THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON WEEKLY

CONNECTIONS

NOVEMBER 20,2026

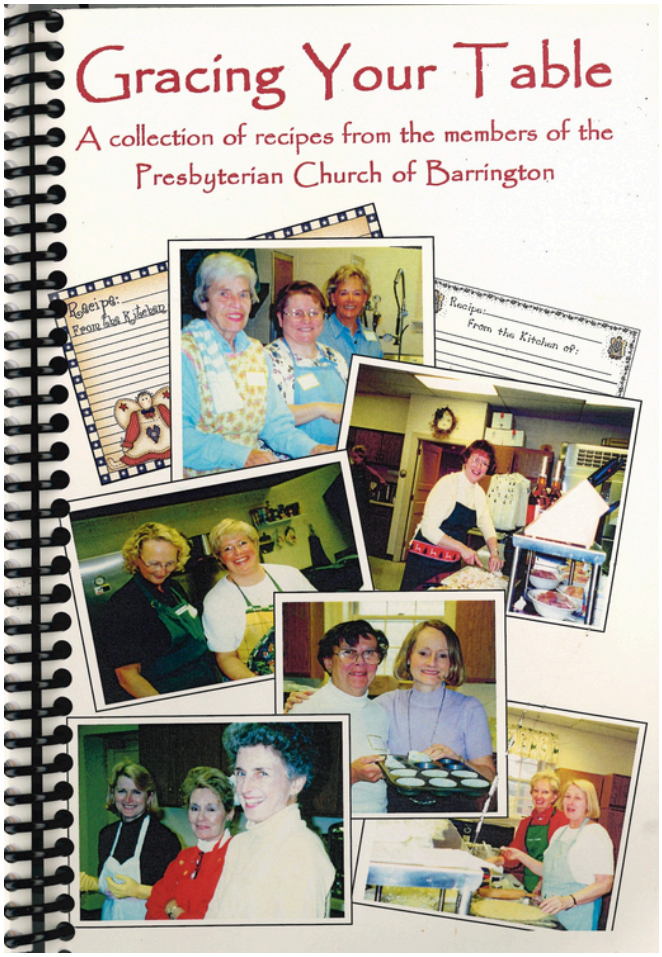


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FOR THIS SUNDAY'S BULLETIN

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!



This recipe if from my Grandmother Peterson, handed down to my mother and then to me on Thansgiving 1974.



PUMPKIN PIE

1 can of pumpkin (15oz)
1 ¼ cup light brown sugar
2 eggs
½ tsp salt
1 tsp ginger
1 tsp cinnamon
Sprinkle of ground cloves
1 ¾ cups whole milk

Mix all ingredients together in mixer and pour into an unbaked pie shell.

Bake 425 F for 15 minutes, and then turn temperature down to 350 F for 40 minutes.

Place foil around edges of crust to keep the edges from getting too dark. Remove the foil 30 minutes before the pie is done.

Author: Joan Brown

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.

- Debbie and Chris Marcussen as they grieve the loss of Debbie's cousin, Michael Lengacher, who died November 14
- Matthew Furst, son of Ronald and Peggy Furst, as he deals with the tragic death of his friend and employee
- Congratulations to Tanner and Carly Landes on the birth of their son, Oliver, November 6. Proud grandparents are George and Elizabeth Landes.
- Caryl Bondelli as she deals with health concerns
- Byron Johnson as he deals with health concerns
- **Note the time change** The Lumsden family service for Penny Lumsden who died September 5 will be held **Wednesday November 25th at 11:30 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.

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY

MESSY CHURCH -NOVEMBER 22ND @ 4PM

This Sunday we are coming together in Messy Church with all ages to remember how God is faithful at all times and forms a community of faith. Praying the Psalms, which was the song book that Jesus used to pray to God during his ministry on earth, helps us to pray as Jesus did. Our time together begins at 4PM and dinner will be served.



FIFTH SUNDAY & FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT -NOVEMBER 29TH

Our first Fifth Sunday Children/Youth/Family led worship is November 29th. Children/Youth and their families will be our greeters, ushers, liturgists and our hospitality team. Our time of waiting and preparation will begin with children leading the way. Want to know everything going on in Advent? Visit our website for details and to mark your calendars so you don't miss a moment. INSERT LINK TO ALL THINGS ADVENT NEWSLETTER ON OUR WEBSITE

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 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!"

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.



2027 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN - A JOY TO BEHOLD



Thank you for your gifts of all kinds to the church! Your support has made for a dynamic 2026 at PCB.

Let's work together to keep the momentum going in 2027. Watch your mail for two letters from your Finance & Stewardship Committee over the two weeks.

The first will share the process to build the budget for next year and the details of the Session-approved 2027 budget.

The second will invite each of us to consider a 2027 pledge and include a pledge card and other information.

If you wish to pre-pay part or all of your 2027 pledge or gift before the end of December (for tax, RMD, QCD, or any other reason), please feel free to do so and note it is for 2027.

If you want to make a gift of stock, please contact Patti Fugle in the office (847-381-0975 or patti@pcbarrington.org).



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, please email Jodie Harmsen at jodie.harmsen@gmail.com



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?
Email Audrey at 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

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.	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