

# The Carillon October, 2003

# THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BARRINGTON A welcoming, caring, family of faith

# Live Lobsters Land in Barrington for Lobster Fest, October 18

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ick up live or cooked lobsters and cherry or blueberry pie on Saturday, October 18. Place your orders by October 10. Phone: 847-381-0975. Or send the order form below with your check to The Presbyterian Church of Barrington 6 Brinker Road, Barrington Hills IL 60010. Proceeds benefit our mission programs.

# 1 ¼ lb. live lobsters from Maine

# Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2003

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Live Lobsters - \$12.00 Cooked Lobsters - \$15.00 Blueberry and Cherry Pies - \$7.50



# Order by Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

| Name:    |  |
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| Address: |  |

Phone:

 Fresh Lobster – Live:
 #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_@ \$12.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Fresh Lobster – Cooked
 #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_@ \$15.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

 8" Blueberry Pie
 #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_@ \$ 7.50 \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

 8" Cherry Pie
 #\_\_\_\_\_\_@ \$ 7.50 \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Pick up time:
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 11:30
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# The Presbyterian Church of Barrington Vision Statement

Created by God as a welcoming, caring family of faith, we...

...worship God joyfully, guided and challenged by Scripture and the proclamation of Christ's gospel;

*...serve those in need, inspiring and equipping one another to respond to God's call;* 

...support each individual's journey of faith through lifelong learning, Christian fellowship and prayer; and

...share this spiritual home with all, drawing others to faith in Jesus Christ and reflecting the everlasting love of God.

Thanks For Your Help:

Thanks to Jack and Jinny Train, Mary and Jack Kerkhof, Sandi Crewe and Jean Marshall for assembling the September Carillon.

Thanks to Jack and Jinny Train and Sandi Crewe for folding the Sunday bulletins so faithfully.

Thanks to all the volunteers who donate their time and talents to organize, plan and keep all of our programs and activities running. It takes the entire congregation to run the church! Dear Friends in Christ,

New Testament scholars tell us that Christianity was successful in large measure because of its radical sense of community. These early Christians had a communitarian sense about the use of material possessions and practiced that conviction by aiding the needy among them.

The early Christians transformed the economic values of the Greco-Roman world. The specific value which shaped all other values was their belief that sharing was more important than possessing. Attaining this attitude required a change of heart in which they detached themselves from their riches. They believed that God created the material world for all humankind and the wealthy were essentially the earth's stewards. There was also the belief that the rich were the spiritual bodyguards for the poor and widowed, the orphaned and aged They also believed that Christ particularly identified with the impoverished and disadvantaged.

Early Christians did not forbid having private property but they did question its greedy misuse. They saw in private property the opportunity for human discord and violence. In the struggle for possessions, they found a subversion of God's original call for humans to live together in a spirit of peace, justice and love. An early Christian scholar, named Origen made this argument:

"God knows that what a man loves with all his heart and soul and might – this for him is God. Let each one of us now examine himself and silently in his own heart decide which is the flame of love that chiefly and above all else is afire within him, which is the passion that he finds he cherishes more keenly than others. Whatever it is that weighs the heaviest in the balance of your affection, that for you is God. But I fear that with very many the love of gold will turn the scale."

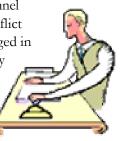
As we enter this season of stewardship, I believe that this early Christian theologian provides us with a pointed meditation for all of us.

Pax, Curt Baxter

# Church Administration

#### Clerk's Corner

Several have asked about personnel issues and, in particular, the conflict resolution process that we engaged in last year with our staff. As many of you are aware, Dr. Hugh Halverstadt, a specialist in conflict resolution who was recommended to us by the



Chicago Presbytery, worked with our staff to help resolve several issues. The personnel committee has reported to the Session that the process involving Dr. Hugh Halverstadt and our staff was concluded in early spring. Essentially this means that while Dr. Halverstadt will no longer be working with our staff on a regular basis, as a resource, he remains available to help with any further issues that may arise, and staff members may feel free to call on him with any future concerns they may have.

One area Dr. Halverstadt has also guided the personnel committee in is implementing an evaluation process. As a result, in May each member of the staff took part in the first of what will be an annual evaluation procedure. The evaluation meetings involved discussions of positive attributes and contributions, as well as performance concerns and opportunities for improvement. The preparation for these individual meetings included input from members of the congregation with actual experience in working with staff persons. In addition to written evaluations prepared by the personnel committee, each staff person was encouraged to provide his or her own written evaluation for discussion during the evaluation meeting.

One of the objectives achieved during the evaluation procedure was to set reasonable and specific, short and long-term performance goals. In order to familiarize our staff with goal-setting, experienced members of the Session and the congregation provided important assistance to staff persons on goal-setting basics. The next routine evaluation meetings will be held in the late Fall in order to put the procedure on a yearly basis consistent with the budget-setting process for the Church.

In addition to the implementation of this evaluation procedure, the Session has approved a revised Personnel Policy Manual. This manual outlines the policies and procedures as they refer to personnel issues to help preclude any confusion that may occur in the future.

### Meeting Minutes Nominating and Leadership Development Committee

Notes from September 11, 2003 meeting.

A skills and interest survey was sent out. Responses are being typed into a data base and reports will be printed and given to committee chairs.

Nominations for the open positions of Elder, Trustee and Deacon have been received and the nominees will be contacted by members of the committee. Elections will be held at the Congregational Meeting on October 26 at 10:00 a.m.

Leadership Orientation will be held on November 15 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. for all new officers, including those who filled unexpired terms.

| Financial Report      |               |               |  |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| Period ending 8/31/03 | Actual        | <u>Budget</u> |  |
|                       |               |               |  |
| Contributions         | 418,104       | 417,557       |  |
| Other Receipts        | <u>22,456</u> | <u>5,567</u>  |  |
| Total                 | 440,560       | 423,124       |  |
|                       |               |               |  |
| Expenses              | 414,144       | 439,792       |  |
| Net                   | 26,416        | (16,668)      |  |

# Barrington Presbyterian Women

#### A Swedish Country Christmas



The Christmas Benefit will be held on Wednesday, **December 3**, 2003, starting at 10:00 a.m.

The ladies are hard at work planning the program, bake sale, raffle, silent auction and luncheon. We need many volunteers to make this a successful

event. Please be part of this wonderful beginning to the Advent Season by volunteering your time and talents.

**Bakers** are needed for the Bake Sale. We need lots of cookies, brownies, bar cookies and small bread loaves. Please contact **Bonnie Free or Sally Hilgendorf**, if you are willing to bake.

**Gift baskets** are needed for the drawing and silent auction. If you would like to contribute, please contact **Laura Semmen.** 

Circle your choices on the form below and turn it in to the church office or call **Anne Garrette.** 

YES! I want to be a Volunteer:

Name:

Phone:

Email:

I'll Cook on Monday Tuesday

Set Tables on Tuesday

Take reservations on Sunday, Nov. 9 after Services

Help set up the bake sale on Tuesday

Wait tables on Wednesday

Usher at the program

Clean up

Bake for bake sale

#### October 2 Meeting

All are welcome to attend. Come for coffee at 9:15 a.m., the meeting starts at 9:35 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. After the meeting, at 10:45 a.m., we'll assemble the Kitchen Kits for Home of the Sparrow. If you wish to donate kitchen items, you may bring them with you.

#### Morning Bible Study

On **October 1**, come at 9:30 a.m. for coffee. Bible Study starts at 10:00 a.m. Led by Dr. Baxter and Mary Kerkhof, the book to be used this session is "Interpretation Bible Study – Philippians and Galatians" by Stanley P. Saunders. This book is \$8 and available in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact coordinator, **Susan Raaths**.

#### Book Club

The book for November is "East of Eden" by John Steinbeck. We'll meet on **November 20** at the home of Linda Neton. Coordinator, **Alice Buchholz**.

#### GTIF

The GTIF Bible Study is "Growing in Wisdom and Faith". We'll meet on **October 21** at 7:00 p.m., at the home of Linda McGurer. Coordinator, **Becky Bosarge**.

#### The BPW Retreat

Save the weekend of **February 20 - 22, 2004.** We are thrilled to have the date set, an excellent speaker and a wonderful venue selected. The hard decisions have been made, and now we just need two things: women to set aside these dates to attend the 2004 retreat, and an enthusiastic committee! Soon we will begin meeting to organize this event. If you have been on a retreat before and would like to be part of the planning team, we would welcome you. If you have never been on a BPW retreat, your ideas would also be very valued. Call us to volunteer for this fun and rewarding event. Nancy Nadig or Susan Raaths.

#### Women With Aging Parents

The group will meet the second Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the home of **Marge Slocum**. The next meeting will be **October 9**.

# Stephen Ministry

#### Happy Anniversary, Stephen Ministry!

October is a special month for Stephen Ministry at our church. In October of 2001, it was announced in the Carillon that Nancy Dolan, Linda McGurer and Nancy Nadig had begun meeting and preparing to bring Stephen Ministry to our church. By October of 2002, the first class of 12 Stephen Ministers was commissioned, and had begun giving care to care receivers. October, 2003 finds the program with 17 Stephen Ministers trained and giving care to our congregation.

Our October anniversary finds our Stephen Ministry program strong and growing. It is growing in the number of care receivers we serve. It is growing in the number of people who are *asking* for a Stephen Minister *before* one is offered to them. The understanding of the congregation is growing; people are suggesting Stephen Ministry as a way to help their friends. Certainly the Stephen Ministers are growing. Their faith deepens as each Stephen Minister offers non-judgmental, compassionate, confidential care and the love of Christ to those experiencing the challenges of life. Stephen Ministers' skills are growing too, as each month they meet for Continuing Education. In celebration of our October Anniversary, here are some quotes from our Stephen Ministers:

Stephen Ministry is the most organized, ready to serve, Christ-centered ministry I have ever witnessed.

Becoming a Stephen Minister is the most spiritually fulfilling thing I have ever done. The love of Christ that is present when we meet is at times overwhelming. We bring that same Christ-centered love to each and every care receiver.

Everyone has struggles at different times in their lives, and each of us should feel good about the presence of the Stephen Ministry support and take advantage of it.

From the very beginning, God teaches us to care for one another - that is sooo what Stephen Ministry is all about!

Stephen Ministry has been such a growth experience for me, spiritually - helping to express and continue forming my own beliefs, whether it be through prayer, discussion with my care receiver, or whatever. It has been a wonderful step in my own faith journey.

Stephen Ministry provides a safe place for those who are suffering - a place where feelings, however painful and embarrassing, can be shared with complete acceptance and confidentiality. It is a place where no judgments are made. It is a place where God's love can be found.

Stephen Ministry has made me realize that I am indeed a mere instrument of God's love and time. It has emphasized the importance of patience, the removal of self and one's own expectations, in order to allow the Holy Spirit to work. It has been a joy.

Our Church serves an affluent community, where job stress and responsibilities can be overwhelming and crises can occur frequently. Stephen Ministry offers a safe haven for those who suffer in their everyday living, addressing fears and needs with complete confidentiality, and distinctly Christian care. It promotes the very reason for our Church's existence-to love one another.

Pride and the fact that people are "too busy" are probably the two biggest deterrents in seeking help. That is why Stephen Ministry is such an asset. We are available and there for everyone.

Stephen Ministry has provided me the opportunity of bringing Christ's presence to another person. Through a wonderful training program, we learned valuable lessons in listening, acceptance and forgiveness in Christian care giving.

Going through the Stephen Ministry course and being part of this ministry has made such an incredible difference in my life. I've never known such love, tenderness and caring among a group of people before and my own spirituality has grown immeasurably.

