

The Carillon

December, 2004

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON
A welcoming, caring, family of faith

Advent and Christmas Schedule, 2004

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The symbolism of the Advent Candle Wreath helps us to prepare for Christ as the Light of the World. The Advent wreath is a circle, reminding us of the perfection and eternity of God. The evergreen, of which the wreath is made, is a symbol of eternity and also of life. The candles, which are lit each Sunday, symbolize Hope – Peace – Joy - Love.



November 28: Worship at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The first candle is lit to remind us that Christ is our hope and the hope of the world.

December 5: Worship at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The second candle is lit to remind us that Christ is the Prince of Peace.

December 5: Advent Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share and a wrapped ornament. Program presented by Bernice's Bells Handbell Choir and a visiting children's choir from Elgin.

December 12: Worship at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The third candle is lit to remind us that joy is a gift from God and that Christ came and is coming.

December 19: Worship at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The fourth candle is lit to remind us that God is love.

December 24: 5:00 p.m. Family Candlelight Service. This will be a family oriented service. Children of all ages are encouraged to attend to celebrate Christ as the Light of the World.



December 24: 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Candlelight, Lessons and Carols - The Christmas Story. An adaptation of the festival of lessons and carols. It is patterned after a service of nine lessons and carols, first used in the Truro Cathedral, England, and adapted in 1918 for the King's College Chapel, Cambridge. Our vocal and bell choirs will lead the carols. In lieu of communion on Christmas Eve, communion will be served on January 2, 2005.

December 24: 11:00 p.m. Candlelight service with traditional sermon and carols. We light the Christ candle as we proclaim Christ as the Light of the World. Each person then receives the Light of Christ as we sing Silent Night.

The Presbyterian Church of Barrington Vision Statement

Created by God as a welcoming, caring family of faith, we...

...worship God joyfully, guided and challenged by Scripture and the proclamation of Christ's gospel;

...serve those in need, inspiring and equipping one another to respond to God's call;

...support each individual's journey of faith through lifelong learning, Christian fellowship and prayer; and

...share this spiritual home with all, drawing others to faith in Jesus Christ and reflecting the everlasting love of God.

Becoming a Church Member

We invite you to become a member of our congregation. People who have not made a decision about joining, but would like to know more about the church, are invited to come to services, participate in activities and discuss membership with **Rev. Dan Spike**. He can be reached at the Church Office at 847-381-0975.

Thanks For Your Help: Sandi Crewe for assembling the November Carillon and to Sandi Crewe and Jack and Jinnie Train for folding the Sunday Bulletins so faithfully!

Dear Friends in Christ,

We read books differently at different times in our lives. To read something in your childhood, then in your teen years, again in mid-life, and yet again in later life, is to read the same book differently.

Frederick Buechner suggests that a book we need to read at each stage of our lives is *The Wizard of Oz*. The Scarecrow, the Tin Woodsman, and the Lion are on a journey seeking to find something they want but believe they lack. One wants a brain, another wants a heart, and the third wants courage. The journey reveals two surprises: (1) the Wizard turns out to be no wizard at all and (2) the Wizard is only a wizard because he looked deeply inside these pilgrims and saw who they really were.

To see greatness and bring it out is what education is all about. To educate comes from the Latin, ex + ducere, meaning "to lead or bring forth." The whole point of education is to bring forth all the wisdom, love and courage that are part of who you are even though there are lots of times when you simply don't believe that those things are a part of you.

Once there was a wizard from Nazareth who saw inside people and said, "The Kingdom of God is within you." He looked deeply inside at the scarecrows, lions, tin men and women of his day, who were like us, and said: "Be not afraid. You are the light of the world. You are the salt of the earth." He brought out of them what was within them and at the same time placed within them this calm described by Julian of Norwich: "And all shall be well . . . And all shall be well . . . And all manner of things shall be well."

That "wellness" begins the moment we allow the trusted Wizard of Nazareth to look deeply inside us to see what is truly there and then to bring it out. In that moment, we are blessed – and the world is, too!

Pax, Curt Baxter

Thank You

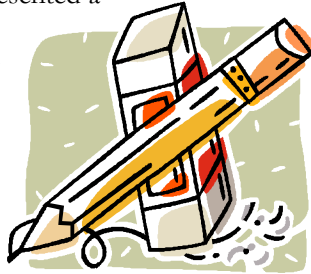
The family of Lou McCloud would like to express their gratitude to The Presbyterian Church of Barrington for their kind expressions of sympathy that have seen us through our times of sorrow. Special thanks to Reverend Dan Spike, the Deacons and those who visited Lou when she was ill. Gratefully, the families of John and David McCloud.

