



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME Adam Hendrickson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

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All: **Train up our children in the way they should go.**
One: When they are old, they will not depart from these ways.
All: **We will remember the teachings of the Lord.**
One: And peace will be added to our lives.

✦ “BE THOU MY VISION” *Byrne, Hull, & Evans*
Additional Lyrics by Adam Hendrickson

ANNOUNCEMENTS TC Anderson
Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along to those around you.

ALL-IN A MINUTE Cynthia Hiskes

COMMISSIONING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS & VOLUNTEERS

MATTHEW 7:1-5 TC Anderson

MESSAGE “Mind the Gap” Alex Lang
Scripture: Proverbs 2:6-15

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 “You Gotta Be” *Des’ree & Ingram*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ “I WILL FOLLOW” *Tomlin, Ingram, & Morgan*

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

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

WELCOME, GUESTS!

Thank you for worshipping 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*



“At the end of knowledge, wisdom begins,
and at the end of wisdom,
there is not grief...but hope.”
— Lloyd Alexander

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

**OCTOBER 17, 2021
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Be Thou My Vision" *Peter Mathews*
Samantha Bittle, harp
The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 459 "O Word of God Incarnate" Munich

CALL TO CONFESSION Judy Hockenberry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we have forgotten how to respect your teaching and our teachers. We forget that investing time in our children is the only way to teach them. We fail to accept others as they are, while encouraging them to move forward. We ignore the wisdom of the least among us. Our relationships are broken and lacking. Forgive us and teach us your ways that we might live in your light...

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

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ALL-IN A MINUTE Cynthia Hiskes

HEARING GOD'S WORD

BIBLE PRESENTATION

ANTHEM "As A Little Child" *Joseph Martin*
*"O you must become as a little child, as a little child and come unto Him.
Yes, you must become as a little child to share in the kingdom of God. Come unto Jesus,
run into His arms. Come unto Jesus and you can share the kingdom of God.
Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong,
they are weak but He is strong."*
Chancel Choir and Children's Choir, Nick Pulikowski, director

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 7:1-5
(Pew Bible, p. 788) Judy Hockenberry
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Proverbs 2:6-15
(Pew Bible, p. 510) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Mind the Gap" Alex Lang

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Judy Hockenberry

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OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Be Thou My Vision" *Alice Parker*
Text from Hymn 450
Chancel Choir; Samantha Bittle, harp

✦ 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 462 "I Love to Tell the Story" Hankey

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "How Firm A Foundation" *arr. Carolyn Hamlin*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang

Flowers: **Dawn Bruce**—Family here and gone, we miss and love you all
Sally Crooker—In loving memory of W. Brandt Crooker
Chris Urban—In Celebration of the 51st wedding anniversary of
Dale & Suzanne Urban

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