

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](https://www.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 (8:15 am – 12:15 pm).

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*



HERITAGE

“It is not necessary that every one of the faithful should cast out demons, raise the dead, or speak with tongues. But only such a one who has been graciously given this gift — for the purpose that it may be advantageous to the salvation of unbelievers.”

—Hippolytus

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**OCTOBER 8, 2017
11:00 AM**

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

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

PRELUDE “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” *Eleanor Whitsett*
“Spirit of God” *Lani Smith*
Chuck Beech, piano; Chris Urban, organ

WELCOME Alex Lang

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 19)
One: The heavens are telling the glory of God.
All: And the earth proclaims God’s handiwork.
One: May the words of our mouths,
All: and the meditations of our hearts,
One: be acceptable to the One we gather to worship.

✦ HYMN 610 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” Azmon

CALL TO CONFESSION Judy Hockenberry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
God of boundless compassion, forgive us when our compassion falters. Forgive us when we continue to live out of rigid ideas and understandings. Forgive us when we close the door on the power and life of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us for making excuses for why our church can’t adapt to change and to the needs of others. Remind us that the Holy Spirit is a powerful force in our church. Give us courage to allow the Spirit to lead so that we may change and adapt without losing touch with your amazing 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.

COMMUNITY LIFE

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1-12
(Pew Bible, p. 885) Judy Hockenberry
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee!” *J. S. Bach*
*“Now let every tongue adore thee! Let men with angels sing before Thee!
Let harps and cymbals now unite! All Thy gates with pearl are glorious,
Where we partake through faith victorious, With angels round thy throne of light.
No mortal eye hath seen, No mortal ear hath heard such wondrous things;
Therefore, with joy our song shall soar in praise to God forevermore.”*
Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 14:4-5, 18-23
(Pew Bible, p. 934) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Speaking in Tongues” Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Brief Statement of Faith, 10.4)
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. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

✦ HYMN 286 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” Trentham

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 “Holy Spirit, Truth Divine” *Gilbert Martin*
*“Holy Spirit, Truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine; Word of God and inward light,
wake my spirit, clear my sight. Holy Spirit, love divine, glow within this heart of mine;
Kindle every high desire; purge me with your holy fire. Holy Spirit, pow’r divine,
fortify this will of mine; by your will I strongly thrive, bravely bear, nobly strive.
Holy Spirit, right divine, make my conscience wholly thine; Be my guide,
and I shall be firmly bound, forever free. Amen.”*
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 280 “Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us” Ebenezer

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” *Mark Thallander*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang
Greeter: Craig Perkins
Ushers: Dave Crim (head usher), Kurt Ahlers, Kaori Ozaki, Jan Richardson, Kazue Sono
Flowers: **Kris Ford**—In celebration of my mother, Millie Engelbretsen’s 90th birthday
Myrtle Jessogne—In loving memory of my husband, Harold; father, grandfather, great-grandfather
Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson
Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson
Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban