

# 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. 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.

## Youth Being Celebrated Today

Elise Anfenson  
Ellie Bay  
Alex Beihoffer  
Sean Beihoffer  
Caitlin Blair  
Grace Brockmann  
Jamie Cerniglia  
Leah Desserich  
Ana Downing  
Lane Gerber  
Kate Greenbury  
Mason Hergert  
Annabelle Hilder  
Jack Ingemunson  
Mollie Lumsden  
Whitney Madler  
Kelly Marr  
Brianna Michalczyk  
Jacob Park  
Lily Perillo  
Lily Sanger  
Adam Stanhope  
Colin Stanhope  
Molly Tavares  
Katelyn Wagner  
Sam Walker  
Sam Walter  
Will Wascher

## Sincere thanks and appreciation to the Confirmation Class Teachers

Brian Cerniglia  
Laura Grochocki  
Doug Hiskes  
Jeff Michalczyk  
Kristen Walter

# First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

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



## CELEBRATION SUNDAY

“The courage to be is rooted in the God who appears  
when God has disappeared in the anxiety of doubt.”  
—Paul Tillich

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## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 6, 2018  
11:00 AM

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Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.

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

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## GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

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PRELUDE “Trumpet Tune” *Gordon Young*  
“Aria”  
“Rondo”

WELCOME Judy Hockenberry

### ✦ CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 98)

One: Sing to the Lord a new song.

**All: God has done marvelous things.**

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord.

**All: Sing praises to the Lord with lyre and trumpets.**

One: Come, let us worship God.

✦ HYMN 26 “Earth and All Stars!” Earth And All Stars

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison) Whitney Madler  
**Loving God, you provide the way to restoration, renewal, and wholeness. Today we come with hearts full of gladness as we welcome young people who are choosing to belong to you and to deepen their connection to your church. Remind all of us that we are rooted and grounded in your love. Our being is grounded in your being. We are your children, called to live out the way of Jesus by feeding the hungry, visiting the sick, and working for justice for all of your children. We praise you for inviting us to this good work and ask that you continue to guide us throughout our lives. Amen.**

### WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

One: Christ is risen indeed; we are not afraid.

**All: For we know the One in whom we trust.**

### ✦ CELTIC ALLELUIA! (Hymn 587)

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### ✦ PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

COMMUNITY LIFE TC Anderson

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## HEARING GOD’S WORD

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Sam Walter

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING John 15:9-17  
(Pew Bible, p. 878) Sam Walter  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “There’s a Walk by Faith” *Richard Baker*  
“*There’s a walk by faith for the child of God, there’s a walk by faith if we would faithful be. Don’t look to the left, don’t look to the right; just keep your eyes on Christ. There’s a cross to bear for the child of God, there’s a cross to bear if we would faithful be. There’s a crown to win for the child of God, there’s a crown to win if we would faithful be. Don’t look to the left, don’t look to the right, Just keep your eyes on Christ.*”  
Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 3:14-21  
(Pew Bible, p. 950) Judy Hockenberry  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Rooted and Grounded” Judy Hockenberry

### TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles’ Creed) TC Anderson  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**  
**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

✦ HYMN 833 “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go” St. Margaret

PRAYER CIRCLES

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## GIVING THANKS TO GOD

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Alex Lang

### 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 TC Anderson

OFFERTORY “Stand Up and Bless the Lord” *Mark Williams*  
“*Stand up and bless the Lord, O people of God’s choice; Stand up and bless the Lord, your God, with heart and soul and voice. Though high above all praise, Above all blessing high, Who would not fear God’s holy name, And laud and magnify? O for the living flame, From God’s own altar brought, To touch our lips, our minds inspire, And wing to heaven our thought, and wing to heaven our thought! God is our strength and song, Now is salvation ours; Proclaim God’s love throughout the world, With all our ransomed powers. Stand up and bless the Lord; The Lord, your God, adore; Stand up and bless God’s glorious name, Henceforth forevermore. Stand up and bless the Lord!*”  
The Chancel Choir

### ✦ 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

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## GOING FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

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✦ HYMN 462 “I Love to Tell the Story” Hankey

✦ BENEDICTION Judy Hockenberry

POSTLUDE “How Firm a Foundation” *arr. Carolyn Hamlin*

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✦ Please stand as you are able.

**Preaching:** Judy Hockenberry

**Greeters:** Tom Carroll

**Ushers:** Jeff Leach (head usher), Kurt Ahlers, Barbara Martin, Frank Morrone

**Flowers:** **Karen Hughes**—In honor of my mom and dad

**Rob and Nancy Lincoln**—In loving memory of Florence Lincoln Tanfield

**Pastors:** Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

**Director of Music and Worship:** Adam Hendrickson

**Associate Director of Music and Organist:** Christopher Urban