## WELCOME, GUESTS!

### Thank you for worshiping with us this morning.

Please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it along the pew, and introduce yourself to those around you after the service. Stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex (lobby) to pick up information that will acquaint you with our church services and programs. You are also invited to join the conversation on Facebook, at facebook.com/firstpresah, and Twitter, at @FirstPresAH. We look forward to connecting with you again.

#### CHILD CARE

Children of all ages are warmly welcomed and encouraged to participate in worship. Child care is available (infants through age four) in the Christian Education Wing (8:45 am - 11:45 am).

#### **CLASSES FOR ALL AGES**

From September through May, Sunday morning Christian education classes are held for all ages. These include classes for preschool, elementary, middle school, and high school students, as well as education and discussion groups for adults. To learn more, visit firstpresah.org or call the church office at 847-255-5900.

#### SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Large print bulletins, large print hymn packets, and hearing amplifiers are available from the ushers.

#### **IMPORTANT WORSHIP REMINDERS**

Please silence cell phones and refrain from taking photos or recording the worship service. Services are webcast live at firstpresah.org/media/live-stream. To download or listen to a podcast of today's sermon (available soon), visit firstpresah.org/media/podcast. Past sermons and other educational broadcasts are available through the Media section of our website.

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# HERITAGE

"No one has ever become poor by giving." — Anne Frank

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

## **JANUARY 28, 2018** 11:00 AM

Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.



The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.

## GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE	"Rhapsody" Chuck Beech, piano; Chris Urban, orga	<i>Clifford Demarest</i>	
WELCOME		Alex Lang	
<ul> <li>CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 127)</li> <li>One: God builds our house.</li> <li>All: Without God, we labor in vain.</li> <li>One: God gives rest to God's beloved.</li> <li>All: We do not need to anxiously toil.</li> <li>One: Let us worship our generous God.</li> </ul>			
<b>†</b> Нүмn 697	"Take My Life"	Hendon	
CALL TO CON	NFESSION	TC Anderson	

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Redeeming God, hear us now as we ask for new life, new thinking, and new attitudes. Remind us that true security is found in you. Forgive us when we try to make it all about ourselves. Forgive us for thinking that our own hard work has given us wealth. Forgive us for craving more, and more, and more. Help us to let go of our need for financial security. Help us to live generously by giving back to others and growing closer to you.

#### SILENT CONFESSION

...in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

#### ♥GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

#### **PASSING THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you. All: And also with you. One: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

#### **COMMUNITY LIFE**

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

TC Anderson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Luke 19:1-10 (Pew Bible, p. 854) TC Anderson The Word of the Lord/Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "Salvation is Created" P. Tschesnokoff "Salvation is created in the midst of the earth, O God, O our God. Alleluia." Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:13-21 (Pew Bible, p. 847) Alex Lang The Word of the Lord/Thanks be to God!

**SERMON** "It's All About the Benjamins" Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

#### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 110)

God forbids not only the theft and robbery which civil authorities punish, but God also labels as theft all wicked tricks and schemes by which we seek to get for ourselves our neighbor's good, whether by force or under the pretext of right, such as false weights and measures, decpetive advertising or merchandising, counterfeit money, exorbitant interest, or any other means forbidden by God. He also forbids all greed and misuse and waste of his gifts.

**HYMN 716** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" **Beach Spring** 

## **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

TC Anderson

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Great is the Lord" Philip Young "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts. The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised." Chancel Choir

Ghost. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** 

♦HYMN 7

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**Preaching:** Greeter: **Ushers:** 

**Flowers:** 

Pastors:

**DOXOLOGY** (Hymn 606)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy

### GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

'We Give Thee but Thine Own''	Schumann		
CTION	Alex Lang		
DE "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"	Fred Bock		
nd as you are able.			
Alex Lang Tom Carroll Peter Bukowski (head usher), Kurt Ahlers, Bob Harrald, Karen Hughes, Frank Morrone <b>David McLaughlin</b> —In loving memory of my wife, Donna <b>Amy Welzenbach</b> —In loving memory of John Welzenbach			

Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban