

SUNDAY WORSHIP



MAY 30, 2021

PRELUDE

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Carolyn Hamlin

WELCOME

Alex Lang

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are invited to run the race of life with perseverance.

People: **We come willing to lay aside every weight and sin that holds us back.**

Leader: Jesus is the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

People: **We gather, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.**

Leader: Let us run the race that is set before us.

HYMN 1

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

Nicaea

(Please remain seated during the hymns and sing quietly or hum.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

TC Anderson

Gracious God, we struggle to believe. Help us in our unbelief. Too often our choices lead us down the wrong paths. Open our eyes to your possibilities. Forgive us when we ignore those options and take the easier way. Teach us to persevere in the midst of obstacles. Train us in taking the paths that are less worn without fear. Remove the obstacles from our wayward hearts. Renew our desire to follow you in all things. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1 CORINTHIANS 10:12-13

MESSAGE

“On Faith and Perseverance”

Alex Lang

Scripture: Acts 12:6-11

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

“Carried by Love”

David Lantz III

“Far from the flock, far from the fold; lost in the dark, frightened and cold. Captured by fear, bound by despair; crying for One to hear my prayer. Search me and find me, lost and alone. Search me and find me, carry me safely home. Out of the night, black as my shame, I hear a voice calling my name. Shepherd of Love, calling me grace abundant free. Lifted by hands gentle and strong, into His arms where I belong. Held by the One sent from above, Covered by grace and carried by Love. Search and find me, lost and alone. Search me and find me, carry me safely home.”

The Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN 410

“God Is Calling through the Whisper”

W Żlobie Leży

(Please remain seated during the hymns and sing quietly or hum.)

BENEDICTION

Alex Lang

POSTLUDE

“Fanfare on ‘Holy, Holy, Holy’ ”

Robert Hebble

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

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

CHURCH LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY 30, 2021

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — *Sunday, May 30 / 11:30 am / Sanctuary* — There will be a Congregational Meeting immediately following 10:30 am worship on Sunday, May 30. The purpose of this meeting is to approve the terms and amount of the loan from the Presbyterian Investment Loan Program (PILP). No other business may come before the congregation at this meeting. You can download information from the link in Weekly Highlights or contact the church office for a printed copy.

NEW! ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

Mythology in the Modern World — *Wednesdays, June 2-July 7 / 7:00 pm / Sanctuary / Instructor: Adam Hendrickson* — Inspired by Joseph Campbell's lectures on mythology, join Adam Hendrickson for a five-part series of classes examining the role mythology plays in our modern world. From a person's occupation to their religious beliefs, you might be surprised how much mythology is engrained into our genetic makeup and the society that we have created.

ORGAN COOLERS! — *Wednesdays, June 23 - July 28 / 12:10 pm / Sanctuary* — NEW in-person summer organ concert series will begin Wednesday, June 23, and will continue for six weeks. The concerts will begin at 12:10 pm. Come and enjoy refreshing organ music in our cool (air conditioned) Sanctuary. Scheduled performers: June 23 – Chris Urban, organ; June 30 – Chris Urban, organ & Chuck Beecher, piano; July 7 – Marianne Kim, organ; July 14 – Chris Urban, organ & Andrew Orals, violin; July 21 – Chris Urban, organ & Tom Walter, cello; July 28 – Chris Urban, organ & Nick Pulikowski, tenor.



ALUMINUM CAN DRIVE — *Saturday, June 5 / 10:00 am / West Parking Lot* — Scout Troop 32, sponsored by the First Pres Men's Bible Study, is organizing an aluminum can drive on Saturday, June 5, from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm in the west parking lot. Drop off your crushed cans for recycling. Please do not bring cans to the church office before the collection date.



VBS AND MISSION FACTORY REGISTRATION — Register now for Children's Ministries summer programming for families and tweens. Family VBS will be held outdoors from Tuesday, June 22-Thursday, June 24, from 6:00-8:00 pm. Dinner from 6:00-6:30 pm is optional. VBS is open to preschoolers (3- and 4-year-olds) – 4th graders and their families. MissionFactory, for incoming fifth and sixth graders, will be held in person and indoors from Monday, June 21-Friday, June 25, from 8:45 am-noon each day. Visit our website, <https://firstpresah.org/programs/children-families/vbs-mission-factory/> to register. Please contact Katy Allen at katyallen@firstpresah.org with any questions.



GOD'S HONEST TRUTH IS RETURNING! — *Wednesday, July 14 / 7:00 pm / West Parking Lot* — God's Honest Truth is scheduled for Wednesday, July 14, as an outdoor event. The theme is "Unbound: Stories of When You Felt the Most Free." Do you have a story to tell? Each story will be 10-15 minutes. If you are interested, please contact Alex Lang at alexlang@firstpresah.org.

E-MAIL SCAMS are rampant. If you get any kind of request for money or for personal information from a friend or from a business (even one with which you do business), please call them before you give any information over the internet and before your **buy anything**. People are hacking e-mails of friends of yours and then requesting gift cards or help to get out of a foreign country. This is all a SCAM. Please, please, check with your friend or company **BEFORE** you do anything else.

FILL OUR FOOD BARRELS! — Please remember our food barrels, which are located by the coat rack in the Narthex and in the hallway toward Fellowship Hall. Donations of nonperishable food items benefit many families and individuals who are clients of several local organizations that we support. Please note that foods past their expiration dates will have to be thrown away. Let's see if we can fill the barrels!



WALKING GROUP IS BACK! — Reconnect with church members and get some exercise while walking outdoors. Organized by the Community Life & Education Committee, the walking group will meet on the first Wednesday of the month. Meet in the church parking lot at 5:30 pm. Walks will last about 45 minutes. Contact Deb Artman at debartman53@gmail.com if interested.



JOIN THE MEN'S BIBLE STUDY! — The Men's Bible Study is meeting via Zoom, every Monday at 8:00 am. If you are interested in joining the group or if you have questions, contact Bill Dillon at (847) 956-2871 or Dave Berkow at (847) 323-2800.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT — Please keep your giving to the church up-to-date by mailing in a check or by going online. For those who plan to start joining us for in-person, inside worship, there will be offering plates in the back of the church on Sunday mornings. 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 "DONATE" which is the top line of the website.
3. Select the fund from the drop-down menu.

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.

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP — All have enjoyed the beautiful touch of flowers in worship. 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 "DONATE" at the top of the website.
2. 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.

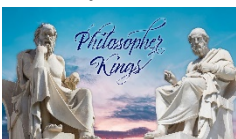
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WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

June 6, 2021: Second Sunday after Pentecost

Worship: 10:30 am in the Sanctuary / online at firstpresah.org/media/live-stream/



Scriptures: Luke 9:1-6, Acts 20:31-35

Preacher: Judy Hockenberry

Sermon Title: "On Giving and Receiving"

Sermon Series: Philosopher Kings

Prayer Requests

Healing & Comfort

Mario Alberico
Brian Aldrich
April Alexander — family of Myrtle Jessogne
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
Elaine Chen
Mary Clarbour
Carol Dahn
Alice Davitt — friend of Kris Ward
Jim Dean — father-in-law of Kelly Dean
Millie Engelbretsen
Michael Fischer — grandson of Dave & Pat Almblad
Virginia Gardner — friend of Jo Christian
Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepura
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
Mary Hockenberry
Jeanne Holl — grandniece of Myrtle Jessogne
Mary Kay Holl — niece of Myrtle Jessogne
Ella Hurley
Mary Jessogne — sister-in-law of Myrtle Jessogne
Steve Jessogne — nephew of Myrtle Jessogne
Marylyn Jirsa

Marjorie Kalivoda
Kaitlin Kulick — friend of the Hockenberry's
John Lamb — friend of Kris Ward
Barbara Langer — mother of Laura Carlson
Helen Lawson — friend of Liz Armstrong
Jeff Leach
Penny Lumsden — mother of Stu Lumsden
Quentin Mare'
Richard Martin — friend of June Johnson
Sean McClory — friend of Mario Alberico
John McFayden
Kathryn Merz — daughter of Nancy Ashe
Scott and Laura Morrison — friends of Mario &
Claudia Alberico
Lee Nelson
Gloria Oak
The Patton Family — friends of Dawn Bruce
Katie Reid — daughter of Lee Nelson
Jim Richardson — brother of Jan Richardson
Betty Roach
Clarke Sanders — son of Betty Sanders
Sandy & Tim — friends of Myrtle Jessogne
Theresa Scola — friend of Meg Haddad
Susan Scott
Dee Sievertsen
Ed Slivovsky
Je'Anna Paris Smith
Arne Stollfuss
David Stratton — brother-in-law of Elaine Chen
Fred & Heather Tellez — friends of the Fick Family
Jaquan Thompson
Vasilios Tsironis — friend of Beth Balow
Dan Tsutsumi
Wes Upton — friend of Ralph Larsen
Marilyn Votava — sister of Judy Ayers
Mick Ward — friend of Kris Ward

Sympathy to:

Dale and Bobbie Freres, on the death of Dale's brother
Rosalie Stoike, Lynn Stoike and family, on the death of **Wendell Stoike**

Serving in the Armed Services

AMN Charles Arthur Brousseau, Air Force — son of Liz Moses and Bob Wendling
MU3 Wesley Carroll, Navy — son of Kevin and Amy Carroll, grandson of JoAnn Thompson
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
Capt. John Olszewski, USMC — nephew of Steve and Lisa Olszewski
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