

# The Carillon

## February 2004

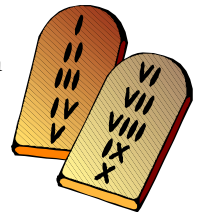
**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON**  
**A welcoming, caring, family of faith**

### BPW Women’s Spiritual Retreat, February 20 – 22, 2004...

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**T**he BPW Spiritual Retreat is an extraordinary experience for all women who worship at The Presbyterian Church of Barrington. This year’s Retreat will be held on February 20, 21, and 22 at the George Williams Campus of Aurora University, Williams’ Bay, WI.



Here’s our checklist for a wonderful retreat:

- √ Great and Spiritual Speaker – The Rev. Dr Martha Page Greene, Senior Pastor of the Winnetka Presbyterian Church will lead our retreat.
- √ Meaningful theme – We will discuss the impact of the Ten Commandments in today’s modern world.
- √ Beautiful spot – This beautiful lakeside location really makes you feel “away from it all”.
- √ Nice accommodations – This isn’t camping! Two people in a 2 bed room with a private bath.
- √ Entertainment – Guaranteed laughs!
- √ Good food – The food is simple yet tasty. The kitchen will accommodate special dietary concerns.
- √ Transportation – Drivers can take you to William’s Bay if you do not want to drive. Drivers can also take you from the Lodge to the Dining Hall for meals.

√ Cost – The cost of the retreat is \$175. If you would like to confidentially inquire about a scholarship, please contact Rev. Dan Spike at 847-381-0975.

But the most important ingredient to any BPW retreat is our wonderful women!

Nancy Nadig and Susan Raaths

**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.*

**Thanks For Your Help:** Jack and Jinny Train and daughter Pam, Sandi Crewe and Mary Kerkhof for assembling the January Carillon and thanks to Sandi Crewe and Jack and Jinny Train for folding the Sunday Bulletins so faithfully!

Dear Friends in Christ,

In October our Ministry team started our planning for Lent. As you know, Lent is less than 30 days away. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday with our Confirmation class leading worship and culminates in Holy Week. During this liturgical season, the church, in joy and sorrow proclaims, remembers and responds to the atoning death of Jesus Christ. As followers of Jesus

Christ, we are called to a period of self-examination. Our self-examination is a difficult spiritual task because self-examination supposes our living without prejudice and sin. Most of the time, we aren't even aware how deeply our prejudices and sins are within us. We think that we relate to people who are different from us, but in reality our spontaneous thoughts, words and actions with others reveal that our prejudices and sins are alive and well.

During Lent, Dan, Melissa, Joy and I invite you to join us in a period of self-examination. On Wednesdays, March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 31st, I will be teaching a class entitled, "Discovering the Gospel of Thomas" while Dan and Melissa will be investigating theological themes using films. On March 24th we will have Marthame and Elizabeth Sanders as our speakers. They will share thoughts about their work with Palestinians on the West Bank. Our time of study will begin with prayer services based on the Taizé style of worship. In Taizé prayer services, people sing together, using phrases that are short but full of meaning and that are tirelessly repeated. Between the times of singing, there are reflections of the evening readings, and times for silent reflection. Worship will begin 7:00 p.m. and classes will begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 9:00 p.m.

Dan, Melissa, Joy and I will be asking you to claim God's love fully in an unconditional way as you live with others. We will be asking you to discover that in the great variety of humanity is an expression of the immense richness of God's heart. In these opportunities for self-examination, we hope that we will be freed from the prejudices and sins that we all possess so that we may reach out to people through acts of compassion and justice.

Join Dan, Melissa, Joy and I in this exciting time of self-examination. Learn about the Gnostic gospels. Share the dramatic expression of our faith in film. We look forward to seeing each of you at our Lenten programs as we journey toward Holy Week and Christ Jesus' victory over, prejudice, sin and death on Easter Day.

Pax,  
**Curt Baxter**

## Church Administration

### Session

Notes from December 22 meeting.

