

# The Carillon

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THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON

A welcoming, caring, family of faith

## Opportunities - ChristCare Ministry and Ron Miller Program

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**C**hristCare Small Group Ministry, Caring Hearts – Faithful Servants. Throughout the visioning process conducted by our church a couple of years ago, a common need was voiced by our members – a desire for small groups. Why small groups? Because they help provide a sense of community, help people connect at a deeper level, help individuals progress on their spiritual journeys, and help provide an avenue for individuals to use their God-given talents to serve others.

In response to that need, our congregation has launched an exciting new program called ChristCare Small Group Ministry. ChristCare is a structured program developed by the same organization that designed Stephen Ministry. While different in focus, it serves a distinct need. We believe that ChristCare will help us fulfill our vision for this Church.

1. ChristCare Groups will provide a sense of Christian community for people in and around our congregation.
2. ChristCare Groups will equip people to live their faith in daily life.
3. ChristCare Groups will lead individuals to discover their gifts and talents and will provide a place to begin developing and using those blessings in service to others.

What is a ChristCare Group? Turn to page 10 and check out the new “ChristCare Corner.”

**Dr. Ron Miller presents “When Religion Lies”,** a provocative summer lecture, on June 12, 2005, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Register by June 5 at the church office; the fee is \$10, (\$5 for students). A brown-bag lunch will be served. The Latin motto reminds us: *Corruptio optimi pessima*. The corruption of the best things is the worst kind of corruption. Nothing can corrupt like religion and our current age has seen it on several fronts. We will discuss the deceit in televangelism, the Catholic bureaucracy’s cover-up of child abuse, clergy ignoring their prophetic vocation for fear of losing their jobs, anti-Semitic themes in popular movies, the false sense of security offered by the religious right, etc. What are we to make of it all in a time of cultural tension and transition? How do we maintain our own faith?

## 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, Carol Nelson, Sandi Crewe and Paige Unangst for assembling the May Carillon and to Jack and Jinny Train, Sandi Crewe and Kathy Martin for help folding the Sunday Bulletins.

Dear Friends in Christ,

Ministers used the word love when they can't find any other word to say. Krister Stendahl of Harvard Divinity School once said that a pastor should never use the word *love* in a sermon unless the text itself actually had the word in it, and then only sparingly. Love is too easy to misuse, misunderstand and mutilate because love has no exactness. How do you measure love? How can you quantify love? Is love the gasping exuberant attraction of the 14 year old *in love* for the

first time, the puppy love of spring's rising sap? Or is love best expressed by the elderly couple holding hands in the park, the seasoned veterans of 50 years of patient, steady, gentle and enduring care? Love, of course, is both, but they are not the same thing which is why love is so inexact and conveys such mixed messages.

What is love from a Christian perspective? Is it distinctive in any way? Christian love has as its model the love that St. Paul described in 1 Corinthians 13 in which human love is held as a prism through which the light of God shines. God's love is known in Greek as *agape*. We are called to love one another with *agape* love. Paul even tells us what that love is like in verses 4-13. God's love, and ours, is meant to be *neither jealous nor boastful, neither arrogant nor rude. It is not meant to insist on its own way. It is not irritable or resentful. It takes no pleasure in the wrong, but delights in the right. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. It never comes to an end.*

Loving is never easy. Love is difficult to do because it goes against the grain. We are, after all, selfish much of the time, jealous, full of ourselves, and insist on doing things our way. We are irritable and resentful, and if the truth be told we do take secret delight in the failures of those who do us wrong. Our love is conditional, and we are quick to withhold it when we feel betrayed. At worst, we are imperfect, fickle lovers.

Nevertheless, we are to be a conduit of God's love. As William Sloan Coffin, Jr. said, "Of God's love we can say two things: it is poured out universally for everyone from the Pope to the loneliest wino on the planet: and secondly, God's love doesn't seek value, it creates value. It is not because we have value that we are loved, but because we are loved that we have value." (Credo, Westminster John Knox Press, 2004, p. 4)

One of the hardest things in the world to love is someone who is unlovely. But that is what God has done, and does with us. Love is difficult but as Christians, we are called to do it. "Love one another as I have loved you." Jesus said. If we would get the hang of that, we would have mastered the hardest part of our life together.

Pax,  
**Curt Baxter**

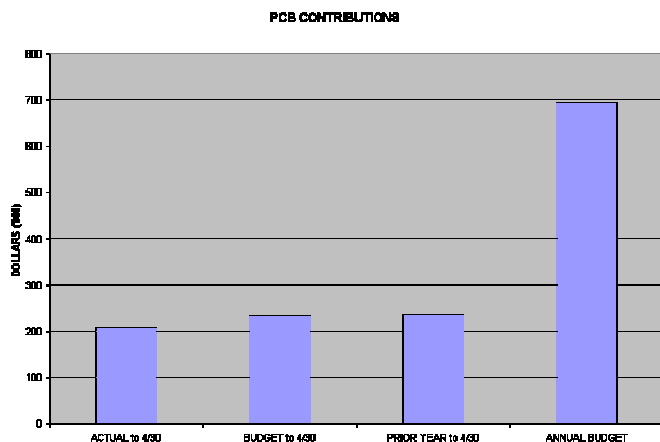
## Church Administration

### Financial Update

by: Patty Griffin, PCB Accountant

Our Trustees and Session Committees are doing a great job in managing expenses to the budget that was set for the year, but our weekly collections are a bit behind.

Several factors, including the timing of Holy Week over Spring Break, and the many members who are away during the winter months, may have impacted this shortfall in revenues.



Contributions, January 1 - April 30, 2005

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
Pledges	\$ 159,000	\$179,000
Open plate & misc.	11,000	16,000
Easter collection	4,000	5,000
4 mo share of Prepaid Pledges	33,000	33,000*
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 207,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$233,000</u></b>

\*Note\* Many members generously prepaid their entire 2005 pledge prior to December 31, 2004 for the good of the church and for tax deduction purposes: we allocate that income equally to each month of 2005.

#### DID YOU RECEIVE YOUR GIVING STATEMENT?

All registered members should have received a giving statement in mid-May, summarizing contributions to date. Please review your statement with the church’s mission in mind, and help us “catch up” by keeping your pledge current. If you did not receive a giving

statement, either we show no contributions or pledge from you yet this year, or...we goofed! If that’s the case, accept our apologies and let us know: we’ll make sure one gets sent immediately!

#### IT’S NOT TOO LATE TO PLEDGE!

If you didn’t have the ability or opportunity to make an annual pledge for 2005 and would like to do so, let us know and we’ll send you a pledge card or take the information over the phone or via email. Pledges help us to plan our church programs and missions in more detail, as they give the certainty of funding.

#### AUTOMATED GIVING - MAKE YOUR LIFE EASIER!

PCB accepts credit card payments for contributions, and can set up an automated monthly or quarterly giving schedule for you, or can process a one time contribution at any time. The Church benefits by being able to count on an even level of revenue, and you never have to worry about envelopes or check writing again! You may also be able to earn mileage or points through your credit card vendor.

#### STOCK DONATIONS

Did you know that PCB accepts gifts of stock? Our easy to follow instructions on how to make a stock transfer can be emailed or faxed to you, or picked up in our office.

#### QUESTIONS?

If you’d like to discuss any of the above issues, call me at 847-381-0975, extension 225. Though my office hours are limited (10 am to 2 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays), I do respond to email messages on a daily basis.

Thanks for your continued efforts in helping our church meet its ministry and mission plans.

## Barrington Presbyterian Women

### May 26 Meeting



At the May 26 meeting, a representative of the Community Crisis Center in Elgin presented an overview of the programs and services provided by the Center.

