



BARRINGTON
UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
March 22, 2026

Welcome to Barrington United Methodist Church!

We are glad that you joined us for worship this morning! At Barrington United Methodist Church we believe that worship is the place where we receive the comfort, hope and strength to sustain us along our journey of faith. You are always welcome and always invited.

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by. * Please join in speaking the words in bold.

PRELUDE

Medley of Songs (The Spirit of the Times)

Preston Maxson, piano

WELCOME

Pastor David

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Laura Olsen

Rejoice, people of God: this is our Sabbath day.

We gather today to worship the One who created us.

We come to offer thanks; we come to sing and pray.

With all that we are and all that we have, let us worship God. Amen.

* OPENING HYMN #328 (UMH)

Surely the Presence of the Lord

(sung twice)

(Please be seated after hymn.)

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor David

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor David

CALL TO CONFESSION

Laura Olsen

Friends, our failures, shortcomings, and sin are like strong weeds in our lives. Let us confess them to our God so that we may clear away anything that would choke out our nourishing connection with him and his abiding presence.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Laura Olsen

In our hurried lives, Lord, we often strive to gain everything through our own efforts: through work, plans for the future, and the promises of human wisdom. In doing so, we forget to trust fully in you. Forgive us, we pray. Turn our hearts back to what truly matters. Help us to keep our eyes fixed on the cross in this lententide. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(A time of silent prayer.)

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor David

As far as the East is from the West, so far has God removed our transgressions from us. Therefore, walk in the newness of life! Believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor David

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

* HYMN #494 (UMH) *Kum Ba Yah (Come By Here)* (verses 1 and 2)

* THE SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 6: 7-15 (ESV) Laura Olsen

⁷“And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹ Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.

¹⁰ Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread,

¹² and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³ And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

* RESPONSE TO THE WORD #269 (UMH) *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* (verse 5)

Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering over past,
an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last.

(Please be seated.)

SERMON *“Living the Prayer We Pray”*
Pastor David Lagos-Fonseca

ANTHEM (9:00 AM) *Trust in God* adapt. lyrics, F. Crosby; music, B. Lake
Jenna Hesseln, soloist; Bill Williams, drums; accompanied by Jennifer Whiting, piano

(10:30 AM) *The Lord’s Prayer* H. Malotte, adapt. Janet Klevberg Day
Chancel Choir; Alex Zintchenko, piano; Jennifer Whiting, Interim Director of Music conducting

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER #895 Laura Olsen

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Laura Olsen

CALL TO OFFERING

Pastor David

OFFERTORY

Improvised Meditation

* LENTEN DOXOLOGY

(Old 100th)

Praise God throughout these 40 days.
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts,
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND GRATITUDE

Pastor David

Gracious God, as we dedicate these offerings, help us to embody the spirit of service that Christ has witnessed among us. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

A CELEBRATION OF FAITHFUL SERVICE

Pastor David

* HYMN #666 (UMH)

Shalom to You (sung twice)

* BENEDICTION

Pastor David

POSTLUDE

You Ain't Going Nowhere
Preston Maxson, piano

by Bob Dylan

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FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Today's Floral Arrangement celebrates the founding of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society on March 23, 1869—now known as United Women in Faith—and the mission and advocacy work continued by the organization.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION:

We are thankful for our Lay Liturgists who faithfully prepare and lead the Prayers of the People each week. Your thoughtful words and voices enrich our worship. To learn more about this team and ways to get involved, please contact Dennis Rossow at DennisRossow@comcast.net

PLEASE CONTINUE TO OFFER PRAYERS OF HOPE AND HEALING FOR:

THOSE IN A CARE/REHAB FACILITY: Paul Bergetz, husband of Jane (New Summit Rehab and Healthcare of Arlington Heights)
Sherry Schairer (Chapters Living Barrington)

THOSE UNDERGOING MEDICAL TREATMENT: Barbara Finn, Valentina Grandon (surgery; neice of Pastor Fabiola), Tina Vega
George Nikolaou (cousin of Walter VanPuyenbroeck), Theresa and Charlie Brady and their granddaughter (friends of the Gradts)
Brian Kotila, Al Sauer, Alton Parker (brother of Sydney Whitley), Ken Rossow, Marge Marlowe (sister of Nancy Jensen)
Scott Wilk (brother of Pam Kocian), Tim Ryan (brother of Sean Ryan), Gerry Deneen (friend of Kenneth Slack), Michele Evans

THOSE RECOVERING AT HOME: Del Haagen (knee replacement), Christine Oettinger, Mike Black, brother of Steve Black
THOSE TO HOLD IN PRAYER: Dustin VanPuyenbroeck (son of Walter VanPuyenbroeck), Pastor David's mother and his family
Marilyn Helberg (surgery), Priscilla Akins, Ted and Pat Gradt, Paulette Todd, Rev. Duk Kwon, Anne Courter (hospice care)
Lawrence Huff, son of John Todd, Brian Koltia, Ray Maxwell, Pastor Luis Vega

Prayer Requests:

We believe in the power of prayer and have a dedicated prayer team committed to praying your requests.

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office, (847) 836-5540,
Paula Gordon (pgordon@barringtonumc.com), or Linda Snyder (jamesmom5082@sbcglobal.net).

You can also visit the church website or use your church app to submit a request.

Please be sure to indicate if you would like your request to be printed in the Sunday bulletin.

Flowers for the Altar

Each Sunday there is an opportunity to provide flowers on the altar. If you are interested in providing an arrangement on a Sunday, please contact Paula Gordon either by email - (pgordon@barringtonumc.com), phoning the office - 847-836-5540, ext. 105, scanning the QR Code or by visiting our website barringtonumc.com



Fellowship Event - Taste Around the World | Today at noon in Fellowship Hall

All are invited to Fellowship Hall after the second service to enjoy the favorite foods and traditions of our congregation. This is a fun opportunity for fellowship, and everyone is welcome to come and taste!

“Treats for Troops” Packing Event Today following both worship services

Help assemble care packages for a marine unit working out of Bahrain. We will provide them with some hygiene items, appropriate food items, and other gifts from home. Donations toward this effort will offset the cost of shipping as well as the items we purchase to send. Mark your gifts ‘Treats for Troops’ or give online. To learn more or help with preparations, contact George Gill at gkgill.sr@gmail.com or (847) 778-5475.

Fellowship Small Group Gathering – Mindful Creativity

All are invited to our kick-off gathering on Wednesday, March 25, at 11 a.m. in The Well.

Creative activities can reduce stress, encourage mindfulness, and bring joy, and this group offers a relaxed space to slow down and create together. Each gathering will include a simple creative activity—such as painting, writing, or crafting—with no experience needed. Come enjoy some stress-free, creative time with others; sign up using the QR code.



“Jesus and Me” Sunday School | Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to JAM, “Jesus and Me,” Sunday School after children’s time during both services. Throughout Lent, our theme is “Jelly Beans.”

Youth Gatherings | Middle and High School students are invited each Sunday for a time of fun, connection, and growing in faith together. Bring your friends, bring your questions, and come ready for games, conversation, and community.

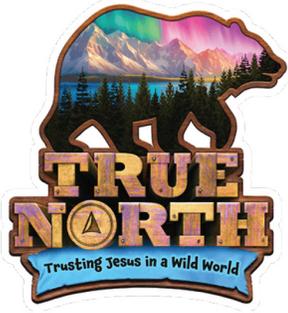
Middle School Youth – Meet in the Youth Room at 9:00 a.m.

High School Youth – Meet in the Youth Room at 10:30 a.m.

Forté Handbell Quartet Concert | Thursday, April 16, at 7 p.m. in the Barrington UMC Sanctuary

This special concert is the only Illinois stop on their cross-country tour! Known for their energetic performances and remarkable skill, Forté will share a diverse program featuring original handbell compositions, beloved movie themes from How to Train Your Dragon and Titanic, Christian music, and classical favorites. The result is an engaging and inspiring concert for all ages. A free-will offering will be received. Come enjoy a memorable evening of music and let the sound of the bells resonate long after the final note.





True North VBS 2026: Finding Your Way in a World Gone Wild!

June 15-19, 9 a.m. to noon

Join an unforgettable VBS adventure where kids discover that Jesus is our true north. Through music, games, stories, and hands-on fun, children will build a rock-solid foundation as they learn to trust Jesus—their steady guide and unshakeable friend in every season of life.



Register a child



Volunteer to help



Adult Mission Trip planned for Spirit Lake Ministry Center in Sheyenne, N. Dakota

August 29 – September 5, 2026

The week before Labor Day our adult mission team will travel to the Spirit Lake Nation where we will spend the week helping harvest their garden and preserving the vegetables in cooperation with The Journey at Spirit Lake, the local community college and ND State University.

\$400 per person will cover lodging and meals at the Ministry Center. Participants will carpool together as we work closely with the community. If you are interested in joining the team, please let us know. If you cannot attend but would like to help with travel costs and an additional gift to this ministry, please mark your donation Mission 2026.



There's Something About That Name...Tag! Got one? Need one? Stop by the Welcome Table and order your name tag today. Because everyone smiles a little bigger when they're greeted by name!

Help build a float for the Fourth of July!

The Village of Barrington is celebrating 250 years since the Declaration of Independence and has invited Barrington UMC to join the July 4th parade! If you'd like to march, help decorate, or be part of the fun, we'd love to hear from you. Scan the QR code to get involved and help us share our welcoming community.



WOMEN'S ONE DAY RETREAT

The Prayer Palette

Exploring the hues of Who, What, When, Where and Why of Prayer

Saturday, April 25 at Barrington United Methodist Church

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

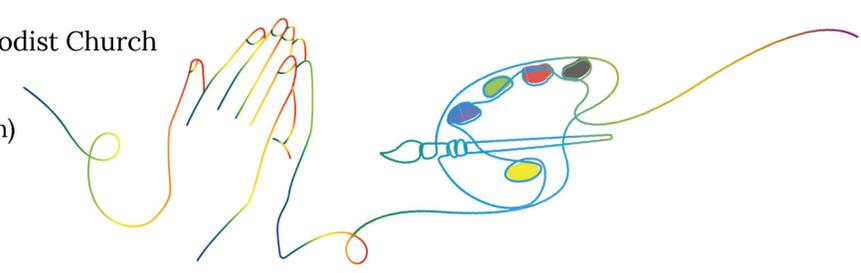
Cost: \$40.00 (includes light breakfast and lunch)

Guest Speakers

Pastor Shirley Pulgar-Hughes

Chris Streed

Elizabeth Penick



Scan the QR code to register

Palm Sunday | *March 29 at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.*

Celebrate the beginning of Holy Week and experience the joy of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem as we wave palm branches and sing praises. Communion will be served.

UMM Pancake Breakfast, 8:00-noon in BUMC Fellowship Hall

The United Methodist Men's Group is back with their Pancake Breakfast on Palm Sunday. It's the first time this beloved event has returned since the pandemic—don't miss it! Everyone is welcome to enjoy pancakes, bacon, juice, and coffee while sharing in fellowship and supporting a great cause. Breakfast is free, and donations support Meals for Millions, helping provide fresh, nutritious produce to those in need. Volunteers are needed for various roles, including flipping pancakes, grilling, serving, and cleaning up. Volunteers can sign up for a shift: 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. or 10 a.m. to noon. Interested individuals can contact Phil Pardun at ppardun@sbcglobal.net or (847) 239-2397.

Holy Thursday | *April 2 at 7 p.m.*

Everyone is invited to remember and celebrate the last supper that Jesus shared with his disciples in the Upper Room. Communion will be served.

Good Friday | *April 3 at 7 p.m.*

Come and share for a solemn and profound reflection on Good Friday, remembering the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross.

Stations of the Cross, on display Palm Sunday through Good Friday

Visit our Stations of the Cross displayed in the Chapel throughout Holy Week.

We encourage everyone to come early or stay after worship to meditate on these artistic portrayals of Christ's passion.

Easter

Sunday, April 5

Services at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

New hope and new life burst forth on Easter morning, with songs of resurrection led by the Chancel Choir, the Exaltation Handbell Choir and Stonegate Brass.