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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Barrington United Methodist Church 98 Algonquin Road, Barrington, IL 60010 (847) 836-5540

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Worship online | Services are posted each week on Saturday

Worship in the Sanctuary | *Sundays at* 9:00 *and* 10:30 *a.m.* Worship has moved indoors for the winter. Respecting the health and safety of all, masks will continue to be required in the church building. We will also continue to offer a third service online through our Do.Be.Live channel or our website, barringtonumc.com. Join us in worship!

Sunday School is available for children ages 3 through grade 5 during both worship services.

All students, grades 6 through 12, are invited for fun conversation and fellowship at 10:30 a.m. in the youth room.

God's Squad meets this evening from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Students, grades 6 through 12, are invited to come for dinner, games, fellowship, and fun. Got homework? Bring those assignments and projects that aren't quite finished to Homework Hangs today from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Comunidad Cristiana | Christian Community Worship

Sundays at 2:00 p.m., in-person and online at Facebook.com/ComunidadCristianaUMC Trinity Center 1647 Ravine Lane, Carpentersville IL 60110 You and your neighbors are invited to join this emerging worship. Experience Hispanic-style worship with a mix of traditional and contemporary worship elements. Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month.

First UMC of West Dundee 318 W. Main Street, West Dundee, IL 60118

Classic Worship, Sundays at 10:00 a.m. | Online and In-person In-person, socially distanced worship is held in the sanctuary. Masks are required.

VITAL CONNECTIONS ABUNDANT FRUIT

Jesus said, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit." (John15:5)

Dear Friends,

Without question, this is the most urgent and important stewardship letter I have written in my twenty-three years as a pastor. Our church—the church we love—is in critical need of a generous outpouring of financial support.

As we have demonstrated time and again, we are very good at rising to the challenge when disaster strikes and somebody needs our help. We have given enough resources to fill cargo containers and send them afar to care for victims of tornados, hurricanes and floods. We have responded to the needs of hungry neighbors by raising and preparing literally tons of food and thousands of meals for those most vulnerable. We delivered thousands of handmade face masks during the pandemic and provided them to front-line healthcare workers, the elderly and those most at risk. We have surrounded countless people with our prayers, our care and our companionship when they were sick, alone or isolated.

And now, the time has come when we need to help ourselves and our church with the same spirit of generosity and selflessness.

The COVID pandemic has significantly diminished the support we receive. We have experienced a downturn in in-person giving and building use donations over the last eighteen or so months. There will be no PPP loan in 2022.* This means without our increased support, we will have to seriously consider downsizing or eliminating ministries and missions.

Rooted in Christ, Called to Serve

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VITAL CONNECTIONS: ABUNDANT FRUIT continued

These are programs and efforts that provide hope and support to people who are hurting and who need the church to care for them. We need to come together and demonstrate our faith in God and love for one another by giving generously to fully fund our budget this year and next.

Our lives are interconnected with each other's lives and with our church. Jesus is the vine and we are the branches; if the plant is not fed and watered through our gifts of time, talent and treasure, our church will be diminished. Our lives will be diminished. The fruit we bear for God will be diminished.

I believe with all my heart that we have the resources and the spirit to overcome this present difficulty. In the weeks ahead, I implore you to consider catching up on your commitment, whether that was a pledged commitment or one that you made without pledging. I also ask you to consider giving an extra gift to fund 2021. Finally, I ask you to submit a generous and sacrificial pledge or estimate of giving for 2022.

We can weather this storm. We can not only survive, we can thrive.

God planted this church. Our efforts have nourished it over the years and it will continue to grow stronger if each one of us honors the connection we have as branches to the vine of God. Please know that every gift is gratefully received and every giver is held in prayer.

Rev. Chris Winkler

*In 2020, and in 2021, the church received a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan of \$150,000 and \$145,000 respectively. These PPP loans were available from the Small Business Administration to help businesses—of which churches qualified-keep their workforce employed during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Commitment Sunday, November 14-Investing in our future

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, Lou Ann Gordon, Director of Finance. Lou Ann has been a member of BUMC for 35 years. During that time, she has been active in many various committees-most recently the Board of Directors of Noah's Ark Christain Academy serving on the finance subcommittee, Adult Faith Development and the Tech Team. She also has been active in a number of Bible study groups over the past 20 years. She is a business owner and has been responsible for all the operational accounting functions since 2001.

Welcome, Dr. Ricardo Ramirez, Organist. We are pleased to announce Dr. Ricardo Ramirez will be joining our ministry team as Organist. Ricardo recently retired after thirteen years as Director of Music and Organist at the Cathedral of the Holy Name in Chicago. Born in Eagle Pass, Texas, he studied at Notre Dame, Southern Methodist University and the Eastman School of Music in New York. He is noted for his interpretation of French organ music and, in his own compositions, introducing and integrating the themes and folklores of Mexico with modern musical styles. Ricardo's first Sunday on our organ bench will

be November 7, All Saints Sunday.

CHURCH CONFERENCE

December 7 at First UMC, West Dundee

Again this year, we will celebrate our multisite ministry with a joint church conference on Tuesday, December 7 at 6:45 p.m. with the Staff-Parish Relations Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m.







All Saints Sunday, November 7

On Sunday, November 7, the following loved ones who have been lost this past year were named, honored and remembered during worship.

Barrington United Methodist Church

Colin Abrams	Kathleen Mila Ferguson	Nellie Morgan
Douglas Bible	Ruth Fox	Ray A. Moyer
William Braithwaite	Helen Ruehlman Gillham	Eugene Nelson
Inez Carmichael	Ralph Gillham	Brandon Michael Orr
Angie Concialdi	Georgette Chemali Handal	Kenneth Ratzek
Tony Concialdi	Phil Hess	Jose Jesus Rios
Robert Cratsenberg	Wallace Hladky	Madalene Roedl
Donald W. Davis	Bernice Little	Marilyn Rossow
Thelma Davis	Hazel Mae Little	Catherine Schmidt
Kathryn DeMent	Clarice Mason	Eugene Thomas
Marie Downey	Karyn McGee	Robert Woodsome
Edward Waldemar Ekstrom	Kitty Lee Metcalfe	

First United Methodist Church West Dundee

Robert E. Bevier
Dorothy Lou (Wallace) Brown
Cynthia Carlson Boyenga
Stephanie Buchs
George Deihs
Genevieve Englebrecht
Charles Emery

Comunidad Cristiana

Robert R. Erb **Charles Emery** Juvenal Sanchez Hernandez Rosa Lopez Guadalupe Martinez

Robert R. Erb Johanna Marie Huerta Patrick R. Lynch David Novak Patricia Ann Rooker Carol Ward Mary Johnson Carlson White

Panchis Martinez Bernardina A. Lopez Montalvo Gilberto Plata Patricia Ann Rooker

Those who have passed from COVID-19

Ten Thousand Villages

The Ten Thousand Villages Fair Trade Pop-Up market returns this year! A Thanksgiving Sunday tradition at Barrington UMC, this is a wonderful chance to shop for stocking stuffers, hostess gifts, Christmas ornaments, or a little something for yourself. Join us on Sunday, November 21 for shopping that makes a difference.

Children's Christmas Gifts

Every year, Barrington UMC donates Christmas gifts to children in need at Kids Above All. We will continue to offer an online signup as well as in-person signups this year. Please find the form on our website **barringtonumc.com/** get-involved or through the link in your weekly eNews. Let us know how many children you would like to sponsor and whether you prefer to shop for boys or girls. You will receive a response from Barbara Bond within a few days. If you don't hear from her, please email her directly at bbond32190@aol.com.

We ask that gifts include an item of clothing and a toy of not more than \$40 total. If you do not wish to sign up online, there will be in-person sign-ups on Sunday, November 21 and Sunday, November 28. Gifts should be returned by Sunday, December 5 unwrapped in a gift bag with a tag from St. Nicholas and the child's name.

The Mission Committee at First UMC also has names of children in need at Kids Above All. Marcia Buchs is coordinating participation in the holiday gift drive for this United Methodist mission partner.







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GET INVOLVED | FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Sunday Morning Book Study at Barrington UMC

Practical Christianity for Men, a faith development activity of United Methodist Men, is studying the book The Great Emergence: How Christianity is Changing and Why.

In summary, mankind first harnessed fire an estimated 1.5 million years ago, invented the lever about 7,000 years ago, developed the wheel about 6,000 years ago, and continued to assemble the building blocks for modern technology, but at a relatively slow pace. Of course the invention of electricity, radiation, and electronic computing over just the past 150 years accelerated the rate of sophistication. But then, in a period of only about the last 50 years, the internet, the cell phone, and the GPS created an explosion of possibilities! The world changed forever with huge implications for communication, financial services, health care, and .



.. religion. We are the last generation to remember life before the internet, cell phone, and GPS and we are the first generation to wrestle with the consequences. Mike Rapp, Rich Gray, and Phil Pardun lead this fascinating discussion.

To join this engaging conversation about our rapidly changing world and the opportunities for Christianity, contact John Maxson (jsmaxson@aol.com).



Thursday Morning Study at Barrington UMC

WOW (Women of the Word) | Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. - noon.

Beginning in December, this group will discuss Making Sense of the Bible, Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today by Adam Hamilton.

Denominations from evangelical to mainline continue to experience deep divisions over universal social issues. The underlying debate isn't about a particular social issue, but instead, it is about how we understand the nature of scripture and how we should interpret it. The world's bestselling, most-read, and most-loved book is also one of the most confusing. In Making Sense of the Bible, Adam Hamilton, one of the country's leading pastors and Christian authors, addresses the hot-button issues that plague the church and cultural debate, and answers many of the questions frequently asked by Christians and non-Christians alike.

Join the conversation by contacting Faye Reid (fayemsw@aol.com), Carol Henrickson (clhenrickson@gmail.com) or Debi Damico (damicodebi@gmail.com).

Thursday Book Study at First UMC West Dundee

Book Discussion Group | Wednesday, December 1 at noon All are invivted to the Fireside Room for a discussion of The Alchemy of

Noise by Lorraine Devon Wilke.

In world so full of lonely people and broken hearts, it's serendipitous that Chris Hawkins, a black sound engineer from Chicago's south side, and Sidonie Frame, white, suburban raised, the head manager of one of the city's buzziest venues, meet by work related happenstance and fall quickly in love. The couple is convinced happiness is theirs for the taking, but life, it seems, has other plans. While they're able to transcend culture clashes, recurring police disruptions, and the resistance of select family and friends, a violent arrest ultimately turns their world upside down, leaving them to question everything ~ including each other.

There is a Reading Group/Book Club discussion guide at the end of the book that can help guide our discussion. If you have any questions, please contact Pr. Wendy, wwitt@barringtonumc.com or (312) 898-6804.





THE

ALCHEMY



GET INVOLVED | BUMC MEMBER CARE

T ndoor Tea Parties have resumed on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We meet at the church at 1:00 p.m and go in pairs to visit people. Please let the church office L know if you are interested in receiving a visit or being a visitor; our next party is on November 21.

Member care volunteers deliver occasional meals to individuals going through difficult times. If you would be willing to cook and/or deliver a meal once in a while, please contact Elaine Anderson at (847) 921-5356 or at rneaa@comcast. net for more information. We have also resumed our Communion Service at The Garlands. This short, 1/2 hour to 45-minute monthly service needs volunteers to assist with the program.

"Card Angels," a member care program, needs your help. If you would you be willing to write notes of encouragement to someone going through difficult times, we need your help! These cards are sent to the same person every few weeks.