At the last meeting of the 2003 calendar year, the membership rolls were updated, several baptisms were approved and the housing allowances for the pastors were approved.

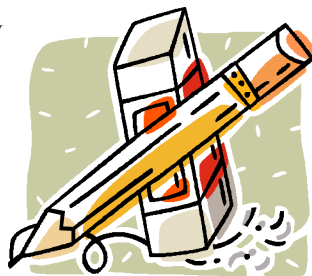
Important Dates:

Congregational Meeting on January 11 to elect two Deacons.

Ordination and Installation of officers on January 18.

Annual Meeting on January 25.

Annual Report to be sent out a week prior to the meeting.



In response to budget constraints, the Session decided in December 2003 to eliminate the Business Manager position and outsource this work, effective at the end of January 2004. We thank Sandy Schild for her service to the congregation and wish her well in all future endeavors.

### Trustees

Notes from December 8 meeting.

**Financial Report:** Receipts in comparison to budget were ahead of schedule; this is common for the month of December when members bring their pledges up to date or prepay them for tax purposes. Pledges received to date for financial year 2004 are not sufficient to meet projected expenses. A letter is being sent to church members asking them to make a pledge or, if they have already done so, to thoughtfully consider increasing it.

**Building:** A contract has been approved to purchase carpeting for the stairs up and down from the Narthex from Wholesale Carpet. It will be installed after the organ upgrade and repairs are completed. Necessary tuck-pointing and chimney repairs will be completed by the end of February. Paige distributed a list of building issues still needing to be addressed.

**Grounds:** Damgaard has completed trimming of all the trees.

**Memorial Garden:** The Memorial Garden donor plaque has been completed. Paige thanked Andy Harden for his leadership and effort in getting plantings completed this fall.

**Donation:** The Herbert Johnson family (Schaff Piano) has donated a cover and humidifier for the piano in the sanctuary, along with installation of the humidifier.

**New Business:** An aerial photographer has taken interesting shots of the church, which were circulated for trustees to see. By consensus the trustees agreed to spend \$175 to purchase one to hang in the church and also to scan and put on the church website.

Barrington Presbyterian Women have requested a cabinet within a closet for storing supplies. There is a continuing need at the church for more and better organized storage space. Funding will need to be found for improvements.

Betsy Davis and Brant Lieske volunteered to count the offering after church services in January.

### Financial Report Year Ending December 31, 2003

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	671,914	666,000
Other Receipts	<u>27,419</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Total	<u>699,333</u>	<u>676,000</u>
Expenses	<u>672,437</u>	676,000
Net	26,895	

## Barrington Presbyterian Women



### February Meeting Valentine Care Packs

All women of the church are invited to attend the February 5 meeting at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. After the meeting, we will assemble the

Valentine Care Packages for our young people who are in college or in the military. All are welcome to come at about 10:45 a.m. for the fun of packing up our care packages! Every year BPW, with the help of the congregation, sends treat-filled packages to college students and people serving in the military, along with a special Valentine message from our church. You can help by offering to make a \$5 or \$10 dollar donation to help with the cost of treats and of mailing these packages. We usually send about 50 Care Packs each year. These Care Packs brighten the hearts of the recipients and the senders!

If you would like to help or have questions, call **Nancy Nadig** or **Pam Schiewe**.

If you want your child in college, grad school or the military to receive a package, you must get the current mailing address to the church office by January 29. You can call **Bonnie Kalaway, 847-381-0975** or email to or send a fax to **847-381-6465**.

### Book Club

The next meeting of Book Club is March 18 at the home of **Joan Wolfram**. The book for March is The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd. Coordinator is **Alice Buchholz**.

### GTIF

There will not be a meeting in February. Members are encouraged to attend the Spiritual Retreat. See the front page for more information.

### Women With Aging Parents

For the remainder of the BPW year, Women With Aging Parents will meet the third Thursday of the month, starting with the March 18 meeting. There will not be a meeting in February. Subsequent meetings will be held on April 15 and May 20 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of **Marge Slocum**.

