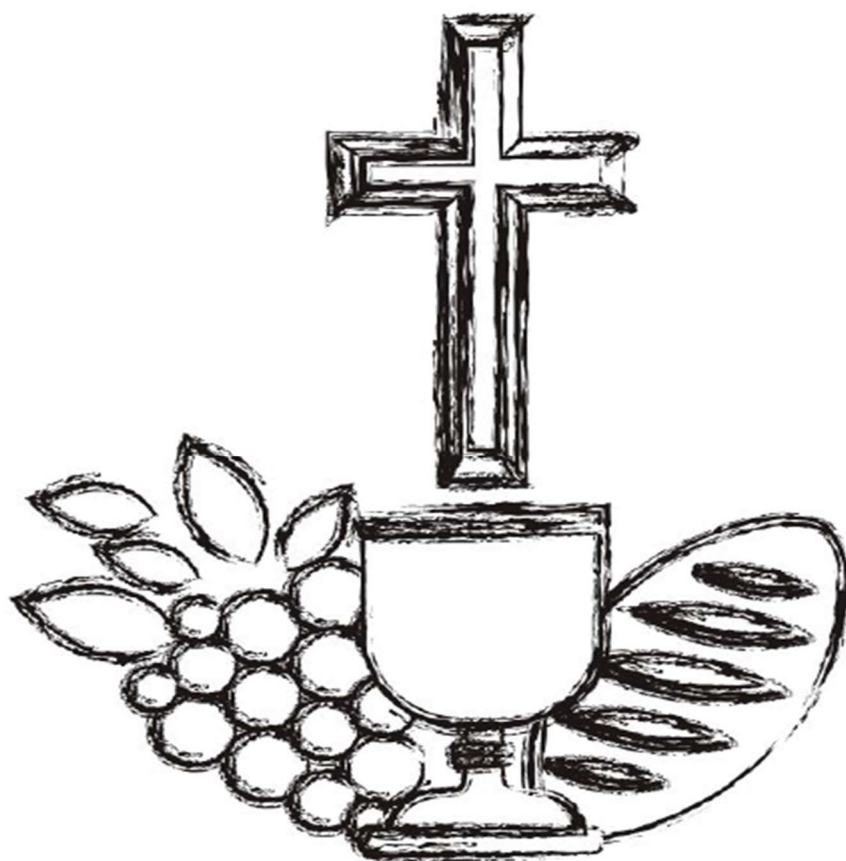




The Presbyterian Church of Barrington

Sunday October 4, 2026 10 AM

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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

Afro Blue
Cuba

Mongo Santamaria

Welcome and Life of the Church

✠ Invitation to Worship

One: God, you bring us together in this place, we come to be fed, to be renewed, to seek understanding.

All: God, you challenge us in this place; and we embrace the challenge, trusting that through challenge we grow in faith.

One: God, you are revealed in this place, sometimes in shining glory, sometimes in tears and struggle.

All: God as we worship in this place, refresh, renew, and challenge us so that we would see your awesomeness. We pray in Jesus' name, as we strive to walk the path of discipleship. Amen

✠ Hymn 399

God Welcomes All

THEMBA AMEN

✠ Time of Confession and Assurance of God's Grace

All: Gracious God, we are indebted to you and your generosity. But we fail to live as good stewards of all you have given us. We confiscate and consume far more than our fair share. We neglect the poor and trap people in poverty, claiming that debt forgiveness is unfair. God, liberate us from our spiritual and moral bondage. Free our world for Jubilee. Reorder our priorities so all your nations and peoples may thrive. Amen.

✠ Gloria Patri 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

✠ Sharing God's Peace

Time with Young Disciples

Children of any age are invited to come forward.

Scripture Reading

Job 1:1, 2:1–10;
Hebrews 1:1–4, 2:10-12;

Old Testament, pg. 453
New Testament, pg. 218

ONE: This the word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God

Anthem

Milonga Del Angel & Oblivion
Argentina

Astor Piazzolla

Scripture Reading

Mark 10:2-16

New Testament, pg. 46

ONE: This the word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God

Message

Holding Faith Together

The Rev. Jana Blazek

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Ours is an open table, which means that if you desire to follow Christ in your life of faith, we invite you to partake of the elements when they are distributed.

One: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.

All: We gather with them in heart and mind.

One: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

All: As part of that body we join in its unity.

One: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.

All: We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly to be fed.

One: Almighty God: from the ends of the earth, you have gathered us around Christ's holy table.

All: We come to feast together.

One: Have mercy on your church, troubled and divided.

All: Renew us and make us one. Amen.

One: You have made from one every nation and people to live on all the face of the earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name.

One: Holy are you and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

All: He commissioned us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth and to make disciples of all nations and today his family in all the world is joining at his holy table.

One: On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

All: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

One: When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

All: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

One: And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

*(When passing the communion elements, offer the bread to your neighbor by saying, "**The bread of life.**" When offering the cup, say, "**The cup of salvation.**" and hold them when received so that we may partake together as one.)*

Communion Music

You Must Believe in Spring
France

Michel LeGrand

Words Of Acclamation And Prayer

One: We have been in communion with the saints of all the earth. Let us make our statement of faith.

All: Your death, O Lord, we commemorate. Your resurrection we confess. Your final coming we await. Glory be to you, O Christ.

One: God of us all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

All: May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

One: Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray...

