

# 9:00 AM WORSHIP

### **WELCOME**

Adam Hendrickson

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

- One: We have entered the season of Lent, a time to examine our hearts and our lives
- All: and journey with Christ through the suffering of the world.
- One: Let us lift up our souls to our merciful God
- All: and humble ourselves in God's service.
- One: God has marked us as beloved dust
- All: and called us together to worship.

**\$**"10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)"

Myrin 🕉 Redman

Rev. Barbara Gorsky

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND HOPEFULNESS**

One: In the season of Lent, O God, we say lofty words about renewing our spiritual disciplines, journeying with you to the cross, or denying ourselves material wants for the good of the soul. Forgive us, O God, if our actions are in vain: if we are concerned with the good of the soul rather than the good of your people; if we have twisted this season of penitence into a reason for praise or judgment; if we are so preoccupied with the sins of the world that we cannot recognize and confess the sins of our own lives. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free us to try again. Amen.

### **MUSICAL RESPONSE**

### **†**TIME OF GREETING

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

### **PSALM 25:1-10**

MESSAGE	"Hope In the Wilderness" Scripture: Mark 1:9-15	Rev. Laura Sherwood			
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## WELCOME, GUESTS!

### Thank you for worshiping 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.

#### SOURCES FOR WORSHIP

All liturgies are from Call to Worship Year B Presbyterian Publishing; Scriptures are from the New Revised Standard Updated Edition (NRSVUE)



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

"May this Lent be a time when, like the earth, we take in the rain and the sunlight of God's love and awaken to our very depths." - from The Path of Life, by Ernest Ferlita, S.J.

# First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

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



## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 18, 2024 9:00 & 10:30 AM

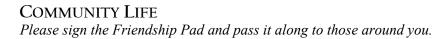
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## GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

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## **TIME OF GREETING**



## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

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Sermon	"Hope In the Wilderness"	Rev. Laura Sherwood	

"Lord of All Hopefulness"

### CALL AND PRAYER FOR OFFERING

### **OFFERTORY**

THE THANKSGIVING One: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you. One: Lift up your hearts. All: We lift them to the Lord. One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give our thanks and praise. 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. WORDS OF INSTITUTION SERVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**†**HYMN 775 "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" WALK WITH ME

POSTLUDE

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Listing of Worship Leaders: **Preaching:** Rev. Laura Sherwood Liturgist: (9:00 & 10:30 am) Rev. Barbara Gorsky Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban **Praise Band:** Compass (9:00 am service) Tech Support and Livestream: Amy Senior and Jonah White

## **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Rev. Barbara Gorsky

"Walk In the Kingdom"

Sally Albrecht "I'm, gonna walk, walk, walk in the kingdom, Lord. If the devil will just get out of my way, I'll be seein' you on that judgment day. I'm gonna sing, sing, sing in the kingdom Lord. When I see that gates are open wide, gonna lay my burdens on the other side. I'm singin' glory and honor, praise King Jesus, praise the Lord! Oh, I've never been to heaven, but I've been told that the streets up there are paved with gold. When I see that rainbow shinin' through, then I know that I'll be comin' home to you. I'm gonna shout in the kingdom. When I see the stars begin to fall, then I know that I will have it all. Walk in the kingdom!" Chancel Choir

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

## GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

**†**CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Rev. Laura Sherwood

"Chaconne"

Louis Couperin

◆Please stand as you are able.

# **Prayer Requests**

### Healing & Comfort

#### First Pres Community

Mario Alberico Carole Anderson Don & Judy Ayers Wendy Blanck Virginia Blocki Dawn Bruce Gerri Campbell Laura Carlson Jean Castles

### Friends & Family

Karl Gates — friend of Mary Kiepura Donna Hames — friend of Mary Halatek Tom Nemec — friend of Kevin & Carol Kellev Desa Peric — great-granddaughter of Steve Smith Phil Perillo — brother of Kristie Cerniglia Larry Pohlman — friend of Kevin & Carol Kelley

### Sympathy to:

The family of Margaret Estey

Steve and Lisa Olszewski & family, on the death of Lisa's father, Martin Sunwoo

Nick and Daniella Pulikowski & family, on the death of Nick's grandmother, "Nana" Lucille Ponte