### Morning Bible Study

February 4 is the next meeting of the BPW morning Bible Study group. We will be finishing Unit 2 in our study book. You are invited to come at 9:30 a.m. for coffee. Bible Study starts at 10:00 a.m. Led by Dr. Baxter and Mary Kerkhof, the book to be used this session is "Interpretation Bible Study – Philippians and Galatians" by Stanley P. Saunders. This book is \$8 and available in the church office. Coordinator, **Susan Raaths**.

### White Breakfast

It's not too early to begin planning for the White Breakfast, to be held on April 7. We start at 9:30 a.m. with a service of music and meditation, scripture readings and reflection on the events of Holy Week. To help us bond together with our church family, we then share a meal together. If you would like to contribute to the planning and presentation of this lovely event, please contact **Carol Nelson**.

### PADS Training

The Presbyterian Church of Barrington will host a PADS training session on Thursday, February 19 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Public Action to Deliver Shelter provides shelter for the homeless from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. from October 1 through the end of April. BPW has long supported PADS. About 30 volunteers are needed each night to provide food, to be on site for 4 hour shifts, or to do clean up and/or laundry in the mornings. In Barrington, Lutheran Church of the Atonement and Willow Creek Community Church are among the church locations which serve homeless people in the northwest suburbs. To sign up or for information, you may contact **Mary E. Anderson**.

### Barrington Youth Services

BPW has been a supporter of BYS. This organization is entering its 32<sup>nd</sup> year of providing counseling and youth services to the District 220 area. To raise funds to support its services, the BYS Auxiliary will sponsor a dinner dance on February 21. For more information, you may contact **Lisa Schiro**.

## Stephen Ministry

### Christ Caring for People Through People

#### What is Stephen Ministry?

Stephen Ministry is Christian care-giving and support extended by trained lay members of the Presbyterian Church of Barrington to members and friends of our congregation. Stephen Ministry is a team ministry, lay persons working in conjunction with our pastors to offer care to those who are in need. Stephen Ministers have developed their gifts for listening and bringing Christ's healing love to those who are experiencing life's transitions.

Stephen Ministers are not professional psychologists, experts in church doctrine or social workers with extensive specialized training. Nor are they casual "drop in" visitors. Stephen Ministers are committed Christian caregivers dedicated to an ongoing, individual, in-depth caring relationship.

#### What kinds of needs do Stephen Ministers address?

- If you have experienced the loss of a loved one through death, divorce, or physical separation
- If you are expecting a child or have a new baby
- If you are ill or a caregiver yourself
- If you are unemployed, underemployed or preparing for retirement
- If you are lonely or depressed
- And many other of life's challenges

...you may find it helpful to share thoughts and feelings with a non-judgmental listener.

#### Isn't it up to the pastor to provide this type of care?

Care-giving is certainly a part of every pastor's job. Pastors are also to "equip the saints," the members of a faith community, for ministry. The early church chose deacons to care for the needs of the people. Stephen was one of the first of these lay caring ministers (Acts 6:1-6). When lay persons care for one another, the amount of care given can be greatly multiplied.

#### Is what I tell a Stephen Minister kept in confidence?

Yes. Everything discussed with your Stephen Minister is kept in strictest confidence. There may be times when your Stephen Minister will ask your permission to consult with a pastor or a Stephen Leader in order to provide the most effective care possible.

#### After their training, do Stephen Ministers normally work on their own?

All commissioned Stephen Ministers meet in small groups twice a month for purposes of ongoing evaluation, supervision, and continuing education. Quality care requires supervision which provides support for the caregivers and insures continuity and accountability. The utmost confidentiality is maintained.

#### I'm afraid I would be too embarrassed to talk about my concerns. How can a Stephen Minister help me?

Your Stephen Minister has been trained to listen to you without judgment, to love and accept you just as you are. Many Stephen Ministers have experienced similar life transitions. Through their unconditional acceptance, you will probably become more comfortable in sharing.

#### Can I still talk with a pastor?

Yes. Our pastors will continue to care about you and keep you in their prayers. By assigning a Stephen Minister to be with you, they want to be sure that you receive ongoing care. Always feel free to contact a pastor.

#### Will the Stephen Minister "preach" to me?

No. Your Stephen Minister's job is to be present with you, to listen to you, to help you express and understand your feelings, to help you work things through on your own. The Stephen Minister is the care-giver, not the cure-giver.

### How are Stephen Ministers assigned?

If you agree to meet with a Stephen Minister, you will be paired with an individual of the same gender. This person may have particular insight into your circumstance and is committed to a caring relationship with you.

### If my Stephen Minister is not “right” for me, can I change?

Yes. We hope that you will give the relationship time to develop before you reach that decision. Your relationship is not a social one, but one of skilled care-giving.

### Will a Stephen Minister help with cleaning, baby-sitting and other chores?

The Stephen Minister may be able to help you find persons or organizations to be of help with these needs.

### How long does a care-giving relationship last?

Stephen Ministry will be available to you as long as needed and appropriate.

### If I want a Stephen Minister, how do I get one?

Contact **Curt Baxter** or **Dan Spike** at church, 847-381-0975 or **Linda McGurer** to learn more about how a Stephen Minister can help.



### How can I learn more about serving as a Stephen Minister?

Please contact **Nancy Dolan** for further information on training classes.

## Fellowship

### February Meeting



The next meeting of the Fellowship Committee will be held on Friday, February 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Peter and Suzanne Miller. If you are able to attend, please R.S.V.P. to **Peter or Suzanne**. We hope

to see you there!

### CARD PARTY

The Fellowship Committee invites you to the annual Card Party! Join us at Hackney's Restaurant in Lake Zurich on Saturday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. for an exciting round-robin card game, dinner, and wonderful prizes. Card-playing skill not required (honest!) The cost is \$24 per person. There will be a cash bar available. Individuals or couples can sign up at the Fellowship Table after services on February 8 through February 29. Questions? Contact **Rebecca Gans Carlberg**.

## MISSION

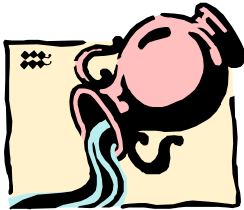
Don't miss the big announcement on Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. A special Mission Committee project will be introduced by none other than **ANGUS MCGREGOR**. Aye, lads and lassies, it be **GOLF** we're talkin' about.



## Deacons

### Congratulations to...

**Debbie and Greg Blum** and proud Grandmother, Vivian Kaczmarek, upon the birth of Heather Noelle Blum, born December 24, 2003.



### Deacons' Corner

My name is Laura Semmen. I am one of the Deacons that serve parish four. I was ordained in June, 2003 and am part of the class of Deacons, 2005.

My family and I have been members of The Presbyterian Church of Barrington for about 12 years. I have been active in BPW and am also the church chairman for the Meals With Wheels program which delivers meals to seniors in the community.

My husband, Gil, and I have three wonderful children, Nicole 26, Matthew 23 and Christopher 19. We enjoy time spent with our children and also enjoy getting away from it all to our log home in Northern Wisconsin.

I have enjoyed home visits with some of our parishioners and also working with the dedicated Deacon members who have been kind enough to show me the ropes.

Being a Deacon is an opportunity for me to grow in faith. I have enjoyed our monthly meetings, pot luck suppers and the fun and festive Advent dinner. It has also been such a pleasure to get acquainted with other members of our church family. There are many awesome people who give of themselves in service to our church.

I am looking forward to new opportunities to serve our church in the next two years.

### Deacons Board for 2004

Newly-elected Deacons serving on the Board in 2004 are Roy Brinson, Anneke Chamy, Cora Esche, Lou

McCloud, Maria Peterson, and Patricia Root, all of the class of 2006, and Rich Boersema, class of 2004. They will be serving our congregation's four parishes along with Deacons who are continuing on the Board from the classes of 2004 and 2005. The Deacons have organized as follows for serving the parishes:

#### Parish #1 (Members A-E):

Mark Layne – parish leader  
Nancy Bohren  
Tom Burke  
Cora Esche

#### Parish #2 (Members F-L):

Ginger Glantz – parish leader  
Ralph Menick  
Lou McCloud  
Anneke Chamy

#### Parish #3 (Members M-R)

Michael Goodman – parish leader  
Margarete Rice  
Maria Peterson  
Rich Boersema

#### Parish #4 (Members S-Z)

Gus Leep – parish leader  
Lukass Franklin  
Laura Semmen  
Roy Brinson

The Deacons Moderator this year is Chrisann Andersen. The Vice-Moderator is Lukass Franklin.

The Deacons will soon be wearing their new black nametags for easier identification. Please become acquainted with the Deacon leaders for your parish. We are looking forward to working together to extend our ministries to our church members.

The Deacons would like to thank all people who participated in contributing to our new Deacons newsletter which will be published in the March Deacons' Corner of the Carillon.

## Christian Education

### First Grade Communion Classes

Instruction classes concerning communion will be held March 7 and 14 from 5:00 – 7:00pm. Children grades one and above who have not previously received instruction are invited. One parent is expected to remain with their child during both classes. Dinner is served on both Sundays. Children will receive communion for the first time on Maundy Thursday, April 8, at the 7:30pm service. You should receive a letter with more information in the mail. Contact **Melissa Hansche, 847-381-0975**, with questions.

### Youth Mission Trip M&M™ Fundraiser Eating chocolate for a good cause...

Help the Youth of our church raise money for their 2004 Mission Trip to The Campbell Farm in Wapato, Washington.

It's easy and fun! Here is what you have already done:

1. Taken home a FREE tube of M&M™ candies.
2. Eaten the M&M™ candies!!!

Here is what you might still need to do:

3. Fill the empty M&M™ tube with quarters.
4. Drop the quarter-filled tube in our Mission Trip

M&M™ box in the Narthex by February 15<sup>th</sup>!

Thank you for your help!!



### Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, **March 7** at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy pancakes, sausages, beverages and fellowship, while you help the Youth Mission Team raise funds for the 2004 trip. "Make Your Own Mickey/Minnie

Pancakes" will once again be offered. Adults \$5, Children ages 3 – 10 \$3.

### Adult Education

**Sunday, February 8: 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Dr. John Monson, Professor at Wheaton College, will discuss "Current Issues in Biblical Archaeology".

**Sunday, February 15 Special Presentation 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Jim Kenney, Executive Director of Common Ground will explore the facts and fallacies in the popular novel, The DaVinci Code. Invite your friends for this timely and fascinating presentation.

**Sunday, March 14: 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Fr. Fred Licciardi will present part 2 of his interesting and informative discussions on the Reformation, its causes and the effects at the time and today..

**Sunday, April 18: 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Dr. Chris Mitchell will discuss the concept of "Waiting", in the Biblical and current cultural context.

**Sunday, May 16: 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Dan Sullivan will present "Music and Worship", a harpsichord concert with commentary on the role and rewards of music in a worship service.

**Sunday, June 13: 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Ron Miller will present a discussion of Elaine Pagel's book Beyond Belief: The Secret Gospel of Thomas. Lunch will be either a box lunch or brown bag lunch. Reservations required. Watch for more details in the months ahead.

## DISCIPLE

New DISCIPLE classes will begin in the fall. If you are interested in learning more, take the "Quiz" on the next page! And then plan to attend one of the Informational Meetings, to be held at 10:00 a.m. on February 29<sup>th</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup> in the Parlor. Or you may stop at the Information Table after Services on March 7<sup>th</sup>, March 28<sup>th</sup> or April 4<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Contact **Becky Bosarge**.

## DISCIPLE

### DISCIPLE...just the facts!

By the time you read this our new DISCIPLE classes will be in their 20<sup>th</sup> week of study! We have explored such topics as Authority, Wonder, Sin, Covenant, Deliverance, Order, Atonement, Leadership and many more. How do these relate to the Old Testament that was our study reference for the first sixteen classes? Well put on your thinking caps and try your hand at this short quiz. Better yet, open your Bible! Answers can be found on below.

Maybe you'll consider joining us for DISCIPLE next September? The Fellowship (not to mention the snacks) is great. Good luck!

1. How many books are in the Bible (this is an easy one to get you warmed up!)
2. How many Creation stories do we read in Genesis?
3. What was the name of Adam and Eve's third child?
4. Which of the following is a name for God?
  - a. Elonai b. Theurios c. YAHWEH
5. The first five books in the OT commonly called the:
  - a. Septuagint b. Apocrypha c. Pentateuch
6. What three elements does Christian worship have in common with ancient Hebrew worship?
7. When did God make his first covenant with us?
8. In what manner did God create the world? :
  - a. with his hands b. with his mind c. with his voice
9. What were 2 major concerns of the prophets?
10. Name 3 types of Psalms
11. What Jewish festival commemorates events in the Book of Esther?

12. What does "canon" mean?
13. What is the second commandment?
14. Eden means:
  - a. garden b. heaven c. delight
15. The Tower of Babel represents:
  - a. Confusion b. Human pride c. Technical power
16. Jeremiah is known as the:
  - a. promised prophet b. false prophet c. weeping prophet
17. What was Jacob's new name given to him by God?
18. Ten plagues occur over ten months before Pharaoh let's Israel go. All Jews celebrate which feast based on the last plague?
  - a. Yom Kippur b. Passover c. Shoah
19. Which prophet of Israel has a name that means "bee"?
20. Which King of Israel built the Temple?

### BONUS QUESTION!!!!

The Books of Malachi, Deuteronomy and Matthew emphasize which of the following as a mark of Discipleship?

- a. Confession b. Prayer c. Tithing

**ANSWERS:** 1- 66 2- Two 3- Seth 4- C 5- C 6- Atonement, Remembrance, Thanksgiving 7- After the flood, symbolized by the rainbow 8- C 9- Paganism and injustice 10- Salvation, history, laments, thanksgiving 11- Purim 12- Rule or standard derived from the Semitic root that means "reed". Reeds were used to measure. 13- No graven images 14- C 15- B 16- C 17- Israel 18- B 19- Deborah 20 – Solomon BONUS: C

## Parish Life

### Notes from Joy -- Singing Our Song



Each week, 40+ million people in the United States attend church. Most churches involve music within their worship services, some more extensively than others. Through it, the congregation participates actively in the praise portions of the service. It is a vehicle in which to express thoughts and emotions, affirm faith, and pray. It brings joy, comfort and hope. It is a teaching tool to tell more of the gospel story. Through music, we connect with people of today and of ages past to sing the song of the people of God.

The song of the people of God is the worship, praise and adoration that we have been commanded, indeed created, to give to the God of the universe. Whenever God gives a mandate, he makes possible its fulfillment. At creation, He endowed mankind with the amazing gift of music to help us give him our highest and most enthusiastic praise. How like a loving God to provide such an enjoyable manner in which to honor and fulfill his command.

Now that you have read this, I am sure you are eagerly asking, "How can I use this wonderful gift to join my praise with that of the rest of God's people?" Well, I just happen to have a ton of answers to that question, but right now, I will give only two. The most obvious, of course, is to join lustily in the singing of the congregation at each service. Indeed, as part of the congregation, you have a responsibility to do that. This is not difficult or unpleasant, because the congregation at PCB sings quite well.

My second answer is an invitation to join those who actively lead the congregation in their singing. Yes! I know that there are various levels of talent in our midst. Many have a secret desire to be more active in the singing of the song. The choir offers a satisfying way to participate in the music of the church without having to worry about being on display or having the skills of a consummate professional. Church choirs fulfill important functions in churches fortunate enough to have them. They aid in setting the atmosphere for worship, lead the congregation in the singing of hymns and responses, support the spoken word with anthems which reinforce the point of the worship, and contribute social aspects of fellowship, comfort and companionship. Choirs have far more value than merely serving as instruments of entertainment. They contribute heartily to the spiritual health of the entire church, and must therefore strive to give the highest service.

