

**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON**  
**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

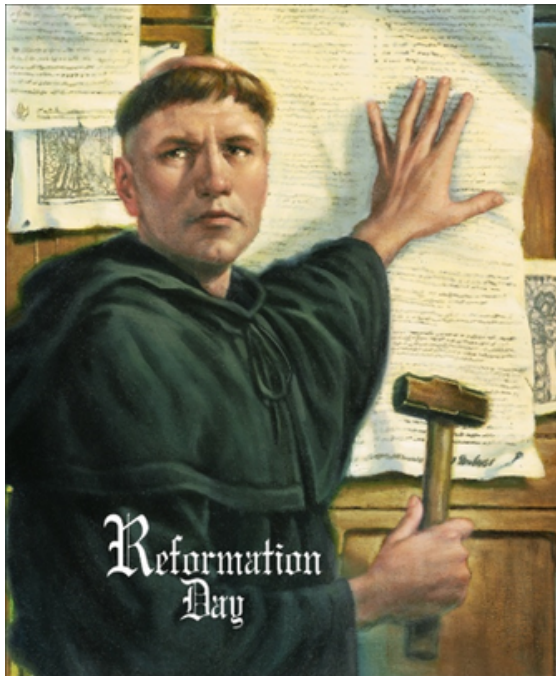
# *THE CARILLON*

October

2026

## *WHY THE REFORMATION MATTERS*

Many churches celebrate Reformation Sunday on the last Sunday in October because it was on October 31, 1517, that Martin Luther nailed his Ninety-Five Theses to the door of the cathedral church in Wittenberg, Germany. Originally written in Latin to spur debate among the quarters of the university and the learned of the Church, they were quickly translated into German,



and thanks to the rather new invention of the printing press, they spread quickly. Luther had unintentionally changed his history and world history!

The Ninety-Five Theses that started what we call "the Reformation," that started Protestantism, was driven by a deep theological and pastoral crisis. Luther recognized that the average churchgoer was being led astray by the very institution that was supposed to shepherd them in faith. And so, Luther wrote out his Ninety-Five Theses to bring these problems, these errors, to light.

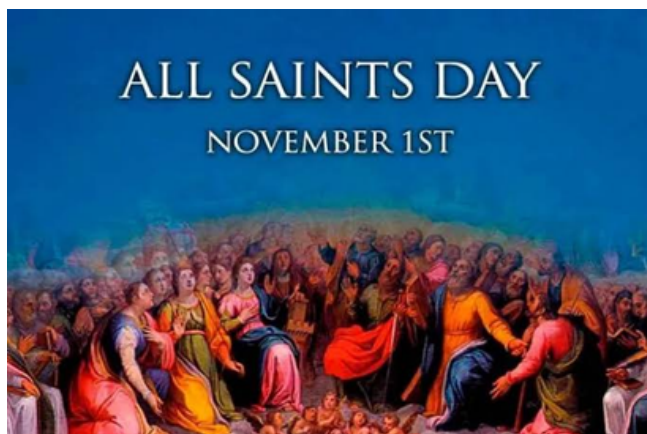
While Luther naively thought that Church leaders would endorse his objections, they were initially dismissed as the ramblings of a drunken German cleric.

As his ideas spread, Church leaders eventually sought to kill him. But faithful followers protected Luther. As it spread across Europe, the heart of the Reformation was to recover, clarify, and emphasize the gospel of God's grace, as opposed to the system of works that had engulfed the church. The Reformation challenged the authority of the pope and church tradition, subjugating it to the Bible. It replaced the Mass with the sermon. It abolished the system of indulgences and merits as necessary for salvation. It abolished the non-biblical doctrine of purgatory. It did away with venerating Mary, praying to her and the saints, and venerating relics, idols, or icons in the church.

It reintroduced congregational singing. It put the Bible in the common language of the people, who could then read it for themselves. It taught the priesthood of every believer. It recognized only two sacraments or ordinances, not seven. It taught that a person's vocation is their calling and has significance before God. It taught that marriage is good and that church leaders may marry. That's why the Reformation matters. It recovered the good news of the gospel of salvation which are summed up in the "Five Solas:" Scripture alone; Christ alone; grace alone; faith alone; and glory to God alone.

Walking with you in the life of faith.

*Pastor David*



All Saints' Day, observed on the first Sunday of November, traces its roots to the fourth century and honors all who have died in the faith. This Christian observance reflects the belief in a powerful spiritual bond between those in heaven and those on earth. We will continue this tradition during our morning worship service on Sunday, November 1st.

We will light a candle and toll the bell for each person who has died during the past year, including those beyond our congregation.

