

# Prayer Requests

## Healing & Comfort

### First Pres Community

Mario Alberico  
 Dave & Pat Almlblad  
 Dick Arnold  
 Don & Judy Ayers  
 Wendy Blanck  
 Virginia Blocki  
 Mary Clarbourn  
 Marylyn Jirsa  
 Nancy Johnson  
 Zoe Mather

Gloria Oak  
 Stu Olin  
 Barrett Peterson  
 Dottie Roth  
 Betty Sanders  
 Susan Scott  
 Nancy Stautzenbach  
 Barb Tsutsumi  
 Bob Webb

### Friends & Family

Dave & Debbie Arnold — cousins of Laura Carlson  
 JT Brault — brother of Ellen Anderson  
 Christopher Chuchna — grandson of Bob and Nancy Kret  
 Marilyn Colangelo — friend of Jan Niemeyer  
 Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepora  
 Dorita Godfrey — sister of Karen Wilson  
 Rob Klein — uncle of Laura Grochocki

Bryan Mahute — friend of the Tsutsumi family  
 Greg Shane — son-in-law of Al & Karen Wilson  
 Bill Shaw — son-in-law of Don & Barb Larson  
 John Stotz — friend of the Tsutsumi family  
 Fred Tellez — friend of the Fick family  
 Kari VanEck — daughter of Barrett & Corinne Peterson

### Sympathy to:

The Deardorff family, on the death of Jeff Deardorff, former pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

The Treppa family, on the death of Jeff's father, Jerry Treppa

### 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  
 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

## STAFF

**Pastor / Head of Staff:** Alex Lang  
**Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care:** Judy Hockenberry  
**Pastor Emeritus:** Harry Thompson  
**Associate Pastor Emerita:** Dianne Shields  
**Director of Children's Ministries:** Katy Allen  
**Director of Music and Worship:** Adam Hendrickson  
**Associate Director of Music and Organist:** Christopher Urban  
**Worship Technicians:** Amy Senior, Jonah White

**Business Administrator:** Debbie Walter  
**Senior Administrative Assistant:** Mary Fino  
**Administrative Assistant / Receptionist:** Carol Vega  
**Facilities Director:** Tony Scheurich  
**Facilities Coordinator:** Michele Holifield  
**Director of First Pres PDO & Preschool:** Coleen Anzalone  
**Nursery Coordinator:** Beth Johnson  
**Volunteer Librarian:** Matt Meisterheim

## Save the Date

May 1	Celebration Sunday
May 4	Wednesday@Noon
May 4	God's Honest Truth
May 15	Volunteer Appreciation
May 17	Chimes Deadline
May 18	PW Luncheon
May 22	Baccalaureate Sunday
May 29-30	Memorial Day Exhibit
May 30	Memorial Day - Office Closed

**LIVE WEBCAST & WORSHIP RECORDINGS** — Services are webcast live at [firstpresah.org/experience/livestream](http://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](http://firstpresah.org/experience/sermons). If you need help with technical problems, please send an e-mail to [webcasting@firstpresah.org](mailto:webcasting@firstpresah.org).

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# Church Life

May 1, 2022

We believe in building the kingdom of God in this world. We strive to be a welcoming and inclusive church that celebrates the diversity existing in our community. That means bringing good news to the poor, freedom to the oppressed, welcoming the stranger, and loving one another as Jesus loves us. We do this by choosing love and being the light that changes the world. Thank you for worshipping with us in this spirit.

**CELEBRATION SUNDAY — Today** — Join us in worship as we celebrate our 8th graders and their faith journey and Holy Communion.

**WEDNESDAY@NOON — Wednesday, May 4 / 12:10 pm / Sanctuary** — Come for the final midday recital of the season featuring Christopher Urban on organ accompanied by soloists performing favorite Arias.

**GOD'S HONEST TRUTH — Wednesday, May 4 / 7:00 pm / Sanctuary** — The theme for our next God's Honest Truth is **Name that Tune: Music that Changed My Life**. This is a night where we will hear stories about the power of music and how a particular musician or song(s) influenced and changed a person's life. Scheduled storytellers: Jessie Hammersmith, Lois Hartung, Larry Olson, Richard Scott, Kathy Sobeski

**Sunday, May 1 — Third Sunday of Easter / Celebration Sunday**  
 8:45 am – 11:45 am — Child care (infants – 4 years) — Room 209/211 (Red Room), Main Floor Christian Education (CE) Wing  
 9:00 am **Worship** — Sanctuary  
 9:00 am Adult Ed: Live in Community — Boardroom  
 10:00 am Adult Choir Rehearsal — Choir Auditorium  
 10:00 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex  
 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  
 10:30 am High School Sunday School (Grades 9-12) — Room 301/303, (High School Lounge)  
 11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex  
 11:30 am Special Session Meeting — Sanctuary  
 12:00 pm God's Honest Truth Practice — Sanctuary  
 6:00 pm HSYG — HS Lounge, Gym  
 6:00 pm Restaurant Walk — Bistro Chen



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## Upcoming Events

**FAMILY NIGHT PROGRAMMING — Wednesdays / 6:00-8:00 pm / through May 18** — 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](mailto:katyallen@firstpresah.org) for more details.

### May 4

- 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:
  - God's Honest Truth, Sanctuary
  - Kids Connect (grades K-5)
  - Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8)

### May 11

- 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:
  - Game Night
  - Kids Connect (grades K-5)
  - Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8)

### May 18

6:00-7:30 pm: Drop-in dinner time for all ages & Year-end Celebration



**VBS AND MISSIONFACTORY REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!** — Online registration is now open for Vacation Bible School (preschool-4th grade) and MissionFactory (rising 5th and 6th graders) at <https://firstpresah.org/programs/children-families/vbs-missionfactory/>. The cost is \$35 per child. These programs will be offered concurrently, July 11-15, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm each day. Please contact Katy Allen, at [katyallen@firstpresah.org](mailto:katyallen@firstpresah.org), with questions.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION — Sunday, May 15 / After Each Worship Service / Parlor** — Join us as we show deep appreciation for the many volunteers who make the mission and ministry possible at First Pres. Whether you usher, participate in mission opportunities, sing or ring in a choir, teach Sunday School, the list goes on..... we want to say THANK YOU! Join us for a special reception honoring YOU after each worship service on Sunday, May 15.

**BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY — Sunday, May 22 / 9:00 am Worship Service / Sanctuary** — Celebrate and honor the academic achievement of our graduates and hear what their plans are post-graduation.

**MEMORIAL DAY EXHIBIT — Sunday, May 29 / Parlor** — Join us after worship on Sunday, May 29, for an exhibit highlighting the stories of some of the fifty-eight members of the Arlington Heights community that gave their lives defending our country. Please consider making a donation to our collection benefitting Veterans Exiting Homelessness (see next panel).

## Serving, Giving, and Growing

**COFFEE: GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION AND SERVICE — Sundays, through May 15 / 10:30-11:30 am / Room 110/112** — Coffee Grounds is doing a study on David. It is based on a sermon series by Adam Hamilton. Scheduled lessons: **May 1** - David: Shepherd, **May 8** - David: Warrior, and **May 15** - David: King. Whether you can make it every week or not, we would love to see you there! For more information contact Kelly Dean at [k\\_p\\_dean@hotmail.com](mailto:k_p_dean@hotmail.com)

**SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION: Live in Community — Sundays, through May 15 / 9:00 am / Boardroom / Instructor: Laura Carlson** — First Pres member and Clerk of Session, Laura Carlson, will be teaching this class from the *Follow Me, Biblical Practices for Faithful Living* curriculum published by the PC(USA). God calls for us to invite everyone to the table, welcome them and help each person know that they belong. In this class, we will explore ways that we can strengthen our community by appreciating and understanding the different talents, abilities and voices in our community.

**PW MAY CIRCLE MEETINGS — Circles 1, 2, 3 / Wednesday, May 11 / 9:30 am / Parlor** — Join us for fellowship, treats and Bible study. Our last lesson in *What My Grandmothers Taught Me* is “Mary in the Faith and Tradition of the Church”. Rev. Judy Hockenberry will lead us and share the story of Mary and all the joy, fears and grief of motherhood and Mary's place in the church. **Circle 7 / Tuesday, May 17 / 6:30 pm / Parlor** — Please join the women of Circle 7 with a light supper in the Parlor. This is a celebration for a great year! All women of the church are invited to enjoy this special evening of good food and fellowship.

