



# 9:00 AM WORSHIP

**WELCOME** Adam Hendrickson

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: For just as the body is one and has many members,  
**All: all the members of the body, though many, are one body.**  
One: For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body,  
**All: and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.**  
One: Let us worship God.

✦ **“ACT JUSTLY, LOVE MERCY, WALK HUMBLY”**  
*Tomlin, Ingram, & Barrett*

✦ **TIME OF GREETING**

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

**1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-30**

**MESSAGE** “The Holy Catholic Church” Alex Lang  
Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11

**SONG** “One” *Evans, Hewson, Clayton, & Mullen Jr.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Alex Lang

**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** “One Safe Place” *Cohn & Galdston*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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

✦ **BENEDICTION** Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

**Compass:** 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 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

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



“We will never change the world by just going to church.  
We will only change the world by being the Church.”  
— Unknown

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY PALM SUNDAY

**APRIL 2, 2023  
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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# 10:30 AM WORSHIP

## GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "March on 'Lift Up Your Heads' " *Alexandre Guilmant*

*The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.*

WELCOME Alex Lang

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One: Let us worship God.

✠ HYMN 197 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" ELLACOMBE

ANTHEM "Hosanna in the Highest!" *Ruth Elaine Schram*  
*"You are the King, and we welcome You, hosanna in the highest! We sing hosanna!  
You are the King, the Son of David. You are the King, the One we've waited for,  
the Son of David, coming in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!"*  
Children's Choir; Nick Pulikowski, director  
Todd Smith, drums; Dan Carlson, claves

CALL TO CONFESSION Adam Hendrickson

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, we are a people of division. We see those who are different from ourselves and we judge them as being less than. We assume that our way is the right way and that we know better. Help us to look in the mirror so that we can understand our own flaws. Help us to see the best in others in the same way that you see the best in us...**

### SILENT CONFESSION

*(please pray a silent and personal prayer of confession during this time)*

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

### WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

### ✠ KYRIE (Hymn 551)

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### ✠ 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 Adam Hendrickson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 12:12-30  
(Pew Bible, p. 933) Adam Hendrickson  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Draw Nigh to Jerusalem" *David H. Williams*  
*"Drawn nigh to Thy Jerusalem, O Lord, Thy faithful people cry with one accord:  
Ride on in triumph; Lord, behold we lay our passions, lusts, and proud wills in Thy  
way! Thy road is ready; and Thy paths, made straight, With longing expectation seems  
to wait. The consecration of Thy beauteous feet, and silently Thy promised advent  
greet! Hosanna! Welcome to our hearts! For here Thou hast a temple, to, as Zion dear;  
O enter in, dear Lord, unbar the door and in that temple dwell forevermore. Hosanna!  
Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord."*  
Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:1-11  
(Pew Bible, p. 802) Alex Lang  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "The Holy Catholic Church" Alex Lang

### ✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

✠ HYMN 733 ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN  
"We All Are One in Mission"

## GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Alex Lang

### LORD'S PRAYER

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### OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Hosanna to the Living Lord!" *Howard Helvey*  
*"Hosanna to the living Lord! Hosanna to the incarnate Word! To Christ, Creator,  
Savior, King, Let earth, let heaven hosanna sing! 'Hosanna, Lord!' your angels cry.  
'Hosanna, Lord!' your saints reply. Above, beneath us, and around, the dead and living  
swell the song: Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest! To God the Father, God the  
Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Be honor, praise and glory given by all on earth  
and all in heaven. Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"*  
Chancel Choir

### ✠ 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 826 "Lift High the Cross" CRUCIFER

✠ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Lift High the Cross" *Carolyn Hamlin*

✠ Please stand as you are able.

**Preaching:** Alex Lang

**Pastors:** Alex Lang, Laura Sherwood

**Director of Music and Worship:** Adam Hendrickson

**Associate Director of Music and Organist:** Christopher Urban

**Praise Band:** Compass (9:00 am service)

## WORSHIP NOTES

# Prayer Requests

## Healing & Comfort

### First Pres Community

Mario Alberico  
Don & Judy Ayers  
Wendy Blanck  
Virginia Blocki  
Laura Carlson  
Jean Castles  
Mary Clarbourn  
Graham Gutzmer  
Marylyn Jirsa  
Don Johnson  
Tom Krigas

Betty Launer  
Rhoda Merilatt  
Barrett Peterson  
Patty Richard  
Betty Sanders  
Richard & Susan Scott  
Nancy Stautzenbach  
Barb Tsutsumi  
Bob Webb  
Jenell Wetzell

### Friends & Family

Saraya Angle — niece of Tonya Griffin  
Mike Ferdinand — husband of Sharon Ferdinand  
Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepora  
Dorita Godfrey — sister of Karen Wilson  
Henry Hagemann, Jr. — cousin of Tom Krigas  
Donna Hames — friend of Mary Halatek

Sheri Jones — friend of Jan Niemeyer  
Klee Family — family of the Ficks  
Bill & Corinne McClintic — friends of Ingrid Kaufman  
Jerry Shields — husband of Dianne Shields  
Lindsey Spalding — friend of the Hockenberrys  
Ken Stiles  
Dale VanEck — friend of Barrett & Corinne Peterson

### Sympathy to

Mario and Claudia Alberico, on the death of Mario's mother

### 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

## STAFF

**Pastor / Head of Staff:** Alex Lang

**Interim Pastor for Pastoral Care:**  
Laura Sherwood

**Pastor Emeritus:** Harry Thompson

**Associate Pastor Emerita:**  
Dianne Shields

**Director of Youth Ministries:**  
Ben Graham

**Interim Director of Children's Ministries:** Nick Pulikowski

**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

Today	Palm Sunday
April 5	Wednesdays@Noon
April 6	Maundy Thursday
April 7	Good Friday
April 8	All-Ages Easter Egg Hunt
April 9	Easter Worship: 6:30, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am
April 9	Easter Breakfast
April 16	Children's Musical (one worship service 10:30 am)

**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 Laura Sherwood, at laurasherwood@firstpresah.org or 847-255-5900, extension 229 or call the church office to share your pastoral needs.

**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!



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# Church Life

April 2, 2023

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.

**PROCESSION OF THE PALMS** — Today, we begin Holy Week with the distribution of palm branches to mark the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.

**WEDNESDAYS@NOON** — *Wednesday, April 5 / 12:10 pm / Sanctuary* — Join us for our Wednesdays@Noon recital with Christopher Urban, organ, featuring music of Holy Week.

**EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST** — *Sunday, April 9 / 7:00-8:00 am / Parlor* — Join us after the 6:30 am Sunrise Service or before the 8:00 am Modern Worship. All are Welcome!

**HELP US FLOWER THE CROSS** — *Sunday, April 9* — On Easter Sunday, please bring cut flowers to help flower the Easter cross in front of the Sanctuary doors on Dunton Ave. Flowers are a symbol and a reminder of the power of resurrection and rebirth.

### April 2 — Palm 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** — Chapel  
9:00 am Adult Education: Presbyterian Creeds — Boardroom  
10:00 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex  
10:00 am Adult Choir Rehearsal — Choir Auditorium  
10:30 am **Worship** — Sanctuary  
10:30 am Preschool Sunday School (3- & 4-year olds) — Room 206  
10:30 am K-5 Sunday School — Sanctuary, Room 304  
10:30 am Sunday School (Grades 6-7 & 9-12) — Room 301/302  
10:30 am Confirmation — Room 109/111  
10:30 am Coffee: Grounds for Discussion & Service — Room 110/112  
11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex  
12:00 pm Session Meeting (Meet New Members) — Boardroom

### HOLY WEEK & EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

*April 6: Maundy Thursday Worship: 7:00 pm / Sanctuary*  
*April 7: Good Friday Service of Darkness: 7:00 pm / Sanctuary*  
*April 9: Easter Sunday*  
6:30 am — Sunrise Worship in North School Park (in the event of inclement weather, worship will be in the Chapel)  
8:00 am — Modern Worship in the Chapel  
9:30 & 11:00 am — Traditional Worship with Chancel Choir and First Pres Brass in the Sanctuary

\*Childcare will be available for Good Friday and 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am on Easter Sunday.



## 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.

- 6:00-7:00 pm: Drop-in dinner time for all ages
- 7:00-8:00 pm: Classes and programs, including:
  - ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER adult Christian education
  - Interest Groups
  - Children’s Spring Musical Rehearsal
  - Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8)

**ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER: Rituals and Ceremonies — Wednesdays, through April 5 / 7:00 pm / Chapel / Dr. Mladen Turk, Baltzer Distinguished Chair of Theology and Religion; Professor and Chair, Religious Studies at Elmhurst University** — Dr. Turk will be teaching his final class on Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Chinses Religions and Japanese Shinto. Not only will we have the opportunity to learn about the origins of these faiths, but we will be learning about the rituals and ceremonies that define many of these religions.

**CHILDREN’S SPRING MUSICAL — Wednesday evenings, through April 12 / 7:00-8:00pm / Sanctuary and CE Wing** — Presenting “A Technicolor Promise” with music by Allen Pote and words by Carole McCann. This catchy musical retells the familiar story of Noah and the ark through music and drama. The show also reminds us of God’s overwhelming love, grace and the wonder of creation through the magic of rainbow imagery and song. Our K-5th grade children will perform their musical in worship on Sunday, April 16, at the 10:30 am service. PDO children and their families are also invited to attend Sunday, April 16, to participate in singing additional pieces of the worship service that morning. For more info, contact Nick Pulikowski at [nickpulikowski@firstpresah.org](mailto:nickpulikowski@firstpresah.org) or visit [firstpresah.org/musical](http://firstpresah.org/musical)

**‘GARDENING KNOW HOW’ GATHERING — Wednesday evenings, April 5 through May 3 / 7:00-8:00 pm / Parlor** — Are you getting excited about spring and warmer weather? Do you have gardening questions to ask experienced gardeners? Get ready for your spring and summer gardens during First Pres’ ‘Gardening Know How’ on Wednesday nights. These gatherings are for both new and experienced gardeners. Learn key concepts for yard gardens and landscaping, the right gardening tools, how to improve your soil, the right plant for the right place, maintaining your gardens, and other topics. Seasoned gardeners, some with Master Gardener Certification, will be available to answer questions and facilitate information sessions.

**SPRING CHORAL CONCERT — Sunday, April 23 / 4:00 pm / Sanctuary** — Join the Chancel Choir, Men’s Chorus and orchestra in a light program featuring music from American musicals and film. Selections include: “Climb Ev’ry Mountain” from the *Sound of Music*; “Seasons of Love” from *Rent*; “One Hand, One Heart” from *West Side Story*; “Being Alive” from *Company*; “Suo-gan” from *Empire of the Sun*; “Make Our Garden Grow” from *Candide*; “No One is Alone” from *Into the Woods*; “Send in the Clowns” from *A Little Night Music* and “You’ll Never Walk Alone” from *Carousel*.

**90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION — Sunday, April 30 / 10:30 am Service** — It’s time to recognize those in our congregation turning 90 years old in 2023. Join us for the joyous honor of recognizing our amazing nonagenarians!

## Serving, Giving, and Growing

**COFFEE: GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION & SERVICE — Sundays through April 16 (NO CLASS: April 9) / 10:30-11:30 am / Room 110** — Our Bible lessons will follow the theme *Freedom*, an adult Bible study by Cokesbury. The lessons explore the concept of salvation and God’s gracious acts in redeeming us. They challenge we who have experienced God’s gracious salvation to work for freedom and justice on behalf of others. They acknowledge that as we do, we will encounter those whose beliefs and values are different from our own, so they encourage us in ways to remain faithful to our beliefs while we act as neighbors to others.

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS) — Repairers of the Breach — through April 9** — For over 70 years, One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) has provided Presbyterians a way to share God’s love with our neighbors in need around the world. The three programs supported by OGHS - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance and hope. Each gift to OGHS supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Please give generously.

**RESTAURANT WALK IS BACK!** — Our popular Restaurant Walk fellowship program returns for another session! Meals will take place at Peggy Kinnane’s (8 N. Vail Ave.) in downtown Arlington Heights during May. This is a great way to connect with other members of the congregation and support a local business. Available dates: **Thursday, May 4, 6:00 pm; Sunday, May 7, 12:00 pm; Thursday, May 11, 6:00 pm; Thursday, May 18, 6:00 pm; Sunday, May 21, 12:00 pm.** Signup online or in person Sunday mornings.



**VBS AND HOLY TROUBLEMAKERS (FORMERLY MISSIONFACTORY) REGISTRATION IS OPEN! / Register Online** — Register for Vacation Bible School (preschool-4th grade) and Holy Troublemakers (rising 5th and 6th graders) online at <https://firstpresah.org/programs/children-families/vbs-holy-troublemakers/>. The cost is \$35 per child. These programs will be offered concurrently, July 10-14, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm each day. Please contact Nick Pulikowski at [nickpulikowski@firstpresah.org](mailto:nickpulikowski@firstpresah.org) with questions.

**BUY STOCK TO SUPPORT OUR YOUTH — Sundays, April 16 through April 30** — The Youth Stock Sale is back! Mark your calendars for when you can buy shares from the middle and high school youth following each worship service. Shares cost \$10 each and 100% of proceeds support Youth Missions! This year, the middle schoolers will be serving with Youth Works in Louisville, KY, and the high schoolers will be attending the Montreat Youth Conference.

**UPCOMING PATHWAYS EVENT — Saturday, April 15 / 5:30-7:00 pm / Bullseye Axe Throwing, Schaumburg** — Pathways (a non-formal group of adults in our congregation ages 30s & 40s, married/single, with/without children) aims to create meaningful relationships in a fun setting. Our next event will be at Bullseye Axe Throwing in Schaumburg. We will try our hand at axe throwing from 5:30–7:00 pm and then head for dinner at Granite City in Schaumburg at 7:15 pm. Register by using the QR code at the right.



## Worship Next Sunday

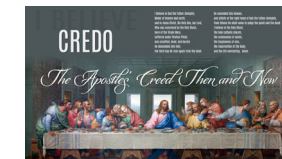
**April 9, 2023: Resurrection of the Lord / Easter Day**

**6:30 am — Sunrise Worship** at North School Park (*in the event of rain, service will be in the Chapel*)

**8:00 am — Modern Worship** (Chapel)  
*Music:* Compass

**9:30 & 11:00 am — Traditional Worship** (Sanctuary)  
*Music:* Chancel Choir and First Pres Brass

*Preacher:* Alex Lang  
*Scriptures:* Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20; 1 John 4:7-12  
*Sermon Title:* “Life Everlasting”  
*Sermon Series:* “Credo: The Apostles’ Creed Then and Now”



**SERMON SERIES: ‘CREDO: THE APOSTLES’ CREED THEN AND NOW — Sundays, through April 9** — We began our Lenten series which focuses on the Apostles’ Creed. The series is called *Credo: The Apostles’ Creed Then and Now*. The Apostles’ Creed is one of the most common creeds in the Christian faith. It is recited across many denominations and is the basis of most Christian belief systems. Therefore, each week, we will be examining a line from the Apostles’ Creed and ask the question: What did this line of the creed mean to the people who wrote it and what does it mean to us today?

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	\$1,862.00
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**CURRENT GIVING OPPORTUNITY: A New Way of Life** — A New Way of Life Reentry Project promotes healing, power and opportunity for formerly incarcerated people by taking a multifaceted approach to mitigating the effects of, and ultimately eliminating, mass incarceration. Our Fall 2022 Annual speaker, Susan Burton, is the founder and executive director.

**EXPLORATION AND Authenticity** rekindle the gift of God that is in you 2 Timothy 1:6 **SIGN-UP NOW FOR THE ALL-CHURCH RETREAT — Saturday, April 29 / 11:00 am – 3:00 pm / Friendship Park Conservatory, Des Plaines / Lead by Rev. Arianne Braithwaite Lehn** — Theme: Exploration & Authenticity – Time to Rekindle the Gift — We will accompany one another on one of the most important exploratory journeys we can make—the pilgrimage into our deepest hearts, which is, in turn, God’s heart by reflecting on what our inner voice is and how we connect with this deep wisdom. We will do some digging (however far we need to go!) to listen for what’s at the bottom of our hearts. And, we will take the next step in returning to and rekindling the gifts God has placed within us. **There are 83 spaces available for the retreat. Cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for those 18 and under.** Please go to [firstpresah.org/retreat](http://firstpresah.org/retreat) or use the QR code to register.



**JOIN THE FIRST PRES GOLF LEAGUE** — The First Pres Golf League is organizing teams for the 2023 season at Palatine Hills Golf Course. During May through August, we will have Tuesday evening tee-times for 9-hole rounds. Whether you are already a great golfer or just learning how to play, you are welcome to join the League. We also need substitutes! For additional information, please contact Arlene Bullerman at 847-670-0319 or [abullerman@earthlink.net](mailto:abullerman@earthlink.net).