If you would like the church to remember someone special to you who has died in the past year, please call the church office or send their name and date of death to [Patti@pcbarrington.org](mailto:Patti@pcbarrington.org) by Monday October 26<sup>th</sup> so we can include their name in the bulletin and light a candle in their memory.





# WORSHIP

## LITURGIST

Seeking liturgists for November, Advent and Christmas. Please consider sharing your voice and serving as liturgist during this celebratory church season. Pastor David will provide clear direction for your part in the service by Friday of the week before. You may contact him if you need explanations or assistance and he is always available to answer any questions. Your service is greatly appreciated! Contact Julia Monie by phone or text at (847) 323-0064 Email [\*\*jcm28@sbcglobal.net\*\*](mailto:jcm28@sbcglobal.net)

The following dates are currently available:

November 1, 8, 15, 22

December 6, 13, 20, 27

Christmas Eve services December 24: 4 pm and 7 pm

## October Worship Music

October 4th World Communion Sunday  
How good and pleasant it is when God's  
people live together in harmony!  
- Psalm 133:1

On Sunday, October 4th, we welcome  
jazz pianist Lara Driscoll who will share  
repertoire from around the world.

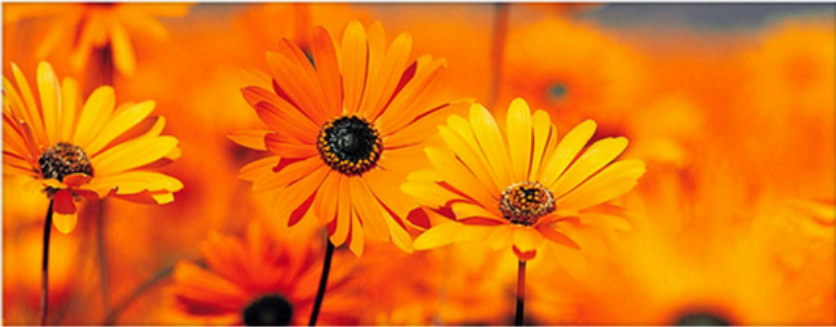


# CHILDREN & FAMILIES

## October Prayer Practice-Psalmtober

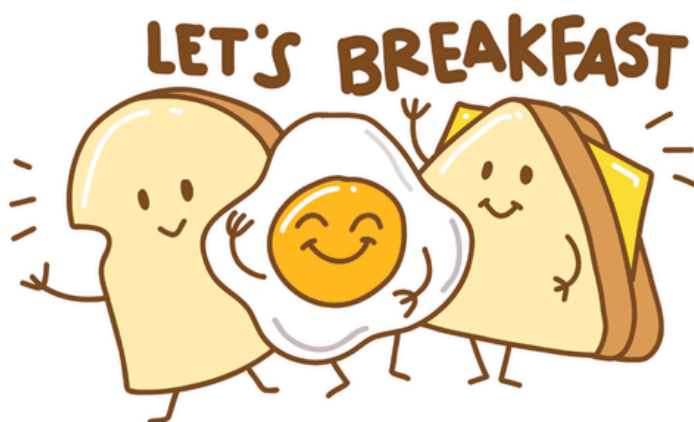
Eugene Peterson, in his book Answering God, advocates for reading the psalms consecutively as a means for letting God speak first. His image is of the choirmaster, the one who picks the song and leads the choir to sing the song of his choosing. By letting God speak first, prayer becomes “answering speech.” In our answer, we have plenty of time to talk to God about what we want to talk about, but by letting God speak first, He gets to pick the song.

This October we have created a calendar with a suggested psalm a day. Although they are not consecutive like Eugene Peterson recommends, they do touch on each of the psalm categories: Thanksgiving, Royalty, Wisdom, Lament and Praise. This article from Crosswalk gives a little lesson on [the psalms](#).

| October                                                                             |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 | 2026 |
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| Psalmtober                                                                          |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |      |
|  |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |      |
| Sunday                                                                              | Monday          | Tuesday         | Wednesday       | Thursday        | Friday          | Saturday        |      |
|                                                                                     |                 |                 |                 | 1<br>Psalm 1    | 2<br>Psalm 10   | 3<br>Psalm 25   |      |
| 4<br>Psalm 30                                                                       | 5<br>Psalm 43   | 6<br>Psalm 44   | 7<br>Psalm 45   | 8<br>Psalm 46   | 9<br>Psalm 47   | 10<br>Psalm 48  |      |
| 11<br>Psalm 73                                                                      | 12<br>Psalm 74  | 13<br>Psalm 75  | 14<br>Psalm 76  | 15<br>Psalm 77  | 16<br>Psalm 78  | 17<br>Psalm 79  |      |
| 18<br>Psalm 90                                                                      | 19<br>Psalm 91  | 20<br>Psalm 92  | 21<br>Psalm 93  | 22<br>Psalm 94  | 23<br>Psalm 95  | 24<br>Psalm 115 |      |
| 25<br>Psalm 120                                                                     | 26<br>Psalm 125 | 27<br>Psalm 130 | 28<br>Psalm 135 | 29<br>Psalm 140 | 30<br>Psalm 145 | 31<br>Psalm 150 |      |
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## FIRST SUNDAY FAMILY BREAKFAST CLUB