A Stephen Minister could be with you through your difficult time, whatever it is. Call Curt Baxter or Dan Spike at church, **847-381-0975** or Stephen Ministry Referrals Coordinator, Linda McGurer.

# Deacons

#### WORSHIP

#### Congratulations to:

SERVE

Tom and Sally Hilgendorf and Roy and Penny Lumsden, proud grandparents of Mollie Jane Lumsden, born August 16, 2003 to Amy (Hilgendorf) Lumsden and Stewart Lumsden

#### Condolences to:

Marion Hubbard and family upon the death of Herb Hubbard, on Tuesday, September 9. Herb served our congregation as a Deacon, Trustee and Elder in the years from 1968 to 1983.

Marilyn and Tom Patrick upon the death of Tom's father, at age 96, on August 9, 2003.

#### Becoming a Church Member

We invite you to become a member of our congregation. People who have not made a decision about joining, but would like to know more about the church, are invited to come to services, participate in activities and discuss membership with Rev. Dan Spike, 847-381-0975. A New Member Breakfast will be held on November 8 at 8:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.



Deacons Meeting

Notes from the August 4, 2003 meeting.

Deacons will contact and visit any first-time visitors who sign in and provide adequate information. The visit should be completed within the week immediately following the Sunday attendance and may be done jointly with a member of the Membership Committee. Welcome Bags containing a small jar of jam and information about the church have been compiled by the Membership and Outreach Committee and will be given to those visited.

### Deacon's Corner

SUPPORT

There are many words that share the meaning of "vow". Among these are dedicate, devote, consecrate, and pledge. A vow is an earnest promise to perform a specific act or behavior in a certain manner. As churchgoing people, we witness and partake in vows. Baptism, ordination, marriage, and church membership are the best-known life transformations incorporating vows. The congregation present witnesses these life transitions and the congregation, in turn, promises to support those individuals involved.

Approximately fifty or more years ago, there was continuity between the church and the greater culture outside of the church. Today, our post-modern civilization questions the validity of vows within its shifting standards of relative truth. The dichotomy between the church and our media-driven culture can weaken our discernment of who we are as Christians. In defense, our identity in Christ is strengthened in the study of His Word and in prayer. Our church offers weekly Bible study groups and now, the new Disciple program. Sharing our faith within a supportive community that honors our vows fortifies our identity as followers of Christ.

In 2004, the Deacons will seek to further extend the Church's support of our Christian identity. Our new parish system will take further steps to increase opportunities for personal fellowship with one another. We will have more than the few minutes in Fellowship Hall coffee hour to share our lives and faith journeys. We will have our identities as Christ's followers affirmed.

God's promise to bless our vows is true. As we look to the eternal standards of God's Word as guidelines for personal growth, we are richly rewarded in our spiritual lives. We mature into the people God intends us to be. Please welcome our additional opportunities to "Worship, Serve, Share, and Support" within our new parish groups.

Chrisann Andersen, Deacon Vice-Moderator

# Christian Education

#### Adult Education

On Sunday, **October 5**, at 7:30 p.m. our Church will join with three other local churches in sponsoring the lecture "Entering the School of Our Own Lives". Internationally recognized Thomas Merton scholar, Jonathon Montaldo, will discuss one of the most significant Christian monks of the 20th Century and his style of meditative prayer. Join us at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Dundee Ave. and Hillside Ave., Barrington. You can also check out the web site www.Monksworks.com.

# Sundays at 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

**October 12 and 19**: "The Discipleship of Dietrich Bonhoeffer". Dr. F. Burton Nelson, Professor at North Park Theological Seminary and Oxford University, will examine the life of noted theologian and part of the Resistance to Hitler movement.

**November 9**: "Christianity in Africa". Dr. Ogbu Kalu of McCormick Theological Seminary will discuss the Christian Church in modern-day Africa. You will find his observations fascinating.

**November 16**: "Aging – A Spiritual Journey". Dr. Jim Ellor, author, pastor and professor, will explore the aging process as it relates to spirituality. A must for seniors and those with caring relationships with seniors.

**December 14**: "The Story of the Magi". Dr. Eric Carlson, Director Emeritus of the Adler Planetarium, returns to tell the story behind the Wisemen's visit to Bethlehem. Dr. Carlson will bring his wonderful slides to enhance the presentation.

# Bible Story Time for 2, 3 and 4 year olds Fall Session

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Wednesday, October 8, October 22, November 12 and December 10.

Join us at the Presbyterian Church for a Bible story time that uses songs, crafts, games and snacks to help children learn that God loves them and cares for them. The Bible is filled with engaging people that God uses to tell his story. As we learn the stories, we also learn how God wants us to act. To sign up, call the church office, **847-381-0975.** Friends are always welcome. Questions? Contact Melissa Hansche.



# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Presentation Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>

Bibles will be presented to those fourth graders who attend a class with at least one parent on

Sunday, October 19 in the Sanctuary, following the 9:00a.m. service. Presentation will be made during the 9:00a.m. service on October 26. Contact **Melissa Hansche, 847-381-0975** if you have a child who would like to attend the class and receive their Bible.

# Focus On Christian Education The Nursery/Toddler Room 8:45am—12:00p.m.

Our Nursery/Toddler Room is staffed by our Nursery Supervisor, Sandy Kane, as well as loving adult and teen volunteers. The warm, inviting environment provides a wonderful place for the youngest of our congregation. Parents are strongly encouraged to begin the spiritual guidance of their children by signing up on the charts located in the room. However, all adults are welcome to participate in this invigorating and rewarding ministry. Interested? Contact **Betsy Davis** or **Phyllis Buchta**.

#### WANTED

Youth in grades 7 – 12 are invited to consider becoming a Nursery/Toddler Room, Rainbow Room, or Kindergarten Room assistant. This position, which pays \$5.00 per hour, comes with training and adult supervision. This can help hone important baby-sitting skills in a supportive environment. It can also be counted, without pay, for service hours for possible credit at some schools. But, most importantly, it is a chance to have a wonderful time with the youngest members of our congregation. Contact **Melissa Hansche, 847-381-0975**, if you are interested.

# Youth Mission Trip 2004: The Campbell Farm, Wapato, WA June 19 – 27, 2004

SUPPORT

What is The Campbell Farm?

The Campbell Farm, located on the Yakama Indian Reservation, was owned and operated by the Campbell Family for most of this century. In 1978, Nellie Campbell willed the 40-acre farm to the Central Washington Presbytery. Since that time, the farm has been a part of the larger family of Christ.

The farm once grew hops, but today its primary crop is apples. The orchards are leased, and profits from the apples contribute to the Campbell Farm operating budget.

Program fees, individual and church donations, and grants contribute to the rest of the farm needs. Campbell Farm is a non-profit organization..

Farming has always been central to the purpose of the Campbell Farm as it has sought to interpret issues of sustainable agriculture and environmental stewardship through hands on work on the farm.

Over the years, the Campbell Farm has been a place for theological reflection, worship, a meeting place, conference and retreat center, a place for family reunions, and more.

The most successful current program of the Farm is the summer mission focus, providing a "home base" for groups wishing to do mission in a setting away from their local churches.

The facility's historic buildings and warm, country atmosphere, make the Campbell Farm a true gem in the Presbyterian "family" of conference and retreat centers.

This is the second in a series of articles that will provide information concerning the upcoming Youth Mission Trip. In November, the focus will be on the mission projects that the youth will complete while in Washington.

Yakama Nation Facts:

The Yakama Nation flag shows the borders of the reservation in white against a sky blue background. Within the map is a depiction of Mount Adams, an impressive mountain that lies partly within the reservation. This mountain is sacred to the Yakama. Soaring above the mountain is an eagle depicted in full color. Not only is the eagle sacred, but it shares a lifestyle with many Yakama who earn their living fishing for salmon in the waters of the Columbia River and its tributaries. Above the eagle is the "morning star", a symbol of guidance and leadership, and arcing around Mount Adams are fourteen gold stars and fourteen eagle feathers honoring the bands of the Yakama Nation. The feathers represent the fourteen chiefs who signed the treaty of 1855, while the fourteen stars represent the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Indian Nations. The tribe's name and the date of the treaty complete the design. In the mid-1990's the Yakima nation renamed itself to "YAKAMA", more closely reflecting the power pronunciation in their native tongue.

# Youth Mission Trip 2004: Washington Fund-Raisers

#### Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, **October 5** at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy pancakes, sausages, beverages and fellowship, while you help the Youth Mission Team raise funds for the 2004 trip. "Make Your Own Mickey/Minnie Pancakes" will once again be offered. Adults \$5, Children ages 3 - 10 \$3.

# Daffodil Sale

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The youth will be selling daffodil bulbs in October to help finance the trip to Washington. You can place an order beginning **October 5**. Once again you will be given an opportunity to have the bulbs planted at church, planted at your home by enthusiastic gardeners or you may take them home as is. Look for order forms in the October bulletins. A limited number of bulbs will be offered, so order early.







# Fellowship

#### Fall Fellowship

The annual Fall Family Festival will be held on Sunday **October 26,** from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.. The Fellowship Committee is planning an afternoon of refreshments and fun actives for the young and young-at-heart. We will have hay rides, games and crafts and we'll make s'mores over the bonfire. Watch the weekly bulletin for details. For more information, please call **Bob** or **Marla Florio**.

#### Gingerbread Construction Party

The Second Annual Gingerbread Construction Party is scheduled for Saturday, **November 29** at 10:00a.m. in



Fellowship Hall. We had a great turn out last year and we're looking forward to seeing even more faces at our fun event this year. Everyone is invited to come make Gingerbread Houses to use for

decorations or simply to eat! Make sure to mark your calendars now. More details will appear in upcoming church bulletins and future Carillon's. Otherwise, you may contact **Jennifer Raaths or Marla Florio.** 

#### Youth Fellowship Opportunities

Saturday, **October 25**, 2003- Grades 7-12, PAINTBALL

We are trying a new site – Operation Paintball near Elgin. Much closer and great fields. Flyers have been mailed out, along with waiver forms. We are looking for adult drivers and adult players.

Call **Melissa**, 847-381-0975 to sign up early, or if you need more forms. Friends are welcome. Check your mail for more details, but save the date!

**November 7-9**. 2003, Presbytery Sr. High Retreat at George Williams College in Lake Geneva.

This annual event brings together approximately 150 youth from the surrounding Chigaoland area. Through large group presentations, small group discussions and Saturday workshops, the youth explore issues of faith that relate to their everyday lives. The multicultural make-up gives the youth a wide range of perspectives on what it means to live as a Christian in today's world. There is time built in for relaxation and time to enjoy the wonderful surroundings of the college campus. Between all of this and games and music (last year we had a Saturday night dance), the weekend flies. Save the weekend. Challenge yourself to expand your faith life. Watch your mail for a detailed brochure. Questions? Contact **Melissa**, 847-381-0975 via phone, email or in person.

### Mission



#### San Marcos Golf Outings

Tuesday, **October 7**, 2003, is the date for the annual golf outings to benefit the San Marcos Scholarship Fund. This fund supports deserving students from the west side of Chicago at St. Gregory's High School. Ladies Day for San

Marcos will be held at Biltmore Country Club (9 holes golf or tennis or bridge and/or lunch).

The 15th Annual San Marcos Golf Invitational will be held at Barrington Hills Country Club (18 holes golf, cart, lunch, reception). For reservations, call **Michele** or **John Gillett** or **Denny McGurer**.

#### Make A Difference Day

#### Web site: http://bakhome.northstarnet.org/makediff

There will be several ways you can "Make A Difference". On **October 18** from 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., you may drop off appliances and electronics for recycling at the rear parking lot of the Health World Children's Museum in Barrington. Also, the Barrington Area Lions will be accepting bags of "clean" aluminum cans. On **October 25**, our Boy Scout Troop 35 will be picking up trash on Brinker Road between Lake Cook and Otis. Anyone from the congregation who would like to join them in this effort should contact **Chuck Traxler** or **P. Denise Israel**.

#### PADS Opportunities

PADS, Public Action to Deliver Shelter, is a ministry to the homeless. Barrington's site is open from October through April at Lutheran Church of the Atonement on Main Street. Training for new volunteers will be held at Salem United Methodist Church, 115 W. Lincoln, Barrington, on Thursday, **October 16**, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. We also need volunteers to prepare a menu item in their home for 8-10 people and deliver it to the PADS site on Thursday, **November 13**, 2003. Last year, the Barrington site served over 2,200 meals. Please contact BPW representative **Betsy Rubak** to volunteer or for more information. What a simple, fun and meaningful way of giving back to others!

#### Adult Mission Trip Costa Rica February 1 - 8, 2004

The vision statement of our church contains four action verbs: worship, serve, support and share. In the spirit of that vision, the Mission Committee is offering an opportunity for adults from our congregation to: \*Experience worship in a completely different setting, \*Participate in an active work project, \*Support the growth of a small vibrant church, \*Learn about another culture through Christian fellowship.

During the first week of February, 2004, we will again be working with FIEC Presbyterian Church (Costa Rica), and will be returning to the village of Suerre to continue work on the Monte Sion (Mount Zion) church. The trip will begin with opportunities to experience worship services in one or more churches in San Jose, a multi day work project in the village of Suerre, and an opportunity to stay in the homes of members of the Monte Sion congregation. We'll also have many opportunities to share meals and smiles and get to know these warm people. At the end, there will be an opportunity for a little touring and R&R.

An organizational meeting will be held in the Parlor, at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, **October 5th.** All who are interested in participating in next year's trip are encouraged to attend. Get some pancakes and sausage at the Pancake Breakfast, then come see how "pura vida" is expressed through worship and warm people.

If you cannot attend the meeting, but are interested in participating, please contact **Chip Kyle.** 

#### Christopher House Adopt-A-Family Project

On Sunday **November 2**, the sign-up will begin for Christopher House's "Adopt-a-Family" Mission Project. As you know from the past this is a wonderful opportunity to share your joy of Christmas with families less fortunate. Last year our church members adopted 80 families. We are asking for your help this year to reach this same goal or even go beyond. More information will be available in the November Carillon. Thank you for planning ahead and I will be looking forward to seeing you on November 2nd. **Sally Hilgendorf**.

#### **Christopher House**

The annual Seconds-To-Go-Sale has been cancelled due to a water pipe break, which flooded the entire lower level of the Christopher House Greenview site. We are most appreciative of those donations already received and we are hopeful of incorporating appropriate items for the Christmas Bazaar in early December. The monies raised at the Seconds-To-Go-Sale went directly to the House to support their many programs and its cancellation was a big disappointment and concern to all involved. It will be very difficult to replace the revenue generated by this yearly event. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused anyone and are indeed hopeful of your continued support . For information, please call **Sally Kilham or Mickey Marcussen**.

#### Crop Walk

#### Sunday, October 19. Helping the Uprooted.

Throughout the world, people are being forced to leave their homes due to war, political persecution, famine and other natural disasters. The largest number of refugees and displaced people are the victims of civil war and other armed conflict. When societies unravel, the greatest loss is the peace and security within the individual family.

Currently, there are almost 15 million refugees and 25 million internally displaced persons worldwide. These people are of every race and religion – most are women and children. They live precarious lives at best. Leaving the conflict is only the first step in a long and perilous journey. Even in a refugee camp, refugees are often targets of government or rebel attacks. Most refugees spend many years in these camps –with no past, no rights, no voice, no citizenship. The future is a big question mark - unknown.

Church World Service and its member churches have been a leading force to help the uprooted for over fifty years. Church World Service works with local church and community organizations to assist in healthcare, provide individual health kits to meet immediate personal needs, and meet short term housing needs. Funding is largely provided by individuals. It is done during the annual CROP Walk. The Barrington Area CROP Walk is October 19th. The actual CROP Walk is a community effort to call attention to those who aren't as fortunate. The walkers need people to sponsor them. Please be generous to those who might be soliciting. Volunteers are needed during the day of the walk to assist with the registration and organization and to provide chili and desserts for those who walk. Please contact **Barbara Schwartz** if you can help.

# Parish Life

#### Membership and Outreach

*Bulletin Boards.* There are new bulletin boards hung in the hallway between the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. A special thank-you to Dan Paxton who constructed the frames, Irene and John Mann who created and donated the fabric-covered boards, and Peter Schmidt who hung them.

Each bulletin board has been adopted by one or two organizations within our church. The purpose of the bulletin boards is to inform the congregation of the activities that are happening in the life of our Church and, thereby, encourage everyone to participate. In addition, the bulletin boards will demonstrate to prospective members that this is an active and dynamic church with diverse activities that they might wish to join. The bulletin boards will soon be filled with photographs of recent events and announcements of upcoming activities. Check them out!

*New Member Social.* The Membership and Outreach committee needs volunteers to host the New Member Social on November 23. You provide the house. The committee provides everything else, including clean-up! Welcoming new members is essential to the future of this Church. Please help with this important ministry. Call or e-mail **Angie Smith** to volunteer.

#### Choir Schedule

Choir rehearsal is held on Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the choir room. Interim Music Director, J. David Stech invites all who might be interested in singing to attend a rehearsal. The choir will sing on **October 5**, at both services; on **October 12** at the 9 a.m. service; on **October 26** at both services.

The Children and Family Education Sub-committee, and the children that we serve, are now richer by \$110.50 due to your providing used printer cartridges and cell phones for us to recycle. We are so pleased to have this "Earth friendly" way to continue to supplement our funding. Thanks for remembering us!

#### Book Sale

On Sunday, **November 23 and November 30**, there will be a Christian book sale in Fellowship Hall following each worship service. This is an excellent time to buy Christmas presents or books to enhance your own spiritual experience as the Christmas season approaches. You might also consider buying a book that interests you and donate it to the library. You will receive a donation receipt for tax purposes. You can be the first person to check the book out on the day you buy it. All purchases that you do not donate are still 15% deductible. Our profit will help fund future Adult Education speakers. As always, a large selection of children's books and videos will be available.

#### Library Update

Can't locate the book you want in our Church Library? Sit down at the computer in the Library and go to the "Search" screen of Resourcemate. The books are arranged on the shelves by the Dewey Decimal System. Still don't trust computers? We have a good oldfashioned card catalog to help you find anything you need.

Can't find time to read but spend lots of time in your car? Check out our fledging collection of audiocassette tapes. You will be amazed at the knowledge and information you can absorb while stuck in traffic.

\$\$\$ FREE MONEY \$\$\$

#### Worship Schedule

- Oct. 5 Dr. Baxter Preaching......9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. What is Holy Communion? Readings: Psalm 23; Acts 2:41-47; 1Peter 2:19-25..
- Oct. 12 Dr. Baxter Preaching.......9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Bigger Than The Moment Readings: Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31.
- **Oct. 19** Dr. Baxter Preaching.......9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. *What a Wonderful World* Readings: Job 38:1-7; Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45.
- **Oct. 26** Dr. Baxter Preaching.......9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. *God Help the Outcasts* Readings: Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34:1-8; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52.

#### Deadline for the November *Carillon* is October 15.

Be sure to get your submissions in on time to ensure publication. Please e-mail to <u>bkalaway@pcbarrington.org</u> or leave written submissions in the church office. If you have questions, please contact **Bonnie Kalaway**, **847-381-0975**, at the church office.



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