

Prayer Requests

Healing & Comfort

Mario Alberico
 Brian Aldrich
 Dave & Pat Almblad
 Joel Appler — brother of Mary Kieपुरa
 Barbara Berkow
 Mark Bishop
 Wendy Blanck
 Elaine Chen
 Mary Clarbour
 Stan Conning
 Carol Dahn
 Alice Davitt — friend of Kris Ward
 Kenyatta Fletcher — friend of Dawn & Lee Bruce
 Richard Ford — friend of Dawn & Lee Bruce
 Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kieपुरa
 George Gerner — cousin of Kelsey Fuentes
 Bill Ginnodo
 Gloria — friend of June Johnson
 Dorita & Houston Godfrey
 Ella Hurley
 Mary Jessogne — Sister-in-law of Myrtle Jessogne
 Marylyn Jirsa
 Marjorie Kalivoda
 Kaitlin Kulick — friend of the Hockenberrys
 Jeff Leach
 Linda Lock — sister of Tim Lock

Sean McClory — friend of Mario Alberico
 John McFayden
 Scott and Laura Morrison — friends of Mario & Claudia Alberico
 Gloria Oak
 Katie Reid — daughter of Lee Nelson
 Jim Richardson — brother of Jan Richardson
 Betty Roach
 Theresa Scola — friend of Meg Haddad
 Emma Scott — sister-in-law of Richard Scott
 Susan Scott
 Ed Slivovsky
 Je'Anna Paris Smith
 Arne Stollfuss
 David Stratton — brother-in-law of Elaine Chen
 Janet Tanner
 Fred Tellez — friend of the Fick Family
 Jaquan Thompson
 Carol Travi — friend of Jo Christian
 Dan Tsutsumi
 Wes Upton — friend of Ralph Larsen
 Marilyn Votava — sister of Judy Ayers
 Mick Ward — friend of Kris Ward
 Jenell Wetzel
 Dick Wewger — father-in-law of Mark Bishop
 Quintin White — friend of Dawn & Lee Bruce

Serving in the Armed Services

AMN Charles Arthur Brousseau, Air Force — son of Liz Moses and Bob Wendling
 Lt. Jack Carroll, Air Force — grandson of Tom and Susan Carroll
 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
 Sergeant Benjamin David Schultz, Air Force — grandson of Donald and Jacqueline Schultz
 Colonel Gretchen Wiltse — sister of Vincent and Heidi Wiltse

About First Pres

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Save the Date

Tonight Annual Speaker: Stephen Bright
 October 12 November *Chimes* Deadline
 October 16 Service Saturday
 October 17 Bible Sunday and Sunday School Teacher Commissioning, Safe Sanctuary Training, Officer Training
 October 24 Intergenerational Breakfast, New Member Class, Mary & Martha Open House
 October 27 God's Honest Truth
 October 30 Trunk or Treat

LIVE WEBCAST & WORSHIP RECORDINGS — 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. If you need help with technical problems, please send an e-mail to webcasting@firstpresah.org.

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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.

Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.



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Church Life

October 10, 2021

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights! We are glad you are here! We know that you have a lot of choices about where and how to spend your time on Sunday. We are happy that you chose to spend it with us this morning. We are an open and inclusive congregation. Our hope is that as you worship with us, you will be inspired to choose love, be the light, and change the world. We invite you to participate

STEPHEN BRIGHT: ANNUAL SPEAKER — *Tonight! / 7:00 pm / in the Sanctuary* — Join us for an evening with Stephen Bright, the Harvey L. Karp Visiting Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School. You will hear stories about defendants he has represented and how many have gone on to become productive members of society. Mr. Bright will also discuss how race and poverty play an important role in how capital punishment cases are investigated and prosecuted. Mr. Bright will illuminate the humanity of one of the darkest corners of our criminal justice system.

ANNUAL SPEAKER FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION — *Thursday, October 14 / 7:00 pm / Parlor* — Stone Catchers invites you to continue the conversation and share your thoughts on issues raised by our annual speaker, Stephen Bright, and the viewing of Just Mercy. We look forward to digging deeper and exploring these topics together.

BYOB (BRING YOUR OWN BIBLE) — *Sunday, October 17* — Sunday school teachers will be commissioned and our third and eighth graders receive bibles on October 17, and you are invited to Bring Your Own Bible from home to worship and celebrate. Read the morning scriptures from your own bible and share it with others as you worship with us on Bible Sunday!

Sunday, October 10 — Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
 8:45 am – 11:45 am — Child care (infants – 4 years) — Room 205/207 (Blue Room), Main Floor Christian Education (CE) Wing
 9:00 am **Worship** — Sanctuary
 9:00 am Adult Education: Loss and Grief — Boardroom
 9:00 am Pneuma: A Community to Refresh Your Spirit — Library
 10:00 am Adult Choir Rehearsal — Choir Auditorium
 10:30 am **Worship** — Sanctuary
 10:30 am Coffee: Grounds for Discussion & Service — Room 110/112
 10:30 am Preschool (3- & 4-year-old) Sunday School — Room 206 (Green Room), Main Floor CE Wing
 10:30 am K-5th Grade Gathering Time & Sunday School — Room 304, CE Wing
 10:30 am Y-Search (Grades 6 & 7) — Room 105/107, (Middle School Lounge)
 10:30 am Confirmation (Grade 8) — Room 109/111, Lower Level CE Wing
 10:30 am High School Sunday School (Grades 9-12) - Room 301/303, (High School Lounge)
 2:00 pm Visitation — Betty Lou Bukowski — Parlor
 3:00 pm Memorial — Betty Lou Bukowski — Sanctuary
 4:00 pm Interment/Reception — Betty Lou Bukowski — Memorial Prayer Garden, Parlor
 6:00 pm HSYG — High School Lounge, Gym
 7:00 pm Annual Speaker: Stephen Bright — Sanctuary

Upcoming Events

GOD'S HONEST TRUTH — *Wednesday, October 27 / 7:00 pm / Sanctuary* — The theme for the evening is **Back in My Day: Grandchildren and Grandparents Share Their Perspective on the Same Story**. For this storytelling evening, we want to have two speakers, a grandparent and a grandchild, tell the same story, each from their own perspective. There are no age requirements, just that they are connected by a shared event. If you are interested in sharing your story, please contact Pastor Alex Lang and he will help you prepare. Come and join us for what will certainly be a great evening!

FAMILY NIGHT PROGRAMMING — *Wednesdays / 6:00-8:00 pm / September through May* — Come and share dinner and fellowship with families from First Pres and the broader community. This free program includes dinner, adult education, mentoring classes, programs for youth and children, and nursery care. Contact Katy Allen at katyallen@firstpresah.org for more details.

Weekly Schedule:

6:00-7:00 pm: Drop-in dinner time for all ages

6:30-7:00 pm: Children's Choir (grades K-5)

7:00-8:00 pm: Classes and programs, including:

- ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER adult Christian education
- Kids Connect (grades K-5)
- Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8)
- Nursery care

ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER — *Wednesdays, through October 20 / 7:00-8:00 pm / Sanctuary / Mind, Body, Spirit: The Trinity of Connecting with God* — *Rev. Alex Lang* — Spirituality is an essential aspect of being a Christian, and yet, we each experience spirituality in a unique way. In this class, Rev. Lang will examine the various methods employed by Christians to form their spiritual connection with God and how our spirituality is expressed through our mind, body and spirit.

SERVICE SATURDAY — *Saturday, October 16 / 11:00 am -1:00 pm* — First Pres families and friends are invited to Service Saturday and a Community Block Party. Join us as we decorate bookmarks for **Liberation Library** and stay for our community block party. Neighbors in the apartment buildings on our downtown block will also be invited for food, fun, and fellowship. We'll have games and crafts, face painting, and fun for all ages. When you get hungry, stop by the grill for a hot dog and enjoy some chips and drinks. We hope to see you there!

TEACHER/SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AND COMMISSIONING — *October 17 / 9:00 am* – Children's and Youth Ministries will be recognizing and commissioning the many volunteers who serve as teachers, shepherds and volunteers for the children and youth of First Pres at the 9:00 am worship service on Sunday, October 17. We will also recognize all teachers in the congregation for their commitment to teaching and learning.

THIRD AND EIGHTH GRADE BIBLE SUNDAY — *October 17 / 10:30 am* — Children's and Youth Ministries will continue the tradition of giving our third and eighth graders the gift of their very own Bibles at the 10:30 am worship service on Sunday, October 17. For families not comfortable with in-person worship, arrangements will be made to deliver Bibles to individual children's homes.

Serving, Giving, and Growing

NEW MEMBER CLASS IS COMING — *Sunday, October 24 / 11:45 am / in the Boardroom* — Join Rev. TC Anderson to learn what it means to be a member of this family of faith. To participate in this class, RSVP to Rev. TC Anderson at tcanderson@firstpresah.org.

ADULT EDUCATION / Sundays, through October 31 / 9:00-10:00 am / Boardroom / Loss and Grief — *Rev. Judy Hockenberry* — Join Pastor Judy for this class, where together we will explore our experiences of loss and the grief that is connected to that loss. As we go through the weeks, we will develop a better understanding of healthy grief that will be grounded in biblical principles and our understanding of God.