**PW WOMEN'S SPRING LUNCHEON — Wednesday, May 18 / 12:00 pm / Fellowship Hall** — All women of the church are welcome to our Spring Luncheon. Presbyterian Women are celebrating this year with a delicious lunch followed by a presentation by Carol Frieberg. Carol has been working at the Arlington Heights Historical Museum for quite some time, and she will share her experiences and fascinating tidbits about the museum. Don't miss this delightful time of food and fellowship.

**COLLECTION FOR VETERANS — throughout May** — First Pres will host a drive to collect new move-in essentials for veterans as they transition to permanent housing. An information table will be in the Narthex where you can drop off donations, pick-up a list of needed items (also available through the link in Weekly Highlights) and get more information. Donated items can also be dropped off during the week in the church office and in the Parlor during the Memorial Day Parade on May 30. The Veterans Exiting Homelessness Program is a collaborative effort between Military Outreach USA and the Department of Veterans Affairs. If you would like to find out more about the program, visit their website at [militaryoutreachusa.org/veterans-exiting-homeless/](http://militaryoutreachusa.org/veterans-exiting-homeless/). Any questions, contact Michele Holifield at [micheleholifield@firstpresah.org](mailto:micheleholifield@firstpresah.org).

**PENTECOST OFFERING — Sunday, June 5** — Our congregation receives a Special Offering for the birthday of the church. We hope you will contribute as you might give a financial gift to a family member having a birthday. This offering is taken throughout the Presbyterian Church (USA) so it gives us an opportunity to participate in ministries around the world. However, forty percent of the offering stays in our church. Last year we used this offering to support our rising fourth and fifth grade students in our MissionFactory program. In 2021, our offering totaled \$1,527.00 There will be special envelopes in the pew racks and in your mailed envelope packets. Please give generously.

## Worship Next Sunday

**May 8, 2022: Fourth Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day**

**9:00 am — Worship (Sanctuary)**  
*Music:* Compass

**10:30 am — Worship (Sanctuary)**  
*Music:* Chancel Choir & Children's Choir

*Preacher:* Alex Lang  
*Scriptures:* John 15:12-15, Romans 12:4-13  
*Sermon Title:* “Lessons from a Southern Mother”

If you give electronically but would like to put something in the offering plate, we invite you to use the laminated bookmarks available in the pew rack in front of you. We will be keeping you abreast of your generosity.

Bookmarks	\$ 3,689.00
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**UKRAINE GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:** The people of Ukraine have been on our hearts and minds. Any money attached to our bookmarks will be donated to River Cities Rotary Club which has a relationship with the Rotary Club of Kyiv International in Ukraine. We are also providing an online giving opportunity for Ukraine and money from there will go to the Rotary Club and to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance that is providing humanitarian aid in Ukraine.

**SUMMER SUPPERS RETURN IN MAY** — Summer Suppers have been hosted by faith communities in the area from May through September; providing a warm meal and fellowship to all who attend. First Pres will host Summer Suppers on the third Monday of each month beginning May 16 and ending September 19. Dinner is served from 6:30–7:30 pm. We provide a warm meal, some snacks to go, and other essential supplies. Volunteers of all ages are welcome (under high school age must be accompanied by an adult). We are in need of volunteers each night as well as donations of supplies for the evening. If you are interested in volunteering, donating, or have questions, please contact Kim Hogan at [K\\_hogan2003@yahoo.com](mailto:K_hogan2003@yahoo.com) or Michele Holifield at [micheleholifield@firstpresah.org](mailto:micheleholifield@firstpresah.org).

**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE** — Beginning Sunday, May 29, we will move to one worship service at 10:00 am. We will continue with this schedule through Sunday, September 4, and return to two services at 9:00 am & 10:30 am on Sunday, September 11. Preaching will be led by Judy Hockenberry and several guest preachers. Music will be provided by our many ensembles, soloists and instrumentalists.

**PW THANKS YOU!** — Thank you for all your donations toward flowers that beautified our church on Easter Sunday and to those who decorated the church for this special day! Thank you, also, to the many members who generously donate for the flowers in worship each Sunday.

**FIRST PRES PDO, PRESCHOOL AND K-CLUB ONLINE ENROLLMENT IS OPEN** — Registration is open to all. Registration forms are located on the PDO & Preschool page of the church website. Questions? Contact Coleen Anzalone, PDO Director, at [coleenanzalone@firstpresah.org](mailto:coleenanzalone@firstpresah.org).