### Serving in the Armed Services

MU2 Wesley Carroll, Navy - son of Kevin and Amy Carroll, grandson of JoAnn Thompson

Lt. Col. Michael B. Ford, US Army Reserves - stepson of Kris Ford Brandon Latuzek — nephew of Elaine Chen

### Mary Clarbour Roger Fick Marilyn Giacoppi Marylyn Jirsa June Johnson Sandy Naeher Patty Richard Susan Scott

### Jerry Shields — husband of Dianne Shields Tom Spaeth — friend of Steve Smith Dale VanEck — friend of Corinne Peterson Claire Walsh — cousin of Mary Hebden Dave Williams — father of Cathy Mataloni Pamela Wilson - daughter-in-law of Al & Karen Wilson

# **About First Pres**

**Business Administrator:** 

Administrative Assistant /

**Receptionist:** Carol Vega

**Facilities Coordinator:** 

Michele Holifield

Senior Administrative Assistant:

Facilities Director: Tony Scheurich

Nursery Coordinator: Beth Johnson

Director of First Pres PDO &

Preschool: Coleen Anzalone

Debbie Walter

Mary Fino

### **STAFF**

Interim Pastor / Head of Staff: Laura Sherwood

**Interim Associate Pastor:** Barbara Gorsky

Director of Children's & Youth Ministries: Rebekah Anderson

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban

Worship Technicians: Amy Senior, Jonah White

## *Save the Date*

Today Blue Shirt Sunday / OGHS Kickoff 39th Annual Organ Fest Today February 25 New Member & Seekers Class March 3 PDO Sunday—Registration for First Pres Members March 6 Wednesday@Noon Recital March 16 Service Saturday March 17 First Pres Talent Show

**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 Rev. Barbara Gorsky, at barbaragorsky@firstpresah.org, or 847-255-5900, extension 225 or Rev. 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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WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS: Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to those around you.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING WAS FEBRUARY 11 – YOUR **FEEDBACK IS WANTED** — For those of you who could not attend, please find time to watch the video, read the report packets and submit your feedback. (Response Forms and Report Packets are available in the literature racks; and also in "Church News" on our website.) There is a lot of information to ponder and assess but the journey has begun, and we will travel this road together. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Laura or Pastor Barbara.

LENT DEVOTIONALS — 2024 Lent Devotionals, Bless the Lent We Actually *Have* by Kate Bowler, are now available. Printed booklets can be found in the literature racks. An interactive PDF is available for download on our website.

concert.

NEW MEMBER & SEEKERS CLASS — Sunday, February 25 / 11:45 am / **Boardroom** — Our next new members class will take place on Sunday, February 25, at 11:45 am in the Boardroom. Contact Rev. Laura Sherwood at laurasherwood@firstpresah.org for more information or to join the class.

February 18 - First Sunday in Lent / OGHS Kickoff & Blue Shirt Sunday 8:45 am - 11:15 pm - 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: The Journey Inward — Staff Lounge 9:00 am Adult Education: The Perils of Ambition — Boardroom 10:00 am Adult Choir Rehearsal — Choir Auditorium 10:00 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex 10:30 am Worship — Sanctuary 10:30 am Preschool Sunday School (3- & 4-year olds) - Room 206 10:30 am K-5 Sunday School — Room 304 10:30 am Sunday School (Grades 5-7 & 9-12) — Room 301/303 10:30 am Confirmation — Room 109/111 10:30 am Coffee: Grounds for Discussion & Service - Room 110 11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex 12:00 pm Stone Catchers — Forum 4:00 pm Concert Series: 39th Annual Organ Fest — Sanctuary 5:00 pm Youth Handbell Choir — Bell Choir Room 5:45 pm Youth Handbell Choir/HSYG Dinner — Fellowship Hall 6:00 pm HSYG — HS Lounge, Gym, Fellowship Hall

# Church Life

### February 18, 2024

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.

THE 39TH ANNUAL ORGAN FEST — Today / 4:00 pm / Sanctuary — Join organists Michael Gagne, Brian Schoettler, Christopher Urban and Gary Wendt as they team up to provide another dynamic and inspiring organ

## **Upcoming Events**

Family FAMILY NIGHT PROGRAMMING - Wednesdays / 6:00-8:00 pm / September through May — Come and share dinner NGH and fellowship with families from First Pres and the broader community. This program includes dinner, adult education and programs for children and youth.

#### Weekly Schedule:

6:00-7:00 pm: Drop-in dinner time for all ages 6:30-7:00 pm: Children's Choir (grades K-5) 7:00-8:00 pm: Classes and programs, including:

- ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER adult Christian education
- Kids Connect (grades K-5)
- Middle School Youth Group (grades 5-8)

NEW ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER CLASS — Wednesdays, February 21 -March 20 / 7:00 pm / Chapel / Myth, Ritual and Symbol / Dr. Turk - In these lectures, a selection of motifs and ideas from around the world are presented to introduce the audience to the importance of stories about meaning and purpose that we construct about ourselves and that define us as human beings and describe our relationship to the rest of the world. Lecture 1: Deity, Lecture 2: Creation, Lecture 3: The Flood, Lecture 4: The Trickster, Lecture 5: The Hero

STONE CATCHERS MEETING — Today / 12:00-1:00 pm / Forum — The monthly meeting of the Stone Catcher is today in the Forum from noon-1:00 pm. If you are interested in learning more about Stone Catchers or more about social justice issues and faith, then this is the gathering for you. You are welcome to bring lunch. If you are interested but cannot attend today, we gather on the third Sunday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 17. For more information contact Michele Holifield.

**PW CIRCLE MEETINGS** — Presbyterian Women is a community of women helping to make a difference in the lives of others. Join us for our study, Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts. Circle 7: Tuesday, February 20 / 7:00 pm / Parlor Circles 1, 2, 3: Wednesday, February 21 / 9:30 am / Parlor

CHALICE HOUSE HOUSEWARMING AND WELL WISHES PARTY -Saturday, February 24 / 5:00-7:00 pm / Parlor — You're invited to the Chalice House Community Housewarming Party. The current residents will be taking the next steps on their journey here in the US. They will be leaving Chalice House and moving into their own apartment this month. First Pres, along with the Chalice House Community Team, will be hosting a dinner with entertainment. There is also an opportunity for you to provide a gift for their new apartment. You can find a list of the items needed in Weekly Highlights. Please RSVP to Michele Holifield at micheleholifield@firstpresah.org by February 20 if you plan to attend the party. First Pres is a community partner along with several other area congregations supporting Chalice House in providing housing and mentoring for people seeking asylum.

FIRST PRES PDO & PRESCHOOL — At First Pres PDO & Preschool, we believe children learn best when exposed to age-appropriate educational and play-based activities. Early education is an opportunity to nurture children's creativity, offer enrichment and exploration. This year, Registration Sunday is March 3 for First Pres members. All registration takes place online. We serve children ages 6 months - 6 years, by September 1. Please email our PDO Director, Coleen Anzalone, at coleenanzalone@firstpresah.org, for tours and any questions.

# Serving, Giving, and Growing

TODAY IS BLUE SHIRT SUNDAY/ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS) KICKOFF — During the season of Lent, we receive the OGHS offering. The OGHS offering is evenly distributed between Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, The Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People. Visit the Mission Committee's information table in the lobby each Sunday during Lent to learn more about these organizations. Today's Fellowship Time is hosted by the Mission Committee and will focus on the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. You can give to OGHS through filling a fish bank, envelopes in the pews or making an online donation. Thank you for giving generously to assist in providing safety, substance and hope to people throughout the world.

PW BLANKET DRIVE SPECIAL OFFERING — Collection through February - A \$10 donation will provide a blanket for someone needing a little support, warmth and encouragement. Please help by donating! Checks may be made out to First Presbyterian Church, indicate Blanket Drive in the memo, or you may donate online by selecting Blanket Drive in the dropdown menu. For questions, contact Lois Meisterheim at mlmeisterheim@gmail.com.

COFFEE: GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION & SERVICE — Sundays, through April 7 (No Class March 31) / 10:30 am / Room 110 / The Grace of Les Misérables — In the six-week study, The Grace of Les Misérables, author and pastor Matt Rawle dives into six ideals found in the story-grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love and hope-each represented by a character in Hugo's story. As these imperfect and relatable characters interact, we can see how these ideals work together (perhaps even in spite of each other) out in the world. In keeping with his previous works, Matt Rawle brings us to the intersection of Church and Pop Culture by drawing parallels between the iconic story and musical and our Christian calling, inspiring us to both understand our faith and live it out in the world.

SUNDAY EDUCATION FOR ADULTS — Last Class: Today / 9:00 am / Staff Lounge / Rev. Rebekah Anderson / The Journey Inward: Embracing Vulnerability as a Spiritual Practice - Over the past decade, the work of researcher Brené Brown has brought experiences of vulnerability and shame out of the darkness and into the light. In this class, we'll learn about what vulnerability looks like, the things that get in the way of living authentically, and why embracing a life of vulnerability is not only what we're called to do as followers of Jesus, but also a critical part of finding the capacity to withstand life's greatest challenges.

NEW SUNDAY EDUCATION FOR ADULTS — Today through March 3 / Friday Viewings: Parlor – 7:00 pm; Sunday Class: Boardroom – 9:00 am / David Hogan / The Perils of Ambition: When Self-Interest Becomes Destructive — The First Pres Film & Discussion Series returns with a lively three-film, three-week program of screenings and discussions, exploring the hazards of unchecked ambition. With stories set in the worlds of tabloid journalism, cutthroat Hollywood and the early days of the fast-food industry, the program will be as thought-provoking as it is entertaining. Scheduled films: Ace in the Hole (1951) Today - 9:00 am

The Oscar (1966) February 23 - 7:00 pm & February 25 - 9:00 am The Founder (2017) March 1 - 7:00 pm & March 3 - 9:00 am

## February 25, 2024: Second Sunday in Lent

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

Preacher: Laura Sherwood Psalm 22:23-31; Mark 8:31-38 Scriptures: "Why Suffering?" Sermon Title:

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.



\*GIVING OPPORTUNITY: PC (USA) N ative Am erican Church Property Fund - The Native American Church Property Fund assists with needed repairs of Native American churches and chapels in the Presbyterian Church, PC(USA). Repairing the infrastructure of Native American churches and chapels also supports the mission, ministry and presence of Native American congregations in the PC(USA). The need for funds to conduct urgent and immediate repairs and improvements, including health and safety repairs, will enable continued use of the facilities by congregations and the public who visit the churches. Currently, there are approximately ninety-five Native American PC(USA) congregations in the United States.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES — Final Day to Donate — Youth Ministries and Mission Committees are joining together to send care packages. Suggested items: \$5 Starbucks gift cards, prepackaged snacks, or other small items. Monetary donations to help cover shipping are also appreciated. We are also collecting current mailing addresses for the college students, as well as cell phone and email address. If you have college students in your family, please send us the info to Rebekah Anderson at rebekahanderson@firstpresah.org or Darl Pochert at darl.pochert@icloud.com.

EASTER FLOWERS — Help transform the church into a beautiful display of lilies, tulips and other colorful plants as we prepare to celebrate Easter. Presbyterian Women will be accepting donations (suggested \$40) Sundays, today through March 3, to support the purchase of these plants. You may dedicate your donation and if you wish, you may take a plant with you after the last service on Easter. Please contact Sue Henderson at 847-804-1682 with questions.

NEW ONLINE GIVING PORTAL DELAYED — We will be transitioning to a new online giving portal, Abundant Online Giving. The new portal will allow members to cover the processing fee for online credit card giving. These are fees that could be going to the mission and ministry of First Pres. More information will be coming as soon as it is available. If you have any questions, contact business administrator, Debbie Walter, at debbiewalter@firstpresah.org.

apportionment is based on church membership. In 2024, this apportionment is

PLEASE GIVE TO COVER YOUR PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT — This \$36.50 per member. Any funds you designate for the apportionment will be used for this purpose and will free up our General Fund dollars to be used in supporting the vision, overall ministry and missions of our congregation. Please consider contributing your share of the Per Capita Apportionment.

# Worship Next Sunday

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

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