COFFEE: GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION AND SERVICE — *Sundays, through May 15 / 10:30-11:30 am / Room 110/112* — Join us for our first study this fall. We will utilize study materials by Adam Hamilton, entitled *Moses, In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet*. Coffee: Grounds is a member lead Sunday morning group that meets at 10:30 am. Bring your own coffee and your mask.

PNEUMA: A COMMUNITY TO REFRESH YOUR SPIRIT is a new group open to anyone interested in getting to know new people while growing in faith. You are invited to choose one of the discussion times, then all will be invited to a social activity at the end of each month. This year we will begin by focusing on hospitality using the *Follow Me* curriculum. The same lesson will be used each week in October, so you only need to plan to attend ONE gathering plus the social event. Choose from the following: **Today, Sunday, October 10, 9:00 am** in the Library or **Sunday, October 17, 10:30 am** in the Library. All who have attended a study will be invited to attend a brunch so we can get to know each other. There will be a new lesson starting Wednesday, November 3, and a new social gathering at the end of November. Questions? Contact SarahBeth Speciale at sbsp96@me.com.

PW CIRCLE MEETINGS — *Tuesday, October 19 / 7:00 pm / in the Parlor* — Join ladies from Circle 7 as we continue the discussion from *Almost Everything: Notes on Hope*, by Ann Lamott, Chapter 11, "Food". It should be a delicious topic for all to enjoy! **Wednesday, October 20 / 9:00 am / in the Parlor** — Join ladies from Circles 1, 2, and 3 for our new Bible study, *What My Grandmothers Taught Me*. It was fun to share pictures and stories of our grandmothers at our first meeting! On October 20, join us to learn about Tamar, Er's wife. Er was the son of Judah. Learn and discuss the beginning of the lineage of Jesus. How are some of the same issues facing women then still facing us now? Please join us for an interesting discussion and learn a little history of Jesus. Bring a friend. All are welcome!

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS — *Sundays, October 17 and 24 / in the Narthex* — Christmas is coming soon and we are looking forward to seeing all the decorations in person this year! On Sunday, October 17 and 24, PW will be collecting donations for flowers to beautify the church for the Christmas season. Suggested donation is \$20.

INTERGENERATIONAL BREAKFAST — *Sunday, October 24 / 8:00-11:00 am / in the Parlor and Narthex* — Children's Ministries is hosting an Intergenerational Breakfast on Sunday, October 24. Members and friends are encouraged to invite extended family to this church-wide event. A free-will offering supporting the PC(USA) Peacemaking Offering will be collected. Mark your calendars, invite your family, and plan to join us for this event!

Worship Next Sunday

October 17: Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am — **Worship** (Sanctuary)

Music: Compass

10:30 am — **Worship** (Sanctuary)

Music: Chancel Choir, Children's Choir and Harp



Preacher: Alex Lang

Scriptures: Matthew 7:1-5, Proverbs 2:6-15

Sermon Theme: "The Education Gap"

Sermon Title: "Mind the Gap"

More News

NOVEMBER CHIMES DEADLINE — *Tuesday, October 12* — The deadline for the November *Chimes* is Tuesday, October 12. Please submit articles to Mary Fino at maryfino@firstpresah.org.

SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING — *Sunday, October 17 / 11:45 am / in the Boardroom* — New and current volunteers who work with children or youth (birth – 18 years) must have Safe Sanctuary training. **If you have not been trained within the past three years, consider attending this session.** Training typically takes place on the third Sunday of each month. To check your training status or to register for training, contact Mary Fino at 847-255-5900 or maryfino@firstpresah.org. This session will take place prior to Officer Training.

MARY AND MARTHA'S LENDING CLOSET — Mary and Martha's Lending Closet is open for business. We have a wide variety of items for your next gathering. Tables, chairs, tents, lights, dishes, serving pieces, beverage dispensers, glassware – if you need it for your next gathering we probably have it. We also have bags sets and a large outdoor movie screen with projector. Borrow from the lending closet and avoid having to find a place to store unneeded items. Email maryandmartha@firstpresah.org today for an appointment to reserve items. Stop by the Open House on Sunday, October 24, from 10:15–11:45 am. The Lending Closet is located on the lower level of the CE Wing in Rooms 106/108.

PADS — On Tuesday, October 5, our PADS site re-opened for the first time since closing our doors in March, 2020. The PADS leadership team is grateful for the many volunteers who have already committed to working shifts. Volunteers, food donations, and monetary donations are all welcomed for this important First Pres Mission. If you have questions, or would like more information, please contact the PADS team at pads@firstpresah.org. You can also call Michele Holifield at 847-243-7195, Amy Hempleman at 847-312-5211, or Cathy Mataloni at 847-682-4806 to see how you can be a part of the team.