

Carillon

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON
A welcoming, caring family of faith

August 2007

Outdoor Service and Church Picnic, August 26

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The Mission Committee invites all members and friends to attend the annual outdoor service and church picnic on August 26. The service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on the lawn. Rev. Spike and Ms. Hedegaard have planned an interesting and uplifting service for all ages.

The picnic will follow immediately after the service. There will be good food, fellowship, games for the young (and young at heart), and the famous bake sale.



If you are able to bake for the bake sale, please bring your baked goods, in a disposable container, to the kitchen on Thursday or Friday, August 23 or 24 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Tickets will be on sale in Fellowship Hall beginning August 5, following the service. Prices are \$20 for a family. For individuals: \$6.50 for seniors; \$7.50 for adults and children age 11 or older; \$4.50 for children ages 4 thru 10, and free for children 3 and under.

Invite your friends and neighbors to come enjoy the day with our family of faith.

**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.

Thanks For Your Help: Carol Buchta for proof reading and Jack and Jinny Train and Sally Kilham for assembling the July Carillon.

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 **Dr. Curtis Baxter**. He can be reached at the Church Office at **847-381-0975**.

Dear Friends in Christ,

During my recent study leave in Portland, Oregon, I rediscovered Albert Schweitzer's book, *The Quest for the Historical Jesus*. Early in the 20th Century he wrote the decisive book on the historical Jesus. After that he was off to Paris to teach theology and organ. One day, he found his heart strangely moved by an article he read asking if there was anyone who would hear the call and come to Africa to help the poorest of the poor. At age 40, Schweitzer earned a doctorate in medicine and went to Lambarene in what is now Gabon, West Africa. Below are some of Schweitzer's clear statements about the essential parts of the Christian faith that will continue to ring true for all time:

Jesus as a concrete historical personality remains a stranger to our time. But His spirit, the essential element in Christianity as it was preached by Jesus and as it is comprehended by thought, is this: that it is only through love that we can attain to communion with God. All living knowledge of God rests upon this foundation: that we experience God in our lives as will-to-love

A Christian is one who has the spirit of Christ. This is the only theology.

How is Jesus alive for us? Do not attempt to prove his presence by formulations, even if they are sanctified by the ages. Jesus lives for everyone whom He directs, in matters great and small, as if He were here among us. The fact that (Jesus) still, in our days, gives His orders, proves to me; and for me it is the only proof; that He is neither a ghost nor dead, but that He lives. If you will let me explain in my way this living presence, I will say to you: The eternal body of Jesus is simply His words; for it was about them that He said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away!"

And the most famous paragraph in his book on the historical Jesus is this:

He comes to us as One unknown, without a name, as of old, by the lake side, He came to those men who knew Him not. He speaks to us the same word: "Follow thou me!" And sets us to the tasks, which He has to fulfill for our time. He commands. And to those who obey Him, whether they be wise or simple, He will reveal Himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings which they shall pass through in His fellowship and, as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience who He is.

The clarity and simplicity of Schweitzer's words are as refreshing today as they were in his time. They are trustworthy, true, time tested and lead to life.

Peace,
Curt Baxter

Mission

Live Lobsters Land in Barrington!

September 29, 2007



TO PLACE AN ORDER, MAIL TO or CALL
 THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON
 6 Brinker Road, Barrington Hills IL 60010

PHONE: 847-381-0975

WEBSITE: WWW.PCBARRINGTON.ORG

VISA and MasterCard accepted (\$1 fee)

Orders must be placed by September 21, 2007

All information below is required

Name: _____

(if credit card is used, please provide name as it appears on card)

Address: _____

City/State _____

Phone: _____

Master Card _____ VISA _____ exp. date: _____

Credit card number _____

Fresh Lobster – Live: # _____ @ \$16.00 \$ _____

Fresh Lobster – Cooked # _____ @ \$18.00 \$ _____

Credit Card-Fresh Lobster— Live # _____ @ \$17.00 \$ _____

Credit Card-Fresh Lobster-Cooked # _____ @ \$19.00 \$ _____

PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER Total \$ _____

I will pick up my order on Saturday September 29, 2007 at: (Circle One)

11:00 11:30 12:00 12:30 1:00 1:30 2:00 2:30 3:00

Proceeds benefit our Mission projects

Meals On Wheels



For over 20 years The Presbyterian Church of Barrington has joined with other churches and community groups to provide senior citizens in our community with Meals on Wheels. More drivers are needed. How about you?

Check these Frequently Asked Questions and if you have others, contact **Laura Semmen or Angie Smith.**

How often does PCB provide this service? We drive two days a month--the second Wednesday and the fourth Friday. Each day we need three drivers.

How often would I drive? You set your schedule. If you can only drive in the summer or only on Friday, we can accommodate your needs. Rarely is anyone asked to drive more than once a month. We ask for volunteers via e-mail or phone.

How long does it take? Typically you are asked to make 3 to 4 stops within the Barrington area. It usually takes about an hour..

How do I find these people? Drivers are given directions to each house.

What about training? Yes, an experienced driver will take you along on your first outing.

Men are encouraged to participate. Some of our most faithful drivers are retired men. Please contact Laura or Angie with questions or to express an interest in this important ministry.

Lend A Hand, Adult Mission Trip,

New Orleans, October 13 – 20, 2007

Over the summer we have continued to support five households in New Orleans with a truckload of furniture that Barrie Heath personally delivered in mid

July. Thanks to Barrie and the families who donated the household items. We will continue to pick up furniture as it becomes available.

Members who have committed to the October mission trip are: Rich Barbour, Curt Baxter, John Bosarge*, Barb Cunningham, John Dawson*, Skip Dolan, Eric Enskat, Chris Gravitt, Barrie Heath, Nancy Heath, Chip Kyle, Denny McGurer, Linda McGurer, Gerry Nadig, Dan Paxton, Mike Petty, Dan Spike, Dorothy Symonds, Paige Unangst, Steve Unangst, Megan Wiersma and Travis Wiersma. *Team Leaders (a third leader to TBD by August 15th.)

There are currently eight spots available and friends of the congregation are welcome to join the team. Specific trip details will be forthcoming in the next two weeks on our web site and in the weekly bulletins.

Should you want to add your name to the team call **Denny McGurer.**

We are making a difference. Let us not forget our friends in New Orleans now that the many headlines have disappeared.

Calling All Gardeners

The canned goods and toiletry donations to “Loaves and Fishes” have been a godsend for the Carpentersville Food Pantry. They are still in desperate need of food items.



They also accept fresh produce. As you watch your vegetables grow please think about setting aside a portion of your harvest for the food pantry. Tithe your tomatoes! What a healthy, special treat to share with the food pantry clients. Thanks for your continued support of “Loaves and Fishes”; it makes a big difference.

**Nueva Esperanza
Golf Invitational
Save the Date: October 1st**

The Nueva Esperanza Golf Invitational will be played on the first Monday in October, at Chalet Hills Golf Club (943 Rawson Bridge Road, Cary). This annual event provides scholarship funds to support deserving high school students from the west side of Chicago to attend St. Gregory's High School. The cost is \$250 which includes lunch, green fees, cart and prizes. All are invited to play. The format will be a "scramble" to make it easier for the less experienced golfer.



**Friends of Home of the Sparrow
"Women Fore Women" Golf Outing
September 18, 2007**

at the Makray Memorial Golf Club in Barrington.

Tee off at 9:30 a.m.

\$150.00 for nine holes and lunch
or \$50.00 for the Fantasy Fairway Luncheon only
at 12:30 p.m.

Championship Auction at 11:30 am
Get a foursome together and call **Linda McGurer** for more details and/or to register. Come out and support Home of the Sparrow.



