

The Presbyterian Church
of Barrington

Sunday September 20th, 2026 10AM



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Welcome to the Presbyterian Church of Barrington; we are glad you are here. As you prepare for worship, silence your cell phones and all electronic devices. Please note, this service is being streamed and recorded live.

✠ indicates you are invited to stand as able.

Prelude

Three Little Birds
Joe Sonnefeldt, steelpan

Bob Marley

Welcome and Life of the Church

Invitation to Worship

One: We come to worship because we love God.

All: All creation praises God's goodness and love.

One: We come to worship seeking healing and wholeness.

All: Through God's son, compassion, love, and grace flow in abundance.

One: We come to worship, yearning to be transformed:

All: Guided by the Spirit of God, we work to build a better world for all. Let us enter into our worship of God together!

✠ Hymn 391

This Is the Day

ESTE ES EL DÍA

✠ Time of Confession

One: O Lord, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith.

All: Through your Spirit we stand in the assurance of your acceptance.

One: Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose.

All: Through your Spirit we are drawn into the illumination of your empowering love.

One: Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling.

All: Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future. Through your Spirit we offer ourselves in discipleship. We stand together as your disciples. We seek renewed and renewing faith. Touch us now with your Spirit, Lord. Touch us now with your Spirit.

✠ Sharing God's Peace

Time with Young Disciples

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

One: Now, congregation, tell us why you come to the waters this day.

All: Here we come to the waters, to baptize a child, Jackson Dowell, and in each other's presence to renew our commitments to Christ who has raised us, the Spirit who has birthed us, and the Creator who is making all things new.

Questions of the Family

Congregational Assent

One: Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament promise your love, support, and care to this child being baptized as he lives and grows in faith? And do you promise to nurture his family?

All: We promise our love, support, and care.

One: Though he is too young to understand, articulate for Jackson what you have learned about God's love and purpose on your spiritual journey through the years.

**All: For you, Jackson, Jesus Christ came into the world:
for you he lived and showed God's love;
for you he suffered the darkness of Calvary
and cried at the last, "It is finished;"
for you he triumphed over death and rose in newness of life;
for you he ascended to rule over all and reign at God's right hand.
All this he did for you, Jackson, though you do not understand it yet.
And we will continue to tell you this good news
until it becomes your own.
And so, the promise of the Gospel is fulfilled:
"We love because God first loved us."**

The Baptism

Prayer of Dedication

All: God of wonder and grace, we thank you for your love, grace, and acceptance revealed here this day to this community, these parents, and this child. We pray that this house of faith will always provide a safe shelter of your love in which all children may grow and play. We pray that these parents may continue to feel the sweet wonder of your presence so transparent here today. We pray that Jackson will bask in your love as he makes his journey through this life. Amen.

✠ Sung Response 582	Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me	GLORY TO GOD
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Scripture Reading	Matthew 28:16-20 Acts 1:8	New Testament, pg. 34 New Testament, pg. 118
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ONE: This the word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God

Anthem	Kyrie <i>from Missa Gaia</i>	Paul Winter
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Message	YOU: A Disciple For A Time Like This	David Ezekiel
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Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Share our Offerings

Offertory	Blue Green Hills of Earth <i>from Missa Gaia</i> <i>Congregation joins on refrain when cued.</i>	Kim Oller
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**For the earth, forever turning,
For the skies, for every sea,
To our Lord we sing returning
Home to our blue green hills of earth**

✠ Sung Response 709

God We Honor You

ABUNDANT BLESSINGS

✠ Offertory Prayer

✠ Hymn

Care for Creation

Kirsten Hedegaard

**Care for creation for one and for all,
Care for creation, let's heed the call;
Care for creation with help from above,
Care for creation, let's lead with love.**

✠ Benediction

Postlude

Fire, Fire

Calypso Rose

Joe Sonnefeldt, steelpan

Leading in Worship this Morning

Preaching Pastor: David Ezekiel | Liturgist: Martha Boling-Risser
Director of Music: Kirsten Hedegaard | Organist: Andrew Luzwick
Time with Young Disciples: Jill Minner
Guest Musician: Joe Sonnefeldt, percussion
AV Team: Joel Stanek, Heather Layne & Tija Franklin

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

WELCOME

We are delighted you are here today. If you are our guest today, more information about the church may be found at the welcome table in the lobby.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP



If you are visiting with us today and have children, use the QR code to learn about our worship and how your children are welcomed and included. The nursery is open for your use but will not be staffed with volunteers today. Worship is streamed into the nursery.