Church Administration

Session

Notes from the October 25 Session meeting:

Trustees: U.S. Cellular has presented a preliminary proposal to put an antenna into our steeple. They would build a new steeple and would need room to store equipment that would support the antenna, which would be completely hidden. The Presbytery would have to approve this. U.S. Cellular would also pay rent for keeping the antenna in the steeple. There do not appear to be any health hazards to doing this. Trustees were given the approval to explore this in detail and get a firm proposal from U.S. Cellular. From a financial standpoint this would be a benefit to the church.



Communications: Jack Swenson presented a revision to the church logo that has more color in it and offered the following motion, which was approved.

1. Accept the changes to the logo as presented to reflect a change to the text font at the bottom of the cross. The logo will remain with blue rays with no additional text, along with a gray logo that is more easily reproduced in a smaller size.
2. Support the Communications Committee's effort in developing a PR/marketing campaign that will include the new logo, updated website, marketing materials, templates and processes for the committees and ministries. The logo, website, tapestries, and selected printed materials will be introduced to the congregation on January 30, 2005 at our annual congregational meeting.
3. Authorize the Communications Committee to identify two vendors to provide proposals for the design and creation of two tapestries. These tapestries will incorporate the changed logo and will be permanently displayed in the sanctuary. Estimates over \$2,000 will be presented to Session for final approval.

Nominating: The slate of officers, to be elected at the congregational Meeting on November 7, was presented:

Elders, Class of 2007: Bob Kosobud, Linda Long, Anna Armstrong, Gerry Nadig, Dennis McGurer, Paul Lee, Paige Unangst.

Deacon, Class of 2006 (a 2-year term): Eva Caner.

Deacons, Class of 2007: Nancy Bohren, Judy Leonardis, Alan Free, Gus Leep, Pat Mitchell, Bette Bilton.

Trustees, Class of 2007: Denise Gans, Jeff Anderson, Ron Furst, Bob Weidner

Members-at-large for the Nominating Committee for a one year term: Jane Zimmer, Alice Buchholz, Jack Ellis, Janet Swenson, Rich Peterson

Personnel: Peter Schmidt has resigned as Sexton. Session thanked him for his many years of service to the church. The cleaning service will continue for 20 hours a week and a part-time person will be hired to perform the duties of Sexton.

Stewardship: Bob Skopek discussed the upcoming "Celebration of Faith" Ball, to be held on January 22, 2005 at the Hyatt, Schaumburg. Bob gave an update of the Stewardship Campaign which is going well. About half of the pledging units have responded, and we are about half way to our stewardship goal.

Worship: Anna Armstrong presented guidelines concerning the Moment With Young Disciples, which were approved by the Worship Committee. Joy's handbell choir is moving along well. Details of how to set up the bells in the sanctuary need to be decided. Joy Hague will develop a schematic outlining how the tables are to be arranged.

Trustees

At its meeting on October 18 the Trustees reviewed the church financials as of September 30 and determined the we are on budget for revenue and expenses for fiscal 2004. A contributing factor to containing expenses is the help of many volunteers, both those who count and deposit weekly contributions and those who contribute time and labor to upgrading the church buildings and grounds. This month the Trustees especially want to thank and recognize the teen youth group for two service projects for the church. On Sunday, October 31st they washed windows. On Sunday, November 7, they painted many colorful doors on the lower level. The youth group painters were Phil Monie, Drew Bosarge, Michael Zimmerman and Mark Minner, assisted by an adult crew composed of Eric Enskat, Julia Monie and Melissa Armstrong-Hansche.

Barrington Presbyterian Women

"It's All About The Baby" Thursday, December 2 at 10:00 am



Proceeds from the Christmas benefit program, luncheon, drawing, and silent auction go to benefit the many mission projects supported by BPW..

Christopher House Adopt A Family

Adopting a Christopher House Family is a wonderful opportunity to share your joy of Christmas with those who are less fortunate. The final day for adopting a family is Sunday, December 5th.

Following are some reminders when preparing your packages:

1. Provide a new, **wrapped gift** for each family member.
2. Provide Christmas dinner by giving a **Gift Food Card** from Dominicks or Jewel. (suggested cost is \$35 to \$45 per person for gift and food card combined)
3. Label every present and gift card with your **Family ID Number**.
4. Package all items securely together in a trash bag or box. Label the Food Card, put it in an envelope and tape it to one of the parent's gifts.
5. Please deliver your packages to the church garage **on or before December 10th** between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (If the church garage is not open obtain the key from the church office.)

By participating in ADOPT-A-FAMILY you will bring smiles to children's faces and warmth to their parents' hearts. Thank you for supporting this Christopher House Mission. Coordinator, **Sally Hilgendorf**.

Morning Bible Study

In December, we will meet on the second Wednesday, December 8, at 9:30 a.m. Coffee at 9:15 a.m. We use the Horizon Bible Study book, What She Said, available in the church office for \$8. Please make the check out to BPW. Coordinator, **Susan Raaths**.

G.T.I.F.

Growing Together In Faith is a monthly, evening Bible study for women. We meet on the third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. We will be using The Workbook of Spiritual Disciplines by Maxine Dunnam.. Coordinators, **Becky Bosarge, and Jill Minner**.



W.W.A.P.

Women With Aging Parents is a group which provides information and support to those who have aging parents. The meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the home of **Marge Slocum**.

Book Club

The next book club meeting is January 20, at 1:00 p.m. **Alice Buchholz**, coordinator.

Just in Time for the Holidays The BPW Cookbook!



Santa says, "The BPW Cookbook is at the top of everyone's Christmas list this year." Santa's elves can even ship cookbooks to all of your out-of-town friends and relatives!

Orders for the BPW Cookbook are now being taken. Books will be available after December 1st, and on sale at the Christmas Benefit Luncheon. The cost is \$20 per copy. Contributors may deduct \$5 on their first book. All proceeds will be used to renovate the Bride's Room/Main Ladies Room.

To place your order, make your check payable to "BPW" and mail to Rebecca Gans Carlberg, 64 Amherst Court, Fox River Grove, 60021. Questions? Call **Rebecca**.

BPW Retreat

BPW WOMEN'S RETREAT, February 13-15, 2005

Cost of gas for roundtrip to Williams Bay: \$12 - Food, lodging and all activities: \$175 -Ingredients for goodies to share: \$5 -- Fellowship and spiritual growth: PRICELESS!!!

Join the women of our Church as we gather again at Aurora University (George Williams Campus) for the 2005 Women's Spiritual Retreat. The Rev. Dr. Dianne Shields, Associate Pastor, 1st Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights will present "Finding God in the Clutter of Life."

Women of all ages are welcome. If you have never attended a retreat before, don't be shy. Your only regret will be that you didn't do it sooner.

Early bird registration is available again this year. Sign up by December 31 and receive \$10 off (that's \$165). If you have any questions please contact **Rebecca Carlberg**, **Mari Franklin**, or **Karen Tobin**.

Please fill out the form below and return to Rebecca Carlberg, 64 Amherst Ct., Fox River Grove IL 60021 or register online at pcbarrington.org.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Fee enclosed: (circle) By 12/31/04 \$165 After 12/31/04 \$175

____ This is my first retreat ____ This is my first BPW retreat

Transportation: _____ I need a ride to and from Williams Bay

____ I can provide a ride for 1 2 3 4 5 people (circle one)

____ I need a ride to and from the dining hall

Special Needs:

____ Handicapped accessibility ____ Dietary restriction _____

____ Allergy _____ ____ Other _____

I would like to help: ____ Song leader ____ Play piano or guitar ____ Bring a dessert
 ____ Small group discussion leader ____ Bring snacks (circle: fruit /finger food/drinks)
 ____ Leading prayer before a meal ____ Greet ladies arriving Friday night
 ____ Bring misc. supplies ____ Other _____

Financial assistance is available. Contact Dan Spike for a full or partial scholarship.

Stephen Ministry

CARING MINISTRY WORKSHOP

The sun shown many ways on the Caring Ministry Workshop held Saturday, November 6, at our church. To begin with, it was a beautiful fall day, and 66 participants came eager and open to learn. It was a great mix of people, coming from as far away as East Moline and Kankakee and representing a variety of congregations - Baptists, Methodists, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, and Evangelicals.

The presenter, Reverend Kevin Scott from the Executive Staff of Stephen Ministries, St. Louis, started with a session on grief that gave many down-to-earth and practical suggestions on "do's and don'ts" for providing care to those suffering the pain of a loss. Some of those suggestions could well be summed up in the title of a new Stephen Ministries book, "Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy Heart."

The second session covered various aspects of Stephen Ministry and had each congregation working to determine numbers of people in their church who might have various kinds of needs for compassionate care. Reverend Scott answered questions about



working to establish a Stephen Ministry program, training, and costs. He also invited perusal of the resource table which contained books and tapes on a variety of topics available from Stephen Ministries.

In the third and final session, each individual was paired with a partner who was initially a stranger. After a series of exercises participants learned the value of careful listening and could discern how different prayer can be when the person being prayed for is more intimately known.

Many people from our Stephen Ministry team helped with the workshop, and there were also a number from our congregation who came to get a better understanding of what Stephen Ministry is all about. We should take pride in how far our church has come in less than three years and how we can already be a beacon to other congregations who would like to know more about one-on-one distinctively Christian care. We hope these congregations will take the light of Stephen Ministry from our church to theirs

Memorial Garden

Church Receives Award For Memorial Garden

The Council of Barrington Garden Clubs has given a special award to the Presbyterian Church of Barrington in recognition of the design and beauty of our Memorial Garden. The award was presented at a Council meeting at the Barrington Library on November 10. Kris Howard Jensen, President of the church's Board of Trustees, accepted the award. Also present and recognized were Vern Soukup, who chaired the task force which initiated the creation of the Memorial Garden, and Carol Nelson, who gave a lead gift for its construction in memory of her late husband, Cliff. The Council annually presents awards to businesses, institutions and governmental bodies which have contributed significantly to the beautification of the Barrington area. In connection with the Memorial Garden, the Trustees also recognize the leadership, dedication and hard work devoted to its development by Steve Fish and Andy Harden

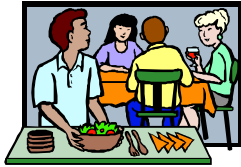
Worship

It isn't too late to join the Worship Study Team that is set to begin work in January 2005. This group will work over the next year to examine ways to enhance and enrich our future worship services. Some members will attend the Calvin Symposium on Worship in January where conference sessions highlight ways to use music, visual arts, and lay participation in the worship of our Lord. Other fact gathering tasks may include reading, visiting other churches to experience different worship formats and gathering input and information from our congregational community through questionnaires. This is an opportunity for you to study, learn, and offer your thoughts and input to help our church meet the Vision Task Force objectives for worship. Any recommendations from this study team will go before Session at the end of 2005. If you feel God's call to join us on this study journey, we invite you to contact **Anna Armstrong**, **Leo Burkhardt**, or the church office.

Deacons

Advent Dinner

Plan to attend the Advent Dinner on December 5, 2004 starting at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We'll begin with punch and Christmas carols, followed by a "pot luck" dinner. There will be food, fun, and fellowship – and a musical surprise!



The cost for the evening will be \$6.00 per adult and \$3.00 for children 3-12. Children under 3 are free. The maximum any family will pay is \$20. The main dish and beverages will be provided. Each family attending the dinner is asked to bring a wrapped ornament and a dish to pass to serve 8, in a disposable container.

If your last name begins with A-L, please bring a salad.
If your last name begins with M-Z, please bring a side dish, hot and ready to serve.

Coordinator: **Lukass Franklin.**

Congratulations

To Ann and Bennett Barcroft on the birth of daughters Sydney and Taylor, born October 12.

Condolences to...

Heather and Garrett Boehm on the death of their son, Jackson Thomas Boehm, who was born October 7, 2004, and died November 2. Grandparents are Ray and Janice Klear.

Deacon's Corner, Roy Brinson

As we come into the season of Advent, I am reminded of what faith and Christianity is all about. Since joining PCB over a year ago, I found a true re-awakening of my Christian values.

My family moved from the southern suburbs and a more restrictive Presbyterian Church in the mid 1960s

to Barrington. I came and listened to Dr. Brown on Sunday, but never joined this congregation.

After college, Church did not fit into my lifestyle nor my spiritual needs, I thought. My life was based on ME, not on others. Years went by, I got engaged to Debbie and we discussed getting married here in the Church, as her two older sisters had been married here twenty years before (kind of a family thing!). Still no thoughts of spiritual needs. Our lives seemed busy but not complete—something was missing.

Debbie's daughter was married in 1996 and our first grandchildren (twins) were born a year later, another grandson was born in 2000. I started to realize how important life and God's work were to my being. Almost two years ago, Debbie and I started coming here and listening to Curt and Dan and feeling the love of God and the members of PCB. We joined the congregation in the fall of 2003 and I decided to start giving back for all the years of waste and wanton I had lived. So, when the opportunity to become a Deacon was made available, I discussed it with Debbie and a few members of the congregation that I knew and trusted. I was nominated and accepted by the congregation earlier this year.

I have found that the people that make up the Deacons are quite motivated in learning and spreading God's word. We do home visitations, flower deliveries on Sunday, in-home communions, send get well, birthday, anniversary, and sympathy cards. We will do the upcoming Advent Dinner as well as two Sunday services a year. We do coffee service on Sundays and follow-up calls to our parish members reminding them of activities of the church.. We work with Session and the Trustees to help make our church a more spiritual and friendly place to our congregation and visitors.

How has this helped me? I am trying to no longer have the "I" or "ME" as the center of my being. I have learned that God is my Savior and someday I hope I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Christian Education

Adult Christian Education

December 12, "The Grinch That Steals Our Christmas Spirit". At 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, Dr. Clark Barshinger, clinical psychologist and ordained pastor, will explore the ways that personal problems, activities and stress rob us of the blessed Christmas we want and need and what we can do about it.

January 16 and 23, 2005, "Three Messiahs", at 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. This in-depth look at the idea of "Messiah" in Christianity, Islam and Judaism will be presented by Rabbi Herbert Bronstein.

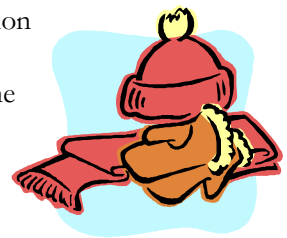
February 13, March 13, April 10, May 15, from 4:30-7:00 p.m., Dr. Clark Barshinger will present a special series on healthy marriages. The cost of the seminar will be \$50 per person for the whole series and will include a light supper, dessert and coffee. Inquiries may be directed to **Karen Tobin** or the Ministry Team.

Bible Story Time, Waiting for Baby Jesus Party, Thursday, December 9, 10:00-11:00a.m.

Come to Fellowship Hall at 10:00am and join in the fun at the "Waiting for Baby Jesus" party. We will play games, do an art project and have some cake as we learn why we wait for Baby Jesus! Call the church office to sign up! Deadline is December 6. Friends are welcome. Cost: \$0 Parents should plan to attend to help out.

Mitten Tree

Help decorate our Mitten Tree with warm hats, scarves, mittens and gloves. Place your donation on the tree, which will be located in the literature corner near the parlor. We will be accepting donations up through Epiphany, January 6, 2005. The Youth will be delivering the items to the Home of the Sparrow in Palatine after Epiphany.



Winter Vacation Bible School, December 20, 21 & 22, 9:00a.m. – 3:00p.m.

Save the dates! Mark your calendars! Fit this into your holiday planning! Let us help you juggle your schedule. With the kids home for vacation, gifts to be wrapped, and cookies to be baked, you need some helping hands!

The youth will be hosting a winter VBS experience for children Kindergarten through 6th grade. You may sign up for a whole day (9 a.m. – 3 p.m. \$17/child) or for part of the day (9 a.m. – Noon or Noon – 3 p.m. \$10/child/session).

Choose the sessions you want.

Preschool class for 3 and 4 year olds AND babysitting for toddlers and infants is available from 9 a.m. - Noon. Spots for Nursery/Toddler care are limited, so sign up early. Sign up for any amount of hours or days. Cost is \$4/child per hour.

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) Classes

Wednesdays, January 19th-March 2nd, 2005, 5:30-7:00pm, in the church Parlor

Parents of elementary aged children will discuss: Understanding your child's behavior and misbehavior, Developing positive relationships with your child, Helpful Communication skills, Building your child's confidence and feelings of worth, Natural and logical consequences as an alternative to rewards and punishments.

