



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME Adam Hendrickson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Love surrounds us this day;
All: **love that is the stuff of prayer, and love that is sung in a song.**
One: So God's love permeates our lives;
All: **from birth to death, we belong to this God who loves us.**
One: And so, as beloved people, let us worship God.

✦ "10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)" Myrin & Redman

✦ TIME OF GREETING

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

PSALM 128

MESSAGE "The Greatest of These" Adam Hendrickson
Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

SONG "Love Is Bigger Than Anything in Its Way"
Clayton, Evans, Hewson & Mullen, Jr.

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 "Stand By Me" King, Leiber & Stoller

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ "STAND IN YOUR LOVE" Hulse, Bladwin, Harris & Springer

✦ BENEDICTION Adam Hendrickson

✦ Please stand as you are able.

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

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.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LITURGY

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"When the power of love overcomes the love of power,
the world will know peace."
— Jimi Hendrix

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
MUSIC APPRECIATION SUNDAY**

**JUNE 18, 2023
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Festival Overture" *Kevin McChesney*
Chancel Handbell Choir; Nick Pulikowski, director
*The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation
for the worship of Almighty God.*

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✦ HYMN 687 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" ST. ANNE

CALL TO CONFESSION Laura Sherwood

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
whenever we seek you, love is what we find.
But you do not always find the same when you seek us.
Love is patient, but often we are impatient.
Love is kind, but often we are rude.
Love is not envious, but we often covet.
Love does not insist on its own way, but we often do just that.
Love never ends, and yet we do not always seek your love as our ultimate
purpose.
Help us, loving God, to shed our sin and reflect the light of your love...

SILENT CONFESSION

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

...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 Laura Sherwood

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 128
(Pew Bible, p. 499) Laura Sherwood
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Blessed Are the Men Who Fear Him" *Felix Mendelssohn*
*"Blessed are the men who fear Him, they ever walk in the ways of peace.
Through darkness riseth light to the upright,
He is gracious, compassionate; He is righteous."*
Chancel Choir and First Pres Brass

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
(Pew Bible, p. 934) Adam Hendrickson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "The Greatest of These" Adam Hendrickson

✦ HYMN 684 "Faith Begins by Letting Go" LUX PRIMA

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

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.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "No One Is Alone" *Stephen Sondheim*
Handbell arr. Nick Pulikowski

*"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 and Chanel Handbell 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!**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

✦ HYMN 366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" HYFRYDOL

✦ BENEDICTION Adam Hendrickson

POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune" *Callahan, arr. Morrone*
First Pres Brass and Organ

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Adam Hendrickson

Pastors: Alex Lang, Laura Sherwood

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban

First Pres Brass: Eric Allen & Colin Stanhope, trumpet; Joan Morrone,
horn; Kevin Carroll, trombone

Praise Band: Compass (9:00 am service)

Flowers: **Bill & Cathy Dillon**—In celebration of our 66th wedding
anniversary

WORSHIP NOTES

Prayer Requests

Healing & Comfort

First Pres Community

Mario Alberico
Roger Anderson
Don & Judy Ayers
Tom Beihoffer
Wendy Blanck
Virginia Blocki
Laura Carlson
Susan Carroll
Jean Castles
Mary Clarbour
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
Jill & Jeannie Bigger — nieces of Launa Ismail
Mike Ferdinand — husband of Sharon Ferdinand
Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepura
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

Britt Ganan and **Cortney Wascher** and families, on the death of their father, Eugene Anderson
Dave and **Allison Jacobsen**, on the death of Dave's grandmother, Dolores Young

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	Music Appreciation Sunday
June 22	Summer Book Club
June 25	Middle School Mission Trip Commissioning (9:00 am)
June 26	Memorial Brick Orders Due
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.

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 18, 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.

MUSIC APPRECIATION SUNDAY — Today — In worship today, 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.

NEXT WEEK! 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.

FALL 2023 AND SPRING 2024 MISSION AND LEARNING TRIPS
Registration is Open — 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) is open. 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.

June 18 — Third 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
11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex

Happy
Father's
Day!

Upcoming Events

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL — *Sundays: 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.



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.

ENGRAVED BRICK ORDERS — Engraved bricks in the Memorial Prayer Garden honor loved ones, living or deceased, in a beautiful setting. Engraved bricks require a donation of \$50 for two lines of 12 characters and spaces or \$65 for three lines of 12 characters and spaces. Forms are available in the form rack by the church office. For installation in the fall of 2023, please have your orders in by **Monday, June 26**. Bricks are ordered once each year and are installed only in the fall, usually September or October. Late orders will not be ordered until next year. Mail or deliver your completed order form and attached check to the church office. If you have questions, contact Debbie Walter in the office.

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 #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. For questions, 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 today. 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 25, 2023: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost / Middle School Mission Trip Commissioning

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

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

Preacher: Rev. Laura Sherwood
Scriptures: Hebrews 12:1-2; Acts 6:1-15
Sermon Title: "Stephen's Story: The Impact of Witness"

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	\$1,515.00
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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.