

WELCOME, GUESTS!

Thank you for worshipping 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](https://twitter.com/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.

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

*A congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
Organized in 1855*



SUMMER WORSHIP

“There’s no such thing as faith apart from risk-taking. Creativity takes risk. The people who are most secure in Jesus Christ shouldn’t be scared to try new things.”
—Howard Hendricks

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY TRINITY SUNDAY

**MAY 27, 2018
10:30 AM**

Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.

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

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

PRELUDE “Psalm Prelude” *Herbert Howells*
Bill Aylesworth, organist

WELCOME Alex Lang

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come and we will worship the Lord in holy splendor.
All: We will ascribe all glory and strength to the Lord.
One: The Lord will give strength to all the people.
All: The Lord will bless us and others with peace.
One: Come and we will worship the Lord in holy splendor.

✦ HYMN 1 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!” Nicaea

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TC Anderson
Holy God, we stand in awe of your glory and strength. We become aware of our own failings and weakness. You alone hold our lives secure. Time and again we seek security in our structures, institutions, and traditions. Forgive us when we make the structures and traditions more important than your invitation to serve. Forgive the ways in which we worship our way of doing things with more energy than your call to love our neighbor. Forgive us when we cling to the past because the present and future feel unfamiliar. Hold fast to us, O God, as we hold onto 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 Jude 1:5-9
(Pew Bible, p. 993) TC Anderson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “Lead Me, Lord” *S.S. Wesley, arr. Fred Bock*
“Lead me, Lord; lead me in Thy righteousness. Make Thy way plain before my face.
For it is Thou, Lord; Thou, O Lord only that makest me to dwell in safety. Teach me,
Lord; teach me of Thy righteousness. Make Thy way plain before my face.
For it is Thou, Lord; Thou, O Lord only that makest me to dwell in safety. Keep me,
Lord; keep me in Thy righteousness. Make Thy way plain before my face. For it is
Thou, Lord; Thou, O Lord only that makest me to dwell in safety. Lead me, Lord.”
Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING 2 Peter 2:4-10
(Pew Bible, p. 987) Alex Lang
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SERMON “The Final Cut” Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Brief Statement of Faith, 11.4)
We trust in God, the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives.

✦ HYMN 250 “In the Bulb There Is a Flower” Promise

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Judy Hockenberry

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 “Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee” *Dan Forrest*
“Jesus, Lord, we look to Thee; Let us in Thy Name agree; Show Thyself the Price of Peace, Bid our strife forever cease. By Thy reconciling love every stumbling block remove; Each to each unite, endear; Come and spread thy banner here. Make us of one heart and mind, Gentle, peaceable and kind, Lowly, meek in thought and word, Altogether like our Lord. Let us for each other care, Each the other’s burden bear; To Thy church the pattern give, Show how true believers live. Free from anger and from pride; Let us thus in God abide; All the depths of love express, All the heights of holiness. Jesus, Lord, we look to Thee.”
Chancel Choir

✦ 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 Ghost. Amen.

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

✦ HYMN 436 “God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us” O Quanta Qualia

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE “Chaconne” *Louis Couperin*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang
Greeter: Tom Carroll
Ushers: Peter Bukowski (head usher), Bob Harrald, Karen Hughes, Frank Morrone
Flowers: **Betty Lou Bukowski**—Honoring the memory of Bob Bukowski’s brother, Ensign Richard Bukowski, and his shipmates on the USS Ingraham, lost during WWII
Bill and Jo Christian—In honor of the high school graduating class of 1986, most of whom turn 50 this year
Walt and Mary Halatek—In loving memory of family
The Kiepora Family—In honor of Raymond Appler, WWII Marine, Okinawa
Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson
Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson
Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban