



BARRINGTON  
UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH

*As beloved children of God, we exist to experience and share God's love.*

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT, DECEMBER 15, 2024

## WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

## HYMN #196 (UMH)

*Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*  
Vocal Ensemble

(1) Come, thou long expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us,  
let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.

(2) Born thy people to deliver,  
born a child and yet a King,  
born to reign in us forever,  
now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all sufficient merit,  
raise us to thy glorious throne.

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

## PRAYER

Pastor Rick Carlson, First UMC West Dundee

## THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

**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. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4: 4-7

Dave Snyder

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

## SERMON

*"The Sacred Present"*

Pastor Chris Winkler, Senior Pastor BUMC

## ANTHEM

*A Time for All Things*

Douglas E Wagner

Ensemble—Seth Durbin, Jenna Hessel, Michael Joiner, Patti Mangis

## INVITATION TO MINISTRY AND BLESSING

Pastor Chris Winkler, Senior Pastor BUMC

## CREDITS:

Organist—Michael Rees

Ensemble—Seth Durbin, Jenna Hessel, Michael Joiner, Patti Mangis

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### **Hot Chocolate Bar and fellowship this morning in The Well**

Join us for an extended time of fellowship. Enjoy some hot chocolate with all the fixin's, hot cider, coffee and goodies while you share Christmas greetings and cheer. We are thrilled to feature special live music by Dana Angel on harp and Denise Calderone on flute between services. Hope you can stay awhile to enjoy their beautiful contribution to our gathering. Refreshments will be served continuously in The Well from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.



### **Heifer Living Gifts Market | Throughout the morning today.**

Heifer Living Gifts support efforts to eradicate poverty and hunger through sustainable community development. Look for a mission team member in the lobby to purchase your living gift and select a Christmas card to send.

## YOUTH EVENTS

Students grades 6 through 12 are invited to Sunday School in the youth room at 9:00 a.m. and worship together at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. God's Squad will not meet at the church today; they are taking a fun trip into Chicago to the Christkindlmarket in Daley Plaza.

### God's Squad Christmas Party

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Come for the God's Squad Christmas Party on Sunday, December 22. Bring a wrapped present (\$5 value) for our gift exchange game and join the holiday shenanigans!

## CHILDREN

Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to Children's Time during the worship service and then JAM Sunday School during both services this morning.

This month our theme is "Jesus' Birthday = The Best Gift Ever. In January our theme will be: Donuts and Disciples.



**United Women in Faith** | Begin your 2025 spiritual practices by joining *Welcome Home*, a winter Mission event sponsored by United Women in Faith. This online event begins with a one-hour opening service on Sunday, January 5. Classes then meet twice a week (afternoon or evening) during the weeks of January 5 and January 12, and a closing service on Sunday, January 19. This study explores how we can know God as an intimate friend who welcomes us. The sessions include Scripture explorations, discussions, and activities to apply to what is being learned. From the comfort of our own homes to reaching outward and welcoming others, everything is rooted in a co-creator mindset, living out God's kingdom here and now. An additional study is also offered: *Missionary Conferences of the United Methodist Church in the United States*. These three conferences are the: Alaska UMC Conference, Oklahoma Conference of the UMC, and Red Bird Missionary Conference (in Kentucky).

Scan the QR code and register before January 2. The cost is \$25.

For more information, contact Linda Osikowicz, [Lmosikowicz@comcast.net](mailto:Lmosikowicz@comcast.net)



SPECIAL SERVICES

**Carpentersville Community Meal, 4:30–6:45 p.m.**

*Saturday, December 21 at the Trinity Center*

*1647 Ravine Lane, Carpentersville IL 60110*

All are invited for dinner and fellowship! Our meals are always free.

**Longest Night Worship, 7:15 p.m.**

*Saturday, December 21 at the Trinity Center*

This is a quiet, reflective service. We acknowledge this time of year is not the happiest for those who are grieving or struggling. This service makes space for those who need to have their pain, loneliness, or fear acknowledged and to find comfort and hope in the gathered community.



# Christmas Eve

at Barrington United Methodist Church

*Tuesday, December 24*

**4 p.m. Family Service with the Crossroads Band**

**7 p.m. Traditional Christmas Eve Service  
with Choir, Carols and Candlelight**

*Come early to hear the music of Christmas by the Preucil Family Trio, beginning at 6:30 p.m.*

**11 p.m. Traditional Christmas Eve Service with Communion,  
Handbell Ensemble, Carols and Candlelight**