For those who are unable to play and want to make a contribution, please send a check to the church office made payable to: **The Presbyterian Church of Barrington with Nueva Esperanza** written on the memo line. A Registration Form will be mailed out after Labor Day weekend. For further information contact event chairman, **Gerry Nadig**.

Calendar

Please check out our website www.pcbarrington.org for our up to date calendar of events. If you need a printed calendar, please let us know, and we can mail one directly to your home. If we see enough demand for a printed calendar, we will be more than happy to put the calendar back into the Carillon as a regular publication.

ChristCare

Caring Hearts – Faithful Servants Make ChristCare Yours

Have you thought a ChristCare group sounds like a good idea but have a unique vision of what an interesting group would look like? Perhaps your answer is a group for mothers of toddlers or people who work downtown or parents of pre-teens or people who share a common hobby: needlework or wine tasting. You have the opportunity to bring together people with a common interest, whether members of this congregation or not, who also want to share fellowship, Bible study, prayer and service.



If you are interested in forming and leading a ChristCare group, we will train you and help you every step of the way. Classes will start in the fall and end before Christmas. Contact: **Dan Spike at 847-381-0975 or Karen Tobin**.

Barrington Presbyterian Women

September Meeting

We will not have a meeting in August. Enjoy the summer and watch for your membership mailing. Our next meeting will be on September 13 (the second Thursday of the month), coffee at 9:15 a.m.; meeting at 9:35 a.m. All women of the congregation are invited to attend. Claudia Gerrard, Moderator.



G.T.I.F.

Do you need a little spiritual deep breathing? Have you ever thought that something was missing? You go to church, volunteer for all kinds of things, take care of your family, but you feel that there might be something more to that abundant life that Jesus talked about? Growing Together In Faith (GTIF), a monthly Bible study for women of the church and friends, would like to invite you to explore this abundant life with us. Our new study, *Oxygen, Deep Breathing for the Soul* by Keri Wyatt Kent, began in July. Through this study we will learn some practices that will teach us how to listen to and experience the presence of God, even in the middle of a busy life. It can be done – let's learn how together! GTIF meets on the third Tuesday of the month. Contact **Jill Minner** for more information.

Morning Bible Study

Morning Bible Study will resume in the fall. Emily Dowell will be the coordinator.

BPW Fall Fellowship Gathering

Throughout the coming year, you will be asked to support BPW fund raising efforts (think Christmas Benefit here!) On Wednesday, September 19th, 2007 you will have the wonderful opportunity to meet two St. Gregory's graduates, Delia Ramirez and Linda Torres, who are recipients of BPW College funding aid. Both young women have spoken eloquently at one or more of our church services, and September 19th, Delia and Linda will share with us their stories, their hopes and their dreams. They are so grateful for our support in their lives, but truly, we are privileged to help and know these strong and determined women.

Meet your friends – and bring some friends! – to the Millrose Restaurant (45 S. Barrington Road)

Wednesday, September 19th at 5:30 PM in the Stockyards Room. A cash bar will be available, followed by a dinner of Chicken, tomatoes, mushrooms and artichokes in a basil cream sauce with salad, dessert and coffee. The cost is \$35.00 per person.

FYI – all women who are members of the Presbyterian Church of Barrington are members of BPW! All women who worship with us, attend the Christmas benefit or are friends of those who do, are welcome to join us for a fun, delicious and inspiring evening!

You may mail your check for \$35.00 (made out to BPW) to the church office (no later than September 13th) or sign up after Sunday services between August 5th and September 9th.

If you have any questions, please contact:
**Nancy Nadig or
Joyce Simpson.**

Book Club

Book Club meets every other month (starting in September), on the third Thursday at 1:00 p.m. at the home of a member. Our next meeting will be held on September 20. The Coordinator is **Sally Moore**.

Women With Aging Parents

WWAP will not meet in August. Our next meeting will be on September 14 at the home of **Marge Slocum**.

