

9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME

Adam Hendrickson

†CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We worship in the season of Lent, a time to examine our hearts and our

All: and journey with Christ through the suffering of the world.

One: Let us listen for the commandments of God

All: and align our lives with God's vision for peace.

One: God has marked us as beloved dust All: and called us together to worship.

†"GOD OF WONDERS"

Byrd & Hindalong

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND HOPEFULNESS

One: O Christ who chased the money changers from the temple, chase the greed from our lives and our hearts. As you overturned the tables, O Lord, overturn the systems in our world that contribute to cycles of poverty and oppression. Forgive us, O God, for the ways we contribute to the world's brokenness. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free us to try again. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

"When Jesus Wept"

HYMN 194

†TIME OF GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Laura Sherwood

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

PSALM 19

MESSAGE

"Upside-down Law"

Rev. Laura Sherwood

Scripture: John 2:13-22

SONG

"Listen to What the Man Said"

Paul McCartney

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: Lord, in your mercy, All: hear our prayer.

SHARING OUR GIFTS

"Shelter" Lowell, Hasseltine, Odmark & Mason

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†"FROM THE INSIDE OUT"

Joel Houston

†CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Rev. Laura Sherwood

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

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 Version Updated Edition (NRSVUE).

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

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



"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.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 3, 2024 9:00 & 10:30 AM

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Please stand as you are able.

10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

"Andante Cantabile"
"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

J. S. Bach Matthew Corl

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

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†HYMN 394 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" WESTMINSTER ABBEY

CALL TO CONFESSION

Tom Pardo

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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SILENT CONFESSION

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

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: Beloved in Christ, you are blessed by God to inherit the kin-dom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. By the power of the Holy Spirit, you are refashioned every day to live according to God's reign, in the freedom of Christ Jesus. Friends, know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

PRESPONSE (Hymn 727, vs. 2)

We are pilgrims on a journey; we're together on the road. We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

†TIME OF GREETING

COMMUNITY LIFE

Rev. Laura Sherwood

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

PSALTER Psalm 19

RESPONSE 1 (Lent, Easter & General) Hebrew melody, from Sacred Harmony

The law of God is just, re - viv - ing the soul.

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

All: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

One: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

All: yet their voice goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.

One: In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

All: Its rising is from the end of the heavens and its circuit to the end of them, and nothing is hid from its heat. R

One: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

All: the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

One: the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

All: the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

One: the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;

All: the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

One: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;

All: sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. R

One: Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

All: But who can detect one's own errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

One: Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me.

All: Then I shall be blameless and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. R

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 2:13-22

(Pew Bible, p. 863) Rev. Laura Sherwood The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Jesu

"Jesus Clear the Temple"

Pepper Choplin

"Jesus clear the temple, come and make it clean and bare. Purge the needless clutter, make this place a house of prayer. Cast out all distractions that would take our eyes from You. Jesus clear the temple, make our worship true. Jesus clear the temple, chase away our prayer less pride. Strip away pretenses, places where our sin can hide. Scour every corner where temptation draws us in. Jesus clear the temple, make us clean again. Drive out self ambition, Cast out petty things. Break down the divisions and the conflict that they bring. Overturn the tables of our selfishness and greed. Break our hearts to minister to those in need. Jesus clear the temple, let Your Spirit fill

this place. Immerse us in Your power, transform us by Your wondrous grace.

Let this place be sacred, where your healing may be found.

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Chancel Choir

SERMON

"Upside-down Law"

Rev. Laura Sherwood

†Hymn 291

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

SPIRIT

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Tom Pardo

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.

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY "The

"The Heavens are Telling"

Franz Josef Haydn

"The heavens are telling the glory of God, The wonder of His work displays the firmament. Today that is coming speaks it the day, The night that is gone to following night. In all the lands resounds the word, never unperceived, ever understood, ever, ever, ever understood. The heavens are telling the glory of God;

The wonder of His Work, displays the firmament."

Chancel Choir

†DOXOLOGY (Hymn 607)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: Gracious God, you are a well that does not run dry. You never tire of giving good gifts to your children. And in response, we bring our offerings to be used to support our faith community and to participate in heaven's love and justice work. Bless and multiply these gifts today, and use them for your glory. Amen.

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

†HYMN 310

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

ST. THOMAS

†CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Rev. Laura Sherwood

Postlude

"Psalm 19"

Benedetto Marcello

Listing of Worship Leaders:
Preaching: Rev. Laura Sherwood

Liturgist: (10:30 am) Tom Pardo

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

Please stand as you are able.

Prayer Requests

Healing & Comfort

First Pres Community

Mario Alberico Mary Clarbour Carole Anderson Roger Fick Don & Judy Ayers Marilyn Giacoppi Wendy Blanck Marylyn Jirsa Virginia Blocki June Johnson Dawn Bruce Sandy Naeher Laura Carlson Patty Richard Jean Castles

Friends & Family

Karl Gates — friend of Mary Jerry Shields — husband of Dianne Shields Kiepura Donna Hames — friend of Mary Tom Spaeth — friend of Steve Smith Halatek Dale VanEck — friend of Corinne Tom Nemec — friend of Kevin & Peterson Carol Kelley Claire Walsh — cousin of Mary Desa Peric — great-granddaughter of Hebden Steve Smith Dave Williams — father of Cathy Phil Perillo — brother of Kristie Mataloni Cerniglia Pamela Wilson — daughter-in-law of Larry Pohlman — friend of Kevin & Al & Karen Wilson Carol Kelley

Serving in the Armed Services

Brandon Latuzek — nephew of Elaine Chen

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

About First Pres

Business Administrator:

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Interim Pastor / Head of Staff: Debbie Walter Laura Sherwood Senior Administrative Assistant: **Interim Associate Pastor:** Mary Fino Barbara Gorsky Administrative Assistant / Director of Children's & Youth Ministries: Rebekah Anderson Receptionist: Carol Vega Facilities Director: Tony Scheurich Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson **Facilities Coordinator: Associate Director of Music** Michele Holifield and Organist: Christopher Urban Director of First Pres PDO & Preschool: Coleen Anzalone Worship Technicians: Amy Senior, Jonah White Nursery Coordinator: Beth Johnson

Save the Date

Today	PDO Sunday—Registration for First Pres Members
Today	All-Church Mission Study Conversation Session 1
March 6	Wednesdays@Noon Recital
March 16	Service Saturday
March 17	First Pres Talent Show
March 27	Wednesdays@Noon Recital
March 28	Maundy Thursday Worship 7:00 pm at Southminster
March 29	Good Friday Worship 7:00 pm at First Pres
March 30	Easter Egg Hunt
March 31	Easter Breakfast
March 31	Easter Sunday Worship 6:30, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 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 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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Church Life

March 3, 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.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ARLINGTON

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

THE ALL-CHURCH MISSION STUDY BEGINS! — March 3-April 14 —

We invite everyone to participate in each of the three Conversation Sessions being offered at Church (and alternate locations such as The Moorings and Lutheran Home) beginning on March 3. The total time commitment for all three sessions will be 3-4½ hours. Your reflections will help us get a good understanding of the church's history and heritage, passions for ministry and mission, and visions for the future and your next pastoral leadership. Please visit the website, www.firstpresah.org, or see the signs posted around the building for the schedule of sessions. If you have any questions, contact Pastors Laura Sherwood at laurasherwood@firstpresah.org and Barbara Gorsky at barbaragorsky@firstpresah.org.

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. Today is the last day to complete forms.

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.

March 3 –	<u>– Third Sunday in Lent</u>
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	All-Church Mission Study Session 1 — Fellowship Hall
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	All-Church Mission Study Session 1 — Fellowship Hall
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
10.20 am	Confirmation Poom 100/111

10:30 am Confirmation — Room 109/111

10:30 am Coffee: Grounds for Discussion & Service — Room 110

11:30 am Fellowship Time — Parlor, Narthex

12:30 pm Scout Troop 32 Eagle Court of Honor — Sanctuary, Parlor

2:00 pm Middle Scout Retreat Returns 5:45 pm HSYG Dinner — Fellowship Hall

6:00 pm HSYG — HS Lounge, Gym, Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Events

FAMILY NIGHT PROGRAMMING — Wednesdays / 6:00-8:00 pm / September through May — Come and share dinner 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)

ENGAGE & ENCOUNTER CLASS — Wednesdays, through 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.

WEDNESDAYS@NOON RECITAL — Wednesday, March 6 / 12:10 pm / Sanctuary — Join us for a lunchtime recital featuring Samantha Bittle, harp.

