us stewards, but we squander your gifts. He gives us tasks to perform, yet we do as we please. He sends us to minister on behalf of those suffering; we are slow to respond until our own needs are met. He expects us to praise you in all that we do; we take all the credit for those things we do well. Forgive us and help us to be more obedient.
(Time of Silent Personal Confession)

*THE KYRIE: **Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Paul reminds us: "Since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ." Therein lies our assurance of pardon. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI #579: **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. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

THE GIFT OF THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LECTIONARY TEXT

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (Page 205)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

GATHERING SONG

Jesus Loves Me

We invite children, parents and the young- at-heart to come forward while the congregation is singing.

WE CELEBRATE A TIME FOR FAMILIES

ANTHEM

Psalm 90

MERRILL

SERMON

Belonging to the Day

Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

In response to the love of God in Jesus Christ, let us return the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth. Give as you have made up your heart, mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, but to the glory of God.

[Please place completed friendship sheet in offering plate during offering portion of service.]

OFFERTORY

You are Light

MERRILL

***DOXOLOGY #592: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER: O God, you endow us with talent beyond what we earn or deserve. You seek from us service to you in all that we think, yearn for, and do. As we bring our gifts and offerings before you, may they reflect a wise investment of your trust in us. May their yield continue to abound as the work that we do spreads your will farther. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #612 (Purple Hymnal)

We Praise You, O God

KREMSER

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God - NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

arranged by Lloyd Larson

LITURGIST FOR THE DAY: Susan Imm AMBASSADOR: Deb McWhorter

The flowers are given by Susan Imm in loving memory of grandparents, John and Edna Wise and Betty and Fred Schroeder, and her parents, John and Iva Wise. She also thanks God for her children.



Pleasant Ridge
Presbyterian Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, November 19, 2017

5950 Montgomery Road
Cincinnati, OH 45213
513-631-9707 • www.prpc.org

Please email announcements to comm@prpc.org by **Tuesday, 3:00 PM** to be considered for the bulletin.

IN THE CHURCH NEWS



Today we will be having our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon following the 10:30 service. Fried Chicken and drinks will be provided. This is a potluck of fun and food for the church family so please plan on attending!

New Member Information Classes:

If you are interested in finding out more about being a Presbyterian, the Pleasant Ridge Presbyterian Church, and membership, please plan on attending these Sunday morning sessions in the Library! We will be meeting from 9:30 to 10:15 and the following subjects will be covered:

Sunday/26 November: A People Of Grace & Wicked Bad

Sunday/3 December: Who Do You Say That I Am?

Sunday/ 10 December: Update Your Faith System

Sunday/17 December: Blessed To Be A Blessing

Please do not hesitate to be in touch with Nicholas to find out any information and please email or speak to him if you are planning to attend. His email is: rdkny@icloud.com

The tree for the *City Gospel Mission Christmas* gifts for children is in Heritage Hall. We hope you'll take one or more tags! **Return the gifts before December 10th.** Do not wrap them and return them in a bag with the tag on the outside. If desired, you may include wrapping paper.



Pleasant Ridge Presbyterian Church Cordially Invites You to Our:

ADVENT GATHERING

Advent activities for all ages

December 3, 2017

5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Ornament making – Cookie decorating – Tree decorating- Carol singing – Chili cook-off
Suggested donation \$3 individual or \$5 family.

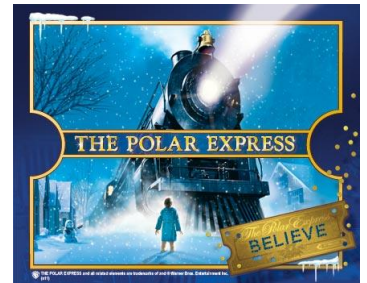
Call the church 513-631-9707 or email comm@prpc.org with your R.S.V.P. by November 27th



Coming this Winter: **1st Annual Kenneth McWhorter Film Series!**

Any suggestions for films to watch and discuss, please email Rev. Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda at rdkny@icloud.com

Our first film will be 16 December, *The Polar Express* from 6:00-8:30 pm. Pizza, pop and popcorn will be provided. Bring the family—pajamas are not required, but strongly encouraged! Come and enjoy this holiday treat with your church family!



J. CREW AT P.R.P.C: Yep- **Jesus' Crew**, serving others, getting Jobs done and building fellowship all at the same time. Thursday mornings at 9:00 am- report to Jennifer's Office and get a "To Do List" list to help out around the church. Work till about 11:30, let Jennifer know what you accomplished and then have lunch with your friends! Sounds like fun because it is! Contact Judy Davis @ 351-1080 for more information.



This is a visible sign that the building has been secured and closed or hasn't been open yet for the day. If you see this sign in our door window, please only enter if you have access with a building code. False alarm reports are billed to the church. **REMINDER:** Before leaving the church, please be sure to turn off all the lights, fans, AC window units and other items in the room you were using that requires electricity. Also be sure all doors are locked and alarm code will be reset by you or someone leaving after you. Building and Grounds appreciate all the efforts from the congregation in conserving energy, and maintaining the security of our building.

