



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME Adam Hendrickson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O LORD, you have searched us and you know us. You know when we sit down and when we rise up;

All: **You search out our paths and our lying down, and are acquainted with all our ways.**

One: Even before a word is on our tongues, O LORD, you know it completely.

All: **Such knowledge is too wonderful for us; it is so high that we cannot attain it. Let us rejoice and worship God!**

✦ “GREAT ARE YOU LORD” Leonard, Ingram, & Jordan

✦ TIME OF GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS Laura Sherwood

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

MATTHEW 23:27-28

MESSAGE

“Conversations: Our Image vs. God’s Image” April 17, 2016 Alex Lang

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-31

SONG “Beautiful” Linda Perry

Caitlyn Glennon, soloist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Laura Sherwood

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

“Beautiful Things” Lisa & Michael Gungor

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ “BEAUTIFUL MYSTERY” Matthew Goss

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Compass: Amy Carroll, piano; Kevin Carroll, bass; Adam Hendrickson, guitar/vocals; Greg Schultz, saxophone; Todd Smith, drums

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
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Organized in 1855*



“Let us constantly reflect on how divine grace has transformed our earthly natures so that we may contemplate more closely our heavenly hope.”
— Leo the Great

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JUNE 11, 2023
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "All Things Bright and Beautiful" *Albert Travis*

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

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION Laura Sherwood

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy and might, open our eyes this day to see who we really are. For we know that we have not lived as you desire us to live. We have not been our true selves, and we have not treated each other as beloved children of God. We speak the words we think others want to hear. We act to serve our best interests. We work to project the image of self that we want others to believe. In our brokenness, our lives have not told the truth of who we are. Help us to change who we are and who others see us as, that we may be reflections of you, your love, your mercy, and your grace...

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

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Laura Sherwood

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 23:27-28
(Pew Bible, p. 805) Laura Sherwood
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "For the Beauty of the Earth" *John Rutter*

"For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies, For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour Of the day and of the night, Hill and vale and tree and flow'r, Sun and Moon and stars of light: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our joyful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child, Friends on earth and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of Thine To our race so freely given, Graces human and divine, Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our joyful hymn of praise."

Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 1:26-31
(Pew Bible, p. 1) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON Alex Lang

"Conversations: Our Image vs. God's Image" April 17, 2016

✦ HYMN 760 "Bring Many Names" WESTCHASE

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Laura Sherwood

LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Awake the Harp" *Franz Joseph Haydn*

"Awake the harp, the lyre awake! And let your joyful song resound. Rejoice in the Lord, the mighty God. For He both heaven and earth has clothed in stately dress."

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 25 "O Lord, Our God, How Excellent" WINCHESTER OLD

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Toccata on 'I Sing the Mighty Power of God'" *Mark Thallander*

✦ 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: The Dacy Family—In memory of Jeanne Dacy

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
Marilyn Giacoppi
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
Virginia Moertel — sister of Marty Kraybill
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

Chris Conroy, on the death of her father, Robert Conroy
Britt Ganan and Courtney Wascher and families, on the death of their father, Eugene Anderson
Dave and Allison Jacobsen, on the death of Dave's grandmother, Dolores Young
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
Capt. John Olszewski, USMC — nephew of Steve and Lisa Olszewski
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 Summer Sunday School
Today 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 4 Fourth of July - Office Closed
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.

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Church Life

June 11, 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.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL — *Sundays: Today, June 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! Contact Michele Holifield micheleholifield@firstpresah.org with questions.

SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING — *Today / 12:00 pm / Chapel* — 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 Safe Sanctuary Training status, contact Mary Fino at 847-255-5900 or maryfino@firstpresah.org.

FALL 2023 AND SPRING 2024 MISSION AND LEARNING TRIPS *Registration Opens Today, Sunday, June 11* — Individual registration for the Fall 2023 Presbyterian Disaster Assistance work trip to Calvert City, KY (October 15-21) and the Spring 2024 Mission Delegation to Frontera de Cristo (March 10-15) will open online today. A deposit for a portion of the cost is required when registering. There will be an information table in the lobby on Sundays, through June 25. For more information, contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org or Kim Hogan at k_hogan2003@yahoo.com.

NEXT WEEK! 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.

June 11 — Second Sunday after Pentecost
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
10:30 am Summer Sunday School — Loaves & Fishes Garden
11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex
12:00 pm Session Meeting — Boardroom
12:00 pm Safe Sanctuary Training — Chapel
6:00 pm HSYG — HS Lounge, Gym

Upcoming Events



LAST CALL—SERVICE SATURDAY: BERNIE'S BOOK BANK — *Saturday, June 17 / 9:00-11:00 am* — If you are planning to join First Pres at Bernie's Book Bank, **register by June 13**. After that date, a spot cannot be guaranteed. We will spend the morning at Bernie's 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 note that each person in your family must register and have a waiver signed to attend. Contact Michele Holifield with questions. Bernie's Book Bank focuses on distributing books to children from birth through sixth grade in under-resourced communities. Since 2009, Bernie's has distributed over 23 million free children's books.



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, through June 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.



JOIN THE RED, WHITE & BLUE CHOIR — *Sunday, July 2 / 10:00 am rehearsal & 10:30 am worship* — Tune up your voice because we would love to have you join the Red, White & Blue Choir! If you have ever wanted to give singing in the choir a try, please join us. No prior membership in any of our choirs or any choir at all is necessary. Just come at 10:00 am for rehearsal to learn our anthems and we'll sing at the 10:30 am service. Don't forget to wear something red, white and blue. Contact Adam Hendrickson for more information.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL — *Sunday, July 2 / Parlor* — We'll be dishing ice cream during Fellowship Time after services from 10:00–10:30 am and 11:30 am - 12:00 pm. Enjoy a nice cool treat and some great socializing with other church members.

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.



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.

THE WEDNESDAY MARKET — Visit the volunteer and information table on Sundays, through June 25, to find out how you can help with our expanded Wednesday Produce Market. Opportunities include: volunteering at the market, donating needed items for the market's success, growing vegetables at home to donate to the market (you can pick up seeds and starters on Sunday mornings) and sharing your gift of live music. We are looking forward to bringing the Wednesday Market to the community on Wednesdays in July and August. For more information, contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org.

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 18, 2023: Third Sunday after Pentecost / Music Appreciation Sunday

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

10:30 am — Worship (Sanctuary)
Music: Chancel Choir, Chancel Handbell Choir, First Pres Brass

Preacher: Adam Hendrickson
Scriptures: Psalm 128; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Sermon Title: "The Greatest of These"

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.

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| Bookmarks | \$1,432.00 |
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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.

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!

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: maryandmartha@firstpresah.org.