If you are looking for an opportunity to increase your involvement in a satisfying endeavor, why don't you consider singing in the choir? I know that it is often difficult to join an already established organization. Furthermore, in this congregation a large number of people frequently travel. So, I am going to sweeten this invitation with a further proposal: if there are 10 or more prospective choristers who are intimidated by a lack of skills, or who cannot attend choir rehearsal because it is on Thursday evening, I am willing to add a rehearsal on Tuesday evening. This rehearsal would be a little slower paced and offer those who are new to choral singing a chance to learn how to function in a choir. It would also give other choir members a chance to make up missed rehearsal time.

So how about it? If you are remotely interested, or just plain jazzed about the whole idea, send me an email through the church's website. I will be more than thrilled. Come help us sing our song!

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### Church Women United of Barrington

The annual meeting of CWU will be held on Friday, February 6, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Peter United Church of Christ, 47 Church Street (Midlothian Road), north of Hwy. 22, Lake Zurich. All women are invited to attend. This will be time to learn about the activities of the organization, about dreams and goals for the future, to adopt a budget, approve changes in bylaws and to elect and install officers. The most important aspect is the fellowship, sharing and getting to know our sisters in Christ. The next World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday, March 5 at St. Peter UCC in Lake Zurich. Contact Becky Bosarge for more information.

## Sunday Flower Dedications For 2004



If you would like to make a donation and dedication for the flowers in the Sanctuary on a given Sunday, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office, along with your check for \$30. Your dedication will be printed in the Sunday bulletin on the day of your choice.

### CHANCEL FLOWERS MEMORIAL OR DEDICATION

Fill out a separate sheet for each flower donation. Payment must be received at the time this sheet is submitted.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE FOR FLOWERS \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORIAL OR DEDICATION

\_\_\_\_\_

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## 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 attend the New Member Orientation. The New Member Breakfast will be held on April 3 at 8:15 a.m.. The New Member Class will be held on April 18 at 10:00 a.m. On May 2 New Members will be accepted and a reception and social will be held.

To discuss membership, you may call **Rev. Dan Spike, 847-381-0975.**

## Hospital Care

You have probably signed privacy policy notices at the doctor's office, the drug store, and perhaps the hospital. All of these privacy forms are the result of HIPAA, the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. This act has required medical facilities to take stricter measures to protect patients' privacy.

The changes in privacy policy have affected your pastors' ability to find out when church members are in the hospital. When we call the hospital, we are not always able to find out if a certain person is a patient. Hospitals cannot notify the church of a person's hospitalization unless the patient record specifically asks the hospital staff to do. Even when that request is made, hospitals do not always get those calls made. So YOU need to let the church know if you or a family member is in the hospital, or if a hospital procedure is planned. Unless you provide us with this knowledge, the pastors and deacons cannot offer the ministries of the church. So please give the church a call!

Yours in Christ,  
**Dan Spike**

## Worship Schedule

- Feb. 1** Dr. Baxter Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
*Nothing More Important*  
Readings: Isaiah 6:1-13; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20;  
Luke 5:36-39.
- Feb. 8** Mr. Spike Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
*Gospel Medicine*  
Readings: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11;  
Luke 5:1-11.
- Feb. 15** Dr. Baxter Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
*Sometimes What Is Right Is Wrong*  
Readings: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20;  
Luke 6:1-11.
- Feb. 22** Dr. Baxter Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
*Opening the Heart*  
Readings: Genesis 45:3-11; Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40;  
1 Corinthians 15:35-38; 42-50; Luke 6:27-38.
- Feb. 29** Dr. Baxter Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
*Ninety Days, Same As Cash!*  
Readings: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16;  
Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13..



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