Cost:\$40/one parent or \$50/both parents, plus \$15.95 for STEP Workbook. Checks(to Barrington Youth Services) can be dropped off at the church to reserve your place. Class size is limited to 10 people. Facilitated by Liz Larson, Clinical Supervisor of Barrington Youth Services. Coordinators: **Angie Smith at or Susan Reedquist.**

Welcome to the Presbyterian Church of Barrington Library

We strive to provide our members current theological offerings in numerous formats including books, cassettes, videos, DVDs and periodicals. Our collection is new and growing with over 500 current listings to appeal to children, youth, adults, and church officers alike. We are located in the west corner of the church parlor. Come in explore, learn, and let your faith grow

Children	Youth	Adult
<div data-bbox="224 415 462 722" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="155 764 602 905" data-label="Text"> <p><u>Paul's Call</u> by Kathleen Long Bostrom. Illustrations by Dennis McKinsey.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="131 942 625 1402" data-label="Text"> <p>This book combines whimsical poetry and child-appealing illustrations to retell the story of the apostle's powerful life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ. The memorable sing-song rhymes and the colorful eye-catching artwork help children encounter God's grace as revealed in the biblical account and make it easier for them to connect the story to their own lives. Parents will find this book valuable and charming. Excerpt: <i>"When the number of Christians was still very small,</i></p> </div> <div data-bbox="131 1444 565 1514" data-label="Text"> <p><i>One particular man did not like them at all!"</i></p> </div>	<div data-bbox="734 411 987 732" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="656 772 1068 877" data-label="Text"> <p><u>The Door in the Dragon's Throat</u> by Frank Peretti.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="643 917 1068 982" data-label="Text"> <p>From the Cooper Kids Adventure Series: Book I</p> </div> <div data-bbox="643 1024 1075 1377" data-label="Text"> <p>Jay and Lila Cooper have been on adventures with their archaeologist father before, but nothing like this! As they make their way through the dark and mysterious cavern, they can't help thinking about the exploration parties that tried to open the Door. All fled in panic or died terrible deaths! What really lies behind the Door?</p> </div> <div data-bbox="643 1419 1068 1524" data-label="Text"> <p>A rip-roaring tale ending with a titanic clash between the forces of good and evil.</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="1117 411 1451 709" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1105 747 1455 852" data-label="Text"> <p><u>Judas: Images of the Lost Disciple</u> By Kim Paffenroth</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1092 890 1463 1602" data-label="Text"> <p>The author's lively literary history of Judas is altogether fascinating and a distinctly worthwhile contribution to interpretation history. His study of Judas characterizations- from the synoptic gospels and apocryphal narratives through medieval legendary and iconographic representation, early oedipal superposition and postmodern reinvention- effectively illustrates how a shadowy figure from the past can become a mirror for the religious imagination in every subsequent period that preserves memory.</p> </div>

Library Procedures: Books and all other media may be checked out for 30 days. See the detailed check-out procedures posted in the library. Please return materials promptly. Please, do not re-stack items, the Librarian will do this for you. Donations: If you have any items you would like to donate to us, please put a post-it on it, and write "Donation". Place in the return bin and take a "tax receipt" card for your records

Chancel Guild

Sanctuary Christmas Decorations



As the holidays approach, the Chancel Guild invites you to help sponsor the church’s beautiful decorations and poinsettia display. Please donate to our Christmas fund. Just fill out this form and send it with your check to the church office.

Name of donor _____

Phone _____

Dedication for the Christmas Eve bulletin _____

Amount of donation \$ _____

Make the check payable to The Presbyterian Church of Barrington, memo “Christmas flowers”.

Mission

Nueva Esperanza

San Marcos Urban Youth Ministry has changed its name to Nueva Esperanza Urban Youth Outreach and, on October 29, moved to 2516 N. Kostner Ave., Chicago, IL 60639-2026, a location in the Hispanic community. Your continued support of this ministry would be much appreciated. As in the past, we ask for your donations of the following:

Coats. As you go through your coat closet, remember the families of this Hispanic community. We will be collecting good used coats for children and adults. You may bring the coats to the church weekdays during office hours or on Sundays and put them in the bin designated for coats. Coordinator, **Joyce Simpson**.

Gifts. Each year the Mission Committee collects gifts or gift certificates to Old Navy for the youth of San Marcos (now Nueva Esperanza). **Joyce Simpson**, will supply you with the name and age of a young person. Please bring your gifts to the church by December 15. Volunteers and/or staff of the youth ministry will take small groups of the youth on a shopping trip so they get to choose their own items. This is a great way to share with those who are less fortunate.