All: 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, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Share our Offerings

Offertory	Favela (O Morro Não Tem Vez) <i>Brazil</i>	Antonio Carlos Jobim
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✠Doxology 606	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	OLD HUNDRETH
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Offertory Prayer

✠Hymn 853	We Are Marching in the Light of God	SIYAHAMBA
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✠Benediction		Rev. Blazek
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One: Friends, in life and in death, to whom do we belong?

All: We belong to God.

One: When the story is joyful and full of grace?

All: We belong to God.

One: When the story is hard, uncertain, or painful?

All: We belong to God.

One: When we know what comes next — and when we do not?

All: We belong to God.

One: Then go in peace, trusting the God who has been faithful through every generation, the Christ who meets us in every chapter, and the Spirit who is still writing grace into our lives.

Remember the story. Tell the story. Live the story. And wherever life leads, remember:

All: In life and in death, we belong to God.

One: Alleluia! Amen.

Postlude

Improvisation on *Siyahamba*
South Africa

Traditional

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.

Leading in Worship this Morning

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Jana Blazek | Liturgist: Bob Dick

Time with Young Disciples: Maddie Liput

Guest Musician: Lara Driscoll, piano

AV: Tija Franklin, Mari Franklin & Heather Layne

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. Do let us know you were here and feel free to stay for coffee and donuts.

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.

PULPIT GUEST

Today we welcome Rev. Jana Blazek, the Director of Connectional Relationships + Partnerships for the Presbytery of Chicago, where she helps congregations tell their stories, strengthen their communications, share resources, engage their communities, and imagine faithful futures. A devoted Presbyterian and enthusiastic champion of the connectional church, Jana is especially energized by General Assembly, where she delights in seeing the wider church worship, discern, and occasionally argue its way toward faithfulness together. She lives in Chicago's Lincoln Square neighborhood with her 8-pound dog, Lucy, and far too many books.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY: LARA DRISCOLL, GUEST PIANIST

Today's music is led by pianist Lara Driscoll, who has prepared jazz selections from around the globe. Through music that crosses cultures and traditions, we celebrate the worldwide Christian community and the spirit of connection at the heart of this special Sunday.

MUSIC ON THE HILL RETURNS

MOTH returns on Saturday, October 17, 7:00 PM with a jazz performance in Fellowship Hall. Chris Madsen, saxophone and vocalist, Alyssa Allgood, the musical duo behind the Chicago-based jazz group "Mad-Good" present a program of jazz standards and songs from the Beatles Songbook as featured on their live album. Stay tuned for pre-concert dinner details.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH FALL RETREAT AT STRONGHOLD

If your child is interested in attending the November 6-8th retreat, please contact Raechel (raechel@pcbarrington.org) by October 18th. Cost is \$80. Visit our Giving page on our website for Zelle and E-Giving instructions or write a check (youth retreat/youth name in memo) and drop in the offering plate.

MESSY CHURCH- GROWING GENEROSITY

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. Join us on October 25th from 4:00-5:30pm.

Staff

Senior Pastor: David Ezekiel

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Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries: Raechel Sowa

God Welcomes All

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God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

This "short song," as the Iona Community calls it, can be especially effective as a means of setting a welcoming tone for a service (especially an ecumenical one). Like most such songs, it needs to be sung several times, adding and improvising harmony with each repetition.

TEXT: John L. Bell, 2008

MUSIC: South African song; transcr. John L. Bell, 2008

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THEMBA AMEN

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TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

853 We Are Marching in the Light of God

Siyahamba

We are march-ing in the light of God; we are march-ing in the
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -

light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God;
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

This lively Zulu/Xhosa freedom song originated in a Methodist young men's group in South Africa and has gone on to become popular in many other languages around the globe. Some additional stanzas are suggested, but others may be improvised as appropriate to the occasion.

TEXT: South African; English trans. Gracia Grindal, 1984
 MUSIC: South African; arr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984
 English Trans. and Music Arr. © 1984 Uttyck (admin. Walton Music Corp.)

SIYAHAMBA
 Irregular

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

We are march - ing
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo

oo

We are march-ing, march-ing, we are march-ing, march-ing,
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

We are march - ing
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo

oo

We are march-ing, march-ing, we are march-ing, march-ing,
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing...

We are praying...

We are singing...

Scripture Reading

Job 1:1, 2:1–10;
Hebrews 1:1–4, 2:10-12

Our scripture reading comes from the Old Testament Book of Job. The text informs us that...

¹ There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

...² One day the heavenly beings came before the Lord, and the accuser came with them. ² The Lord asked the accuser, "Where have you come from?" The accuser answered, "From roaming the earth and walking through it." ³ The Lord said, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on earth. He is blameless and upright, fears God, and turns away from evil. He still holds fast to his integrity, though you urged me to destroy him without cause." ⁴ Then the accuser answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! A person will give everything for his life. ⁵ But stretch out your hand and touch his bone and flesh, and he will curse you to your face." ⁶ The Lord replied to the accuser, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life."

⁷ So the accuser went out from the presence of the Lord and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. ⁸ Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself and sat among the ashes.

⁹ Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God and die." ¹⁰ But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive good from God and not receive evil?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

And reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews, scripture tells us that...

¹ Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³ He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

¹⁰ It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹ For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹² saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

ONE: This the word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God

² Some, testing [Jesus], asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³ He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴ They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." ⁵ But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶ But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷ 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸ and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹ Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

¹⁰ Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹ He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹² and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³ People were bringing children to him in order that he might touch them, and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