SERVICE SATURDAY — Saturday, March 16 / 9:00-11:00 am / Bernie's Book Bank — Join the Mission Committee for a morning of sorting, packing and stickering books at Bernie's Book Bank. We will gather at Bernie's Book Bank, located at 917 North Shore Dr., Lake Bluff. This event is open to anyone aged 5 and up. Space is limited. To sign up, use the link in Weekly Highlights or contact Kim Hogan at k_hogan2003@yahoo.com.

FIRST PRES TALENT SHOW — Sunday, March 17 / 4:00 pm / Sanctuary — Please consider sharing your talent with the members of First Pres. If you sing, play an instrument, tell a good story, juggle, or even tell a good joke we have a spot for you! There are four categories of performers:

• K-5th grade • 6th-12th grade • adults (non-retired) • adults (retired)

• K-5th grade • 6th-12th grade • adults (non-retired) • adults (retired) For vocalists or instrumentalists, we are happy to provide keyboard accompaniment. Contact Adam Hendrickson for information or to sign-up. For **non-performers**, make sure you come out and clap your hands for the many talented members of First Pres and the broader community.

WEDNESDAYS@NOON RECITAL — Wednesday, March 27 / 12:10 pm / Sanctuary — Join us for a lunchtime recital featuring Chuck Beech, piano and Christopher Urban, organ.

EASTER EGG HUNT — Saturday, March 30 / 10:00 am / Fellowship Hall, Gym, CE Wing / Register March 1-March 29 — Children's & Youth Ministries is sponsoring a all-ages Easter Egg Hunt. We'll separate the children by age group and each will have their own area to hunt. A light breakfast will follow. Join us for fun and fellowship. Contact Rebekah Anderson at rebekahanderson@firstpresah.org with questions.

FIRST PRES PDO & PRESCHOOL — Today is Registration Sunday for First Pres members only. Online forms can be found under the PDO & Preschool tab of the church website. Registration will be open to all currently enrolled and PDO alumni starting tomorrow, Monday, March 4. Still have questions? Contact PDO Director, Coleen Alzalone at coleenanzalone@firstpresah.org.

Serving, Giving, and Growing

COFFEE: GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION & SERVICE — Sundays, through April 7 (No Class March 31) / 10:30 am / Room 110 / The Grace of Les Misérables — In this 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 — Final Discussion Today / 9:00 am / David Hogan / The Perils of Ambition: When Self-Interest Becomes Destructive — The First Pres Film & Discussion Series returns 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. The Founder (2017) March 3 - 9:00 am

SUNDAY EDUCATION FOR ADULTS CANCELLED — Pause: Spending Lent with the Psalms — The 3-week Lenten book study, Pause: Spending Lent with the Psalms, scheduled for 9:00 am on Sundays, March 10, 17 and 24, has been cancelled for this year. If you would like to see this class offered in the future, please contact Pastor Laura at laurasherwood@firstpresah.org.

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) today 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.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS) — Throughout the season of Lent, we receive the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) offering. Your contributions support efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Visit the Mission Committee's information table in the lobby during Lent for more information. You can give to OGHS through filling a fish bank, through envelopes in the pews or making an online donation.

CELEBRATE MR. ROGERS DAY — Wednesday, March 20 at Family Night — The PC(USA) celebrates Mr. Rogers Day each year on Fred Rogers' birthday. This year, First Pres will celebrate the day at Family Night. Invitations for you to invite a neighbor, friend, family member or any other helper will be available on Sunday mornings in the lobby or at Family Night. There will be special activities at Family Night including a small community build. Invite a neighbor, wear a cardigan and join in the fun on March 20.

Worship Next Sunday

March 10, 2024: Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

10:30 am — Worship (Sanctuary)

Music: Chancel Choir

Preacher: Laura Sherwood

Scriptures: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; John 3:14-21

Sermon Title: "God So Loved the World"

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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*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.

NEW ONLINE GIVING PORTAL <u>DELAYED</u> — 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.

PLEASE GIVE TO COVER YOUR PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT — This apportionment is based on church membership. In 2024, this apportionment is \$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.

PADS (PUBLIC ACTION TO DELIVER SHELTER) HELP NEEDED! — The First Pres PADS overnight shelter is in need of volunteers! Each Tuesday evening, we need twelve volunteers to fill our shifts. Training is provided for all volunteers. We also have many opportunities to donate food and other items for our guests. If you have any questions or would like more information, email pads@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 FamilyForward; 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!