



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME TC Anderson

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Matthew 6:25)

One: Do not worry about your life.
All: **We do not have to worry about what to eat or what to wear;**
One: the birds of the air are clothed by God.
All: **God will clothe us, too.**
One: Let us worship the One who cares for all of our needs.

✦ **“HOW GREAT THOU ART”** *Stuart Wesley Keene Hine*
Additional lyrics: Adam Hendrickson

✦ **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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along to those around you.

PROVERBS 12:25-26; 14:12-13

MESSAGE “Dark Passengers” Alex Lang
Scripture: Genesis 1:26-27

✦ **“HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW”** *Martin & Gabriel*

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 sins, as we forgive
those who sin 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.

SHARING OUR GIFTS “Don’t Worry, Be Happy” Robert McFerrin

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ **“YOU NEVER LET GO”** *Beth & Matt Redman*

✦ **BENEDICTION** Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Compass: TC Anderson, guitar/vocals; Amy Carroll, keyboard; Grace Carroll, vocals; Kevin Carroll, bass; AJ Coleman, drums; Adam Hendrickson, guitar/vocals; Beth Osborn, vocals; Greg Schultz, saxophone; Madison Treppa, vocals

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. 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

For worship in the Sanctuary, large print bulletins, large print hymn packets, and hearing amplifiers (some with T-Coil lanyard adapters) 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*



“Herein lies a paradox: when you try your entire life to avoid failing, it only produces more anxiety because you spend all your time worrying about how not to fail.”
— Alex Lang

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JULY 7, 2019
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *Paul Manz*
“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”
Leon Nelson, organist
*The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation
for the worship of Almighty God.*

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 644 “Give Thanks, O Christian People”
Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein

CALL TO CONFESSION TC Anderson

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and mercy, stop our anxious thoughts. Forgive us for the time we spend worrying about things that we cannot control or change. Remind us of your promise to take care of our every need. Forgive us for failing to trust you in new situations. We often fail to make a commitment or take a chance out of fear. We forget that you are the One who guides our lives. Heal us from the darkness of depression and turn us to your light. Open our hearts and our lives to trust 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.**

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COMMISSIONING OF HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT PARTICIPANTS
Alex Lang & Judy Hockenberry

COMMUNITY LIFE TC Anderson
Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along to those around you.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION TC Anderson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Proverbs 12:25-26; 14:12-13
(Pew Bible, p. 518, 520) TC Anderson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “Lord of the Small” *Dan Forrest*
“Praise to the Lord of the Small Broken Things, Who Sees the Poor Sparrow That cannot take wing. Who loves the lame child and the wretch in the street who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet. Praise to the lord of the faint and afraid who girds them with courage and lends them his aid, he pours out his spirit on vessels so weak, that the timid can serve and the silent can speak. Praise to the lord of the frail and the ill who heals their afflictions or carries them till, they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly, to never be sick and never to die. Praise him, O Praise Him All ye who live who've been given so much and can so little give our frail lisping praise God will never Despise. He Sees His Dear Children Through Mercy Filled Eyes!”
Women's Chorus

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 1:26-27
(Pew Bible, p. 1) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Dark Passengers” Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Brief Statement of Faith, 11.2)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, full God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

✦ HYMN 661 “His Eye Is on the Sparrow” Sparrow

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Judy Hockenberry

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For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Hymn of Promise” *Natalie Sleeth*
“In the bulb there is a flower; In the seed, an apple tree; In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see. There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody; There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see. In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity, In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.”
Women's Chorus

✦ 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 372 “O for a World” Azmon

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE “Grand Chorus” *Théodore Dubois*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang

Flowers: **Jan Ashley**—In memory of Marj Ashley, July 7, 1929—
January 7, 2018

Sheila Hall—In memory of my father, Meritt Clinton

Jeff and Kate McVay—In celebration of El & Ruth Koenig

Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban

Praise Band: Compass (9:00 am service)

WORSHIP NOTES