

the CARILLON

MONTHLY CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Celebrate Advent & Christmas with Us!

Advent is a time to prepare for the coming of the Christ Child. There are several opportunities to enrich your life during this holy time.



Advent Dinner – December 8th at 5 pm

Get ready for some festive fun and holiday magic!

Join us for Advent dinner in Fellowship Hall on December 8th. Appetizers will be served at 5 pm while you are invited to join in singing Christmas Carols. Dinner from Gianni’s Cafe featuring lasagna will be served at 6 pm. After dinner Pastor David will read *A Night Before Christmas* to all the children and children at heart. This magical night concludes with a special visit from Santa Claus himself!!! Sign up in Fellowship Hall or email info@pcbarrington.org.

Adult Education

Johann Sebastian Bach Lecture Sunday, December 15 11:15 am

Bach in Worship Sunday, December 22, 10:00 am

Christmas Eve – December 24th

Family Service – 4 pm Children and Family themed service

Candlelight Service – 7 pm Traditional service with Communion



Welcome to the first edition of *The Carillon*! This former monthly communique has returned to provide information and encourage spiritual growth to our members and guests.

ON THE WAY TO BETHLEHEM – A seven-part sermon series.

We are so often focused on the destination in our travels. "Where are you going?" is the most common question upon hearing that someone is heading out of town. While the destination is perhaps the impetus for deciding to "go," it is often the journey itself that offers the most memorable moments—frustrating or delightful. This Advent season, we will pay attention not just to the destination of Christmas, but also to the places where events occurred that led to a starry night on which a child was born who would change the world. And we will ponder our own milestones—the progress and the potholes "on the way."

Dec 1st – ROME: A Place of Longing (Hope) Luke 2:1-3 and Romans 8:18-25

Dec 8th – JERUSALEM: A Place of Waiting (Peace) Luke 1:5-17 and Romans 12:9-18

Dec 15th – NAZARETH: A Place of Simplicity (Joy) Luke 1:26-38 and Romans 15:12-13

Dec 22nd – BETHLEHEM: A Place of Humility (Love) Luke 2:1-14 and Romans 13:8-11

Dec 24th – THE STABLE: A Place of Care Luke 2:1-20 and 1 Corinthians 12:22-26

Dec 29th – PERSIA: Persia: A Place of Return Matthew 2:1-12

Jan 5th – EGYPT: Celebrating The Imperfect Journey Matthew 2:1-22

Pastor's Desk

On the Way to Bethlehem

The story of the birth of Jesus involves a lot of travel. Upon learning that she is to be the mother of the Christ-child, Mary undertakes a journey to visit her cousin, Elizabeth. Mary and Joseph journey to Bethlehem in order to be counted for the census. A camel caravan of Magi journey across desert sands to pay homage to the newborn king. Angels from the realms of glory wing their flight across the earth to announce the birth of the Savior. Shepherds watching their flocks by night go to Bethlehem seeking the wondrous sight of a child, wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger. And, according to legend, the animals come from near and far to pay their respects to their maker – the "Lord of All Creation."

Let us not forget that God, too, journeys to earth in the form of a baby – in human likeness – in order to be with us. That is what "Immanuel" means – "God with us." The Holy Spirit moves among us to remind us whose we are and to send us to do the will of God. In the words of the Appalachian spiritual, "Children, go where I send thee."

We all know about journeys. Many of you will travel this Christmas season to be with family and loved ones. Others will have family coming home to be with them. When traveling to be with loved ones, expectation and excitement are in the air. The journey does not seem to be too long or too arduous to undertake. We anticipate the joy we will have when we get there.

This congregation is on a journey of faith and we anticipate the joy of the destination. These past two years have been a time of transition as the congregation contemplates its future direction and the methodologies to reach its destination. As I came to be with you, we have begun the work to build a new tomorrow for PCB. Our journey is not complete, but we are on the right path because we realize God is with us. It is wonderful to see the work of the Holy Spirit innovating new things in our midst.

Obviously, God has a purpose in our journey. What it may be, we do not know. Yet, we know that when the Spirit is involved, things happen. We have already seen some of these results as people are joining us on our journey of faith.

Mary learned from her cousin and went back home. Jesus was born in dire circumstances, but born a wanted, loved, healthy child. The Magi made it safely and delivered their gifts. The star rained its fire while the angels sang. The shepherds spread the good news of what they had seen. And, in the grace of God, this congregation will arrive at its destiny.

As you reflect upon your own personal journey of faith, you've seen God at work in your life. What do you see God doing in your life? What about at PCB? This Christmas, may your journey to Bethlehem to see the new-born king, the Christ-child, the Savior, be everything wonderful you imagine it can be. And when you see him, may you receive all the richness of blessings of the Christmas season.

Advent blessings to you.

Pastor David

Mission Projects

Good News Jail & Prison Ministry

Exploring New Ministry Opportunities: Visit to Cook County Juvenile Detention Center

Last Wednesday, Pastor Jae and Michael Smith visited the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center in Chicago to explore potential ways our congregation might serve young people in need of God's love and guidance. This visit was inspired by our recent membership survey and Christ's calling to minister to those in prison (Matthew 25:36,40).

We met with Chaplain Eric Peng, who leads an established chaplaincy program through the Good News Jail & Prison Ministry. The facility houses youth under 18 who typically stay for 30-45 days while awaiting sentencing. During their time there, they attend school and live in small groups of 8-10 young people.

Several opportunities exist for our congregation to get involved, from providing financial support to the chaplaincy program to direct ministry through activities like sharing meals, engaging in conversations, and leading Bible studies with the youth. While other area churches are already involved in this ministry, we would be the first Presbyterian congregation to participate.

The Mission Committee is currently reviewing these opportunities and considering how our church might best serve this important mission. We welcome your prayers as we discern God's direction for this potential ministry.

For more information about this ministry opportunity, please contact Pastor Jae or Michael Smith.

Christopher House

A wonderful tradition at PCB is the Family to Family program supporting Christopher House. The Christopher House Family to Family (Adopt a Family) program is a wonderful opportunity to help provide gifts to families who are participants in the Christopher House program. If you are unfamiliar with Christopher House, please read their Mission Statement below or visit <https://christopherhouse.org/>.

The Christopher House Mission:

Christopher House is a family of schools that helps children and families succeed in school, the workplace, and life. Our family of schools provide a continuum of education, from birth through the eighth grade, paired with immersive support for the whole family.

If you would like to Adopt a family, the Mission Committee will be in Fellowship Hall after church through December 8th. All gifts/gift cards should be brought to PCB no later than December 11th so that we can plan accordingly for the drop-off on December 14th. A great option would be to deliver on December 8th either for the Sunday morning worship service or the Advent Dinner.

Vision Statement

We are a compassionate community of faith, following the teachings of Jesus Christ, affirming His grace, sharing God's love, and serving all those in need.

Habitat for Humanity

Still Building Hope, Homes, and Community

The Presbyterian Church of Barrington has been helping to provide/improve shelter for families in need through the Habitat for Humanity Northern Fox Valley affiliate for over 20 years. You can participate by volunteering to help at PCB's build site in Carpentersville on one of our build days – the second and third Saturday of every month. No prior experience or tools required.

Contact Rich Barbour at rhb6328@aol.com or Bob Dick at bob60048@yahoo.com to volunteer or for further information about volunteer opportunities.



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Sanctuary & Bell Choirs

The Sanctuary Choir is comprised of members from the congregation who share their musical gifts on a weekly basis from September through June. The choir rehearses Thursday nights from 7:00–8:30 pm, and sings at the 10:00 am service every Sunday.

The Choir will have an extra rehearsal on Saturday, December 21st at 10:00 am

The Bell Choir is an ensemble that plays for Sunday worship seven or eight times per year, and rehearses on Thursdays from 6:00–7:00 pm. The choir utilizes a three-octave set of hand bells made by Schulmerich.



Music

Music on the Hill

Music on the Hill is an annual series of free community concerts offered through the Presbyterian Church of Barrington. The programming covers a wide range of music styles, including classical, jazz, folk, and world music, featuring many of Chicagoland's top musicians. All concerts are on Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm and are free.

January 11

Ring in the New Year: The Langen-Conneely Quartet

Celebrate the New Year with a spirited session of traditional Irish music and the All-family Soupfest 2025. Featuring Kathleen Conneely, whistle, Pauline Conneely, banjo, Jesse Langen, guitar, and Tim Langen, fiddle, the Langen-Conneely Quartet brings together two talented families for an evening of lively Irish music and storytelling.

Dinner and children's craft activities start at 6:00 pm, followed by the 7:30 pm performance. PCB members are encouraged to bring family, friends, and anyone interested in getting to know our church.

The Langen & Conneely Quartet:
Kathleen Conneely, whistle, Pauline Conneely, banjo, Jesse Langen, guitar, Tim Langen, fiddle



March 1

Mardi Gras Party: Charles Thomas Jazz Trio

Come join us for this toe-tapping program to celebrate Mardi Gras. With a repertoire that ranges from Bernstein to Stevie Wonder, and from Gershwin to gospel, vocalist Charles Thomas spices up servings of jazz standards with eclectic pop, classic folk, and contemporary world music flavors.

Adult Education

Theology on Zoom

Join our TOZ friends in faith discussions on Wednesdays at 7pm for our study of the book *The Genuine Jesus* by Paul L. Maier. For more information, contact Robert Reilly at robertfreilly.cpa@gmail.com.



GTIF

Growing Together In Faith women's evening Bible study meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

The group is currently studying the book "*Oxygen: Deep Breathing for the Soul*" by Keri Wyatt Kent, which focuses on passages from the book of Luke. The study can be purchased online. For more information email: jfminner@gmail.com.

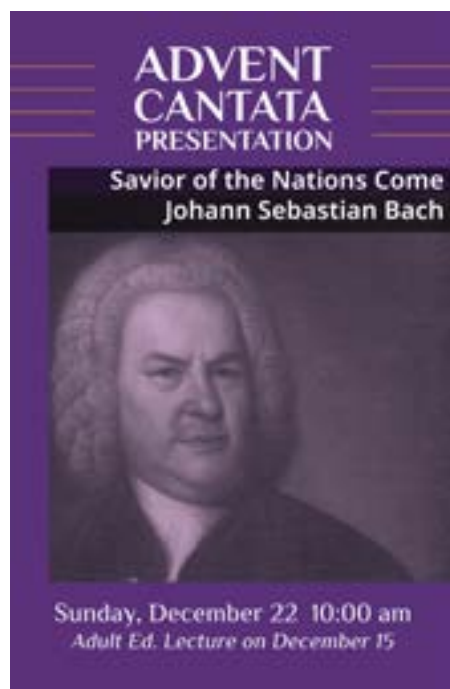
Men's Bible Study

Meets Fridays at 8 am via Zoom.
For more information email curtmoore1942@gmail.com.

Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship will meet at the Sundial Brewery at 6:30 pm on Thursday, December 19. This brewery/restaurant is located in the Ice House Mall in Barrington at the end facing Jewel.

Please RSVP to Tom Long at tomclong@yahoo.com by noon on the day of the event.



Adult Education

Soli Deo Gloria

Important Historical Composers of Sacred Music

Music Director Kirsten Hedegaard will be leading three adult education sessions exploring the lives and music of important sacred music composers. The lectures will take place in the Parlor following worship.

Lecture

Sunday, December 15 11:15 am

Johann Sebastian Bach

300th Anniversary of Bach's Chorale Cantata Cycle

Worship Presentation

Sunday, December 22, 10:00 am

Bach in Worship

Join Sanctuary Choir and guest instrumentalists for a presentation of Bach's Cantata, Nun komm der heiden Heiland, BWV 62.

Children's Ministry

Helping children to know God's love for themselves and to share His love with others.

Nursery

Annie from Jovie Nannies & Tutors, is in the nursery each week for our kids three and under. Stop by to say Hi to her starting at 9:30 am each Sunday.

Milestones

Classes meet on Sundays at 9 am with Pastor Jae, followed by recognition during the service. Kids are welcome to participate in their grade level milestone and any milestones they may have previously missed. The next Milestones 3rd Grade, PRAY WITH ME on January 12th.

Kids & Families

Family Movie Night

We had a great time at Family Movie Night on November 24th. We enjoyed A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving, pizza and crafts together. We had so much fun plans are in the works for our next Family Movie Night in the new year. Stay tuned!

Sunday School

Each Sunday we gather together for Sunday School with our young disciples ages PreK through 5th grade. Using the Whirl curriculum from Sparkhouse, the kids relate to the Bible through entertaining and theology-targeted stories, which are relevant to their lives. Each lesson includes stories, a fun video, discussion and crafts. Our take-home leaflets also provide weekly opportunities for families to help kids put faith into action. We just kicked off the Winter lessons which focus on Jesus' birth, ministry and Transfiguration. In addition to Sunday School, we'll be sharing a weekly "Time with Young Disciples" during each service in Advent. We'll be going on an adventure with a Guide and talking Donkey who lead us "On the Way to Bethlehem." You won't want to miss the weekly, interactive adventures on this Advent journey taking us to Rome, Jerusalem, Nazareth and Bethlehem!



From the Associate Pastor's Desk

Pastor Jae Cho

I hope everyone is having a happy Thanksgiving and anticipating a wonderful Advent season this year. 2024 has truly been a remarkable year for me and my family as we started the year with a new baby Jude in our life. And spending those first few months with the baby and my family was amazing to be a part of. This year has been a season of change for me as I felt behind figuring out how to enter back in the life of PCB was quite challenging. However, once I got in my groove it helped me realize why I enjoy being your associate pastor here. We had another wonderful confirmation class and Tija did a wonderful job teaching the class. And we had another great mission trip to Kenosha, WI as 20 people this year served with 2 new adult volunteers Audrey Helminiak and Raechel Sowa. Also, this was the first year our youth went on a youth retreat led by Jodie at the Stronghold camp center.

For 2025 we have some new mission opportunities that we have been discussing in our mission committee and with our youth and parents: Triennium youth conference and Youthworks mission to Louisville, KY. Also, we will be looking for mission opportunities with Presbyterian Disaster

Assistance to help those who have been impacted by the recent hurricanes. We are planning on expanding our Good News Jail mission partnership with Chaplain Eric Peng as Michael Smith and I went to visit the Juvenile detention center in Chicago. Adults will receive training to provide care and lead a bible study and have fellowship with the youth.

We are starting to build a foundation for youth group as we bless the youth lounge as the renovation has been completed. On December 8th right before Advent dinner at 4:30 pm our youth and families are invited to decorate the room with pictures of their favorite bible verse, and filling the fridge with their favorite food and drinks. Starting in January the youth will meet at the youth lounge every second Sunday from 6 pm to 7:30 pm to learn more about God and one another in fellowship, and have another mission or fellowship opportunity each month as well to participate in. Lots of wonderful things that are happening in the life of the church. We ask for your continued prayers and support. If you are interested in serving or supporting our youth or families. Please contact Pastor Jae or Jodie Harmsen.

Thank you.

Youth & Families

Youth Lounge Kick-off

Our first official kick-off gathering will be a blessing of our youth lounge on December 8th at 4:30 pm right before our Advent Dinner.

Please bring an item or two to decorate the youth lounge. It can be a picture frame of your favorite bible verse. Or artwork that would represent our youth group well. Also, boardgames you would like to play together. And items for the fridge and freezer you would like to eat and drink.

We will have a housewarming type of party/blessing service.

Youth Gathering

The majority of our youth and parents are in favor of gathering 1-2 times per month. Beginning in January, we will meet every second Sunday in the Youth Lounge from 6:00-7:30 pm. The second monthly meeting will be more flexible, offering mission and fellowship opportunities for youth to connect.