Youth Gather for October Work Project at Home of the Sparrow Shelter

Strong winds and brisk temperatures didn’t keep the youth of our church from gathering on October 16th to help rake and bag leaves at the Home of the Sparrow shelter in Palatine. Jayme Alton, Katie and Corinne Brinkmann, Emma Florio, Andy Hyde, Scott Maciejewski, and David and Michael Zimmerman worked to tidy up the yard and garage, then toured the site and talked with a Home of the Sparrow supervisor to learn more about the residents they were helping. “Your gift of time and hard work has helped HOS out immensely and made the shelter grounds and garage look absolutely wonderful,” said Home of the Sparrow Developmental Director Kathryn Ross, in a letter thanking our youth group. “Your generosity of heart has touched the women and the children living in our Palatine shelter deeply.” Three more Home of the Sparrow Youth Work Projects are planned for Jan. 15th, April 16th and May 21st. To sign up contact Melissa or **Jill Minner**

Parish Life

Photo Directory Workers, Thank You!

We are blessed with a wonderful group of members who volunteer, do their jobs well, and can be relied on without need for follow-up efforts.

While they do their jobs gratefully without expectation of thanks, we would appreciate it if each member, would personally thank the more than 40 people who made this all possible.

Layout Support: Rich Barbour, Ken Wright, Melissa Dawson

Mail List Editors: George Landes, Curt Baxter

Day-to-Day Coordinator, mailing list maker, printer, mailer, sign-up coordinator, Carillon and Bulletin Notices – Bonnie Kalaway

Photographers: Rich Barbour, Eric Enskat

Sign Up Table: Mary Heath, Sally Hilgendorf, Cackie Kyle, Chris Schiller

Callers To Those Who Didn't Sign Up On Sundays – Sue Kosobud, Chrisann Andersen, all the Deacons

Post Card Reminder Coordinators – Sally Hilgendorf, Polly Grafton

Chief Table Movers – Curt Baxter and Paige Unangst

On-Site Photo-Shoot Hosts – Barb Brinkman, Cora Esche, Sally Hilgendorf, Alice Buchholz, Gerry Nadig, Chris Schiller, Polly Grafton, Jack Mumaw, Melissa Dawson, Kathy Weidner, Bob and Dorothy Johnson, Beth Muhvic, Joyce Simpson, Pam Anderson, Audrey Ellis, Joe Babos, Sue Kosobud, Carol Nelson, Nancy Bohren, Mary Heath, Mari Franklin, Rebecca Carlberg, Susan Reedquist, Judy and Paul Carlson, Sandie Paxton, Karen Moratz.

Participants – We also offer our personal thanks to those who had their photos taken in the church and in other churches. A photo directory is an essential tool in assuring that we all know and recognize the members of our faith community.

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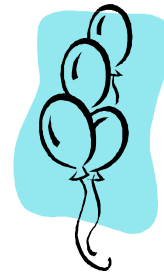
Stewardship Committee

As chairman of stewardship and on behalf of the entire stewardship committee I would like to express my

deepest appreciation to the members of our church. The pledge amounts are up from last year and more pledges than ever have come in on time. Thank you very much.

As a member of this congregation I would also like to express my gratitude. The people involved in this campaign and your response to them has touched me very deeply. We have all heard some incredible people share their incredible stories. I have been inspired and humbled as they have opened their hearts to all of us. Apparently you have too.

And as for the Presbyterian Church of Barrington, the best is yet to come.



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"Celebration of Faith"

Saturday January 22, 2005

7:00 pm to midnight

Hyatt Regency Woodfield in Schaumburg

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Worship Schedule

- Dec. 5** Dr. Baxter Preaching 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Tending the Embers
Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; 2 Timothy 1:3-14; Matthew 3:1-12.
- Dec. 12** Mr. Spike Preaching 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
The Marginal Messiah
Readings: Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:5-10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11.
- Dec. 19** Dr. Baxter Preaching 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Christmas Is God at Eye-Level
Readings: Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25.
- Dec. 24** Dr. Baxter Preaching 11:00 p.m.
How Have We Received Him?
Readings: Hebrews 1:1-4; Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 139:1-5; John 1:1-4.
- Dec. 26** Mr. Spike..... 10:00 a.m.
The Little Angel, a story by Jan Pancheri
Readings: Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148; Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 2:13-23



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