



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME TC Anderson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: There is a season for all things.
All: **There is a season to hold on and one to let go.**
One: There is a season for war,
All: **and there is a season for peace.**
One: Let us worship the God of peace.

✦ “HERE I AM TO WORSHIP” Tim Hughes

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

JOSHUA 11:6-12

MESSAGE “Self-Defense” Alex Lang/TC Anderson
Scripture: Matthew 5:38-44

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 “Now to Live the Life” Matt Redman

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ “YOUR GRACE IS ENOUGH” Matt Maher

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Compass: Ellen Anderson, vocals; TC Anderson, guitar/vocals; Amy Carroll, keyboard; Kevin Carroll, bass; AJ Coleman, drums; Beth Osborn, vocals; 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*



“It is not enough to say we must not wage war.
It is necessary to love peace and to sacrifice for it.”
— Martin Luther King, Jr.

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**NOVEMBER 17, 2019
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Daystar" *Barbara Kinyon*
"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" *Barbara Kinyon*
Chancel Handbell Choir, Nick Pulikowski, director
*The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation
for the worship of Almighty God.*

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 367 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" St. George's Windsor

CALL TO CONFESSION Judy Hockenberry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we raise our swords against others instead of beating them into plowshares. We fail to listen to the concerns of others. We think that power and force are the only ways to better living. We think of our country as being the only country you bless. Forgive our narrow perspective. Show us the way of mercy and peace.

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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COMMUNITY LIFE

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Joshua 11:6-12
(Pew Bible, p. 177) Judy Hockenberry
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Let There Be Peace on Earth" *arr. Arnold Sherman*
Chancel Handbell Choir; Nick Pulikowski, director

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:38-44
(Pew Bible, p. 786) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Self-Defense" Alex Lang/TC Anderson

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Second Helvetic Confession, 5.256)
And if it is necessary to preserve the safety of the people by war, let him wage war in the name of God; provided he has first sought peace by all means possible, and cannot save his people in any other way except by war. And when the magistrate does these things in faith, he serves God by those very works which are truly good, and receives a blessing from the Lord.

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

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

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

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Walk in Light" *Karen Marrolli*
"And we shall study war no more. Come, O people, O come and walk in the light of the Lord. And we shall walk the paths of peace. Come, O people, come and walk in the light of the Lord. The night is far spent; the day is at hand. And we shall study war no more. Come, O people, O come and walk in the light of the Lord. So let us cast off the works of night so we may wear a Shield of Day. Come, O people, O come and walk in the light of the Lord. Evermore and evermore."
Chancel Choir; Michelle Fielder, oboe; Jenn Fick, director

✦ 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 749 "Come! Live in the Light!" We Are Called

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Now Thank We All Our God" *J. S. Bach, arr. Fox*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang/TC Anderson
Greeters: (10:30 am) Tom Carroll, Nancy Pardo
Ushers: (9:00 am) Sharon Ferdinand, Dawn McGrath
(10:30 am) Kate McVay (head usher), Peter Bukowski, Rob Lincoln, Walt Meyer, Frank Morrone, Kirsten Olson
Flowers: Presbyterian Women—In honor of those who serve
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
