

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

“When you show up authentic,
you create the space for others to do the same.
Walk in your truth.”
—Anonymous

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**JULY 8, 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 “Prière à Notre Dame” *Léon Boëllmann*

WELCOME Alex Lang

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 48)

One: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.

All: God’s name reaches to the ends of the earth.

One: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

All: God will be our guide forever and ever.

One: Let us worship God.

✦ HYMN 327 “From All That Dwell Below the Skies” Lasst Uns Erfreuen

CALL TO CONFESSION Judy Hockenberry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you invite us to live the truth of your love and we turn away. It is too hard. It demands too much. Forgive our weakness. Forgive our lack of faith. Stir in us the courage to walk in your way. Teach us to live the light of your truth so that others will follow. Forgive us when we hold onto your love and justice as if it only belongs to a privileged few. Grant that with the freedom of your forgiveness we will bear witness to the truth of your love.

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.

COMMISSIONING OF HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

PARTICIPANTS

Youth: Audrey Agami, Allison Cerniglia, Bailey Dean, Nicholas Egea, Evelyn Greenbury, Jack Hempleman, Grant Hiskes, Logan Hiskes, Susannah Holifield, Ben Hurley, Ella Hurley, Matt Hurley, Sarah Ingemunson, Katie Larson, Grace Lowe, Natalie Marr, Ryan Marr, Grace Moloney, Thomas Parrish, Alex Schuffler, Sam Schuffler, Brian Sonderegger, Luke Sparreo, Lauren Stanley, Mattie Stautzenbach, Andrew Tavares, Madison Treppa, Matt Washco, Abby Weiss, Abby Wiltse, Jackson Yedor; **Adults:** Ellen Anderson, TC Anderson, Brian Cerniglia, Kim Hogan, Brian Landwehr, Katie Marr

COMMUNITY LIFE

Judy Hockenberry

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Mark 13:9-13
(Pew Bible, p. 826) Judy Hockenberry
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling” *Mark Sedio*
“Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light; Holy Spirit, every brooding o’er a world of glom and night; Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high; Living, life imparting Spirit, You we praise and magnify. Holy Spirit, ever living as the Church’s very life; Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife. Holy Spirit, ever forming in the Church the mind of Christ: You we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruits unpriced. Holy Spirit, ever working through the Church’s ministry; Quickening strengthening, and absolving, setting captive sinners free; Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul. In communion never ending, You we worship and extol.”
Women’s Chorus

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:38-45
(Pew Bible, p. 786) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Tertullian” Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles’ Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

✦ HYMN 753 “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” Prayer of St. Francis

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 “Peace I Give to You” *Craig Courtney*
“Peace I leave you. My peace I give you. Not as the world gives, I give to you. Peace I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled and fear not. In this world you shall have tribulations. Take heart! I have overcome the world! Peace I leave you. My peace I give you. Not as the world gives, I give to you.”
Women’s Chorus; Carol Stolley, violin

✦ 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 761 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” Beecher

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE “Festive Trumpet Tune” *David German*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang

Greeter: Tom Carroll

Flowers: **The Niemeyer Family**—In loving memory of Don Niemeyer, with thanks to God from his family

Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban