

Prayer Requests

Healing & Comfort

Mario Alberico
 Brian Aldrich
 Dave & Pat Almblad
 Don & Judy Ayers
 Barbara Berkow
 Wendy Blanck
 Tom Chuchna — son-in-law of Nancy & Bob Kret
 Mary Clarbour
 Stan & Nancy Conning
 Carol Dahn
 Alice Davitt — friend of Kris Ward
 Kathy Doering
 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
 Dorita & Houston Godfrey
 Mary Jessogne — Sister-in-law of Myrtle Jessogne
 Myrtle Jessogne
 Marylyn Jirsa
 Nancy Johnson

Edie Jolly
 Marjorie Kalivoda
 Sean McClory — friend of Mario Alberico
 John McFayden
 Scott and Laura Morrison — friends of Mario & Claudia Alberico
 Phillip Niemeyer — son of Jan Niemeyer
 Gloria Oak
 Stu Olin
 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
 David Stratton — brother-in-law of Elaine Chen
 Janet Tanner
 Fred Tellez — friend of the Fick Family
 Jaquan Thompson
 Dan Tsutsumi
 Wes Upton — friend of Ralph Larsen
 Mick Ward — friend of Kris Ward
 Quintin White — friend of Dawn & Lee Bruce

Sympathy to:

The Orzechowski Family, on the death of Mark's mother

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

November 9	December <i>Chimes</i> Deadline
November 13	Service Saturday
November 14	Mary & Martha's Lending Closet Open House
November 21	Praise & Thanksgiving Concert
November 21	Wise & Sage Dinner
November 27	Decorate the Church for Christmas
December 4	Christmas Breakfast
December 12	The Glory of Christmas Concert

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.



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Church Life

November 7, 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 in building the kingdom of God. Thank you for being here.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY / TODAY — As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, we reflect with gratitude on the abundance God has provided us. We prayerfully consider our gifts of time and talent to the mission and ministry of First Pres in 2022. Next week, November 14, is **Commitment Sunday** — Bring your commitment cards to worship as we celebrate and dedicate these gifts in worship.

NEW! ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES STARTS TODAY — *Sundays, through December 19 / 9:00-10:00 am / Boardroom / Revisiting the New Testament* — *Dr. Donald Kaasch* — Join Don Kaasch for a historical return to the Christian canon and how it developed in the first through fourth century.

CHIMES DEADLINE — The deadline for the December issue of the *Chimes* is Tuesday, November 9. Please submit articles to maryfino@firstpresah.org.

WE NEED CANDLE LIGHTERS FOR ADVENT — Beginning Sunday, November 28, we need volunteers to light the candles in our Advent Wreath. **You can sign up after worship at a table in the lobby area.** There is a brief reading and the opportunity to light the appropriate candles on our Advent wreath in the Sanctuary. It's another way to be ALL-IN here at First Pres. Pastor Judy will walk you through the process.

Sunday, November 7 — Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost/ Stewardship Sunday

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: Revisiting the New Testament — 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)
 10:30 am Pneuma — A Community to Refresh Your Spirit — Library
 12:00 pm Session Admin Meeting — Parlor
 6:00 pm HSYG — High School Lounge, Gym

Upcoming Events

WALL OF THANKSGIVING — In your pew this morning is a packet containing paper leaves and pens. Please take some time during the Prelude to write something for which you are thankful on the leaf! You can then place the leaf on our Wall of Thanksgiving in the lobby following worship. Feel free to use as many paper leaves as you want to use for your thanksgivings.

SERVICE SATURDAY — *Saturday, November 13 / 10:00 am - 1:00 pm / Supply Collection through November 11* — We will gather to make lunch for Arlington Heights Fire Departments, pack cookie packages and pack Gifts of the Heart Hygiene Kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. **Come for a morning of packing, cooking, and delivery. You do not need to register to join the packing and cooking, but you should sign-up to deliver Fire Station lunches or cookies.** Prior to this, you can donate supplies for the Hygiene Kits. Donations needed for the kits are specific: washcloths, hand towels (no fingertip or bath towels), wide-tooth combs, nail clippers, bars of soap, toothbrushes (must be one individual toothbrush in original packaging), and Band-Aids. Donations can be dropped off at the Service Saturday information table on Sunday morning or inside Door 9 at the church during regular office hours. Monetary donations to cover supplies, lunches, and shipping are also being accepted. Links to register can be found in Weekly Highlights. Contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org with questions.

BITE-SIZED MUSIC OPPORTUNITY — *Wednesdays, November 10, 17 and December 1 and 8 / 7:00-8:00 pm / Choir Auditorium* — We are pleased to offer a short-term singing opportunity for those who cannot make a long-term commitment. Rehearse four Wednesday evenings and sing in the choir at the 4:00 pm Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 12. If you are interested or have questions, contact Adam Hendrickson at adamhendrickson@firstpresah.org.

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, and programs for youth and children. 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)

NEW! ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER — *Wednesdays, November 10 through December 8 / 7:00-8:00 pm / Boardroom / The Power of Poverty* — *Michele Holifield* — As a community of faith, we are called to take care of those who struggle, but when there is so much working against them, what does that mean? How can we change the outcome of people who are stuck in poverty? Come and hear how poverty affects people in the suburbs and how, as a community of faith, we can answer the call to empower those who experience poverty.

Serving, Giving, and Growing

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 in the church interested in getting to know some new people, at flexible times, and while growing in faith. We will meet for study and discussion each month and gather socially once a month. This year we are focusing on the practice of hospitality. The class offerings for November are **Today, at 9:00 am and 10:30 am in the Library;** and **Wednesday, November 10, at 7:00 pm in the Parlor** after Family Night Dinner. Please pop in and join at any ONE of these three times. The same lesson will be used each time, so you only need to plan to attend one gathering plus the social event. You may contact SarahBeth Speciale at sbsp96@me.com for more information. We hope to see you there!

THREE WAYS TO SUPPORT FAMILIES THIS HOLIDAY SEASON – Your generosity has made an incredible difference in the lives of Firman House and Christopher House families. Please consider supporting any or all of these monetary giving opportunities this holiday season:

- **Final Day!** Food Drive for Firman and Christopher Houses – Donate online (select C House Firman House Food from the dropdown menu) or by check (please indicate PW Food Drive on the memo line). These monetary donations will be divided equally between the two organizations.
- **Firman House Winter Items** – Throughout the month of November and first week of December, you can contribute monetary donations that will go towards purchasing winter items for the families of Firman House. You can donate online (select Firman Winter Items from the dropdown menu) or by check (please indicate Firman House on the memo line). Please contact Kathy Doering at 847-255-4364 or doering.kathy.m@gmail.com with questions.
- **Christopher House Christmas Gifts** – Your monetary donations to the Christopher House Thrive Fund will assist families with rent, utilities payments, and gift cards for families unable to make ends meet. You can donate online (select CH Thrive Fund from the dropdown menu) or by check (please indicate CH Thrive Fund on the memo line). Please contact Liz Thompson at lizht85@yahoo.com with questions.

HELP NEEDED! — **Saturday, November 27 / 9:30 am** — Come out and enjoy a morning beautifying our building with all of our Christmas decor! Make it a family event, there is fun work for all ages. There is much work to be done to ready the church for the Christmas season.

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS FOR DECEMBER — For many years, First Pres has provided drivers for the December deliveries of Meals on Wheels. This week and next, sign up sheets are at a table in the lobby. Please sign up for as many deliveries as you'd like! There are three different routes and we do have route maps available at the table. Once you sign up, further confirmation will come from Anne at Wheeling Township.

Worship Next Sunday

November 14, 2021: Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am — Worship (Sanctuary)

Music: Compass

10:30 am — Worship (Sanctuary)

Music: Chancel Choir



Preacher: Alex Lang

Scriptures: Genesis 3:8-13, 17-19; John 21:15-18

Sermon Theme: “Discovering What’s Important”

Sermon Title: “Waking Up”

PW CIRCLE MEETINGS — *Circle 7 / Tuesday, November 16 / 7:00 pm / Parlor* — Join Circle 7 as we continue our study of *Almost Everything: Notes of Hope*, Chapter 12, “Families”. With all the family gatherings coming up, it’s perfect timing for this topic! For more information, contact Liz Thompson at lizht85@yahoo.com. **Circles 1, 2, 3 / Wednesday, November 17 / 9:00 am / Parlor** — Join the morning Circles as we continue our Bible study. The subject of our discussion will be Rahab, wife of Solomon and mother of Boaz. Learn how a strong, intelligent, marginalized woman could rise above the fear and judgement and have the presence of mind to allow God’s plan to come to fruition. Also, keep an eye out for information on the December PW Gathering!

VETERANS DAY HONOR — We can never fully repay our debt of gratitude to the more than 650,000 American service members who died in battle or the 1.4 million who were wounded. We can, however, recognize and thank the 25 million veterans still living today. In honor of Veteran’s Day, we are asking Veterans to come read a story or speak to a class at Juliette Low Elementary School in Arlington Heights. They are invited for refreshments at 8:45 am and to an outdoor ceremony at 9:05 am on **November 11**. Then they will have the option to visit one or more classrooms. Students will also be completing activities at school in honor of our Veterans throughout the day. If you have a Veteran in your family who would like to join us and/or visit a classroom, contact Juliette Low Principal, Lily Smith, at 847-593-4383 or smith.lily@ccsd59.org.

FILL OUR FOOD BARRELS! — Please remember our food barrels, which are located 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!

MARY AND MARTHA’S LENDING CLOSET — Mary and Martha’s Lending Closet is open for business. Reserve items now for your holiday gatherings. We have items for your next casual or elegant event. We even have the roaster for your Thanksgiving turkey for those who need more oven space. Cost for borrowing is by donation, and all donations go towards programs that address food insecurity in the Chicagoland area. Mary and Martha’s Lending Closet will hold an open house on **Sunday, November 14, from 10:00–10:45 am**, or visit our information table in the Narthex on Sunday morning, November 14. To reserve your items, send an email to maryandmartha@firstpresah.org.