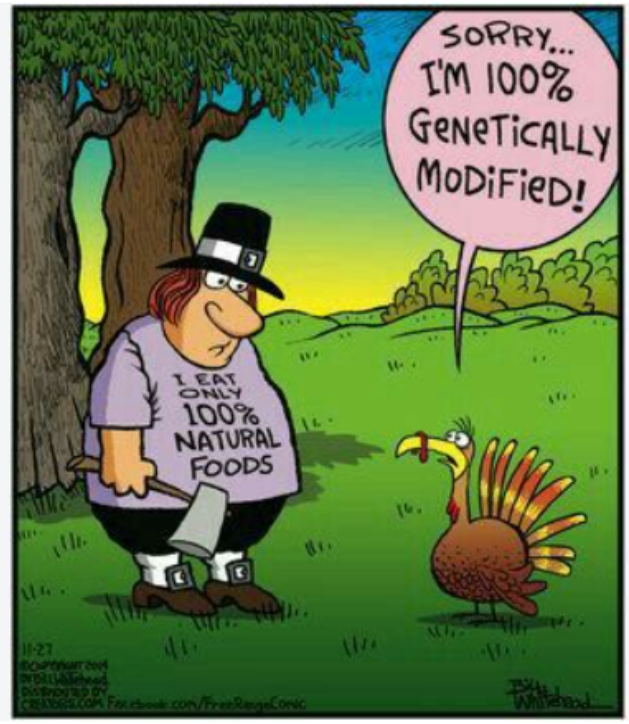
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON WEEKLY

CONNECTIONS

NOVEMBER 13,2026



Congregational Meeting

The Session has called a congregational meeting for this Sunday to elect Elders, Deacons, and those to the Leadership Nominations Committee.

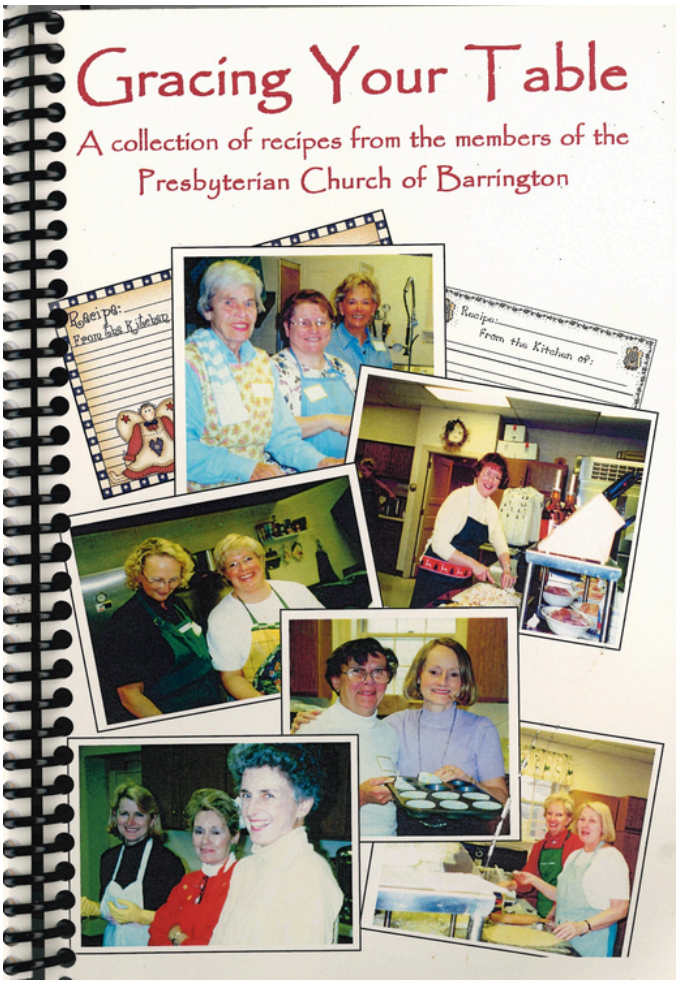
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HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The holidays are the perfect time to look back at the things we cherish most. Maybe it's a favorite family tradition, a secret recipe, memories of loved ones, or that legendary year it snowed over a foot!

To bring a little extra warmth to your season, we're digging into the archives. Over the next few weeks, we'll be sharing recipes from the Presbyterian Church of Barrington's Gracing Your Table cookbook, originally printed back in 2004. Get your aprons ready!





EGGNOG COOKIES

1 Cup butter
2 Cups sugar
1 Cup eggnog
½ tsp nutmeg
1 tsp baking soda
5 ½ Cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 egg white
candied fruits of colored sugar for decoration

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy.
Add eggnog, nutmeg, and soda; mix well
Add enough flour to make a stiff dough. Chill
Roll to ⅛ inch thickness on a lightly - floured pastry cloth and cut with Christmas cutters.
Brush with slightly-beaten egg white and decorate with candied fruits or collored sugar.

Bake at 375 F for 8-10 minutes or until delicately browned.

Author Nancy Arndtsen

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please offer prayers of support, comfort and peace for PCB members below and their families who are experiencing health issues and the recent loss of loved ones.

- Remember Matthew Furst, son of Ron and Peggy Furst, in your prayers as he deals with the tragic death of his friend and employee.
- Congratulations to Tanner and Carly Landes's on the birth of their son Oliver on Friday November 6.Proud grandparents are George and Elizabeth Landes
- Remember Byron Johnson in your prayers as he deals with health concerns.
- Remember Caryl Bondelli in your prayers as she deals with health concerns.
- The Lumsden family as they grieve the recent death of Penny Lumsden on September 5. The service will be Wednesday November 25th with Visitation 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall; Memorial Service 10:30 am, Sanctuary. To read Penny's obituary **CLICK HERE**

Prayer requests should be sent to Sue Dechow at dechow.sue@gmail.com or call 614-316-8748



Sponsoring our Sunday altar flowers is a wonderful way to mark a special occasion or remember a loved one. Look for the Flower Sign-up Calendar in Fellowship Hall.

2026 FAMILY-TO-FAMILY HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAM

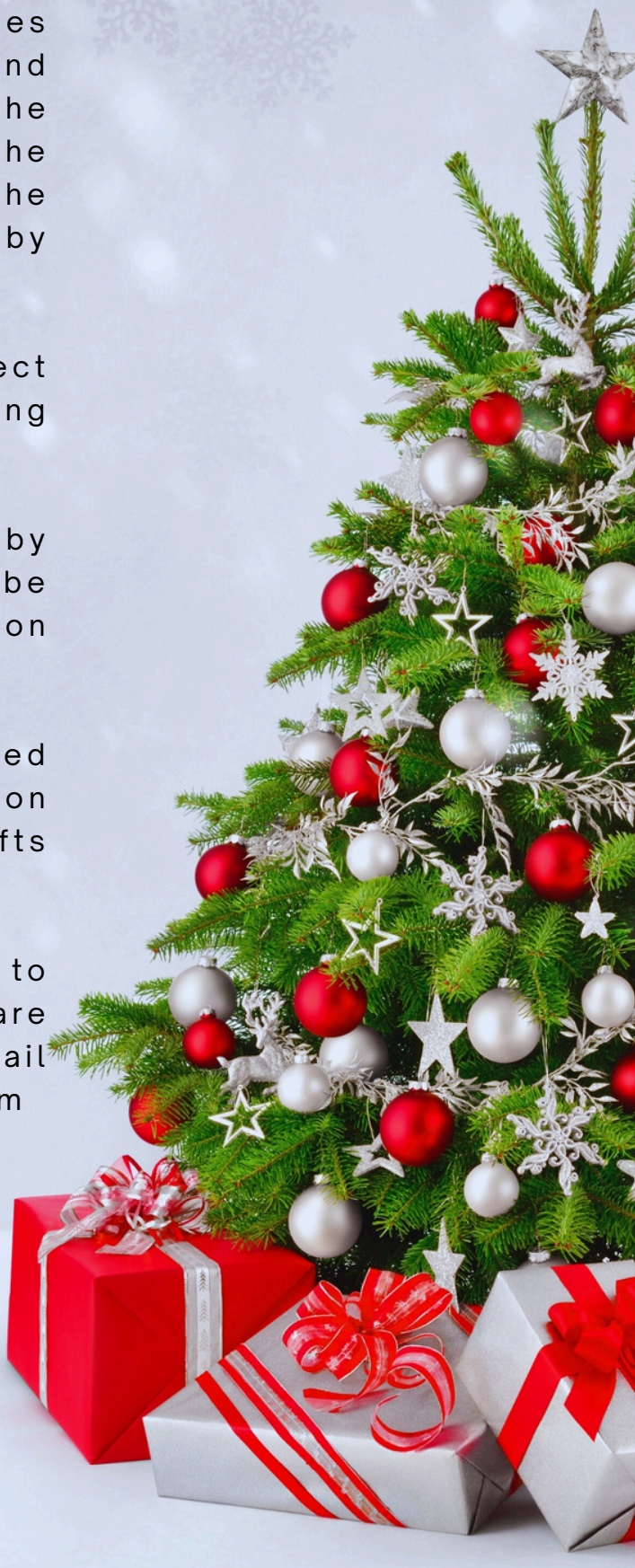
The Family-to-Family holiday giving program is a heartwarming initiative that embodies the true spirit of community, generosity, and compassion. Each year, members of the Christopher House community like the Presbyterian Church of Barrington, fulfill the holiday wishes of children and families by purchasing gifts and/or gift cards.

We will have the families available to select after worship in Fellowship Hall starting November 22 and will run until Dec 6.

All gifts should be at the church by Wednesday, December 9th. They will be dropped off at Christopher House on December 12th.

Each set of gifts should be clearly labeled with the family code for easy distribution when dropped off. Please leave your gifts under the tree in the Parlor.

If you have any questions or would like to sign up for a family before they are available on November 22, please email Jodie Harmsen at jodie.harmsen@gmail.com



CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY

Stronghold Youth Retreat

What a weekend our youth had at Stronghold. 160 youth and leaders from Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois gathered to explore the theme, Come as You Are. The weekend included small group and large group gatherings, a power hour of service to clean the grounds of Stronghold, lots of laughter, lots of eating, lots of walking, a beautiful night worship and campfire with s'mores.
Thank you to Jodi Harmsen for chaperoning so Josie B. and Katie S., along with 7 other youth from the youth group could attend.





CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY

Messy Thanksgiving

Come find out how we can explore Psalm 107 using cranberries, apple pie and more. Messy Church is a space where faith, creativity, and community come together. No experience required—just bring yourself (and maybe a friend!). Join us November 22nd from 4:00-5:30 PM.



ADULT EDUCATION

AFTER-CHURCH SESSIONS PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER

The Christian Education Committee has planned three after-church sessions in November with the theme of "Anticipating Advent." All adult sessions will meet in the Parlor but our intergenerational activity will meet in Fellowship Hall on November 29th so grab some coffee and maybe a donut hole and join us as Robert Reilly and Raechel Sowa lead us in an exploration of what the Bible and other sources say about the birth of Jesus.

November 15: Our second session looks at the Old Testament prophesies which Jesus' birth fulfilled. We hope to find answers to the following questions and many others:
How was Jesus a descendant of King David?
What does it mean to be "called out of Egypt"?
Was it important that Jesus be born in Bethlehem?

November 22: "Decorate the Church" – No session

November 29: Our final two sessions will identify the significance of the typical creche (or nativity) scene figures:

- **THE MANGER (OR FEED TROUGH)**
- **THREE WISE MEN**
- **SHEPHERDS**
- **ANGELS**
- **ANIMALS**
- **STAR**

Those wishing to dive deeper into scripture and the significance of the nativity scene figures will gather with Robert Reilly in the parlor. Simultaneously, a "family-friendly" exploration of the manger scene will take place in Fellowship Hall with Raechel Sowa.
Please join us as we "Anticipate Advent!"



ADULT EDUCATION

THEOLOGY ON ZOOM (TOZ)

Join us on Wednesday's at 7 PM
You can find more information on our website, click here

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Friday Morning Men's Group is studying Paul's Letter to the Romans. The Men's Study Group meets online each Friday at 8:00 AM. Contact Curt Moore or George Steffen if you would like to learn more.





Volunteers needed for Christmas decorating following church service on **November 22.** Please sign-up in Fellowship Hall or mark your calendar to stay and help. Many hands make light work. Thank you on behalf of the Worship Committee and Chancel Guild.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

What is Habitat for Humanity?
Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit housing organization working in local communities across all 50 states and in more than 70 countries around the world.

Interested in helping?
Email Audrey at aud2sell@comcast.net ahead of the Saturday you wish to work, and she will email you with location and task details.

Our next Habitat For Humanity work dates are Saturdays, November 14 & 21 2026,
from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Interested in helping?
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Rich Barbour and Audrey Helminiak
Your Habitat For Humanity contacts

DID YOU KNOW?
Deliveries are made by local organizations and volunteers. In addition to weekday meals, these volunteers also provide a smile and a daily safety check.
Many participants choose long-term meal delivery, but meals are also available on a short-term basis after a hospitalization or rehab stay.
Our next days to deliver are **November 27th 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.

WEEKLY OCCURRENCES

Sunday @ 10 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sunday @ 11:15 a.m.	Adult Faith Formation Classes	Parlor
Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.	Theology on Zoom	Zoom
Thursday @ 1:30 p.m.	Worship Planning	Office
Thursday @ 6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir	Bell Choir Room
Thursday @ 7:00 p.m.	Choir	Choir Room
Friday @ 8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study on Zoom	Zoom
Saturday @ 8:30 a.m.	AA	Choir Room

MONTHLY OCCURRENCES

2nd Sunday @ 11:15 a.m.	Deacons Meeting	Community Rm 1
2nd Monday @ 7:00 PM	Personnel	Parlor
4th Monday @ 7:00 p.m.	Session	Parlor
3rd Monday @ 6:30 p.m.	Leadership Nominations	Parlor
3rd Monday @ 6:30 p.m.	Church Growth Committee	Fellowship Hall
3rd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.	GTIF Women's Bible Study	Zoom
2nd Thursday @ 4:30 p.m	Worship Committee	Parlor
2nd Thursday @ 6:00p.m.	Finance/Stewardship	Parlor
3rd Thursday @ 6:30 p.m.	Men's Fellowship	See Tom Long
1st & 3rd Tuesday @ 9:00 a.m.	Staff	Zoom
1st Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.	Hospitality & Fellowship	Zoom
2nd & 3rd Saturday	Habitat for Humanity	See A.Helminiak
Twice a month	Meals with Wheels	See A.Helminiak