A majority are also in favor of trying a new mission trip location, such as YouthWorks in Louisville, KY; as well as offering senior highs the option of attending the Triennium youth conference.

Confirmation

Confirmation is a time for youth, 8th grade and older, to learn more in depth about God, Scripture, the Presbyterian Church, spiritual life and faith. Students are matched with an adult mentor and through classes, fellowship, mission work and movies learn to grow in their faith in Christ. When confirmed on Reformation Sunday, students will have developed their own faith statement and be welcomed as full members of our church.

Youth Mission Trip

Every summer Middle schoolers, high schoolers, and college-aged young adults embark on a week-long mission trip. The youth work side by side with adult volunteers on a mission project often involving construction type work. In addition, the youth participate in Bible studies and recreational opportunities.

Youth Ministry

Our mission is to help youth to know God's love for themselves and share His love with others. The Presbyterian Church of Barrington provides youth and families opportunities to grow in their faith through programming based in Biblical teachings, fellowship and service.

Volunteer Opportunities

Advent Candle lighting is on Dec 1, 8, 15, 22, 24 at 4 pm for family service, and 24th at 7 pm for candlelight service. If you would like to volunteer your family to light on any of these dates, contact Pastor Jae or the Youth Committee at PCBYouth@pcbarrington.org.

There are many ways to participate and serve at PCB. Not only can teens earn service hours but they can also learn a new skill, hone existing ones and be active members in our church community.

RaiseRight - Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser Last day to purchase cards is Dec. 8th

The Mission and Youth committees are having a fundraiser to support the 2025 Youth Mission Trip. We have partnered with RaiseRight, a 25+ year fundraising organization, to offer a gift card fundraiser.

Here's how it works:

You buy gift cards – physical or electronic ones – & PCB receives a portion of each sale. Percentages are based on brands - some give up to 20% back! Many families on our committees have experience with this fundraiser. It's as easy as it sounds.

There are 2 ways to buy cards -- **fill out this form and pay with check** or set up an online account & buy directly from [RaiseRight.com](https://www.raise-right.com) with enrollment code **CWRQ1TF6YAPK**. We also have forms available in Fellowship Hall.

Thank you for your support! -Mission and Youth Committees

Welcome to our New Members

Jack Liput
Maddit Liput
Ericka Fuertes
Rey Fuertes
Joseph Osunde
Maureen Osunde
Molly Vic
Maggie Bouge
Penny Mesenbrink
Charles King
Ellie King

Church Members

New Member Committee

This committee began meeting in late August of this year to revise the new member guide and explore ways to welcome and connect with visitors to our church. As we reach out to guests, we hear time and time again how they were warmly welcomed by so many of our congregation members. Please continue to look for unfamiliar faces and encourage folks to sign the pew pads with contact information so we can follow up with a phone call, email, or postcard. If you notice a guest in our midst invite them into Fellowship Hall for coffee and let one of the committee members know so we can welcome them as well. Once someone becomes a member, we want them to feel connected to our faith community. With that in mind we are exploring a possible recognition Sunday for new members and a possible shepherd / mentor program to help them learn more about the church and find ways to become involved. Thanks to all of you who make such an effort to create a warm and welcoming spiritual experience for all who enter our church.

New Member Committee: Anna Armstrong, Julie Steffen, Susan Thiess, Rey Fuerte, Steve Alton, Maggie Bogue and Ginger Glanz

The Session

The Church's Governing Board

The Session consists of Teaching Elders (our pastors) and Ruling Elders drawn from our active membership. Ruling Elders are elected for three-year terms.

Senior Pastor Search

The Pastor Search Committee (PSC) activities for December center around the Ministry Discernment Profile (MDP) document that has been put together by the PSC. This document includes descriptions of various aspects of our church and the characteristics of the successful candidate for our open Senior Pastor position. These descriptions have been developed based on responses received from the congregation survey that was conducted in September and October, along with input from your Session members.

The MDP will be reviewed and approved by our Session before being submitted to the Presbytery. It will be used by the Presbytery to suggest candidates from their database of pastors available for new positions. Your PSC anticipates that the first list of candidates may be received from the Presbytery as early as before the end of the year, but certainly by January.

At the same time this process is being pursued, your PSC will be putting together copy for ads that will be placed in Christian media to announce that PCB is seeking candidates to fill our Senior Pastor position. We expect to receive responses to those ads during January and February.

Your Pastor Search Committee appreciates the many comments received from the congregation regarding the pastor search process, and wants to encourage individuals to continue to share any questions and comments they may have. Your PSC members are: Russ Baker, Bob Dick, Lukass Franklin, PK Johnson, Joy Martinez, Patrice Miller and Jack Mumaw.

Elders

George Landes, Stated Clerk
Rich Barbour ('24)
Jodie Harmsen ('24)
Gil Semmen ('24)
Bill Shaeffer ('24)
Al Zick ('24)
Steve Alton ('25)
Anna Armstrong ('25)
Bard Boand ('25)
Mari Franklin ('25)
Robert Reilly ('25)
JC Clarke ('26)
Ross Clover ('26)
Debra Johnson ('26)
PK Johnson ('26)
Heather Layne ('26)

Pastoral Care

Deacons

The Deacons are devoted to our mission of caring for the sick, the heartbroken, the needy and the lonely of our congregation. Each Deacon is assigned a geographical area or parish as their responsibility. We are in contact with our Parish members to discern if they are in need of our help and we are also advised by our Pastors of those in need.

Laura Semmen – Parish 1

Amy Carder– Parish 2

Emily Dowell – Parish 3

Janet Hirsch – Parish 4

Linda Huesing – Parish 5

Margarette Schulze – Parish 6

Carol Buchta & Rich Larson – Parish 7

Bob Stine – Parish 8

Nancy Currell – Parish 9

Kari Blanchette Parish – 10

Stephen Ministry

This quiet ministry continues to provide support to congregation members and the community. It is a one-to-one, confidential ministry for anyone going through one of life's challenges, such as grief, divorce, job loss, health issues etc. The Stephen Minister meets with the individual weekly to listen and provide support for as long as the individual feels the need. We aren't there to fix the problem, but rather enable the person to come to terms with whatever they are experiencing and know that God is with them. In the spring we will be offering a new Stephen Minister training class. It is a spiritually rewarding experience to serve God by serving others. Watch for more detailed information in the coming new year. In the meantime, if you would like to learn more about Stephen Ministry contact Laura Semmen, Anna Armstrong, Cindy Zichal, Kari Blanchette, Lukass Franklin or Ginny Shapiro.



Baptisms

Through the sacrament of baptism, God's Spirit initiates us into Christ's holy church, puts us on the stage of God's saving drama, and gives us new birth through water and the Spirit. In baptism, we belong body and soul to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Deacon's Corner

As I write this our weather has turned to Fall and Thanksgiving is two weeks away. Soon Advent will be upon us and it is a time to reflect and be grateful for our many blessings.

I am the Deacon for Parish 1 and if I can be of service to anyone in my Parish I would be most willing to do so. God's grace has been abundant in my life and I am very grateful.

Wishing all of my church family a very blessed holiday season and may God draw us all closer to him.