**October 4 at 9:15am** in Fellowship Hall. Come together for a light meal and then join together in worship to celebrate World Communion Sunday.

### Our Next Messy Church-October 25th



*This most generous God who gives seed to the farmer that becomes bread for your meals is more than extravagant with you. God gives you something you can then give away, which grows into full-formed lives, robust in God, abundant in every way, so that you can be generous in every way, producing with us great praise to God. 2 Corinthians 9: 8-11*

This Messy Session focuses growing our generosity as we follow in the way of the extravagant love of God and the example of Jesus.

The lesson of stewardship as a thankful response to God will be explored as well as the idea that when we follow Jesus, we give generously to each other and plant seeds of kindness upon the earth.

Messy Church isn't just for kids—it's for all ages together! Come as you are and join us for creativity, worship, food, and fun.



# CHILDREN & FAMILIES



## THIRD GRADERS-SAVE THE DATE



All children in 3rd grade and any 4th/5th graders that haven't received their bible should join us on November 1st. We will give bibles during our Time with Young Disciples in worship.



## MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT AT STRONGHOLD NOVEMBER 6TH-8TH

We are headed to Stronghold to gather with friends from all over Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa to learn how God invites us to Come as We Are like Mose, Hagar, Mary and Zaccheus did. Cost is \$80 and that covers transportation, food and lodging. Funds are due no later than October 18th and no refunds after October 25th. Checks should be made out to Presbyterian Church of Barrington and Youth Retreat in the memo line. You are welcome to Zelle or pay online as well. Just include Youth Retreat in the note section please.

We will leave at 5:30pm on November 6th and return by 1pm on the 8th.

All middle school and high school youth and friends are invited. Please contact Raechel (raechel@pcbarrington.org) if you have any questions.





# ADULT EDUCATION

## Getting to Know Our Church” Continues in October

“Getting to Know Our Church,” an after-worship series began in September and continues in October, during which a different part of our church will be featured:



**October 4th:** John Schmidt, Pastor of Presbyterian Church Barrington from 1982-1998, recounts the events and people who shaped his ministry during this important time in our church’s history.

**October 18th:** Representatives from Stephen Ministry will be on hand to explain this wonderful resource which is available to church members and others in our community. Please join us in the Parlor to learn more about how this program provides support for individuals who need it.

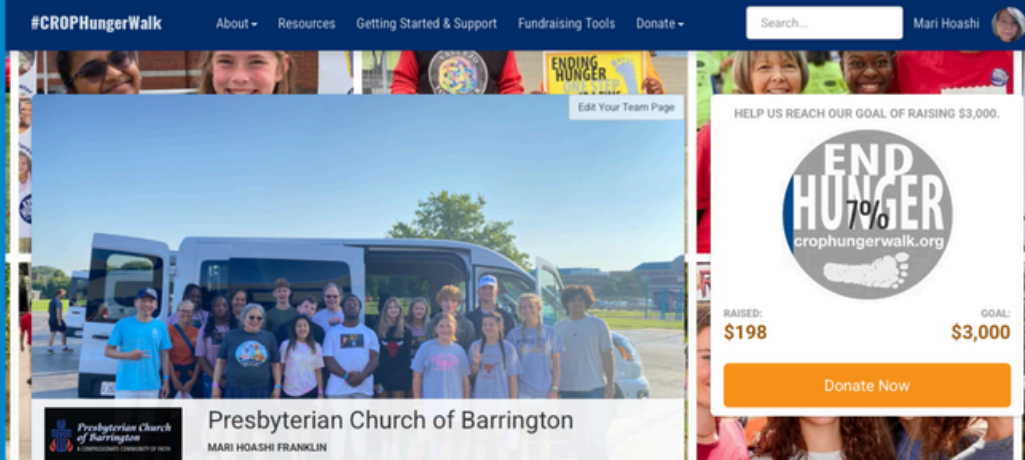
**October 25:** “Why do Presbyterians sing the way we do?”