GIVING

There are several ways you can financially support the ministries of this church:



E-giving via the provided QR code

Zelle: use accounting@pcbarrington.org

Place your gift in the offering plate!

Mail your gift to the church office.

Stock transfers and QCDs, please call the church office.

However you choose to give, it is very much appreciated and will be used wisely.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Today, we celebrate the baptism of Jackson Dowell, child of James & Brittany Dowell.

FLOWERS THIS MORNING

Flowers today are dedicated by the Dowell Family in celebration of Jackson James Dowell's baptism.

ADULT EDUCATION

Website Administrator Andrew Luzwick will take us on a virtual tour and explain how to navigate our church's newly remodeled website. Stay in Fellowship Hall to learn how to find the church information you need.

Please note:

Large print hymns and scripture readings are available. Just ask an usher.

T-Coil service is provided for those needing hearing enhancement.

Do stay for Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall following Worship.

Communion is served on the first Sunday of each month.

In this church, everyone is welcome at Christ's table.

Staff

Senior Pastor: David Ezekiel

Office & Financial Administrator: Patti Fugle

Website Administrator: Andrew Luzwick

Director of Music: Kirsten Hedegaard | Organist: Andrew Luzwick

Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries: Raechel Sowa

Office Hours Monday – Thursday 8 am – 3 pm

SESSION

Dr. David Ezekiel, Moderator

George Landes, Stated Clerk

Anna Armstrong ('28)	Rich Barbour ('27)	Bard Boand ('27)
Martha Boling-Risser ('28)	Ross Clover ('26)	Bob Dick ('27)
Mari Franklin ('28)	Ron Furst ('28)	Debra Johnson ('26)
Heather Layne ('26)	Peter Shaeffer ('26)	Molly Stine ('27)

DEACONS

Bob Stine, Moderator ('26)

Emily Dowell, Vice Moderator ('26)

Wendy Burdick ('28)	Ericka Fuerte ('28)	Sue Dechow ('27)
Rich Larson ('26)	Margarette Schulze ('27)	Laura Semmen ('27)
Julie Steffen ('28)	Al Zick ('27)	

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Audio Visual – Heather Layne
Christian Education – George Steffen
Communications – Mari Franklin
Facilities – Ron Furst
Finance/Stewardship – Molly Stine
Hospitality & Fellowship – Susan Thiess

Leadership Nominations – Bob Stine
Mission - Jodie Harmsen
New Member – Anna Armstrong
Personnel – Peter Shaeffer
Worship – Bob Dick

This Is the Day

Este es el día

(Psalm 118)

Refrain / Estribillo

Capo 3: (D) (Em7) (D) (Em7)

F Gm7 F Gm7

This is the day; this is the day;
¡Es - te es el día - a, es - te es el día - a,

(D) (Em7) (A) (D) Fine

F Gm7 C F

this is the day that God has made!
es - te es el día - a que hi - zo Dios!

(D) (A7) (D)

F C7 F

1 O - pen, now, o - pen the door - ways of jus - tice!
 2 I will sing prais - es be - cause you have heard me,
 3 It is the Lord who has done all these won - ders.
 4 Praise the Cre - a - tor, the Christ, and the Spir - it,

(D) (A7) (D)

F C7 F

Let us be glad as we pass through those gates.
 of - fering sal - va - tion with grace up - on grace,
 I have seen mar - vel - ous, mar - vel - ous things.
 from the be - gin - ning through worlds with - out end:

(D) (A7) (D)

F C7 F

This is the place where the righ - teous may en - ter,
 turn - ing the stone that the build - ers re - ject - ed.
 This is the day that the Lord has cre - at - ed.
 God who is now and who ev - er - more shall be,

The author/composer has incorporated elements of his Argentinian culture in this dynamic paraphrase of Psalm 118. In particular, the melodic patterns of the refrain are intended to suggest the way cowboys (*gauchos*) greet each other when they ride out to their work in the morning.

GATHERING

(D) F (A7) C7 (D) F *to Refrain al Estribillo*

sing - ing to God with thanks - giv - ing and praise.
 in - to the cor - ner - stone, rock of our faith.
 Join the re - joic - ing as ev - ery heart sings:
 glo - ry for - ev - er, a - men and a - men!

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Acts 1:8

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Acts 1:8

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."