



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME

Alex Lang

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

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One: Let this place resound with joy.

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✦ "DID YOU FEEL THE MOUNTAINS TREMBLE"

Martin Smith

✦ TIME OF GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

MARK 16:1-8

MESSAGE "Here I Am: Carousel" April 5, 2015
Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20

Alex Lang

✦ "LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH"

arr. Hendrickson

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

"Glorious Day" *Ingram, Smith, Stanfill, & Curran*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ "MIGHTY TO SAVE"

Fielding & Morgan

✦ BENEDICTION

Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Compass: Dan Berg, guitar; Amy Carroll, piano; Kevin Carroll, bass; Todd Smith, drums; 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

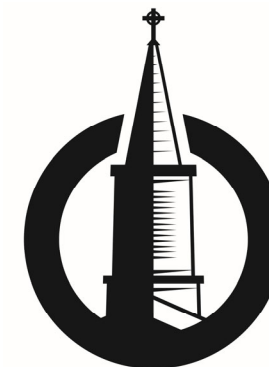
For worship in the Sanctuary, large print bulletins, and hearing amplifiers (some with T-Coil lanyard adapters) are available from the ushers.

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
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Organized in 1855*



"O heavenly Easter! By you, O Christ, the darkness of death has been destroyed and life poured out on every creature."
—from an ancient paschal homily

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JULY 16, 2023
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "The Peace May Be Exchanged" *Dan Locklair*
"Voluntary on 'Truro'" *J. Wayne Kerr*
Michael Gagne, organist

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

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✠HYMN 246 "Christ Is Alive!" TRURO

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit we have been raised from the waters of baptism to share in your glorious resurrection. Yet we have not lived as Easter people. We are unsure of your promise, confused about your will, and afraid in the face of danger. Like Mary, we weep at the tomb, but do not recognize your presence. Call us by name, risen Lord, that we may know you with confidence. Whenever we are tempted to fear death, give us courage to confess your Easter victory. Whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts, keep our minds on your reconciling love. Whenever we are overwhelmed by the power of evil, reveal again to us your triumph over the destructive powers of oppression. Forgive us our sin and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit...

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

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 16:1-8

(Pew Bible, p. 829) Alex Lang

The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Do Not Stand at My Grave and Weep" *Howard Goodall*

"Do not stand by my grave, and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep--

I am the thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glints in snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle, autumn rain.

As you awake with morning's hush, I am the swift, up-flinging rush

of quiet birds in circling flight. I am the day transcending night.

Do not stand by my grave, and cry--I am not there, I did not die."

Dan Richardson, bass

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:16-20

(Pew Bible, p. 812) Alex Lang

The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Here I Am: Carousel" April 5, 2015 Alex Lang

✠HYMN 250 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" PROMISE

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "The Trumpet Shall Sound" *G. F. Handel*

"The trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised,

and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."

Dan Richardson, bass

✠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 254 PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"

✠BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Trumpet Voluntary" *John Stanley arr. Miller*

✠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
Barbara Berkow
Wendy Blanck
Virginia Blocki
Laura Carlson
Susan Carroll
Jean Castles
Mary Clarbourn
Marilyn Giacoppi
Graham Gutzmer

Marylyn Jirsa
Don Johnson
Betty Launer
Barrett Peterson
Patty Richard
Betty Sanders
Richard & Susan Scott
Nancy Stautzenbach
Barb Tsutsumi
Bob Webb

Friends & Family

Saraya Angle — niece of Tonya Griffin
Mike Ferdinand — husband of Sharon Ferdinand
Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepora
Henry Hagemann, Jr. — cousin of Tom Krigas
Donna Hames — friend of Mary Halatek
Klee Family — family of the Ficks
Virginia Moertel — sister of Marty Kraybill
Janet Muhm — mother of Pauline Pohl

Phil Perillo — brother of Kristie Cerniglia
Miles Vincent Rizzo — grandson of Dave & Linda Berkow
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

Lauren Kelleher, Jason Krigas, Steven Krigas and families, on the death of their father, Tom Krigas

Serving in the Armed Services

AMN Charles Arthur Brousseau, Air Force — son of Liz Moses and Bob Wendling
MU2 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

July 23 High School Montreat Trip Commissioning (10:30 am)
July 23 Summer Communion
July 27 Stone Catcher's Book Club
August 6 Summer Worship Schedule Begins (10:30 am only)
August 15 September Chimes Deadline
August 20 Mozart Requiem
September 10 Kick-off Sunday

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.

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!

Church Life

July 16, 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.

NEXT WEEK! HIGH SCHOOL MONTREAT TRIP YOUTH AND LEADER COMMISSIONING — *Sunday, July 23 / 10:30 am / Sanctuary* — During worship, we will commission our youth and volunteer leaders going to Montreat. We invite all participating to be present in worship. Please join us in lifting them up in prayer.



STONE CATCHERS BOOK CLUB — Stone Catchers is sponsoring our second summer of reading. Join us for dinner and lively discussion. Upcoming discussions:

Thursday, July 27 / 6:00 pm / Parlor — *Climate Justice*,

by Mary Robinson. Former President of Ireland, Mary Robinson's mission to bring together the fight against climate change and the global struggle for human rights brought her to a heartening revelation: that an irrepressible driving force in the battle for climate justice could be found at the grassroots level, mainly among women, many of them mothers and grandmothers like herself. Robinson met with ordinary people whose resilience and ingenuity had already unlocked extraordinary change: from a Mississippi matriarch whose campaign began in her East Biloxi hair salon and culminated in her speaking at the United Nations, to a farmer who transformed the fortunes of her ailing community in rural Uganda. In *Climate Justice*, she shares their stories and many more. Powerful and deeply humane, this uplifting book is a stirring manifesto on one of the most pressing humanitarian issues of our time, and a lucid, affirmative and well-argued case for hope. *Thursday, August 24 / 6:00 pm / Parlor* — *Beautiful Country*, by Qian Julie Wang. The moving story of an undocumented child living in poverty in the richest country in the world. In Chinese, the word for America, Mei Guo, translates directly to "beautiful country." Yet when seven-year-old Qian arrives in New York City in 1994 full of curiosity, she is overwhelmed by crushing fear and scarcity. In China, Qian's parents were professors; in America, her family is "illegal" and it will require all the determination and small joys they can muster to survive. Mark your calendar now!

July 16 — Seventh 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

10:30 am **Worship** — Sanctuary

11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex



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Upcoming Events

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL — *Sundays: July 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 at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org with questions.

THE WEDNESDAY MARKET — We are looking forward to bringing the Wednesday Market to the community on Wednesdays this summer. Contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org, for more information.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE NOTE: 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 and 10:30 am in the Sanctuary.**

"THE CHIMES" NEWSLETTER DEADLINE — *Tuesday, August 15* — The deadline for inclusion of articles for the September issue of "The Chimes" is Tuesday, August 15. Please submit articles to maryfino@firstpresah.org.

MOZART'S "REQUIEM" — *Sunday, August 20 / 10:30 am / Sanctuary* — Join the Chancel Choir and orchestra for a presentation of Mozart's "Requiem" during worship at 10:30 am. Mozart composed part of the "Requiem" in Vienna in late 1791, but it was unfinished at the time of his death on December 5 of the same year. A completed version dated 1792 by Franz Xaver Süssmayr was delivered to Count Franz von Walsegg, who had commissioned the piece for a requiem service on February 14, 1792, to commemorate the first anniversary of the death of his wife, Anna, at the age of 20 on February 14, 1791. The sermon for the day will focus on the gospel of Mark and the idea that it is also an incomplete work, requiring us to finish the movement that Jesus started.

69+ SUMMER GATHERING — *Friday, August 25 / 5:00-7:30 pm / Arlington Lakes Golf Club / \$10 per person* — Join fellow members, aged 69+, for an evening of food, fellowship and trivia! Chicken (fried & grilled) will be provided. Please bring a dish to share: - last names A-H bring an appetizer or dessert, O-Z bring a salad or side dish. Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. Alcoholic beverages are available for purchase. Please RSVP to Deb Artman at debartman53@gmail.com or 224-688-1783. We hope to see you there!

NEW GROUP FORMING: AGES 50-68 — *Saturday, September 2 / 6:00 pm / Schaumburg Boomers Game* — The CLE Committee is forming Life Stage Groups for the purpose of getting together for social activities. Our first outing (Schaumburg Boomers ballgame) is planned for Saturday, September 2, at 6:00 pm. If you are interested in joining this age group, contact Kevin or Carol Kelley at kevinkelley8@gmail.com. We are also looking for a name. If you have any suggestions, let us know!

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. **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.

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. Contact Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org or Kim Hogan at k_hogan2003@yahoo.com, for more information.

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.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE TEAM MEMBERS WANTED — As many of you probably know, Pastor Judy spent a lot of her time on walk-in requests from people in the community needing various kinds of assistance. As we move through transition with our pastoral staff, we'd like to broaden the way we meet with and help members of our community, as well as develop a network of resources and support in cooperation with other organizations and congregations. If you have a social work, case management, or any local community resource experience and could help with the development of a new system and/or give a few hours a week to this effort, please contact Pastor Laura Sherwood at 847-255-5900, x229 or laurasherwood@firstpresah.org. Thank you! First Pres Mission Committee.

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!

SAVE THE DATE! FALL KICK-OFF SUNDAY — *Sunday, September 10 / 11:30 am / Parking Lot* — Join us for this all-church celebration of the beginning of another program year. There will be food, fellowship and fun for all ages! Bring a friend. Mark your calendar now.

Worship Next Sunday

July 23, 2023: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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

10:30 am — Worship (Sanctuary)
Music: John Eckhardt, violin



Preacher: Rev. Alex Lang
Scriptures: Matthew 20:1-16; Matthew 13:34-35
Sermon Series: Encore: The Best of 2013-2023
Sermon Title: "Doctors with Borders"
January 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	\$2,046.00
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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.

UPDATE YOUR OFFERING ENVELOPE PREFERENCE — With so many people taking advantage of giving through stock transactions, IRA Contributions, ACH bank withdrawals and online donations, the use of offering envelopes of First Presbyterian Church continues to decline. Many still use offering envelopes; however, we are asking if you no longer want to receive offering envelopes please call the church office so we can remove you from the envelope mailing list. The expense for offering envelopes has increased due to the price of envelopes, shipping costs and postage. If you still want to receive the envelopes, there is no need to contact the church office. If you currently do not receive envelopes but would like to, you may also call the church office and we can add your name to the offering envelope mailing list.

MARY AND MARTHA'S LENDING CLOSET — The summer months are here 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.