Friendly Reminder: There are 18 lockers in the Kemper Coat Room for your convenience to lock up your valuables while you are here in the building. In the past, several purses and other personal belongings have disappeared. Be safe—not sorry-- and take advantage of the lockers while you visit with us. If at any time you encounter in the church parking lot a panhandler or suspicious activity around the church, that is NOT life threatening-- please call the **Non Emergency Cincinnati Police number: 513-765-1212**. It is the safest way to handle any situation out of the ordinary. Please do not call the church office or church contacts to take action or even address the situation yourself. *Be safe* and let the proper authorities know.



The Flower Guild is looking ahead to 2018. If you have donated flowers previously, you hold that date, no need to call; we'll call you to confirm. These Sundays look open for 2018: March 25, April 29, & August 19. If you are interested in one of these dates, please call Barb Stringer at 677-1737.

IN THE COMMUNITY

The Caring Place : We are now signing up for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. Each dinner consists of a chicken and all the "fixins". The cost is about \$30.00. If you'd like to contribute any amount toward it, that would be most welcome! You can put your donation in our collection plate at service, give to JoAnn Ruff, put it in The Caring Place mailbox in our Communications Room or mail it to : The Caring Place, 6312 Kennedy Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45213. Thank you for your continued support.

THIS WEEK AT PRPC

Sun, Nov 19

- 8:20 am:** Child Care (Room 101)
- 8:30 am:** Worship (Chapel)
- 10:30 am:** Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 am:** Jr. High Classes
- 11:30 am:** Thanksgiving Luncheon
- 4:00 pm:** Scottish Dancers (Heritage Hall)
- 5:00 pm:** Yoga (Heritage Hall)

Mon, Nov 20

- 11:00 am:** Tai Chi (Heritage Hall)
- 5:30 pm:** CE Committee Dinner Meeting (Heritage Café)
- 6:00 pm:** Boy Scouts Troop 6 (Judd Hall/Scout Room)

Tues, Nov 21

- 10:30 am:** Staff Meeting (Library)
- 5:30 pm:** Building & Grounds Meeting (Library)
- 7:00 pm:** Mission Committee Meeting (Library)

Thurs, Nov 23

BUILDING CLOSED
Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, Nov 24

BUILDING CLOSED

PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS...

New Prayer Concerns:

- **Susan Imm**, Health concerns
- **All Families who have suffered a loss**

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

- **Anderson Family**, passing of Bonnie Anderson's mother
- **Bill Clegern**, husband of Sharon, Health Concerns
- **Cramer Family**, passing of Jeanne Cramer
- **Orpha DeMaria**, Health Concerns
- **Marjorie Evert**, recovering from broken ankle
- **Marian Fenker**, Health Concerns
- **Leah Hondorf**, Health concerns friend of the Imm family
- **The Rev. Dr. Bob Hoover**, father of Leah Hoover, Health Concerns
- **Vera Lambert**, Health concerns
- **Bob McCormick**, Health concerns
- **Allison McGrath**, Additional Cancer treatment-prayers and positivity appreciated
- **John Mohr**, Health concerns

- **Val Mohr**, Health Concerns
- **Phyllis Shea**, Health Concerns
- **Bob Strom**, father of Marcie Crosby, Health Concerns
- **Sophie Wappus**, niece of Rev Amy Snow, Health concerns
- **Tom Wise**, Health Concerns
- **Ann Wood**, Health Concerns

Serving in the Armed Forces:

- **Noah Imm** – Grandson of Susan Imm, Nephew of Abbe & Barb Imm

- **James Ohlweiler** – Member of congregation

Mission Co-Workers:

- **McGill Family**, serving in Malawi
- **Turk Family**, serving in Madagascar

Church Leaders/Groups:

- **Rev. Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda**

Church Staff:

- **Rev. Amy Snow**

Please notify the church office of any prayer requests you may have including those of you who have loved ones in the Armed Forces or in Missions

BLESSED BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Month of November: 1 Otto Budig, Janice Connett, 2 Sean Schwegman, Zach Steele, 3 John Coffey, Connie Houser, 4 Ida Shultz, 5 Audrey Hilderbrand, Joyce Thoma, 8 Olivia Webb, 9 Jayden McNeill, 11 Hans Hammelrath, 12 James Baverman, 12 Laurena Metzger Robert Thompson, 20 Don McLennan, 20 Diane Szymik, 25 Denise Bien, 27 Carolyn Perkins, 28 Judy Kapfer, 29 Mary Werden

OUR STAFF

Sharon Clegern, *Director of Family Ministries*

Theresa Merrill, *Organist*

Dr. Thomas G. Merrill, *Director of Music*

Claire Noack, *Financial Administrator*

Andrea Nolan, *Child Care Coordinator*

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Rev. Amy Snow, *Director of Congregational Care*

Jennifer Sullivan-Golubich, *Communications and Building Operations Coordinator*

Rev. Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda, *Pastor & Head of Staff*