

## 9:00 AM WORSHIP

### **WELCOME**

Adam Hendrickson

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Show us your steadfast love, O Lord.

All: We crave your gentleness and peace.

One: Teach us your ways, O Lord.

All: We long for relationships with you and with one another.

One: Come, and we will know the steadfast love of God.

#### *<b>†"RISING"*

Redman 🗢 Baloche

Judy Hockenberry

#### **†**TIME OF GREETING

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Judy Hockenberry Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along to those around you.

#### **GENESIS 11:1-9**

MESSAGE	"The Technology Paradox" Scripture: Matthew 8:1-4	Alex Lang
Song	"Talk"	

Berryman, Martin, Bartos, Buckland, Champion, Schult & Huetter

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** 

#### 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**

	"No One Is Alone"	Stephen Sondheim	
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING			
♥"Lean on Me"		Bill Withers	
<b><b>P</b>BENEDICTION</b>		Alex Lang	

Please stand as you are able.

Compass: Milan Arpino, vocals; Dan Berg, guitar; Amy Carroll, piano; Kevin Carroll, bass; AJ Coleman, drums; Adam Hendrickson, guitar/vocals; Greg Schultz, saxophone; Katie Walsh, vocals

## 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 302 N. Dunton Avenue • Arlington Heights, IL 60004 847-255-5900 • firstpresah.org • mail@firstpresah.org

# First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) Organized in 1855



"What I try to tell young people is that if you come together with a mission, and it's grounded with love and a sense of community, you can make the impossible possible." — John Lewis

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## **SEPTEMBER 18, 2022** 9:00 & 10:30 AM

Choose by e.Be the light. Change the world.



## 10:30 AM WORSHIP

## GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude	"Trumpet Tune in C" "Aria"	Michael McCabe Charles Callahan		
The <sub>I</sub>	prelude is your invitation to quiet prepa for the worship of Almighty God.	aration		
WELCOME		Alex Lang		
<ul> <li>CALL TO WORSHIP</li> <li>One: Show us your steadfast love, O Lord.</li> <li>All: We crave your gentleness and peace.</li> <li>One: Teach us your ways, O Lord.</li> <li>All: We long for relationships with you and with one another.</li> <li>One: Come, and we will know the steadfast love of God.</li> </ul>				
<b>Ф</b> Нумn 33	"Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show	" LLANFAIR		

CALL TO CONFESSION

Judy Hockenberry

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of steadfast love and faithfulness, show us how to build healthy relationships with you and with one another. Teach us the language of compassion. Show us what it means to care for one another. Help us to be a church that walks with the sickest and the weakest. Forgive us when we stop listening to you or to one another. Forgive us when we turn to social media for our community...

#### SILENT CONFESSION

...in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

#### **•**GLORY TO GOD (Hymn 582)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

#### **†**TIME OF GREETING

#### **COMMUNITY LIFE**

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

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

#### Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 11:1-9 (Pew Bible, p. 8) Judy Hockenberry The Word of the Lord/Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "Praise His Holy Name!" Keith Hampton "Sing till the power of the Lord come down, Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy name! Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me; I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see. Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee! Shout Hallelujah! Praise His holy name! Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free? No, there's a cross for everyone and there's a cross for me. Holy Jesus, Praise His name, Oh! Hallelujah! Praise Him!' Chancel Choir

SECOND SCI	Matthew 8:1-4 789) Alex Lang anks be to God!	
SERMON	"The Technology Paradox"	Alex Lang
<b>Ф</b> Нумn 302	"When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace"	O WALY WALY

## **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** 

Judy Hockenberry

#### 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.

#### OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

"No One is Alone" Stephen Sondheim

"Mother cannot guide you. Now you're on your own. Only me beside you. Still, you're not alone. No one is alone, truly, No one is alone. Sometimes people leave you halfway through the wood. Others may deceive you. You decide what's good. You decide alone. But no one is alone. Mother isn't here now. Wrong things, right things, who knows what she'd say? Who can say what's true? Nothing's quite so clear now. Do things, fight things, feel you've lost your way? You decide, but you are not alone. Believe me. No one is alone. Truly you move just a finger, say the slightest word, something's bound to linger, be heard. No one acts alone. Careful, no one is alone. People make mistakes. Fathers, mothers, people make mistakes, holding to their own, thinking they're alone. Honor their mistakes. Fight for their mistakes. Everybody makes one another's terrible mistakes. Witches can be right, giants can be good. You decide what's right, you decide what's good. Just remember: Someone is on your side. Our side. Someone else is not. While we're seeing our side maybe we forgot: They are not alone. No one is alone. Hard to see the light now. Just don't let it go. Things will come out right now. We can make it so. Someone is on your side, no one is alone.

Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY (Hymn 609) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**†**HYMN 3

**†**BENEDIC

POSTLUE

**♥**Please stan

**Preaching:** Alex Lang **Pastors:** Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban **Praise Band:** Compass (9:00 am service) Flowers: The Horswill Family—In loving memory of Dr. Weir Horswill

#### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

## GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

06	"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"	DENNIS
CTION		Alex Lang
DE	"Toccata"	Michelle LeClerc
d as you ai	re able.	

## WORSHIP NOTES

## **Prayer Requests**

Sue Minarik

Jack Myers

Gloria Oak

**Barrett Peterson** 

Nancy Stautzenbach

Sheri Jones — friend of Jan Niemeyer

Debby & Peter Jung - friends of

Al Kossett — former member and

friend of Bill & Jo Christian

John Stotz — friend of the Tsutsumi

Greg Shane — son-in-law of Al &

Karen Wilson

family

Ingrid & Jim Kaufman

**Betty Sanders** 

Barb Tsutsumi

Susan Scott

Bob Webb

Stu Olin

#### Healing & Comfort

#### First Pres Community

Mario Alberico Don & Judy Ayers Wendy Blanck Virginia Blocki Mary Clarbour Joanne Etherton Bill Hamilton **Gladys** Holtz Marylyn Jirsa Karen Johnson Nancy Johnson

#### Friends & Family

Dave & Debbie Arnold — cousins of Laura Carlson Mike Ferdinand—husband of Sharon Ferdinand Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepura Dorita Godfrey — sister of Karen Wilson Sean Grady — friend of Brian Lock

#### Serving in the Armed Services

- AMN Charles Arthur Brousseau, Air Force son of Liz Moses and Bob Wendling
- 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**

**Business Administrator:** 

Administrative Assistant /

Receptionist: Carol Vega

**Facilities Coordinator:** 

Michele Holifield

Volunteer Librarian:

Matt Meisterheim

Senior Administrative Assistant:

Facilities Director: Tony Scheurich

Nurserv Coordinator: Beth Johnson

Director of First Pres PDO &

Preschool: Coleen Anzalone

Debbie Walter

Mary Fino

#### **STAFF**

Pastor / Head of Staff: Alex Lang Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care: Judy Hockenberry Pastor Emeritus: Harry Thompson

Associate Pastor Emerita: Dianne Shields

Interim Youth Director Jeni Eklund 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

## *Save the Date*

Today	Sunday Adult Education Returns
September 24	Annual Speaker & Congregational Dinner
September 25	Congregational Meeting
October 2	New Member Class
October 5	Wednesday@Noon Returns
October 9	Concert
October 15	Service Saturday
October 16	Bible Sunday & Teacher Commissioning
October 29	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.

GET CONNECTED — Join the conversation on Facebook, at facebook.com/ firstpresah; Twitter, at @FirstPresAH; and Instagram, at @firstpresah. Download the free ACS Church Life app or visit the website to access the church directory or manage your giving online. Simply set up a user account at firstpresah.org under the Member Login tab to get started. We look forward to connecting with you!

**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 by e.Be the light. Change the world.



First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights 302 North Dunton, Arlington Heights, IL 60004 847-255-5900 / www.firstpresah.org / mail@firstpresah.org



CALL FOR CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — Session has called for a meeting of the congregation for the purpose of electing officers for the class of 2025 on Sunday, September 25, 2022, immediately following the 10:30 am worship service, in the Sanctuary.

SHOW US WHAT YOU DID OVER THE SUMMER — We will create a collage of pictures from your summer adventures. Share a picture of a trip, a celebration or a fun adventure. You can submit photos by email to Katy Allen at katvallen@firstpresah.org or drop off an actual photo at the display in the lobby. Photos will be collected until Thursday, September 29 and displayed until Sunday, October 2.

ANNUAL SPEAKER — Saturday, September 24 / 4:00 pm / Sanctuary — Join us for a conversation with Susan Burton, a leader in the criminal justice reform movement, founder of A New Way of Life and an outspoken voice to end mass incarceration. The discussion will focus on her life from prison to recovery to leading the fight for incarcerated women. You are encouraged to read her book Becoming Ms. Burton prior to the event. You are invited to stay for an all-church dinner in Fellowship Hall at 5:30 pm.

Sunday, September 18 — Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 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 Education — 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 Sunday School — Room 304, CE Wing 10:30 am Sunday School (Grades 6-7 & 9-12) - Room 301/303, (High School Lounge) 10:30 am Confirmation (Grade 8) — Room 109/111 11:30 am Fellowship Time - Parlor, Narthex 12:00 pm Session — Parlor 1:00 pm Youth Ministries Family BBQ — Off-site

# Church Life

#### September 18, 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 worshiping with us in this spirit.

NEW MEMBER CLASS IS COMING - Sunday, October 2 / 11:45 am / **Boardroom** — Join Rev. Alex Lang to learn what it means to be a member of this family of faith. To participate in this class, contact the church office.

# **Upcoming Events**

FAMILY NIGHT PROGRAMMING — Wednesday Evenings / 6:00-8:00 pm / September through May — Come and share dinner and fellowship with families from First Pres and the broader community. This 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)

ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER: Restorative Faith — Wednesdays, through December 14 / 7:00 pm / Sanctuary / Instructor: Rev. Alex Lang — Rev. Lang will be teaching his book Restorative Faith. The book is designed to help explore many of the logical pitfalls created by traditional Christian doctrine and to replace them with a more consistent theology for people with a 21st century worldview. The book can be purchased on Amazon.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR — Wednesday Evenings / 6:30-7:00 pm / September-May / Sanctuary — Come for dinner from 6:00-6:30 pm and then join us in the Sanctuary for 30 minutes of music making and fellowship. Children will sing in worship throughout the program year. Contact Nick Pulikowski at nickpulikowski@gmail.com for more details.

#### **RESTAURANT WALK** — Sign-up throughout September — Our

popular Restaurant Walk is returning! Sign-ups will be open throughout September (use the QR Code on the right), with meals taking place in October. We'll gather in groups of eight and dine at Hey Nonny (10 S. Vail, Arlington Heights). Come meet some



new people and support our local businesses. Dates are: Sunday, October 2 at noon, Thursday, October 6 at 6:00 pm, Thursday, October 13 at 6:00 pm, Sunday, October 16 at noon, and Thursday, October 20 at 6:00 pm.

PW CIRCLE MEETINGS — Circle 7 / Tuesday, September 20 / 7:00 pm / **Parlor** — Join Circle 7 as we continue with our book, What My Grandmothers Taught Me, Lesson 4, "Ruth and Loyal Love". For more information, contact Liz Thompson at lizht85@vahoo.com. Circles 1, 2, 3 / Wednesday, September 21 / 9:30 am / Parlor — Join the morning Circles in the Parlor for fellowship and our new Bible study, Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight, by Carol M. Bechtel.

WEDNESDAY@NOON — Wednesday, October 2 / 12:10 pm / Sanctuary - Join us for the first Wednesday@Noon of the season as Christopher

Urban, organ, and Chuck Beech, piano, present a recital of favorite hymns.

CONCERT SERIES KICK-OFF — Sunday, October 9 / 4:00 pm /

Sanctuary — The opening concert of our series features long-time member, Bruce Blanck, who brings his inimitable jazz piano stylings coupled with other musicians. The program will include both sacred and secular selections.

GOD'S HONEST TRUTH - Wednesday, October 26 / 7:00 pm / Sanctuary — The theme for the evening is The Story I've Always Wanted to Tell. 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!

# Serving, Giving, and Growing

COFFEE: GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION & SERVICE - Sundays, through September 25 / 10:30-11:30 am / Room 110 / Thriving the Empty Nest from Christianity Today — When the kids leave home, it is a time of transition. It can be sad, but it doesn't have to be devastating. In fact, it can be a time to grow as a person and find new meaning. Perhaps it is your time to thrive as never before. This three-session course will help you think through this season of your life. Contact Kelly Dean at k\_p\_dean@hotmail.com with any questions.

THE BRIDGE is a group of parents and singles, 40's & 50's plus. This group, which is going on 20 years strong, is led by its members and focuses on events for social, service and spirit. Watch for upcoming announcements in the Church Life, Chimes, and emails!

SUNDAY EDUCATION FOR ADULTS - Sundays, through November 20 / 9:00 am / Boardroom / Dr. Donald Kaasch / The Major Prophets — We will be evaluating the Old Testament prophets Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel and Ezekiel and asking a series of important questions: Do they prophesy? If they do, what are they prophesying? Has it come to pass? Is it about Jesus? How in the world do we attempt to read these very complex and strange writings? It will be a very interesting ride that will forever change the way you read the prophets.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY — Sunday, October 2 — This special day gives us the opportunity to celebrate our oneness in Christ with all of our brothers and sisters around the world. Come celebrate with us!

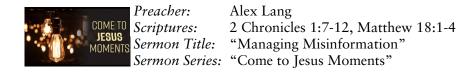
FAMILY NIGHT HELP WANTED — The Family Night kitchen crew is looking for a few new people! We are looking for people who would be willing to serve dinner and assist with cleaning up. This is a great way to meet new people and have some fun. If you are interested, please contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org.

PW COLLECTION FOR FIRMAN AND CHRISTOPHER HOUSES -Sundays, October 2-16, Presbyterian Women will be holding its annual collection of financial donations for the purchase of food items for the families served by Firman Community Services and Christopher House, two organizations that help families in need. Cash and checks made out to Presbyterian Women will be accepted. Donations can also be accepted on the church website. All donations will help these organizations to purchase nutritious items for their clients.

**JOIN THE MEN'S BIBLE STUDY!** — The Men's Bible Study is meeting every Monday at 8:00 am via Zoom and in person. If you are interested in joining the group or if you have questions, contact Bill Dillon at (847) 956-2871 or Dave Berkow at (847) 323-2800.

*Music:* Compass

10:30 am — Worship (Sanctuary) Music: Chancel Choir



NEW FALL SERMON SERIES: 'COME TO JESUS MOMENT' - Sundays, through November 13 — We use the phrase "come to Jesus moment" to indicate when we need to have a hard conversation about something really important. There are a lot of things happening in our world and within the Christian faith where we need to have hard conversations. Some of these conversations will revolve around personal issues, some will revolve around the future of the church, and some will revolve around larger issues of culture and society. The idea will be to have these hard conversations that are often avoided because we don't want to offend anyone or cause anyone to be upset.

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

CURRENT GIVING OPPORTUNITY: In late July, severe flooding impacted the state of Kentucky. Any money attached to our bookmarks will be donated to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, which is providing support to those affected by the floods.

MARY AND MARTHA'S LENDING CLOSET - If you have not checked out the Lending Closet yet, now is the time. Reserve items for any event you are hosting. What exactly is Mary and Martha's Lending Closet? It's a onestop shop for all things entertaining, from tables and chairs to serving dishes, dishes, glassware, vases, centerpieces, outdoor games, and even a giant movie screen and projector for that fun backyard movie viewing. It's the perfect place to borrow for your next book club, shower, neighborhood gathering, casual or fancy dinner party. What are the fees? A donation to the Closet goes towards programs that address food insecurity in the Chicagoland area. Make an appointment today to reserve your items or to see what is available. Email maryandmartha@firstpresah.org or contact Michele Holifield or Amy

Hempleman.

**PADS** — For many years, First Pres has welcomed individuals and families experiencing homelessness into our building on Tuesday evenings for a warm meal, a place to sleep, and breakfast. Once again, First Pres plans to re-open our Tuesday evening PADS site on Tuesday, October 4, and we need your help. If you have questions, or would like more information on getting involved, 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.

# Worship Next Sunday

#### September 25, 2022: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am — Worship (Sanctuary)

2		
,		

\$ 1,033.00