2007 BPW Christmas Benefit "Comfort and Joy"

Mark your calendars now for the annual BPW Christmas Benefit Thursday, November 29th.

Our theme this year is "Comfort and Joy". Questions call: **Liz Brown or Betsy Rubak**.

If you would like to volunteer to chair a committee, give either one of them a call this summer.

Hospitality

9:00 am

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| 9:00 am | |
| August 5 | Ushers: Don and Carol Andler Greeters and Coffee Hosts: Dale and Chrisann Smith, Ralph and Carol Menick, Becky Bosarge |
| August 12 | Ushers: John Betzold, Don and Mark Minner, Jim Dugan Greeters and Coffee Hosts: Rich and Kathy Larson, Jack and Audrey Ellis, Tom and Polly Grafton |
| August 19 | Ushers: The Dowell Family Greeters and Coffee Hosts: Jim Wilson, Kathy Peterson, Emily Dowell, Pat Mitchell, Gus Leep, Kathy Weidner |
| August 26 10 am | Outdoor Service and Church Picnic Ushers: George Landes, Peter and Anneke Chamy, Ron Furst |

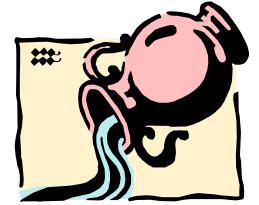
Deacons

Condolences to:

The family of George Milne; George died Saturday, June 23. A memorial service was held on July 5.

Deacon's Corner, Anneke Chamy

As a deacon I am called upon to serve God's people with love and care. The serving part is relatively easy – just takes some dedicated time. Serving with love and care is where things sometimes get a little touch-and-go, as I believe that it requires more than lip service, and I am so depressingly prone to failure.



A few weeks ago I was disappointed in how very little love there is in the world; in how easily people can turn away, and even turn on, someone in need. It made me despondent, sad, and more than a little hostile to this unloving mass of humanity. And precisely there I failed - again. I failed to love as God commands. As I was voicing my opinion that we should act with love even to those who transgress, I was condemning those who do not love as I think they should.

Fortunately Jesus always brings me back to love. Two thousand years ago He died on a cross for me. Daily the Holy Spirit accompanies me on my journey. God laid the foundation for love by blessing me with parents who live love and care for all around them - to this day, thousands of miles away, their example shines a light for me.

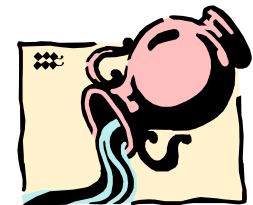
Praise God for his boundless love and mercy!

Praise God for creating us with the capacity to love!

Deacon's Corner, Gus Leep

Someone once said that the greatest gift one can give another is the gift of one's self. As a Deacon, I have found that to be true. Further, the reward I receive from delivering chancel flowers, visiting a sick person, delivering "Food Served with Love" or a welcoming gift to a first time visitor is much greater than the time and effort expended. I never have been greeted with a frown in any such Deacon activity. Always it has been with a smile, a "thank you" and a "won't you come in".

There is no pay for being a Deacon – just rewards.

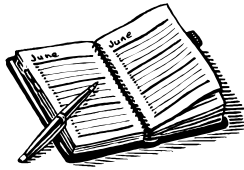


Christian Education

Special Sunday in August

On August 5, our Youth Mission Team will lead the service and share with you their experiences while in Welch, West Virginia in June. Don't miss this opportunity to hear and support the youth of our congregation

Save The Upcoming Dates:



Summer is beginning to wind down and thoughts turn to the excitement of back-to-school. Calendars begin to arrive in the mail and suddenly our lives are

back on schedules. Here are some upcoming dates that you can put on your calendar to make sure that you and your child/youth won't miss the fun and fellowship:

5th/6th grade lock-in

September 7 at 7:00 p.m. - September 8 at 8:00 a.m.

We will be out at the campfire and play outdoor night games before heading inside for a great movie and discussion. Plan to bring a friend.

7th–12th grade youth/parent kick-off dinner

September 16 at 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Join us as we lay out the plans for the upcoming year. Lock-ins, Whirlyball, paintball, missions, etc. will be explained and you can sign-up right then. Reconnect with old friends and welcome new!

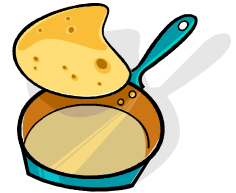
7th/8th grade lock-in

September 21 at 7:00 p.m. - September 22 at 8:00 a.m.

If you have never played Sardines at 2:00 a.m., you do not want to miss this lock-in! We have activities planned throughout the night for those who choose to stay up. We also have a quiet area for those who need sleep. Start scoping out your hiding spots now!

Pancake Breakfast

September 23, after the 9:00 a.m. service.



5th/6th grade parent/child dinner and class: Worship

September 30 at 5:00 -7:00 p.m.

The first in a series of age relevant parent/child dinners and classes, this one is designed to help this age group understand and celebrate worship. Games, art activities and discussion are used to teach key concepts.

AND THAT'S JUST SEPTEMBER!

Watch your mail for the annual CE mailing that includes a calendar for the year and flyers that explain what is coming up for WNL, Sunday School, Bible Story Time and some special events.

Fellowship

Schaumburg Flyers Baseball Game Summer Fellowship Outing



The PCB Fellowship Groups – Family Fellowship, Men’s Group and Kitchen Cabinet – are coordinating an all-church outing to the Schaumburg Flyers baseball game on **Sunday, August 12 at 1:20 p.m.**

Come join us for this terrific family event as we’ll grab some great ballpark food and enjoy some traditional American baseball fun. Tickets are \$10 each. In fact, if you sign-up to attend with

someone who isn’t a PCB member, they’ll get to go to the game for FREE! To sign-up, please contact Matt Batt.

We only have a limited number of seats to the baseball game, so please sign-up early!

Men’s Fellowship Group

The group will meet on August 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Tom Long.

Music

It’s that time of year again...

All returning and new choir members should attend the 1st choir rehearsal of the season on Thursday, August 23, at 7:30 p.m. Bell Choir members should plan to start the following week on Thursday, August 30, at 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining either ensemble please contact Kirsten Hedegaard.

The Children’s Choir will have its first rehearsal on August 26 at 11:15 a.m. We will be singing at the the Barrington Hills Polo Club benefit match on Saturday, September 8, so we’ll need a few rehearsals before then. Bring a friend!

Starting in September, a new youth music collective will be formed to pool the talents of the many youth musicians in the congregation. The group will collaborate on a variety of projects throughout the year, and input on music selections and creative ideas will be encouraged. Any young adults age 12-18 are welcome to join us at an organizational meeting in September, day and time TBA.

August Music

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| August 5 | Emma Florio, piano |
| August 12 | Vocal quartet |
| August 19 | Claire Seizovic, violin |
| August 26 | Mariachi Band |

Church Administration

A Note from our Board of Trustees:

The tables and data included to the right give a mid-year snapshot of church finances. Our collections show that we are nearly \$14K behind plan for the first six months of the year. The expense budget that was approved by Session for 2007 (detailed in the pie chart below), once again reminds us that expenses were already budgeted to be \$38K higher than projected revenues, despite significant efforts to cut spending. Accumulated reserves in our operating fund will therefore be tapped to fund this year's deficit, as was done in 2006 when we were \$16K short for the year.

Deficit spending for operations for the last 18 months has eliminated any ability for us to fund building maintenance reserves: the operating budget has already been trimmed to cover only the essentials of upkeep to our facilities and grounds. Though we had very prudently accumulated savings prior to 2005 to tackle some large projects such as parking lot paving, steeple repair and furnace replacements, those repairs could no longer wait, so depleted most of our reserves.

We believe it is time to take additional measures to replenish our Building Funds so that other critical building repairs and improvements, both immediate and long-term, can be funded. You may recall that Bob Gluszik, in his report to the Congregation in the 2006 Annual Report, noted that a Building Campaign should be undertaken. The Trustees have asked Session for their support to proceed with a campaign and have begun preliminary planning to present a detailed program that will meet our financial needs in the most suitable way. Our beautiful Church and grounds are nearing a half century of age and we must be attentive to the importance of not only the structural, but the aesthetic beauty of our property.

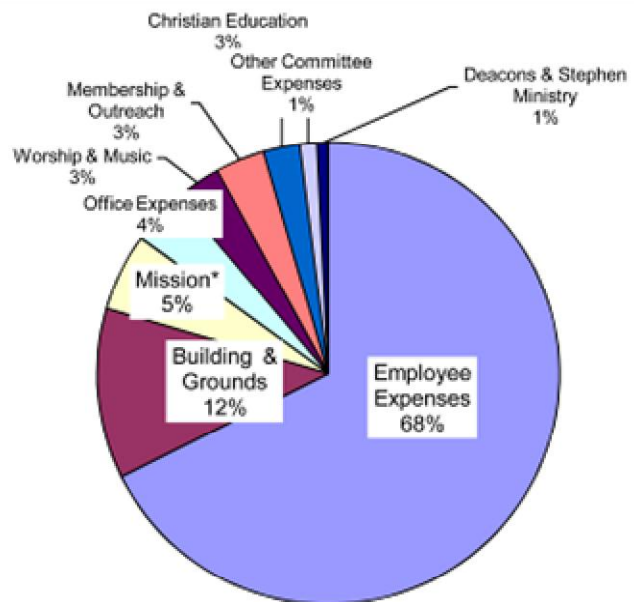
The Trustees thank you in advance for your support of our future capital needs. We also encourage you to continue with or increase your routine annual support to help us meet the minimum essential expenses that make our church programs and missions possible.

Faithfully, Jeff Anderson, President

Financial Report

For the 6 months ended June 30, 2007

| | Actual YTD | Budget YTD | Annual Budget |
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| Pledges | \$224,564 | \$230,000 | \$509,632 |
| Prepaid pledges | 53,625 | 53,625 | 107,250 |
| Open Plate/misc. | 19,431 | 25,750 | 50,000 |
| Holiday giving | 3,016 | 5,000 | 10,000 |
| Est. Shortfall | | | 38,092 |
| | <u>\$300,636</u> | <u>\$314,375</u> | <u>\$714,974</u> |



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| Employee Expenses | \$ 483,504 |
| Building & Grounds | \$ 86,100 |
| Mission* | \$ 39,000 |
| Office Expenses | \$ 27,400 |
| Worship & Music | \$ 22,900 |
| Membership & Outreach | \$ 24,800 |
| Christian Education | \$ 18,300 |
| Other Committee Expenses | \$ 8,450 |
| Deacons & Stephen Ministry | \$ 5,720 |
| 2007 Budget | \$ 714,974 |

* Approximately an additional \$140,000 will be given to Missions in 2007

Worship Schedule

Aug. 5 Youth Mission Team 9:00 a.m.
Welch, West Virginia?

Aug. 12 Dr. Baxter Preaching 9:00 a.m.
Keeping Things in Perspective
Readings: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews
11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40.

Aug. 19 Dr. Baxter Preaching 9:00 a.m.
Can We Count on God?
Readings: Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; Hebrews 12:18-29;
Luke 13; 10-17.

Aug. 26 Outdoor Service and Picnic..... 10:00 a.m.

Deadline for the September *Carillon* is Noon, August 15.
Be sure to get your submissions in on time to ensure publication.
Please e-mail or leave written submissions in the church office. If
you have questions, please contact **Bonnie Kalaway** or **Kim Keper**
at the church office.



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