



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME Adam Hendrickson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come to you today as a people of hope.
All: **We come to you today as a people of love.**
One: Your majesty formed the heavens and the earth.
All: **Your steadfast love will never fail us.**
One: Let us worship God.

✦ “KINDNESS” Tomlin, Giglio, & Reeves

✦ TIME OF GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

GENESIS 6:6-12

MESSAGE “Genesis: The Art of Listening” October 27, 2013 Alex Lang
Scripture: Genesis 6:13-19

SONG “For What It’s Worth” Stephen Stills

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 “I Can See Clearly Now” Johnny Nash

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ “OCEANS (WHERE FEET MAY FAIL)” Crocker, Houston, & Litghelm

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Compass: Amy Carroll, piano; Kevin Carroll, acoustic guitar; Adam Hendrickson, drums/vocals; Greg Schultz, bass; 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*



“I don’t look for signs. But when things happen,
I say, ‘Okay, something must be right.’
Or ‘Okay, something must be wrong.’“
— Lil Wayne

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
TRINITY SUNDAY**

**JUNE 4, 2023
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Holy, Holy, Holy" *arr. Dan Miller*
Chuck Beech, piano; Chris Urban, organ
*The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation
for the worship of Almighty God.*

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 1 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" NICAEA

CALL TO CONFESSION Adam Hendrickson

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, we confess that we have not paid attention to your signs in our lives.
We see people hungry and struggling to get by, but we choose not to help.
We see people who are hurting emotionally, but we don't make time to
ask how they are doing. Forgive us for not being more present to the
suffering in the world. Forgive us for being so self-absorbed that we
cannot see all the ways you are calling out to us to be your hands and feet
for those in need...**

SILENT CONFESSION

(please pray a silent and personal prayer of confession during this time)
...in Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

✦ GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, 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 Adam Hendrickson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 6:6-12
(Pew Bible, p. 5) Adam Hendrickson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Have You Not Known?" *H. E. Singley*
*"Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God!
The creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint, he never grows weary,
his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no
might, he increases strength; even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall
fall exhausted; but they that wait upon the Lord, they shall renew their strength!
They shall mount with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint."*
Men's Chorus

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 6:13-19
(Pew Bible, p. 5) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Genesis: The Art of Listening" October 27, 2013 Alex Lang

✦ HYMN 410 "God Is Calling through the Whisper" W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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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 "Psalm 103" *James Mulholland*
*"Bless the Lord, my soul; Bless his holy Name! All that is in me, Bless His holy Name!
Who forgives our faults, Crowns us with His love, For He shows no anger;
Yet abounds in steadfast love. Bless the Lord, my soul. For He knows our frame;
Knows that we are dust. Man is as the grass; And must fade away. But the steadfast
love, of the Lord our God, Shall be everlasting, for the ones who love the Lord!
Bless the Lord, my soul!"*
Men's Chorus

✦ 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 22 "God of the Sparrow" ROEDER

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Rigaudon" *Andre Campra*

✦ 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)

Flowers: Don & Ruth Howard—In celebration of our anniversary

WORSHIP NOTES

Prayer Requests

Healing & Comfort

First Pres Community

Mario Alberico
Roger Anderson
Don & Judy Ayers
Wendy Blanck
Virginia Blocki
Laura Carlson
Susan Carroll
Jean Castles
Mary Clarbourn
Graham Gutzmer
Marylyn Jirsa
Don Johnson

Tom Krigas
Betty Launer
Joyce O'Mara
Barrett Peterson
Patty Richard
Betty Sanders
Richard & Susan Scott
Nancy Stautzenbach
Barb Tsutsumi
Bob Webb
Al Wilson

Friends & Family

Saraya Angle — niece of Tonya Griffin
Jeanie Bigger — niece of Launa Ismail
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

Klee Family — family of the Ficks
Bill & Corinne McClintic — friends of Ingrid Kaufman
Phil Perillo — brother of Kristie Cerniglia
Jerry Shields — husband of Dianne Shields
Lindsey Spalding — friend of the Hockenberrys
Ken Stiles
Dale VanEck — friend of Barrett & Corinne Peterson
Claire Walsh — cousin of Mary Hebden

Sympathy to

Amanda Agami and family, on the death of her father, Barry Wise
Chris Conroy, on the death of her father, Robert Conroy
The Dacy family, on the death of Jeanne Dacy
The Pekarek family, on the death of former member, Edie Pekarek

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
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 Buffalo Grove Pride Parade Participation
Today Informational Meeting for Adult Mission Trips
June 9 Film Viewing and Discussion
June 11 Summer Sunday School
June 11 Safe Sanctuary Training
June 17 Service Saturday—Bernie's Book Bank
June 18 Music Appreciation Sunday
June 25 Middle School Mission Trip Commissioning (9:00 am)
July 9 VBS/Holy Troublemaker Commissioning (9:00 am)
July 23 High School Montreat Trip Commissioning (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 email to webcasting@firstpresah.org.

