

June/July 2023



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This summer, inspired by the Barrington Food Pantry's call for fresh fruit, we will be exploring the Fruits of the Spirit in a sermon series called "A Fruitful Summer." We will look at each fruit individually, and explore how to cultivate them in our lives. In order make these concepts more tangible, I am adding actions to each of the fruits to make them more engaging.

There are nine Sundays in July and August and nine Fruits of the Spirit, so the themes will be as follows:

July 2nd: Acting in **Love** with *Strawberries*

July 9th: Cultivating **Joy** with *Oranges*

July 16th: Working for **Peace** with *Blueberries*

July 23rd: Practicing **Patience** with *Coconuts*



- July 30th:** Finding **Kindness** with *Apples*
- August 6th:** Teaching **Goodness** with *Grapes*
- August 13th:** Fortifying **Faithfulness** with *Figs*
- August 20th:** Showing **Gentleness** with *Peaches*
- August 27th:** Building **Self-Control** with *Pomegranates*

The health of fruit begins at the core of the plant. In order for us to bear good fruit, we must be in a healthy relationship with the root, which is God, and with the vine, which is Jesus. If our relationship is solid and nourishing, the fruit will be filled with integrity and compassion. If our relationship with God is strained, full of resentment, or ignored, our fruit will be rotten, that is ingenuine, self-serving, and pious.

No one likes rotten fruit, so come and learn what it means to live a fruit filled life as we move through our Fruitful Summer. If we dedicate ourselves to bearing healthy fruits, we will become more loving, joyful, peaceful, patient, kind, good, faithful, gentle, and self-controlled; in short: more like Jesus. We will see the change it makes in our relationships and in our world.

In addition to learning about the fruits each week, you will have an opportunity to participate in an ongoing art project. You may have noticed the “Fruitful Summer Tree” in the Narthex. It is bare now, but by the end of August I hope it will be teeming with fruit as we add to it each week. I hope the same for the Barrington Food Pantry.

See you Sunday! -Pastor Chris

Fruitful Humor

Q: Why did the man lose his job at the orange juice factory?

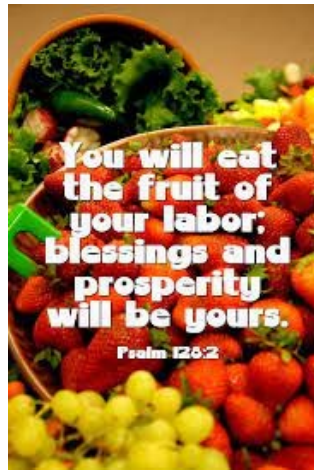
A: He couldn't concentrate

Q: What happens to grapes when you step on them?

A: They Wine

Moderator's Update

Having a Fruitful Life



“And those are the ones on whom seed was sown on the good soil; and they hear and word and accept it and bear fruit; thirty, sixty and a hundredfold.” Mark 4:20

A very interesting premise. What does your everyday life produce? Just how *good* is the good soil of your heart? How do we live up to the hundredfold potential and produce a fruitful life?

According to an article from women.lifeway.com, here are six steps to fruitful living:

1. **Receive, believe, achieve.** Hear the word of God (hopefully daily) and then act on it.
2. **Move beyond the past.** Don't allow past attempts, failures, or fears to stop you from moving forward.
3. **Be a goal setter and a goalkeeper.** Make a list of what you want to accomplish and set specific deadlines.
4. **Know your why.** Know why you are doing what you're doing and be emotionally connected to the action.
5. **Trust God with the outcome.** Do your part as God leads and allow Him to complete it.
6. **Make the move.** Pray and take the step of faith needed to accomplish all God is calling you to.

As I step down as Moderator of Community Church, I truly hope that my efforts have been able to bear some fruit along the way. I am honored to have served for the past five years and I wish Peer Lykke the best as he steps up to serve as our new Moderator.

We're a small ~ but mighty ~ group of faithful Christians at the corner of Lincoln & Grove. It is my sincere hope that we will work together as we bear fruit for the next 175 years!

With gratitude,

Jayne Majzan, Moderator



Missions Committee Meeting

April 20, 2023 (First-quarter 2023 Distributions)

The Missions Committee met on April 20, 2023. Those present were: Christy Davis, Carolyn Roussel, Glee Huddlestun, Sandy Schroeder (via phone) and Lauren Davis (via phone); absent – James Majzan, Jackie Phinney and Pastor Chris Shade

The congregation is encouraged to check out the **bulletin board** (created by Lauren and Christy Davis) in the narthex, which displays numerous thank you notes and letters from recipients of our benevolence donations. The communications reflect how CCB is making an impact in their respective missions.

Yellow cards (“Recommendations to the Missions Committee”) have been placed in the pews to encourage congregants to provide suggestions of charities to be considered as recipients of our quarterly benevolence funds. The Committee is always appreciative of the congregation’s input and seeks to consider new organizations as recipients of our benevolence funds.

UPDATE, Barrington Food Pantry: Grant awards have been received, with remodeling of the existing Pantry space taking place during May. The Food Pantry also has a new contract with Smart Farms for produce, which will impact our summer fresh produce donations. The Pantry is requesting that **only** fresh fruit donations be made June through September. We will call this the “fruitful/fruit-filled summer.”

CCB will again be collecting girls’ tops for **Barrington’s Back-to-School Giving Day** (August) – Carol Marsh, coordinator. Information on sizes and dates will be updated as the summer moves along.

CCB maintains an **Assistance Fund** (formerly the Deacons’ Fund), which offers financial help to those who have immediate need in the congregation and surrounding community. Requests for under \$200 are reviewed by the pastor and approved at his discretion. Requests over \$200 require approval of the Missions Committee. All payments issued are made directly to the source and not to the recipient individually. The Assistance Fund is funded by designated donations and no funds are taken from pledges or general income. Please consider a contribution to the Assistance Fund so that those facing financial need can turn to CCB for help and support in difficult circumstances. (Pew envelopes are available for your convenience.)

It was noted that the Samaritan Counseling Center is closing its doors, effective May 31, 2023, due to changes in the mental healthcare industry post-COVID.

Arrangements are pending for CCB's participation in an evening event with Feed My Starving Children.

First-quarter benevolence funds in the total amount of \$---4,490.17 were available for distribution, of which \$4,400 was disbursed to the following charities:

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| ABC United (quarterly) | \$ 300 |
| ABC Metro (quarterly) | 600 |
| Neurobalance | 500 |
| JourneyCare – Barrington | 1,000 |
| International Justice Mission | 1,000 |
| Kids Above All | 500 |
| Outdoor Ministry of ABC Metro | 500 |
| Total first-quarter distributions (7): | \$4,400 |

Neurobalance is located in Barrington and assists individuals who are faced with physical challenges. Its mission is to assist anyone living with a chronic condition reach their potential and maximize quality of life. It offers individuals assistance with mobility, balance, strength, coordination and speech, through one-on-one or group sessions. Prior donations were made in 2017 (\$1,000) and 2021 (\$1,000).

JourneyCare – Barrington provides hospice and palliative care. A prior donation of \$1,500 was made in 2016.

International Justice Mission seeks to free children and adults caught in human trafficking and suffering other injustices, including abuse and poverty from violence and slavery. It collaborates with local governments and community leaders to respond to violence, serve survivors and deter criminal behavior.

Kids Above All – Chicago, serves the counties of Cook, Lake, DuPage and Kane. It focuses solely on children offering early childhood learning programs, safe supportive housing services, and trauma counselling following abuse, neglect, poverty, violence or other injustices.

Outdoor Ministry of ABC Metro (which provides summer camp opportunities) is not funded through CCB's quarterly distribution to ABC Metro. This quarter, Missions chose to make a \$500 donation specifically to this entity of ABC Metro.

Glee Huddlestun, Chair, Missions



Barrington Back-To-School Giving Day – 2023 We are almost to our goal! You may drop your purchases off at the church. We need a few more donations of size 7 and 8 size long sleeve girls tops. If you want someone to shop for you, please contact Carol Marsh at cbmarsh@ameritech.net, or the church office at 847-381-1294. Thank you!!

Past Events



Barbara Reekie Farewell



Camp Sunday



Upcoming Events

You are invited to attend:



Saturday
August
26
5-7pm

at Community Church of Barrington, 407 S Grove Ave
for all of the Art Together Studio students of 2023 and their families.
Welcome all to our Open House style event and CELEBRATE our artists!

MissAlayneArt.org

Art Together

Art Studio and Classes in & by Community Church of Barrington

REGISTER TODAY FOR EACH
INDIVIDUAL CLASS

SUMMER

À LA CARTE ART

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| SUMMER ONLY AGES 6-10 MONDAYS 1-2:30PM \$25/CLASS | SUMMER ONLY AGES 10-15 THURSDAYS 1-2:30PM \$25/CLASS |
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Upcoming Events

June 11th Annual Program Meeting

After church on June 11, please plan to stay after service so we can conduct the business of electing new officers and committee heads. We will also update our membership list and hear from the Ministry Committees of the church. A reception will follow in honor of Jayne Majzan and her dedicated work as moderator.

Mark Your Calendars

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| June 11 | Annual Program Meeting |
| June 18 | Happy Father's Day! |
| June 21 | Potluck for All @ 6:00 p.m. |
| July 4 | Office Closed for Independence Day |
| July 19 | Potluck for All @ 6:00 p.m. |

An excerpt from Holy Humor Sunday by Pastor Chris

Recently, I was speaking with a one of my colleagues in town about churches changing their names.

ME: "Yes, well, in CCB's 175 years it has gone by a few different names.

HIM: "Wasn't it at one time Barrington Christian Church?"

ME: "No, I don't think we've ever been a Christian Church."



SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHILDREN

We had a great school year at our Kid’s Table. Thank you to all the wonderful children that participated in the lessons provided by our amazing volunteers, Glee, Christy and Lauren. We will be on summer break and will return to the table in September. We will have fun supplies at the table for kids to use either in the sanctuary or at the table with their parents.

If you would like to become part of the amazing Kid’s Table team, please contact Sharon Hornig at 847-421-3103 or sharonhornig@comcast.net

ADULTS: 2 TIMOTHY WITH BILL MARSH



Bill Marsh will lead an in-depth bible study of Paul’s 2nd Letter to Timothy for the last three weeks of Sunday School before summer break (May 28 – June 11). All are welcome. No prior biblical knowledge needed.

After June 11, there will be no Sunday School until September. If you have a book, bible study, or topic you would like to recommend for Sunday School in the Fall, please submit it to Pastor Chris.

June 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 DAVE PECHAN B'DAY | 3 CAP MENES B'DAY |
| 4 Worship Service 10:30 BELLE ROIG B'DAY | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 CARL NEWMAN B'DAY | 9 JASON ALTON B'DAY | 10 |
| 11 Worship Service 10:30 Annual Meeting | 12 | 13 DEACON'S MTG. LIBRARY | 14 HELOISE & DAVE PECHAN ANNIV. | 15 | 16 | 17 LYNN RICE B'DAY |
| 18 Worship Service 10:30 | 19 JULIAN ROIG B'DAY | 20 | 21 POTLUCK | 22 | 23 BROOKE DEBARTOLO B'DAY | 24 |
| 25 Worship Service 10:30 PRODUCE SUNDAY PEER LYKKE B'DAY HEATHER MCLEAN B'DAY | 26 SUSAN CARSELLO B'DAY SARAH DOCKERY B'DAY | 27 COUNCIL MTG. | 28 | 29 | 30 | |

July 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | | 1 <i>Mark Luchsinger Birthday</i> |
| 2 <i>Worship Service 10:30</i> | 3 <i>Heloise Pechan- Birthday</i> | 4 <i>Happy Independence Day! Office Closed</i> | 5 | 6 <i>Zoe Krug Birthday</i> | 7 | 8 |
| 9 <i>Worship Service 10:30 Pat Roig Birthday</i> | 10 | 11 <i>Deacon's Meeting</i> | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 <i>Worship Service 10:30</i> | 17 | 18 | 19 <i>Potluck</i> | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 <i>Worship Service 10:30 Produce Sunday Mike Hornig Birthday</i> | 24 <i>Sandra Mytys Birthday</i> | 25 <i>Council Meeting</i> | 26 | 27 | 28 <i>Carolyn Rousel Birthday</i> | 29 |
| 30 <i>Worship Service 10:30 Emily Newman Birthday</i> | 31 | | | | | |

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