If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, need some of these services, or have questions, please contact the church office at (847) 836-5540 or Elaine Anderson at (847) 921-5356 or rneaa@comcast.net



GET INVOLVED | WELCOMING AFGHAN REFUGEES

ur church is exploring how best to support Afghan refugees-specifically, individuals or families who have served with American troops and have been vetted by the State Department to stay in the United States for their safety. These individuals will receive work permits immediately and be eligible to apply for citizenship at a later date. Our efforts will be coordinated through World Relief Chicagoland, an agency contracted by the State Department to coordinate the efforts of churches and other volunteers.

One of the ways we could support a family is by forming a Good Neighbor Team. A group of four to six people can form a team "to extend welcome to a refugee family through practical and relational support. Good Neighbor Teams serve in collaboration with World Relief Services' Immigrant Family Services staff to support families in pursuit of their stated goals, and with the support of our Volunteer Coordinator, extend hospitality, offer friendship, and facilitate the building of community. Teams commit to partnership with a family weekly for a minimum of six months."

There are many other opportunities to help as mentors or tutors, setting up apartments, providing transportation, donating welcome kits, furniture or winter clothing, or providing funds to support any of these efforts.

There will be an informational meeting on Friday, November 12, at 6:00 p.m. at Wheatland Salem UMC, 1852 95th St, Naperville. World Relief, the agency taking the lead in the resettlement of Afghani refugees, will provide a complete presentation on the opportunities for churches to partner and help.

To join us for the presentation, or to express your interest in helping, please contact George Gill at gkgill.sr@gmail.com or Wayne Schild at schildcons@aol.com.



Children at a World Relief parent/child playgroup in September.

This effort continues a Barrington UMC tradition of helping those who have helped our troops.

After WWII, we supported an eastern European family, and later, a Vietnamese family. This is our opportunity to continue this tradition.



GET INVOLVED | MUSIC AND WORSHIP ARTS

Our Music and Worship Arts programs continue to move forward in exciting ways. Here are things you can look forward to.

- Our new organist, Ricardo Ramirez will join us beginning November 7 for All Saints worship. Our Worship Arts team will create the All Saints candle vignette.
- Nancy Jensen will again design and install worship arts for Thanksgiving in the rotunda and sanctuary.
- We are organizing volunteers to help decorate the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas. Contact Patti Mangis if you are able to join the effort, pmangis@barringtonumc.com.
- On the last Sunday of Advent, December 19, during morning worship, the combined choirs of First United Methodist West Dundee and Barrington United Methodist Church will present Magnificat by Taylor Scott Davis in the Barrington UMC Sanctuary. This 30-minute multi-movement work is a setting of Mary's prayer from the first chapter of Luke.



THE MAGNIFICAT

Sunday, December 19, 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. at Barrington United Methodist Church

It is not too late to join the choir for this event!

Come to seven hour-long rehearsals Thursdays at 7:00, and you can take part! Recordings of all the parts are available for listening at home or in your car. If you have ever been in choir, or ever wanted to, we need your voice to make this music beautiful.

The Magnificat will be accompanied on organ and on harp played by harpist Laura Fako Utley.

Composer Taylor Scott Davis is Director of Music and Worship Arts at St. Andrew United Methodist Church in Plano, Texas. Davis is in high demand across the country, and has received commissions from a wide variety of groups. His Magnificat was published in 2020, under commission for the Chancel Choir of St. John's United Methodist Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico, "in honor of women of faith." Davis' music has been called "lush and artful" in the Choral Journal, with Opera Today praising it as "soothing and luxuriant."

Harpist Laura Fako Utley has been playing the harp since 1977. She grew up in a musical family in Elmhurst, IL. Both of her parents are professional musicians. Her father played with the Lyric Opera Orchestra of Chicago and her mother is a former member of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. In 1990, she received her degree in Music Performance from the Chicago College of Performing Arts at Roosevelt University. Laura currently performs and teaches throughout the Chicagoland area playing with orchestras, small chamber ensembles for weddings, receptions and special occasions.





GET INVOLVED | FELLOWSHIP

United Methodist Women

Barrington United Methodist Women | BUMC Women continue staying connected via weekly Zoom meetings. Anyone who would like to get in on the fun of meeting new people or connecting with old friends is welcome! We meet at 10:00 a.m. every Thursday morning, please email Linda Osikowicz if you'd like more information, Lmosikow@comcast.net

During the weekly chat, you'll find out what's new in the world of UMW. Whether it is sharing or supporting one another as well as learning about our mission and social action work; we would love to have you here with us! And don't forget Norma and Linda still need your help stuffing "Have A Heart" pillows for Good Shepherd Hospital-let them know if you are available to pitch in so they can get made before all mastectomy patients run out of supplies!

TURN IT UP! United Methodist Women Assembly 2022

Orlando, FL May 20-22, 2022

Come to Orlando to care for your spirit, worship and celebrate the positive impact women create in the world. United Methodist Women Assembly provides a time to reflect on today's challenges and build new ways for faith-filled women to make a difference in our communities and the world. It is a time for spiritual healing and renewal, rebirth, and to learn ways to work for justice for women, children, and youth.

Registration has begun; early registration fee of \$330 is through November 30. Scholarships are available. A block of rooms is reserved for Northern Illinois Conference UMW at Rosen Centre, Orlando. There is also a virtual option, join from your living room! Virtual attendees receive access to all five Community Gatherings, one workshop on Friday and Saturday, exclusive behind-thescenes speaker interviews, sisterhood networking, and more. The virtual early registration fee is of \$199.

For more information, contact Linda Osikowicz, Lmosikowicz@comcast.net.

CELEBRATIONS | CROP HUNGER WALK

On Sunday, October 10, over 125 people didn't let a rainy fall afternoon stop them from walking for hungry people here in Barrington and around the world. Together, BUMC and First UMC raised over \$12,056 for the 39th Annual Barrington Area CROP Hunger Walk! Thank you to both walkers and sponsors for "stepping up to end hunger!" BUMC Walkers: Nancy and Steve Middleton, Sam Oliver, Linda Osikowicz, Liz Penick, Betty Reed, Jim and Chris Streed, Bob Williams, Pat Ziebart BUMC rest stop staffers: Pam and Tom Arrigo First UMC, W. Dundee walkers: JB Livengood, Gail Thiede



Bob Williams



Jim Streed, Liz Penick, Linda Osikowicz, Pat Ziebart

Pam and Tom Arrigo, Rest Stop Volunteers

Sam Oliver

JB Livengood, Gail Theide



CELEBRATIONS | CONGREGATIONAL GARDEN

The 2021 congregational garden has been a great success. Over 25,000 pounds of fresh vegetables were grown from seed and delivered to a record ten food outlets. This year we grew the following vegetables: broccoli, zucchini, yellow squash, bell peppers, assorted hot peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, acorn, butternut and spaghetti squashes, pumpkins and brussel sprouts

Garden volunteers this year included:

Nancy Middleton Linda Osikowicz Jim Stein Argelia Tellez Sue Kowal Ken Kowal Frank Reid Bill Bible Suzanne Bible Pam Arrigo Sydney Whitley Del Haagen Fred Kocian Dennis Rossow Liz Penick Dan Murray Pat Ziebart Bob Antrim Tom Rogers Butch Graf

Jim Finn Barb Finn Mike Lovejoy Walt Preucil Lynn Grant Julia Hooper Lou Schairer Ron Schneider Bill West

Food Banks the Congregational Garden serves:

FISH Food Pantry - Carpentersville Palatine Food Pantry Two Rivers Headstart - Elgin Crystal Lake Food Pantry Dundee Township Foundation Greater Elgin Food Pantry Salvation Army - Elgin House of Hope - Food Pantry Salvation Army - Crystal Lake Carpentersville Community Meal

Many thanks to all who assisted in this important outreach to provide fresh vegetables to those in need. We look forward to growing another bounty next year. Be on the lookout for information on how to join the garden crew beginning Spring of 2022.

Noah's Ark Christian Academy Poinsettias

It's time for our annual winter plant fundraising. Purchase beautiful large poinsettias (white or red), amaryllis, azaleas or ferns for your home and support Noah's Ark Christian Academy at the same time.