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Church Life

June 4, 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.

BUFFALO GROVE PRIDE PARADE: THE MAGIC OF PRIDE — First Pres is marching in the Buffalo Grove Pride Parade today at 11:00 am. We will join other churches and community organizations in the area for this family- friendly event. We are looking for all ages to march with us. Contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org if you are interested in joining us.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR FALL 2023 AND SPRING 2024 MISSION AND LEARNING TRIPS — *Today / 4:00 pm / Chapel* — The Mission Committee is excited to announce that they will be hosting two upcoming travel opportunities for First Pres members and friends. The first trip will be a Presbyterian Disaster Assistance work trip to Calvert City, KY, October 15-21, 2023. The second will be a Mission Delegation to Frontera de Cristo Border Ministry, March 10-15, 2024. This informational meeting will answer questions about travel, costs and registration. If you are interested in either of these opportunities and are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Michele Holifield or Kim Hogan to receive more information.

FRIDAY NIGHT FILM VIEWING AND DISCUSSION — *Friday, June 9 / 6:00 pm / Parlor* — *My Name is Pauli Murray*: Join others to learn more about Pauli Murray – a civil rights activist, legal scholar and at the age of 67, became the first African-American woman to be ordained as an Episcopal priest. Pauli Murray's legal work influenced both Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Thurgood Marshall. Come join in a discussion and wonder why you might have not heard of Pauli Murray until now.

SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING — *Sunday, June 11 / 12:00 pm / 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. To check your training status or register for training, contact Mary Fino at 847-255-5900 or maryfino@firstpresah.org.

June 4 — Trinity 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
10:00 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex
10:00 am Adult Choir Rehearsal — Choir Auditorium
10:30 am **Worship** — Sanctuary
11:00 am Buffalo Grove Pride Parade — Off-site
11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex
4:00 pm 2023-2024 Adult Mission Trips Informational Meeting — Chapel
6:00 pm HSYG—HS Lounge, Gym

Upcoming Events

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL — *Sundays: June 11 and 25, July 9 and 23, August 6, 20 and 27 / 10:30 am / Loaves & Fishes Garden* — Summer is always a bountiful season in First Pres' Loaves & Fishes Children's Garden. As the central focus of our summer Sunday school program, the garden teaches children about how food is grown, how to tend a garden, the fun of harvesting and the rewards in sharing the bounty. Join us this summer! For questions, contact Michele Holifield micheleholifield@firstpresah.org.



SERVICE SATURDAY: BERNIE'S BOOK BANK — *Saturday, June 17 / 9:00 am-11:00 am* — Register now to join us at Bernie's Book Bank for a morning of stickering, sorting and packing books. All ages are welcome at Bernie's. We will meet at Bernie's Book Bank (917 N. Shore Drive, Lake Bluff) and work as a group. Please use the QR code to register. Please note that each person in your family must register and have a waiver signed to attend. Contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org with questions. Bernie's Book Bank focuses on distributing books to children birth through sixth grade in under-resourced communities. Since 2009, Bernie's has distributed over 23 million free children's books.



MUSIC APPRECIATION SUNDAY — *Sunday, June 18* — Plan to attend worship as we show our appreciation and say thank you to all the musicians who make our worship so uplifting. Adam Hendrickson will be preaching with music by Compass Praise Band at 9:00 am and the Chancel Choir, Chancel Handbell Choir and First Pres Brass at 10:30 am.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP COMMISSIONING — *Sunday, June 25 / 9:00 am / Chapel* — During worship, we will commission our mission workers and our leaders of this program. We invite all participating to be present in worship.



VBS & HOLY TROUBLEMAKERS (FORMERLY MISSIONFACTORY) REGISTRATION IS OPEN! / *Register Online / Programs run Monday, July 10 - Friday, July 14 / 9:00 am - 12:00 pm* — 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. Contact Nick Pulikowski at nickpulikowski@firstpresah.org with questions.

DONATE TO SUPPORT HOLY TROUBLEMAKERS — *Sundays, June 11, 18 and 25* — During our week of Holy Troublemaking, our incoming 5th and 6th graders will learn and act together in a variety of ways. You can be a



part of that by visiting the donation table. There will be opportunities to donate goods and money. We will be looking for things like lemons for our lemon shake-ups, jars for pickles and cash to support our care packages. There will be something for everyone to be a part of Holy Troublemaking this summer. If you cannot stop by the donation table, contact Michele Holifield to find out how you can participate.

Serving, Giving, and Growing

THE BRIDGE: 2023 TOUR OF PATIOS — Get ready for summer! And this year's Tour of Patios! Below are the dates to put on your calendar. Watch for more details coming soon! **Patio Party #1:** June 15 at the home of Doris & Tim Downing in Arlington Heights, **Patio Party #2:** week of June 26 (date TBD) at the home of Kelly Dean in Palatine, **Patio Party #3:** July 13 at the home of Karyn & Keith Kraske in Hoffman Estates, **Patio Party #4:** July 25 at the home of Amy & Dave Sonderegger in Palatine (rain date is July 26), **Patio Party #5:** week of August 7 (date TBD) at the home of Kate & Kirk Ingemunson in Arlington Heights. Contact Kelly Dean at k_p_dean@hotmail.com with questions.

USHERS NEEDED FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS — An important part of being a welcoming community is making sure that someone greets you as you enter our space. Our usher teams play an important part in making sure this happens each Sunday. We are filling in our summer schedule and could use a few more people. The time commitment is on Sunday mornings for about 1.5 hours. Ushers are needed at both the 9:00 am and 10:30 am services. Contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org if you would be interested in ushering this summer. If you enjoy ushering in the summer, please consider joining the team in the fall!



STONE CATCHERS BOOK CLUB — Stone Catchers will sponsor our second summer of reading. You can get a head start on your reading and join us each month for dinner and lively discussion. **Thursday, June 22 / 6:00 pm / Parlor** — Stone Catchers kicks off summer reading this month with Dolen Perkins-Valdez's *Take My Hand*. Inspired by true events that rocked a nation, *Take My Hand* is about a Black nurse in post-segregation Alabama who blows the whistle on a terrible injustice done to her patients. Additional upcoming discussions: **Thursday, July 27 / 6:00 pm / Parlor** — *Climate Justice*, by Mary Robinson. **Thursday, August 24 / 6:00 pm / Parlor** — *Beautiful Country*, by Qian Julie Wang. Mark your calendar now!

BACKPACKS FOR CHRISTOPHER HOUSE — We are again supplying backpacks and school supplies for the students of Christopher House. When school begins in the fall, we want the children to experience the excitement of new school supplies and backpacks! The suggested donation is \$20, but any donation is welcome. **This collection is monetary only!** Look for the Christopher House table in the Narthex on Sundays beginning today through June 18. Checks should be payable to Presbyterian Women (CH Backpacks in memo line). Donations can also be made online.

BE A SHEPHERD FOR NEW MEMBERS — Join the growing list of people who want to be Shepherds, and will help a new member feel included in the life of our First Pres family. Be a familiar face in that sea of unfamiliar faces, and watch the comfort level grow as new members find ways to get involved. When you agree to shepherd a new member in the fall or spring, you'll join your new member for a group lunch, learn about them, share what you enjoy about our church and offer to stay in touch, stand up in worship when they join and be identified as their Shepherd, make a couple of follow-up calls to keep the welcome going. Contact Michele Holifield to join us: micheleholifield@firstpresah.org.

Worship Next Sunday

June 11, 2023: Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am — Worship (Chapel)
Music: Compass Praise Band

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



Preacher: Alex Lang
Scriptures: Genesis 1: 26-31, Matthew 23:27-28
Sermon Series: Encore: The Best of 2013-2023
Sermon Title: "Conversations: Our Image vs God's Image" (April 17, 2016)

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	\$1,253.00
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CURRENT GIVING OPPORTUNITY: Minister's Discretionary Fund — As the need continues to grow in our surrounding community, the Minister's Discretionary Fund enables our pastoral staff to assist those who come through our doors with emergency needs for gas, food, utilities and other basic needs. By giving to this fund, you are helping to spread generosity and love throughout the community. Donations through August 31, 2023, will be allocated to this fund.

ONE 10:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE: AUGUST 6 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 3 — Starting on Sunday, August 6 and continuing through Sunday, September 3, we will have one worship service at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. On Sunday, September 10, we will return to two services at 9:00 am in the Chapel & 10:30 am in the Sanctuary.

MARY AND MARTHA'S LENDING CLOSET — The summer months are approaching and now is the time to reserve your items from the Mary and Martha's Lending Closet. We are a one-stop 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. Reservations for items for summer graduation parties are filling up fast. The closet is available to community members, so help us spread the word. All monetary donations to the closet go 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.

ONGOING FOOD COLLECTION — Donations of nonperishable food items benefit many families and individuals who are clients of several local organizations that we support. Food has been shared through our PADS ministry with those who are homeless; provided to clients of Family Forward; and collected for families served by Christopher House and Firman House, both in Chicago. The next time you are at the grocery store, why not pick up a few healthy nonperishable items to donate? Thank you for your past and continued support!