Join Director of Music Dr. Kirsten Hedegaard for an engaging look at the history of hymn singing in the Reformed tradition, from the psalms of the early Reformers to the rich and varied hymnody of the modern church. Along the way, we’ll explore how theology, worship, poetry, and music have shaped congregational song and why singing together remains such an essential expression of Reformed faith and community.



# MISSION

## PCB @ CROP WALK ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11 @ 1PM



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ALL DONATIONS -- WHETHER YOU WALK, RUN, WATCH BEARS/PACKERS  
GAME AT MORRETTI'S, OR STAY HOME -- ARE WELCOMED!  
SIGN UP ONLINE OR IN FELLOWSHIP HALL OR CONTACT CURT MOORE.

The **CROP Hunger Walk** (often referred to simply as the CROP Walk) is a community-based fundraising event where participants walk to raise money to end hunger, both globally and locally.

### **Checks can be made payable to CWS/CROP**

Presbyterian Church of Barrington is one of nine local churches participating in this year's walk on Sunday, October 11th. The one mile or five K will start at 1 PM at St. Anne's Catholic Church Parish Center on Ela Street in Barrington.





# MISSION



Our next Habitat For Humanity work dates are Saturdays, **October 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> 2026, from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** Interested in helping? Email Audrey at [aud2sell@comcast.net](mailto:aud2sell@comcast.net) ahead of the Saturday you wish to work, and she will email you with location and task details.

Rich Barbour and Audrey Helminiak  
Your Habitat For Humanity contacts



**Would you like to join our merry band who delivers Meals With Wheels throughout the year?**

For over 35 years, through BACOA, the Presbyterian Church of Barrington has joined with other churches and community groups to provide senior citizens in our community with Meals with Wheels. More drivers are always welcome!

Most drivers are only assigned to drive once or twice a quarter, and it takes about an hour to drive a route of about 3-5 homes, plus you only sign up for days that work for you. Very little time, but very rewarding!

Our next days to deliver are **October 14<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> 2026**, starting at 10:45 a.m. and delivery should not take longer than an hour, but contact Audrey Helminiak (847-331-3621) to learn more.



# FELLOWSHIP

## Bears vs. Packers Football Get-Together

Join your fellow PCB patrons for a fun afternoon of football, food, and fellowship!

We are gathering to watch the Chicago Bears take on the Green Bay Packers on Sunday, October 11, 2026, at Moretti's Ristorante.

Tables are reserved for up to 30 people.

You can arrive as early as 2:00 PM to grab a seat and socialize before kickoff at 3:00 PM.

Attendees can order from Moretti's regular menu or take advantage of special food and drink deals available during the game.

Sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall to secure your spot!





# FELLOWSHIP

The Men's Fellowship will meet at 6:30 pm on Thursday, October 15. The location will be at Makray Golf Club unless a member volunteers to host. Please contact Tom Long at [tomclong@yahoo](mailto:tomclong@yahoo) if you can host.



## ANNUAL PCB/CARD PARTY

Come & play an easy-to-learn and very fun card game, Capture the Flag!  
Delicious dinner included; cash bar.  
Costumes welcome but not required.  
So much fun!



October 24th

Barrington Hills Country Club

Fun, Food & Fellowship

\$40.00 Per Person (pay at the door)

Halloween Theme & Costume Event

Prizes for 1st & 2nd place

Prize for Best Costume

5:00 pm Guests Arrival & Check-in

6:00 pm Dinner Buffet

7:00 pm Let the Games Begin!

R.S.V.P. no later than Oct 18th • Sign-up in Fellowship Hall.



## FELLOWSHIP

# Music *on the* Hill

### **MOTH 2026-27 SEASON LINE UP**

Music on the Hill at the Presbyterian Church of Barrington invites the community to a vibrant 2026–27 season of music, fellowship, and celebration.

From an opening evening of jazz inspired by the Beatles Songbook and the festive sounds of choir, brass, bells, and carols at Holiday Joy, to a lively St. Patrick's Day gathering, Vivaldi's radiant Gloria, and a summer evening of Bluegrass Under the Stars, the season offers something for every musical taste.

Together, these programs reflect Music on the Hill's commitment to offering welcoming, high-quality musical experiences that bring the Barrington community together.

All concerts are free and open to the public.