All plants must be ordered in advance; please include payment at the time of the order. Cash or checks will be accepted; checks should be made payable to Noah's Ark Christian Academy. Orders are due November 19 and the plants will be available for pick from Noah's Ark beginning on December 3 after 9:00 a.m. For more information, contact Susan Acosta at sbrown@barringtonumc.com. Plants are grown by Leider Greenhouses in Buffalo Grove.

Poinsettias

4-inch pot (please circle: red white)6-inch pot (please circle: red white)10-inch pot (please circle: red white)

Winter Pots

6-inch pot Amaryllis6-inch pot Azalea4-inch pot Frosty Fern with Red Cardi

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inal	\$12	

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Interested in

our families?

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We are growing and

we need your help!

Volunteers help in a

teaching to VBS.

variety of ways from

FAMILY MINISTRY at BUMC

Sunday School with a Twist! We are thrilled to have our children (ages 3 through 5th grade) back in Sunday School during both services!

Here's a sneak peek of what's to come for the rest of 2021!

Thankful for God's Unbe"leaf"able Blessings in November!

Let's gather together and give thanks for all the blessings in our lives. We will learn how to give thanks in a variety of ways! This month will feature crafts made from nature.

Let Your Light Shine in December!

Our classroom will be filled with holiday spirit and fun lights!! Come learn how you can be the light in the world as we journey through the season of Advent and Christmas!



Upcoming Events!

Drop 'N Shop

Saturday, December 4, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Barrington UMC

Our favorite end-of-year event is coming back! Children ages 3 and up are invited for an awesome day of play, game, food, and a PJ Party. We will finish up the event with a movie so our younger friends can have some downtime! This is a great opportunity for our grownups to do last-minute Christmas errands, catch up on the DVR, and get some much-needed R an R!!

*Children do not need to stay for the entire event. Pick up as needed!

Register online,

barringtonumc.com/drop-n-shop

or contact Tammy for more information tmckay@barringtonumc.com.



YOUTH

God's Squad is back and we are so excited!

God's Squad meets every Sunday, September through May, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Join us weekly for dinner, games, fellowship, and fun.*

Homework Hangs

Sundays, 4-6 p.m.

It's Sunday...which means Monday is just around the corner. Bring those homework assignments and projects that aren't quite finished. We'll have coffee, cocoa, and extra pencils.

*Holidays and special dates that we will not meet will be communicated.

**Interested in volunteering with our youth? We are always looking to grow our ministry support team. We guarantee laughter, joy, and a ton of fun! For more information, contact Pastor Bonnie, bbevers@barringtonumc.com

EVENTS

Stay tuned for more information about these fall and winter events! December–Zoo Lights at Lincoln Park Zoo

Calling all youth volunteers!

We are excited for Drop N Shop to return this year! Do you need volunteer hours or just want to join in on the fun? We are in need of youth helpers to support our Family ministry team during this event for children!

No previous experience is required! The event is on Saturday, December 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact Tammy Mckay at tmckay@barringtonumc.com or at (847) 770-8813 if you can join us.



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Friday, November 19 at 5:50 p.m.

Xscape in Time 485 W Northwest Hwy Barrington, IL 60010

Cost - \$25

Plan to meet at the location, we will eat in the party room after we escape!

Registration is required by November 14, barringtonumc.com!



NOAH'S ARK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

We had a great time at the fall fest, pumpkin picking, and fall parties.

In November, we will be exploring in the NEC, conducting pumpkin experiments, and enjoying our thanksgiving feasts.

We are selling Poinsettia Plants the weekends of the November 7 and 14.









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Christmas Eve Worship Services at Barrington UMC

12:00 p.m.* 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m.
Each service is limited to 200 people with socially distanced seating.
Online registration opens in mid-November and is required for all services, visit barringtonumc.com/christmas
Face masks are required for all persons over the age of 2.
*Proof of COVID-19 vaccination required to attend the noon service.