

*Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch*

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south" to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gā'za." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an

Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isāi'ah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting from this scripture he told him the good news about Jesus.

The Greek word for *you* and the verb *pray* are plural *they*. Or go at noon



## HYMN #2248 (TFWS)

*Baptized in Water*  
Vocal Ensemble

- (1) Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit  
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise -  
faithfully now God's praises we sing.
- (2) Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
dead in the tomb with Christ our King;  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven  
thankfully now God's praises we sing.
- (3) Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ our King;  
born of one Father, we are his children -  
joyfully now God's praises we sing.

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

## PRAYER

Carson Baker

## 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

Acts 8: 26-40

Lauren Jiles- Johnson

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

## SERMON

*“Someone to Guide Me”*  
Pastor Wendy Witt, First UMC West Dundee

## HYMN #2129 (TFWS)

*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

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| (1) I have decided to follow Jesus,<br>I have decided to follow Jesus,<br>I have decided to follow Jesus -<br>no turning back, no turning back. | (2) The world behind me, the cross before me,<br>the world behind me, the cross before me,<br>the world behind me, the cross before me -<br>no turning back, no turning back. |
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## INVITATION TO MINISTRY AND BLESSING

Pastor Wendy Witt, First UMC West Dundee

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**Enjoy coffee and fellowship between services this morning.** We proudly serve Equal Exchange fair trade coffee purchased through The Methodist Coffee Project. Growers of these products have received a fair price for their products and laborers have worked in fair and safe conditions. We are proud to serve a brew that is both delicious and reflects our values of social justice.

**Geranium Sale!** If you placed an order for geraniums, please be sure to pick them up. Extra plants may also be available for purchase this morning. Plants are \$6.50.

**FISH Food Pantry in Carpentersville** needs donations of rice in one or two-pound packages. Rice is a popular item that is not currently available through the Food Bank. Please place gifts in the box marked FISH Food Pantry in the church vestibule. Thanks for your help!

**Tree of Life Ministry in Mission, South Dakota** serves the Lakota people on the Rosebud Reservation. A team from Barrington UMC will make a third adult mission trip to serve with them in June. If you would like to support the Adult Mission trip, please give to the Adult Mission Trip fund at [BarringtonUMC.com/Give](http://BarringtonUMC.com/Give)

**Humboldt Park UMC** is currently housing three migrant families and offering meals on Sunday to others in a nearby shelter. As part of our **Neighbors in Need** outreach, we have allocated funds from the Christmas offering to purchase Ventra transportation cards for these families. Public transportation is essential for these newcomers to access medical services, attend to legal matters, and travel to their children's school. Humboldt Park is a small congregation with a very big heart and they cannot afford the costs to care for these neighbors without help. To make a donation in support, please give to Neighbors in Need at [BarringtonUMC.com/Give](http://BarringtonUMC.com/Give)



**KIDS** **▲BOVE**  
**▲ALL**

## **Healthy Babies Drive**

Through Wednesday, May 15

Help ensure that the infants, toddlers, parents and caregivers in the KAA programs have access to essentials that keep them safe and healthy.



**Scan the QR code for Healthy Babies Drive wishlist!**



## Bible Circus

Sunday school is available during both worship services for children age 3 through grade 5. Our theme this month is “Bible Circus”

**Have a Heart Pillow Project** will meet on Tuesday afternoon, May 28, 1:30-3:30 in the church dining room to assemble pillows for lumpectomy and mastectomy patients at Good Shepherd Hospital. There are lots of pillows that need stuffing so if you don't like to tie, you can help by stuffing tied pillows instead! Wish you could help but not interested in tying? Yards of fabric need to be washed and dried before being cut. If you would like to help by doing some laundry, contact Linda Osikowicz, [Lmosikowicz@comcast.net](mailto:Lmosikowicz@comcast.net)

**Celebrating our Graduates!** Do you have someone from the Barrington UMC family who is graduating from high school, college, or vocational school? Please let us know through the form below. All names will be printed in the July/August issue of our Banner Newsletter. Share their information through the link below by Friday, May 31.



## Stellar VBS 2024

June 17-21, 9 a.m.-noon

We will launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world.

Stellar VBS rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun. All children, age 3 years (potty trained) to 5th grade, are invited! Scan the QR code to say you can come! The cost is \$30/child



REGISTER



## Get ready to make magic happen at our Stellar VBS 2024

We need your help to turn our building into an unforgettable Stellar experience for our VBS campers! Whether you can support us with a monetary donation or lend your creative touch to help decorate, we'd love to have you on board. Please reach out to Susan Acosta at [sacosta@barringtonumc.com](mailto:sacosta@barringtonumc.com), or simply scan the QR code to register online. Let's create something amazing together!



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