# Music *on the* Hill

## CONCERT SERIES

AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON

— 2026-27 SEASON —



Saturday  
**October 17**  
7PM

### Beatles Songbook

*Jazz with Chris Madsen, saxophone  
and Alyssa Allgood, voice*



Sunday  
**December 13**  
3PM

### Holiday Joy

*Performance and carol singing with  
choir, brass, and bells*



Saturday  
**March 6**  
7PM

### St. Patrick's Day Party

*Irish music with Langen-Conneely Quartet*



Sunday  
**May 16**  
3PM

### Vivaldi's Gloria

*Festive Easter-season choral performance*



Saturday  
**July 10**  
7PM

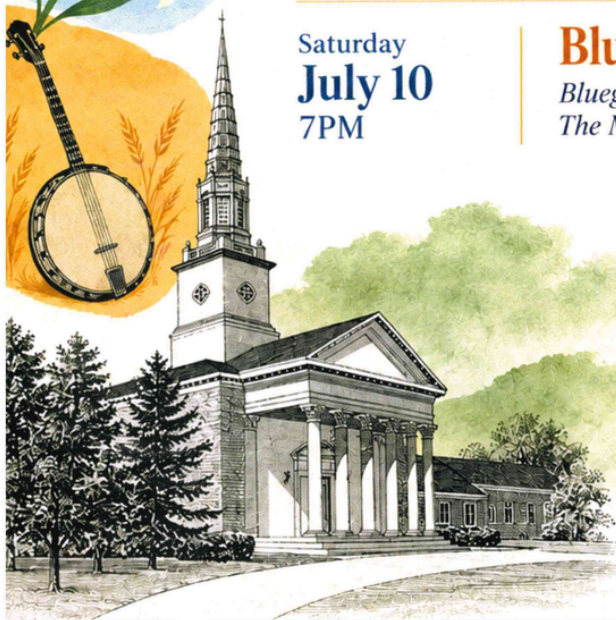
### Bluegrass Under the Stars

*Bluegrass performance by  
The Mighty Lonesome Trio*

*All are welcome!*

CONCERTS ARE FREE  
AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

The Presbyterian Church of Barrington  
6 Brinker Road, Barrington, IL



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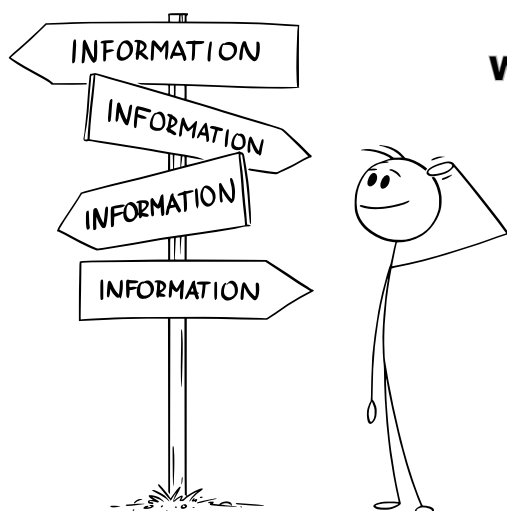


## Discover Our Community: Membership Informational Discussion

**Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup>**

If you want to learn more about our church or are considering joining our congregation, we invite you to "come and see!"  
Join us in the Parlor right after the morning worship service for a casual conversation.

Grab a cup of coffee, ask any questions you have, and get to know us better. We would love to meet you!



### WHERE & WHEN TO SEND ARTICLES

**Email your articles for the following to**  
**[Publications@pcbarrington.org](mailto:Publications@pcbarrington.org)**

**Connection** articles are due in the office Tuesday's.  
Events will be posted 2 weeks before the event

**Carrillon** articles are due in the third Wednesday of each month.

### FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Snapshot through Sep. 26, 2026 (not audited)  
Actual Budget Receipts: \$514,073  
Actual Expenditures: \$491,279

### CALENDAR

[Click here](#) for the calendar  
on the church website for  
up-to-date information







## BITHDAY WISHES TO....



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|-----------|----------|----|----------|----------|----|
| Josephine | Baker    | 1  | Robin    | Weseen   | 16 |
| David     | Glantz   | 2  | Jeff     | Anderson | 17 |
| Judy      | John     | 2  | Russell  | Fitton   | 17 |
| Robert    | Reilly   | 3  | Dexter   | Free     | 17 |
| Joel      | Stanek   | 4  | Nancy    | Nadig    | 18 |
| Caryl     | Bondelli | 9  | Sandy    | Schild   | 19 |
| Skip      | Dolan    | 11 | Kenneth  | Wright   | 20 |
| Abigail   | Neton    | 11 | Diana    | Buecking | 21 |
| Heather   | Boehm    | 12 | Patrice  | Miller   | 21 |
| Jen       | Garrels  | 14 | Grace    | Reich    | 28 |
| Sharon    | Osunde   | 14 | Annalisa | Carter   | 29 |
| Kassie    | Franklin | 16 | Osazee   | Osunde   | 30 |

