

THE BURR RIDGE MESSENGER

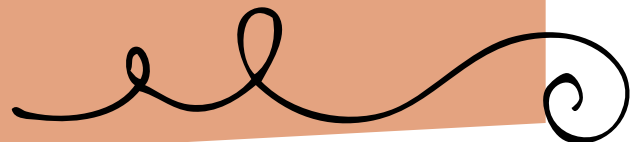
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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



As the crisp autumn air settles in, we're excited to welcome you back to Burr Ridge Community Church for a season of gratitude, joy, and togetherness. The holiday season is just around the corner, and we can't wait to celebrate it with you and your family.

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This month, we have a variety of exciting events and programs planned for all ages. From heartwarming worship services to fun-filled family activities, there's something for everyone.

Get ready to:

- Chicago Bears Tailgate: Join us for a Bears tailgate in the church parking lot! Watch the Bears/Packers game, enjoy some food and fellowship on Sunday, November 17 after worship. Bring your own drinks and lawn chairs. It's a great way to connect with fellow church members and cheer on the Bears! *Please note: this event will be canceled if the game is moved to Sunday Night Football
- Decorating for Christmas: Immerse yourself in the spirit of Christmas as we decorate our sanctuary for Christmas following worship on Sunday, November 24.

We're continuing our food drive to support the West Suburban Community Pantry throughout November. Please donate non-perishable canned goods and other essential food items.

We're so grateful for the opportunity to serve our community. We hope to see you soon!

May God's grace and peace be with you all.

Blessings,
Hannah Sundwall
President, Burr Ridge Community Church



BRCC UPDATES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

BOARD OF ELDERS

Every month, we receive a variety of requests from members, friends, online prayer requests from the community, the BRCC Lounge prayer wall and so on. If you want your request to be shared in the newsletter or on prayer wall, please see Susann Pedersen or Kathy Alvisu. Here is the latest list from the month of October.

Samuel Lee(online), Veronica T.,(Rehab after surgery), Richard Jelcz and family at the passing of his mother, Karen Bateman who is the caregiver for her Uncle. Barbara Jefferson(healing), Stephanie Suva(infusions for headaches), Steven (online request), Branden Suva, Mark Suva, Preston Suva, Millisa Suva, Bryan, Shannon, Felix, Aidan, Peter Hui, Kathi, Sri Rao(chemo) Chris Mc., Michelle & boys, Eme, Tux Pascal.

Kathy Alvisu's sister Janice and her family have been going through dark days and need your prayers. Janice broke her wrist and nose, has 2 daughters who have been diagnosed pancreatic cancer and the other with breast cancer. Janice's husband was diagnosed with bladder cancer. Kathy's note about her family is on the prayer wall. Please reach out to Kathy and please pray for this family for the miracle of healing.

A special request was written on the prayer wall praying for everyone to just be happy.

God bless and protect all of our men and women in the military around the world and our veterans.

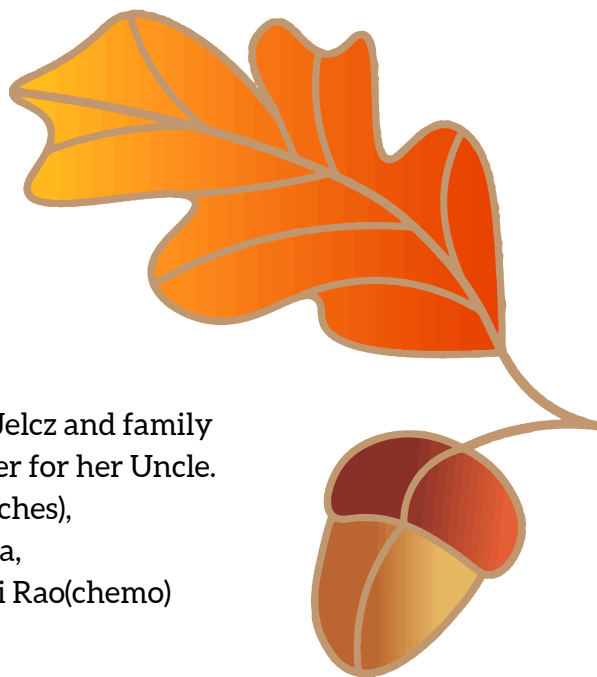
As our Council continues the Settled Pastor Search, Kathy and I continue to care for our congregation with the best intentions. If you or anyone else is in need of spiritual care, please let us know. We will be happy to connect you with one of the emergency pastors available to BRCC.

Thank you all for continuing to bring in non perishable food items which will be delivered to the Woodridge Food Pantry in the next week or so. Please place cans or boxes of non perishables right outside the Sanctuary doors.

November brings us to a time to reflect on Gratefulness. Burr Ridge Community Church is grateful for you.

Thank you for the month of Thanksgiving and all the yummy seasonal food that comes with it!

Kathy Alvisu
Susann K. Pedersen



COUNCIL UPDATES

BOARD OF STEWARDS

(FUNDRAISING)

BOS News Brief ***November 2024***

A very exciting October!

Pumpkin Patch: We exceeded the \$15,000.00 in sales, which means our percentage of the sales is at 33.3%! The church profited almost \$5,000.00!!! Isn't this amazing!?!

Thanks to all who helped with the pumpkin fundraising event giving of your heart and hands.

What do we do with leftover pumpkins? Glad you asked. Pumpkin disposal is Sunday, 11/3, after worship service @ 11am. We need volunteers to take the remaining pumpkins into the woods, food for the deer and woodland creatures!

Accessorize Me! and Spa: A fun day for the ladies, from Boutique to Beautique. The lounge was transformed into a chic display of beautiful once loved jewelry and personal gifts. The spa treatment sessions were so popular, all reservation slots were filled. The jewelry resale brought in \$1,122.81.

Thank you to Amanda, from AZM Spa, for her time and contribution to the church and thank you to the beautiful women of the church for their food, donations, customer care and cashiering. It's so nice women had a day dedicated to them.

Jazz Concert: Blink and it's here! Keep your calendars marked for our 3rd annual Jazz Concert, Thursday, December 12, 7:00 pm. Doors open at 6:30 pm. We have it all, Food, Wine, Concert, and Cheers! Give the \$20.00 Wine Pull a try; the bottles will be at least that value. Tickets go on sale this month. More information to come.

Cookie Sale: December 14 & 15, Bakers needed. More information to come.



BRCC UPDATES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

November Sunday Volunteers

Week	Greeter/Opener	Usher	Worship Assistant	Audio/Livestream	Coffee Minute
11/3	TBD	TBD	Michelle Fore	TBD	Tom & Ann Fong
11/10	David Ritze	Bill Sanford	Susann Pedersen	TBD	Kathy Alvisu
11/17	TBD	TBD	Michelle Fore	TBD	Tina Wolf
11/24	TBD	Michelle Fore	BRRC Kids	TBD	Debbie Sanford

TRUSTEE UPDATES

The trustees have been working on the below:

- new thermostat installed in lounge. Old thermostat broke and was not heating lounge, sanctuary, or balcony.
- foam sealer around particular perimeter areas
- new bait stations installed on interior, all bait replaced on interior and exterior

Thank you,
Madelyn Pedersen-Stiltner



MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

Month of October 2024

Income \$ 22,268.53

Expenses 6,086.56

Over \$ 16,181.97

Year-to-Date as of 10/31/2024

Income \$ 101,483.05

Expenses 103,418.88

Deficit (\$1,935.83)

The unusually large cash surplus for the month of October represents the operation of the "Pumpkin Patch." With the incredibly successful sales we experienced this year, approximately \$9,700 of the surplus will go back to Pumpkins USA, with the Church retaining just over \$5,000 in profit!"

RESERVE ACCOUNT FUNDING

Thank you everyone for supporting our Reserve Account Fundraising! The balance is as follows:

Interior Reserve: \$778

Can be used for sound system, interior updating & repairs.

Exterior Reserve: \$0

Can be used for exterior projects such as parking lot sealcoating and new outdoor church sign.

Total Reserves (including the above): \$82,976

Feel free to either mail or drop off your donation to the church. Please indicate where you would like your donation applied.



MANNA ORDERS

You can submit your upcoming December 1 Manna Gift Card order any of the following ways:

- Submit completed order form and payment at worship, Sunday, December 1
- Call the church office with your order and submit payment via mail or on-line giving;
- Send an email with your order and submit payment via mail or on-line giving.

All payments must be submitted at the time the order is placed. ****please be aware if you use a credit card for your Manna purchase, there is an additional processing fee charged to BRCC by the bank.****

Next Manna Order date: January 5

UPCOMING EVENTS & COUNCIL UPDATES

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Join us for Worship every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. either in-person or on Facebook Live or YouTube. If you are worshipping with us at home, follow along with the weekly Worship Folder found on our website. You can find the worship live stream by following the link below:

[Facebook Livestream](#)

[YouTube Livestream](#)



MEETINGS

Tuesday, November 19th, 6:30 pm - BRCC Council

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We wish Happy Birthday to those that celebrate this month. We hope you have a wonderful day!

Debbie Sundwell - November 12

Zeke Fong - November 22

Barbara Jefferson - November 26

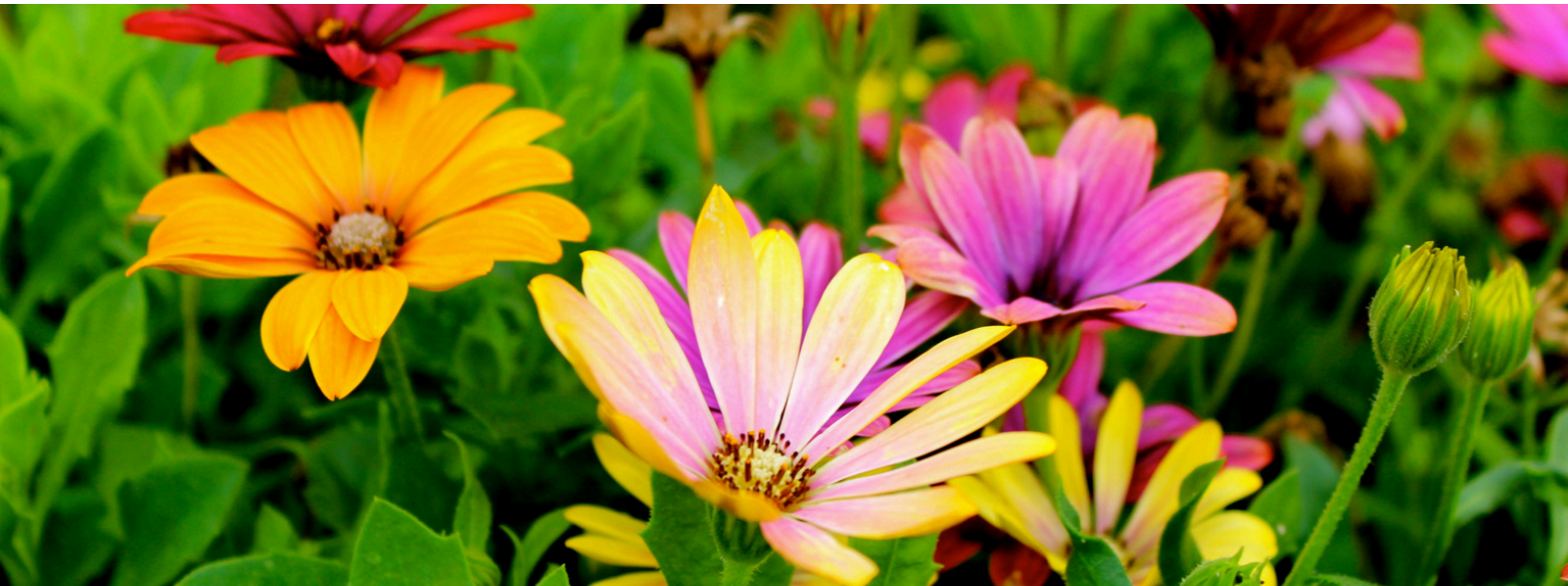
Candice Fong Malloy - November 28

Please join us after service on November 24 for cake as we celebrate all our birthdays this month!

WOMEN'S WELLNESS

Women of the congregation are invited to attend Women's Wellness on **Thursday, November 21st at 6:30 pm.**

Anyone who is or has gone through an emotional or physical situation and would like to come, relax and enjoy each other's fellowship are welcome. All conversations are personal and confidential. What is spoken at the gathering, stays at the gathering.



RESERVE ACCOUNT DONATION

If you would like to donate to the Reserve Account Fundraiser, please complete the below information and return with your donation to the church office. If you prefer, you can make your donation on our website, and select the funds category to which you are supporting.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Select the project(s) you are supporting and the amount of the pledge.

General Operating Expenses

\$ _____

Exterior Projects (Parking Lot Preservation, Building Stain, New Church Sign)

\$ _____

Interior Projects (Lounge Updates, Office Technology, Boiler Maintenance)

\$ _____

Total Donation: \$ _____



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Community
Church

NOVEMBER

2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
27 10am Sunday Worship	28	29	30	31	1	2
3 Manna Due! 10am Sunday	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 10am Sunday Worship	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 10am Sunday Worship	18	19 6:30 pm BRCC Council Meeting	20	21 6:30 pm Women's Wellness	22	23
24 10am Sunday Worship 11am November Birthday Celebration	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30



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