

WELCOME, GUESTS!

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

Please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it along the pew, and introduce yourself to those around you after the service. 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, and Twitter, at [@FirstPresAH](https://twitter.com/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

Large print bulletins, large print hymn packets, and hearing amplifiers 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/media/live-stream. To download or listen to a podcast of today's sermon (available soon), visit firstpresah.org/media/podcast. Past sermons and other educational broadcasts are available through the Media section of our website.

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

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Organized in 1855*



SUMMER WORSHIP

“It is possible to give without loving,
but it is impossible to love without giving.”
—John Wesley

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST LAY PREACHING SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 3, 2017
10:30 AM

Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.

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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME Alex Lang

✠HYMN 706 “Commit Your Way to God the Lord” Guilsborough

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

COMMUNITY LIFE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Alex Lang

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 9:6-8
(Pew Bible, p. 942) Kurt Ahlers
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Better to Give Than to Receive” Kurt Ahlers

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✠HYMN 716 “God Whose Giving Knows No Ending” Beach Spring

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 debts, as we forgive
our debtors; 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

✠ DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✠PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

♣ HYMN 714 “God of the Fertile Fields” Italian Hymn

✠BENEDICTION TC Anderson

POSTLUDE “Fugue in G Major” *Nicolaus Bruhns*

† Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Kurt Ahlers
Greeters: Jim and Mary Mayer
Ushers: Jeff Leach (head usher), Barbara Martin
Flowers: **Presbyterian Women**—In honor of those who serve
Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson
Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson
Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban