



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME Adam Hendrickson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Happy are those who delight in the Lord.
All: **We are like trees planted by streams of water.**
One: The Lord watches over us.
All: **In all that we do, we live abundantly.**
One: Together we will worship God.

✦ “FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH” Pierpoint & Kocher

ANNOUNCEMENTS TC Anderson

ALL-IN A MINUTE Marc Washco

MATTHEW 17:14-18

MESSAGE “Reclaiming Experiences” Alex Lang
Scripture: John 4:3-18, 25-26

SONG “Chances” Wattenberg & Ondrasik

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 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 “Just One Victory” Todd Rundgren

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ “BUILD MY LIFE” Younker, Martin, Kaple, Redman, & Barrett

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Compass: TC Anderson, guitar/vocals; Ellen Anderson, vocals; Amy Carroll, keyboard; Kevin Carroll, bass; AJ Coleman, drums; Adam Hendrickson, guitar/vocals; Greg Schultz, saxophone

WELCOME, GUESTS!

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning.

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, Twitter, at @FirstPresAh, and Instagram, 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, 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/experience/livestream. To download or listen to a podcast of today’s sermon, search Apple podcasts for **The Word @ First Pres**. Past sermons are available at firstpresah.org/experience/sermons.

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

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Organized in 1855*



“God is able to take your life, with all of the heartache, all of the pain, all of the regret, all of the missed opportunities, and use you for His glory.”
— Charles Swindoll

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2021
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Voluntary in D" *George Dyson*
The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 14 "For the Beauty of the Earth" Dix

CALL TO CONFESSION Judy Hockenberry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O Lord, for all the times we have failed to notice you. We sat alone for so long and we didn't see you. You were there with us. We are so busy grieving what we lost, we forget to notice what is still present to us. With schedules thrown out of whack we miss opportunities for finding you in our chance encounters. As we leave our homes and our sick beds, open our eyes and our hearts to your presence even in the midst of our pain. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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.**

COMMUNITY LIFE

ALL-IN A MINUTE Marc Washco

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 17:14-18
(Pew Bible, p. 798) Judy Hockenberry
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Rivers of Living Water" *Karen Marrolli*
There shall be rivers of living water; there shall be streams of spirit light. There shall be rivers of living water that cleans the soul and give us sight. There shall be pathways of flowing fountains, where rivers seek us to embrace. O let the thirsty come before him and drink the well of healing grace. O does your soul cry out for oneness, like the deserts seek the rain, like the deer longs for the well spring? Great spirit, quench us and sustain! O let the thirsty come before him and drink the well of healing grace.
There shall be rivers of living water; praise God for this.
Chancel Choir;
Michelle Fiedler, oboe; Sarah Struebing, violin; AJ Coleman, percussion

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 4:3-18, 25-26
(Pew Bible, p. 864) Alex Lang
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SERMON "Reclaiming Experiences" Alex Lang

✦ HYMN 803 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" Resignation

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Judy Hockenberry

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OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Look at the World" *John Rutter*
*"Look at the world: everything all around us: Look at the world, and marvel everyday.
Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along our way.
Praise to thee o lord for all creation, give us thankful hearts that we may see: All the gifts we share and every blessing, All things come of thee. Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; Look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain; Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river, field and plain. Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer bringing the harvest before the winters cold. Everything grows, everything has a season, Til' it is gathered to the fathers fold. Every good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the lord in token of his love; We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; His is the earth and his the heavens above."*
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 321 "The Church's One Foundation" Aurelia

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Pasticcio" *Jean Langlais*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang

Flowers: **Sheila Hall**—In honor of family birthdays
Barrett and Corinne Peterson—In memory of Warren and Lois Hansen on what would have been their 79th wedding anniversary

Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban

WORSHIP NOTES
