

SUNDAY WORSHIP

JANUARY 10, 2020

PRELUDE “All Things Bright and Beautiful” arr. Albert Travis

WELCOME Alex Lang

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader One: Come into God’s presence with singing.

Leader Two: **Come into God’s courts with praise.**

Leader One: We are God’s people.

Leader Two: **It is God who made us and we are His.**

HYMN 32 “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” Ellacombe

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TC Anderson

Creator God, you made the heavens and the earth. You made all that is seen and unseen. You created us in your image. We have fallen short of the purposes for which you created us. We have used and abused your creation without thought for it’s care and protection. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to live into your love. Forgive us for the destruction we cause both intentionally and unintentionally. Restore us so that we might live in your image. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENESIS 2:4B-8

MESSAGE “Birth Pangs” Alex Lang
Scripture: Mark 10:13-16

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.

SHARING OUR GIFTS

“Canticle of Fellowship”

Craig Courtney

“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Forgive each other as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. Before our Fathers throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares. We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear. When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again. From sorrow, toil, and pain and sin we shall be free; and perfect love and joy shall reign throughout eternity.”

Chancel Choir; Chancel Handbell Choir (Recorded 3/8/2020)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION Alex Lang

HYMN 187 “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” Bradbury

POSTLUDE “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” arr. Frederick Swann

Worship led by: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

Music: Adam Hendrickson, Chris Urban, Chancel Choir, and the Chancel Handbell Choir

Flowers: Don & Barb Larson—Celebrating the birthday of our granddaughter, Ellery Shaw

CHURCH LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT — As we continue to stream worship services until further notice, we ask that you keep your giving to the church up-to-date by mailing in a check or by going online. By continuing to give, you continue to help your church pay its bills, make its payroll, and be a light in the world. To give online:

1. Go to www.firstpresah.org.
2. Click on "GIVE" which is the top line of the website.
3. Click on the GIVE NOW link in blue.

Online giving can be done on a one-time basis or you can set up a recurring gift. It is easy and our website uses Secure Socket Layering (SSL) to protect personal credit information before it travels over the Internet.

HAVE YOU TURNED IN YOUR COMMITMENT CARD? — If you have not yet had a chance to turn in your Commitment Card for 2021, you are invited to mail it to the church office, to the attention of Debbie Walter, Business Administrator. You can also enter your commitment online at firstpresah.org/giving.



NEW SECURE MAILBOX — For your convenience, we have installed a new, secure mailbox by Door 9. Please use this mailbox for items that need to be dropped off for the church staff. This mailbox will be checked and emptied on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

VIRTUAL CAREER PLANNING COURSE — *Tuesdays, January 12-February 16 / 11:30 am – 12:30 pm / via Zoom* — We're excited to announce a new six-week Virtual Career Planning Course from our Career Transition Resources Team! Starting January 12, our six-week program covers the most important cornerstones of your job search or career journey, including self-assessment, budgeting, resume building, marketing, networking, interview preparation, and negotiations. Classes will be held via Zoom on Tuesdays, 11:30 am-12:30 pm. Email CTR@firstpresah.org to register, or go to careertransitionresources.org/ for more information. Whether you're on the hunt for a new job or seeking change in your career path, you don't have to face these challenges alone. Sign up now!

NEW ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Wednesday Evening Adult Education: Just Jesus — *January 6-February 10 / 7:00-8:00 pm / via Zoom* — **Instructors: Rev. Alex Lang and Dr. Donald Kaasch**

The Jesus of history and the Jesus of the Christian religion are often two very different people. In this class, Rev. Lang and Donald Kaasch will be comparing the traditional thinking behind Jesus with the information about Jesus produced by scholars of religious history. Sometimes these two sources align, often they diverge. The question we will be exploring is where is the truth? Can we ever know the real Jesus? How do we as Christians reconcile the different competing theories of who Jesus is and what does that mean for our faith? Join us as we work our way through the weeds to discover just Jesus! **Register in advance for this class** by clicking the link in Weekly Highlights or going to <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMtf-2prjwuHdzPy6hbl2YWIvMXPhvzLw37>

Thursday Evening Adult Education: Testimony: Remembering; Reclaiming; Rearticulating Our Reformed Faith — *January 7-February 11 / 7:00-8:00 pm / via Zoom* — **Instructor: Rev. Judy Hockenberry**

This class is an opportunity to gather together and explore who God is and who we are so that our lives embody the liberating love and grace of Jesus Christ. **Register in advance for this class** by clicking the link in Weekly Highlights or going to <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUudemuqTMjHteJi3SuQoAEW3hwsh8dS2Mt>

SAVE THE DATE — On Monday, January 18, Stone Catchers will host the **Third Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service Community Food Drive and Lunch**. You can get involved by participating in the drive-thru Community Food Drive on Sunday, January 17, and Monday, January 18. On January 17 and 18, drop off your non-perishable food donations at the front steps of the church. Volunteers will be on Dunton Avenue to receive your donations. Contactless drop-off is available – just put the donation in your trunk, pop the trunk when you drive up, and we will unload your donations. For questions, contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org or Katy Allen at katyallen@firstpresah.org.

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP — All have enjoyed the beautiful touch of flowers in worship even though we view them from far away. The Presbyterian Women Flower Committee wishes to thank all those who have faithfully contributed. Please consider contributing to the PW flower fund so that we may all enjoy the beauty they add each Sunday! Suggested donation is \$25.

There are two ways to donate:

Online at firstpresah.org:

1. Click on “Give” at the top of the website
2. Click on “Give Now” link in blue
3. Select “Sunday Flowers PW” from the drop down. **Important:** In the “Optional Memo” line, please add date requested and details of dedication.

By check:

Made out to First Presbyterian Church. On memo line, write PW Flowers and include date and details of dedication. Order forms can be downloaded from the website for your convenience at firstpresah.org/forms/. Thank you for your support. Questions?? Contact Sue Henderson at suhenco@comcast.net

JOURNEYS MEAL DONATION AND DELIVERY HELP WANTED — First Pres continues to deliver meals to two Arlington Heights hotels where guests from our PADS program are currently staying. We anticipate providing these meals for the foreseeable future. Through your generosity, we continue to provide three meals a day, once per week, for 90 people. Also, we will provide 24 people with a box of food that will provide breakfast and lunch for a week. We need food donations, cash donations, and volunteers to pack and deliver. Sign up at signupgenius.com/go/10C044DADAF29A7FB6-winter. If you have any questions, please contact the PADS food team at padsfood@firstpresah.org.

PASTORAL CARE — If you have a death in the family, an anticipated surgery, the birth of a new baby, or if you or a loved one are struggling, your pastors and church family want to be there to support you. Please contact Pastor Judy Hockenberry, at judyhockenberry@firstpresah.org or 847-255-5900, or call the church office to share your pastoral needs.

ONLINE WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

January 17, 2021: Second Sunday after Epiphany
Worship (firstpresah.org/media/live-stream/)



Scriptures: Genesis 11:1-9, Acts 2:43-47

Preacher: Alex Lang

Sermon Title: The Singularity

Sermon Series: A Brave New World

Prayer Requests

Healing & Comfort

Mario Alberico
Brian Aldrich
Pat Almblad
Liz Armstrong
Dave Berkow
Mark Bishop
Wendy Blanck
Dawn Bruce
Samuel Bruce — brother of Lee Bruce
Betty Lou Bukowski
Brian & Jennifer Butler — brother-in-law & sister of
Dawn Bruce
Jane Cassaro — friend of Beth Balow
Mary Clarbour
Sally Costello
Carol Dahn
Alice Davitt — friend of Kris Ward
Jim Dean — father-in-law of Kelly Dean
Michael Fischer — grandson of Dave & Pat Almblad
Virginia Gardner — friend of Jo Christian
Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepora
George Gerner — cousin of Kelsey Fuentes
Bill Ginnodo
Gloria — friend of June Johnson
Dorita & Houston Godfrey
Ermina Gomez & daughter — friends of Elaine Chen
Kit Graham — friend of Betty Sanders
Barbara Hayes
Jeanne Holl — grandniece of Myrtle Jessogne
Mary Kay Holl — niece of Myrtle Jessogne
Bob Jackson — friend of Hal Stern
Mary Jessogne — sister-in-law of Myrtle Jessogne
Steve Jessogne — nephew of Myrtle Jessogne
Marylyn Jirsa

Marjorie Kalivoda
John Lamb — friend of Kris Ward
Connie Landwehr
Kurt Landwehr
Helen Lawson — friend of Liz Armstrong
Penny Lumsden — mother of Stu Lumsden
Quentin Mare'
Richard Martin — friend of June Johnson
Sean McClory — friend of Mario Alberico
Scott and Laura Morrison — friends of Mario &
Claudia Alberico
Lee Nelson
Gloria Oak
The Patton Family — friends of Dawn Bruce
Jim Richardson — brother of Jan Richardson
Betty Roach
Sandy & Tim — friends of Myrtle Jessogne
Theresa Scola — friend of Meg Haddad
Susan Scott
Dee Sievertsen
Ed Slivovsky
Je'Anna Paris Smith
Wendell Stoike
Arne Stollfuss
David Stratton — brother-in-law of Elaine Chen
Barb Talley — friend of Jo Christian
Jaquan Thompson
Vasilios Tsironis — friend of Beth Balow
Dan Tsutsumi
Wes Upton — friend of Ralph Larsen
Marilyn Votava — sister of Judy Ayers
Gary Walker

Sympathy to:

Carol Frieburg, on the death of her mother, **Mary Carol Frieburg**

Serving in the Armed Services

AMN Charles Arthur Brousseau, Air Force — son of Liz Moses and Bob Wendling
Maj. Michael B. Ford, US Army Reserves — stepson of Kris Ford
Brandon Latuzek — nephew of Elaine Chen
Geoffrey Martineau — brother of Lisa Martineau
E5MM Marc Robert McGrath, Jr., Navy — grandson of Donald and Jacqueline Schultz
2 LT Kristen Reese, Army — daughter of Jim and Becky Reese, sister of Adam and Brian Reese
Sergeant Benjamin David Schultz, Air Force — grandson of Donald and Jacqueline Schultz
Colonel Gretchen Wiltse — sister of Vincent and Heidi Wiltse