–Laura Semmen



Worship Schedule

Sunday, December 1st – 10 am

Sunday, December 8th – 10 am

Sunday, December 15th – 10 am

Sunday, December 22nd – 10 am

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24th,

Family Service – 4 pm

Candlelight Service – 7 pm

Sunday, December 29th – 10 am

Congregational Meeting

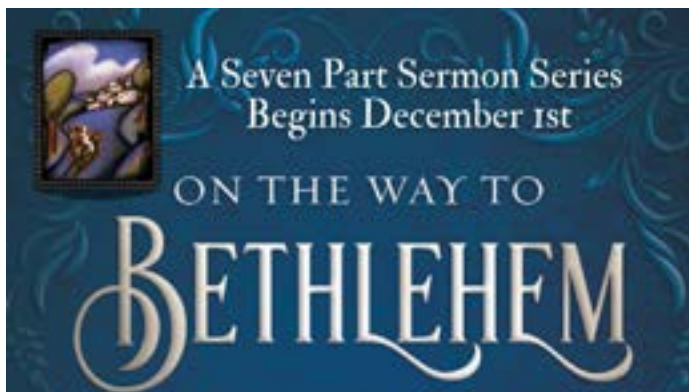
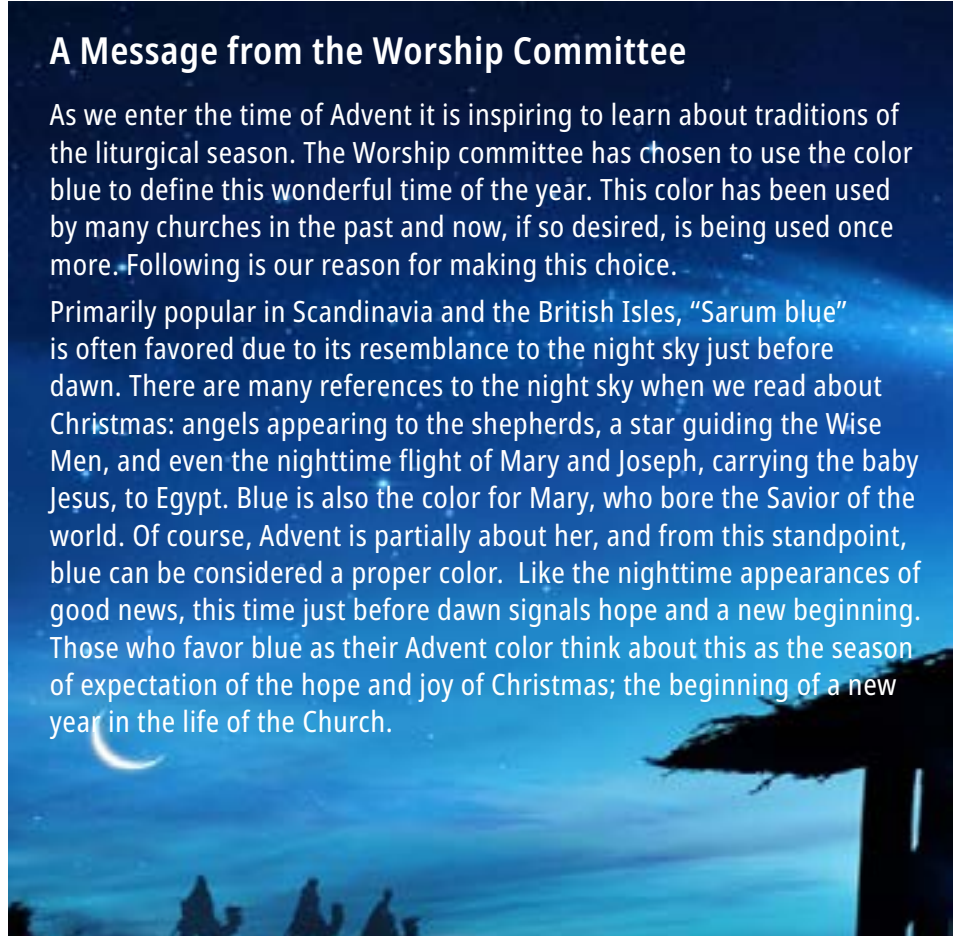
Join fellow PCBERS for a meeting about your congregation immediately following Sunday worship service on December 8th.

Sunday Worship

A Message from the Worship Committee

As we enter the time of Advent it is inspiring to learn about traditions of the liturgical season. The Worship committee has chosen to use the color blue to define this wonderful time of the year. This color has been used by many churches in the past and now, if so desired, is being used once more. Following is our reason for making this choice.