Their theme is  
**WE ARE ALWAYS HOME**

The Community Crisis Center is a not-for-profit agency. Founded in 1975 by a committed group of volunteers, the Center has expanded its services and programs to provide 24-hour, caring and professional services to individuals and families affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, and other crisis situations. Services include:

- Individual and group counseling for victims of domestic violence or sexual assault.
- Orientation sessions for partners of Abuser Treatment group members.
- 24-hour crisis hotline staffed by degreed counselors.
- Parenting without Violence support groups.
- Community Education

BPW has been a proud supporter of the Community Crisis Center for many years.

Also, at the May 26 luncheon meeting new officers were installed for the 2005 – 2006 season. They are:

Moderator: Pam Anderson

Vice Moderator: Betsy Rubak

Recording Secretary: Kari Blanchette

Corresponding Secretary: Claudia Gerrard

Treasurer: Emily Dowell

Moderator Ex-Officio: Julie Brown

Our first meeting of the new fiscal year, 2005 – 2006, will be in September. Watch your mail in August for the booklet and notices of upcoming programs and events.

### Morning Bible Study

The last session of the BPW Bible Study for the season will meet on Wednesday, June 1st at 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor. Come for coffee at 9:30 am. We will study the last chapter in our study guide, What She Said.

Immediately afterwards, we will share a salad luncheon. Each person attending should bring 1 or 2 salad items. Bread, beverages and dessert will be provided. All BPW members are invited to attend. Please RSVP to one of the coordinators, **Sue Kosobud or Susan Raaths**.

### G.T.I.F.

In June, Growing Together In Faith (GTIF) will begin a new study on the book of Romans. We meet the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm In June we will meet at the home of Becky Bosarge. If you would like to order a book and join us for the study of Romans, please call **Becky Bosarge**.

### Book Club

Book Club meets every other month on the third Thursday, starting in September, at 1:00 p.m. at the home of a member. The next meeting will be held on July 21 at the home of **Joyce Simpson**. The book is Gilead, by Marilynne Robinson. For more information, you may contact coordinator, **Alice Buchholz**.

### DISCIPLE

REGISTER NOW FOR FALL CLASSES

We still have room for you in both DISCIPLE I AND DISCIPLE II, beginning in the fall of 2005.

DISCIPLE I is a 34 week overview of the entire Bible. Weekly reading of the stories of our faith and a group meeting to hear and understand those stories in new ways challenges our thinking and presents us with new ways to commit to discipleship.

WHY TAKE DISCIPLE? We are disciples 24/7 – at our jobs, as we parent, as we fulfill our ministry commitments. DISCIPLE gives us the opportunity to learn and internalize who God is and who we are with God and with each other. We gain a new understanding of identity and purpose in God.

TO REGISTER: See the display in fellowship hall or the adult ed. bulletin board.

## Stephen Ministry

### Stephen Ministry is "Christ caring for people through people, but..."

Please call the church office if you would like to have a Stephen Ministry brochure sent to you.

What Do Stephen Ministers Do?

Stephen Ministers:

Listen

Explore feelings

Pray

Share Christ's love

Maintain confidentiality

Attend to the care-giving process and leave the results to God



### Would You Consider Becoming a Stephen Minister??

Maybe you're not sure if you are the kind of person who would make a good Stephen Minister. Well, what kind of people are Stephen Ministers, anyway??

Stephen Ministers care for people who are:

Lonely

In job transition

Going through a crisis of childbirth

Grieving

In need of long term care

Dying

Experiencing Health issues

Divorcing

Experiencing losses as they age

Members of the family or are friends of people in crisis

Suffering in other ways.

Stephen Ministers are:

Shy people.....Outgoing people

Private people.....Social people

Business people....Creative people

Funny people.....Serious people

People willing to learn...

People seeking spiritual growth...

People hoping to make a difference...

Maybe someone like YOU!

Men and women are encouraged to prayerfully consider joining the next Stephen Ministry training class which will begin the fall of 2005. They will be commissioned to offer care in the spring of 2006 after completing the 50 hours of training.

To learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister, contact **Nancy Dolan**.

If you would like the help of a Stephen Minister during a difficult time in your life, call **Dr. Curt Baxter** or **Rev. Dan Spike at church, 847-381-0975** or you can call **Linda McGurer** or **Marge Slocum**.

If being part of a team of caring people and helping someone one-on-one through a difficult time is something you might enjoy, please join us for a no-obligation **Stephen Ministry Information Session** to learn more! On Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> in the Parlor following the 9:00 service, members of the Stephen Ministry team will share more about this rewarding ministry experience. Come and explore if Stephen Ministry could be for you. If you have any questions or can't make the information session, please call **Nancy Dolan**.

Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m., in the church Parlor - we hope to see you there!

## Deacons

### Condolences to...

Jim and Kay Armstrong, upon the death of Jim's mother, Betty Armstrong, on April 23.

Ian, Julia, Stephen and Allison Monie upon the death of son and brother, Philip, on April 26.

The Andler family upon the death of Don's mother, Eleanor F. Andler, on May 6 in Savannah, Georgia.

The Gluszik family, upon the death of Bob's mother on May 8 in Ohio.

Dick and Leo Burkhart upon the death of Dick's father, Jim Burkhart, on May 11 in Kansas.

### DEACONS AND PARISHES

Many members have asked about why we have parishes and what, in fact, are they? Deacons are officers, elected and ordained by the congregation to carry out ministries of service and hospitality. To help Deacons carry out these ministries effectively and to promote mutual caring among church members, the church membership is divided into four groups called Parishes, with Deacons assigned to oversee ministry in each Parish. The Deacons assigned to each Parish carry out ministries such as these:

Honor new babies and their parents; Deliver flowers and send cards to senior and home-bound members; Visit home-bound members not able to attend worship services; Deliver Food Served With Love in cooperation with Barrington Presbyterian Women; Participate in the home communion program; Deliver welcome bags to first-time visitors to our church; Enlist members to be Sunday morning greeters and coffee hosts.

Parishes are grouped according to members' last names. Following are parishes by number and the deacons assigned to each:

Parish I – Members with last names A-E

Deacons: Mark Layne  
Jim Myers  
Nancy Bohren  
Daria Sislow  
Tom Burke

Parish II –Members with last names F-L

Deacons: Gus Leep  
Eva Caner  
Anneke Chamy

Alan Free

Parish III – Members with last names M-R

Deacons: Margarete Rice

Maria Peterson

Roy Brinson

Pat Mitchell

Parish IV – Members with last names S-Z

Deacons: Ralph Menick

Bette Bilton

Laura Semmen

Pat Root

Moderator: Lukass Franklin

Members are encouraged to call any of these Deacons if there is any way that a Deacon can help or if a member would like to offer his or her services. All Deacons look forward to sharing in the ministry of Jesus Christ in the months and years ahead.

### Deacon's Corner, Bette Bilton

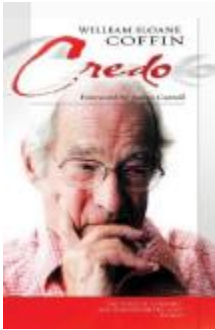
As I embark upon my new responsibilities as Deacon I would like to extend my warmest greetings to the Barrington Presbyterian Church congregation.

Reflecting upon the last 22 years of our membership here I am reminded of the important role that our church has played in the growth and development of our family.

When my husband, Stuart, and I first moved to Barrington in our twenties, our new home was across the street from Ralph Johnson, one of the church's founding members. Through the encouragement and friendship of Ralph, we soon became members ourselves. One of my first memories of the Deacons at our church was their delivery of two red roses upon the birth of our twin sons. After they joined their older sister, Meghan, we became part of the growing number of parents with small children in the congregation. Over the years we participated in the many activities our church offered. It provided a caring loving atmosphere in which to worship God. As a Deacon I hope to provide some of the same kindness and caring that my family received over the years. I am grateful for the many blessings I have been given and look forward to serving in the caring role as a Deacon for the new 3 year term

## Christian Education

### Summer Wednesday Evening Adult Discussion



Please join with Dr. Baxter from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8th through Wednesday, July 13th for an interactive and most likely lively discussion on how faith translates into action in our life.

We will discuss Credo, by William Sloane Coffin, which was The

National Best Seller and 2004 Theological Booksellers Book of the Year.

In our Spring Wednesday Evening Adult Discussion, we addressed “The Question Of God”. This summer we will consider how our relation with God could or should impact our relationship with humankind. The book Credo questions religious action on issues of charity, justice, and morality. How should people of faith allow their relationship to God to interface with politics, with environment issues, or with the question of nuclear disarmament or should personal religious belief lie apart from such matters?

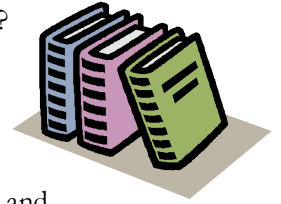
The author of Credo, William Sloane Coffin, has served as chaplain at Yale University, was the inspiration for the religious character Sloan in the “Doonesbury” comic strip, and served as senior minister of Riverside Church in Manhattan. Coffin has recently appeared on NOW with Bill Moyers who described him as “the voice of a prophet and wisdom for the ages.”

Credo is filled with quotables. For example: “Clearly the trick to life is to die young as late as possible”, “Love measures our stature: the more we love, the bigger we are. There is no smaller package in all the world that of a man all wrapped up in himself.”

Look for signup tables during Coffee Hour or call the church office. Questions?? – contact Linda Long.

### Be Not Afraid The First Annual Summer Book Read

Have you been meaning to take a closer look at the history or the theology of your faith? Are you intimidated by the thought of plowing through dry, dull, or hopelessly complex text? What if someone else read the book and recommended it as both compelling and understandable? The adult education committee is sponsoring a book loan. If you have books related to Christianity in your library which you could endorse, we are asking you to bring them to church to loan to a church member for the summer. On June 5th and 12th, books on loan will be on tables with “Recommended By \_\_\_\_” cards. We ask borrowers to return books Labor Day Sunday, September 4.



The History Of Hell, Angel, The Stories Of Hymns - what have you read that you could share? Books can be dropped off in the church office in May. Browse and sign out books at Fellowship Hour June 5th and June 12th.

### Sunday Morning Adult Christian Education

The Adult Christian Education Committee has planned programs for every Sunday at 10:15 a.m. starting in September. The theme on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, in Fellowship Hall, will be “Pathways to the Holy: Encountering the Reality of God”. Speakers will present a variety of programs, exploring Christian art, architecture, stained glass, symbolism, music and song. On the 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays, in the Parlor, a study of the New Testament will be presented. In this video series Dr. Bart D. Ehrman will address who wrote these books, under what circumstances, and for what audience, enabling the viewer to come to a fuller appreciation and understanding of the writings that are the cornerstone of our faith.

Watch for more details in the coming issues of the Carillon.

## Welcome to the Presbyterian Church of Barrington Library

We strive to provide our members current theological offerings in numerous formats including books, audio 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.

Electronic Media	Periodicals	Books
<p><u><b>I. Jesus and His Times</b></u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">A Video Series</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A. Jesus: The Story Begins</p> <p style="text-align: center;">B. Jesus: Among the People</p> <p style="text-align: center;">C. Jesus: The Final Days</p> <p>A presentation by Reader's Digest with excerpts from the Gospel of Luke. Running time on each video is approx. 60 minutes. Watch it with the family!</p> <p><u><b>II. Intercessory Prayer</b></u></p> <p><u><b>Praying for Friends and Enemies</b></u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">2 Audio cassettes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Jane E. Vennard</p> <p>This minister, author and spiritual director at the Iliff School of Theology guides you in a thorough exploration of the mysterious and powerful process of calling on God to intercede in the human world. Each tape runs 90 minutes.</p>	<p><u><b>I. Christian Parenting Today</b></u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Summer Issue</p> <p>Major Topics:</p> <p>a. Soul Food: How to nourish your child with praise                      b. Surviving the Preschool Years                      c. Are you ready for a Family Missions Trip?                      d. Do-It-Yourself Backyard Bible Club</p> <p><u><b>II. The Christian Century</b></u></p> <p>Biweekly issue with topics like:</p> <p>a. Remembering Great Teachers                      b. Virtual Seminary                      c. Abortion: Facing the facts                      d. Invisible wounds (veterans issues)                      e. Poetry selections                      f. Recent film critiques</p> <p><u><b>III. Christianity Today</b></u></p> <p>February Issue focuses on the recent tsunami in Indonesia.</p> <p>a. How battered churches responded                      b. What relief agencies are doing                      c. Where biblical hope lies in disaster</p>	<p><u><b>I. No Future Without Forgiveness</b></u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Desmond Tutu                      Retired Archbishop and Nobel Peace Prize recipient                      1984</p> <p>The establishment of South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission was a pioneering international event. Never had a country fought to move forward from despotism to democracy both by exposing the atrocities committed in the past and achieving reconciliation with its former oppressors. At the center was Archbishop Desmond Tutu helping usher South Africa through this painful experience. Critics say this book is a masterpiece of searing indictment of evil and never-maudlin advocacy of love.</p> <p><u><b>II. Jesus and the Victory of God</b></u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">By N. T. Wright                      Canon of Westminster</p> <p>Wright masterfully surveys the field of research on Jesus and proposes a fresh account of Jesus as first-century Jewish apocalyptic prophet... while integrating the data of the Gospel traditions in original and surprising ways. The results are a new view on the historical Jesus. What did Jesus say and what did he mean by it all?</p>

## Mission

### Youth Mission Team 2005

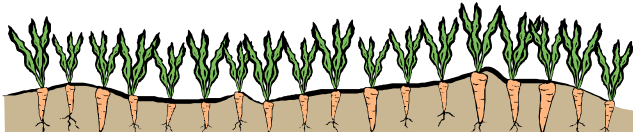
On June 18, the Youth Mission Team 2005 will travel to West Virginia to help repair damage from the May/June 2004 flooding, which affected 24 counties and approximately 1,595 homes in the area around Charleston. We will be working with the West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps, which is supported by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and The Presbytery of West Virginia. We will return on June 26. Please keep us in your prayers as we work and witness to this community.

### Adult Mission Trip

Costa Rica is the destination for the 2005 Adult Mission Trip. The group will leave on Friday, July 29 and return on Friday, August 5. There will be some time for touring the rain forest and Volcano Arenal; but the main purpose of the trip is to work on enclosing the sanctuary in the town of Guapiles.

If you are interested in joining the group, you may contact **Chip Kyle**.

### Plant A Row Share Your Harvest



In 1995, an idea was launched that has grown tremendously. Help feed the hungry by sharing our excess harvest. The concept is amazingly simple.

Most gardens produce more than can be used. Commit to offering fresh fruit and/or vegetables to the local food pantry. Groups such as Scouts, church groups, families, etc. can contribute. It's a nice vehicle to get together in the summer.

Plant an extra portion of whatever you were already planning to put in your garden – thus the term “Plant a Row”. It doesn't take many extra plants to provide enough to contribute. If you don't have room for vegetables, herbs can be planted in smaller spaces and are a welcome addition to a needy family's table. If you don't have garden space of your own, there are communal spaces available.

Bring firm, clean produce to church on Sunday – we'll set up some specific dates. After Coffee Hour it will be collected and taken to a food pantry the following day.

It doesn't take a lot to make a real contribution.

Barbara Schwartz, Coordinator.

### Offering of Letters- June 5th Make Hunger History in the United States

*"I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you...for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love..." -II Timothy 1:6-7*

People who don't know where their next meal will come from are considered at risk of hunger, or food insecure. Take Patricia for instance. She's a 51 year old, single woman whose rent is \$700/month. Her salary is \$200/week. [\$100 for food and all other expenses!] Because her annual income is above the poverty line, she doesn't qualify for food stamps.

In 2003, national organizations working to end hunger in the United States joined together. From this meeting, they created a Blueprint to End Hunger. It is a strategy to cut food insecurity in half by 2010 and to end hunger in the United States by 2015.

This year's Offering of Letters is intended to call on Congress, our Senators and the President to recommit to cutting U.S. food insecurity in half by 2010 and commit to ending hunger by 2015. The legislation will also strengthen grassroots anti-hunger groups across the nation. It will also ensure that research will be able to show us how to best improve our national programs to effectively serve people in need. This has to be group effort. Churches, charities, businesses, state and local governments all have a role to play in ending hunger. But churches and charities can't do it all. Our government will need to do its part as well.

Please take 5 minutes of your time to write a letter to your Representative. A sample letter is enclosed. Members of Congress (Representatives) are only interested in hearing from voting constituents of their districts. If you live in a different district than those listed, you can find out which district you are in by looking at your Voter's Registration Card. You can find out the name of the representative of your district by going to the website, [www.congress.org](http://www.congress.org).

## Chancel Guild

### Sunday Chancel Flowers, Memorial Or Dedication



If you would like to dedicate the flowers for a given Sunday, please use the form below to do so and bring or send it, along with your check for \$30 per date, to the church office. Your dedication will be printed in the Sunday bulletin of your chosen date. Chancel Guild thanks you for your donation to the Sunday Chancel Flower Fund.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Check amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date For Flowers \_\_\_\_\_

Memorial Or Dedication:

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## ChristCare Corner

A ChristCare group consists of 5-12 people who covenant together to meet regularly and participate in:



- Community Building and Care
- Bible Equipping
- Prayer and Worship
- Missional Service.

The groups are led by a trained Group Leader and can be organized around a common purpose, shared circumstances, or a simple desire to be a Group. They are meant to grow as new members are welcomed into the group. As a Group grows, it will eventually divide and give birth to new Groups. People from outside the congregation are very welcome and a ChristCare Group is a wonderful place to introduce friends into a caring Christian community.

What are some examples of ChristCare groups? Here is a list of groups operational in some other congregations: Parents of "Tweens; Blended Families; Adoptive Parents; Cancer Survivors; Young Families; Young Adults; High School Students (led by an adult);

Empty Nesters; and "Calloused Hands" (a small group focusing on Habitat for Humanity).

Please turn to page 2 of the Carillon and take a fresh look at our Vision Statement. ChristCare groups are a wonderful way to fulfill our vision for this congregation. They will provide a meaningful way to care for each other, grow in our faith, and reach out to others with the love of Christ that has touched our lives.

Chip Kyle, Dan Spike and Karen Tobin recently spent a week at Stephen Ministries in St. Louis, training to become ChristCare Equippers. They will recruit Group Leaders throughout the summer, run a training class for Group Leaders in the fall, and supervise this small group ministry, which will begin in early 2006.

We hope you will prayerfully consider how you can participate in this *caring hearts – faithful servants* ministry. Please talk to Chip, Dan or Karen for more information, and look for updates in the Sunday bulletin and in the "ChristCare Corner" of the Carillon.

## Parish Life

### Women's Softball Team



The Presbyterian Women's Softball team "The Knockouts" will be kicking off their 2005 season soon. Games will be played on Tuesday evenings in June and July. Our church plays against four other local churches. Whether you are new to the church or a long-time member, if you are looking for a way to enjoy Christian Fellowship....give us a try. No experience is required. For more information contact **Hollie Free**.

### American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Mari and Lukass Franklin are honored to organize a Relay for Life Team this year. The Relay is a way for us to raise money to fight cancer; not only the disease, but the related suffering that the patients, their families and friends experience when cancer enters their lives. This year's relay is at Barrington High School from June 11 at 5:00 p.m. until June 12 at 8:00 a.m. Please support us with your prayers, your contributions, and your attendance at this fun and worthy event. You can make contribution directly on the team website... you can reach it by going to [Donate.BarringtonRelay.com](http://Donate.BarringtonRelay.com) and clicking on the team called "The Presbyterian Church of Barrington." You can also register to be there for the walk, and email others to pledge their support for your walk.

### Kitchen Kabinet

Kitchen Kabinet is a daytime fellowship group for men of retirement age. The group meets for lunch and discussion on the second Tuesday of the month at the Garlands in Barrington. Usually 12-15 men attend lunch each week. This year, the group has added guest speakers to their gatherings. They also hold two traditional "Ladies' Day Luncheons," one in June and the other in December.. The next meeting is Ladies Day on June 14 at Inverness Country Club. Jack Jensen is the Chairman of this event. For more information or to receive the monthly notices, please contact **Bob Johnson**.

### Men's Fellowship Group

The Men's Fellowship Group is a small-group ministry that is aimed at promoting fellowship among the men of the church. The group meets the third Thursday of the month at a member's home. The format is usually a dinner with discussion following based on the topic of the host's choosing. Typically, there are about 10-20 men participating at each event. In addition to the regular meetings, the group has sponsored the "Bubba Bake-off" and a trip for the Nueva Esperanza (San Marcos) scholarship students to attend a Schaumburg Flyers game in the summer. The next meeting is June 16 at the home of Owen Heath. Contact **Chip Kyle** or **Bob Florio** if you would like to receive the monthly invitation and information.

### New Members

This Spring we welcomed many new members.

On April 24, these young people were confirmed and became active members of our congregation.

Jayne Marie Alton, Adam Joseph Bosarge, Ethan Reed Brown, Patrick William Fitton, Emma Katherine Florio, Ross Blake Frankenberg, Eric Andrew Kramer, Katherine Elaine Lieske, Allison Louise Martin, Emily Janis Menges, Andrew Douglas Nelson, Amy Monroe Reynolds, John Jacob Roggeveen, Claire Ellen Seizovic, Minda Barbara Sulak, Jason Cameron Swenson, William Bryce Traxler.

On May 1, we welcomed these new members to our congregation: Roger & Rachelle Apple, Ann Barcroft, Carol Buchta, Bob & Stephanie Fesmire, Chris & Debbie Koenen, Sue Powers, Doug & Sally Rees, Ashur & Caroline Youash.

### Thank you from Christopher House

The Dance-a-thon, held on May 14 in the Christopher House gym was a huge success in terms of funds and fun. A big Thank You to The Presbyterian Church of Barrington sponsors who supported this endeavor; you contributed \$180 to the House for its youth programs.

## Worship Schedule

- June 5** Dr. Baxter Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m.  
*The Voice That Called A Nation*  
Readings: Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:1-12; Romans 4:13-25;  
Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26..
- June 12** Dr. Baxter Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m.  
*Tough Minds and Tender Hearts*  
Readings: Genesis 18:1-15; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; Romans  
5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8.
- June 19** Dr. Baxter Preaching ..... 9:00 a.m.  
*Five Father's Day Wishes*  
Reading: Ephesians 6:1-4
- June 26** Mr. Spike Preaching..... 9:00 a.m.  
*A Welcoming Community*  
Readings: Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18; Romans  
6:12-18; Matthew 10:40-42



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