Primarily popular in Scandinavia and the British Isles, "Sarum blue" is often favored due to its resemblance to the night sky just before dawn. There are many references to the night sky when we read about Christmas: angels appearing to the shepherds, a star guiding the Wise Men, and even the nighttime flight of Mary and Joseph, carrying the baby Jesus, to Egypt. Blue is also the color for Mary, who bore the Savior of the world. Of course, Advent is partially about her, and from this standpoint, blue can be considered a proper color. Like the nighttime appearances of good news, this time just before dawn signals hope and a new beginning. Those who favor blue as their Advent color think about this as the season of expectation of the hope and joy of Christmas; the beginning of a new year in the life of the Church.



See page 1 for details.

Sunday Flowers

If you would like to dedicate flowers for Sunday worship please make a donation of \$40 to help cover the cost of the flowers. Make out your check to PCB with Chancel Guild noted on the memo line and place in the offering plate or mail to the church. All flowers are taken by the Deacons after worship to members who need a little flower sunshine.

Contact Jill Minner at jfminner@gmail.com with the Sunday of your choice, along with your dedication

Thank You!

Sunday Liturgists

In Christian tradition Liturgist means the participation of the People of God in “the work of God”.

The Liturgist is an important part of our worship service. This person is one who is comfortable reading and leading worship for that day. He/she will do the scripture reading and possibly help lead other parts of the worship service.

All ages are invited to participate in our Sunday service.

Please contact me by email or text if you wish to participate, want more information or to get a list of available dates in the coming months.

Thank You!

Linda Neton
lneton@ymail.com
 847-204-0152

So, You Want To Be A Liturgist?

By Jenna Lee with Elder Mari Hoashi Franklin

What even is a liturgist?

Liturgist: a person who leads in worship

Liturgy: the parts and order of the things we do during our worship service (as listed each week in our bulletin and displayed on our worship slides)

What does a liturgist do?

A liturgist helps the pastors and musicians lead our Sunday Worship Services.

How do I know what I'm supposed to say?

The pastors will give you a printed copy of a script for the service.

What am I reading?

As a liturgist you read the scripture, as well as the leader portions of the time of confession, offertory prayers, and communion (as assigned in the script).

Is it scary?

The first time it can be a little scary, but after you get up in front of the congregation and speak you figure out that it's really not that bad.

How do I prepare to do a good job? Who can I ask for help?

You can ask anybody who has served as a liturgist and the pastors. You can also ask a member of the Audio Visual (AV) Team (Heather, Mari, Dawson, Joel or Audrey O.) to meet you to practice using the sound system/mics.

What if I make a mistake?

If you make a mistake, take a deep breath, decide if it matters to God, and take it from there. The choices are basically to read (or re-read) it with the correct words, or just plow forward with the service.

Will everyone be super critical after the service?

No, of course not. They will be super duper proud of you. It takes a lot of courage to get up there in front of the entire congregation and our church family really acknowledges that and praises you for taking the big step of joining our worship leadership team.

How to I sign up?

Email Linda Neton at lneton@ymail.com to let her know what date(s) you would be able to serve.



Personnel Committee

The personnel committee serves as the church's HR department. As with many organizations, we are entering into our staff annual review season. During December, we will work closely with Pastor David (as head of staff) to implement annual performance and compensation reviews

for our dedicated staff. This is the committee's opportunity to directly express our appreciation to the PCB staff. We ask all members of the congregation to assist the committee at this time of year - by thanking both our pastoral and non-pastoral staff for all of their efforts throughout this past year.



The Carillon

Deadline for the January 2025 Carillon is Noon, Monday December 16th.

Be sure to get your submissions in on time to ensure publication. Please e-mail nancy@pcbarrington.org or leave written submissions in the church office. If you have questions, contact Nancy at the church office.

PCB Office

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Office will be closed on for Christmas on December 25th & 26th

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David Ezekiel
Transitional Pastor

Jae Cho
Associate Pastor

Patti Fugle
Office & Financial Administrator

Kirsten Hedegaard
Director of Music

Nancy Arendt
Communication Coordinator