

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

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



SUMMER WORSHIP

“It is only because he became like us
that we can become like him.”
—Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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

**JUNE 17, 2018
10:30 AM**

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.*

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

PRELUDE “Amazing Grace” *arr. Albin Whitworth*
“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name” *arr. Caudill & Nelson*
Chuck Beech, piano; Chris Urban, organ

WELCOME Alex Lang

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 20)
One: The Lord will answer us in the day of trouble.
All: The God of Jacob will protect us.
One: God will send us help and give us support.
All: God will grant our heart’s desire and fulfill our plans.
One: We will rise and worship the Lord.

✦ HYMN 331 “God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand” National Hymn

CALL TO CONFESSION TC Anderson

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Holy God, forgive us when we hold so tightly to our beliefs that we have no room for new thoughts and ideas. Remind us that you are the God of the ages. You are continually at work helping us understand things in ways that are new and old at the same time. Forgive our fear of change. Forgive our closed minds and closed hearts. Help us to experience the fresh wind of your Holy Spirit, always at work reforming your church and reforming us.

SILENT CONFESSION
...in Jesus’ name we pray. **Amen.**

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

✦ GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.**

✦ 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

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION TC Anderson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 3:17-19
(Pew Bible, p. 3) TC Anderson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “The Yearning” *Craig Courtney*
“*There is a yearning in hearts weighed down by ancient grief and centuries of sorrow. There is a yearning in hearts that in the darkness hide and in the shades of death abide, a yearning for tomorrow. There is a yearning for the promised One, the First-born of creation. A yearning for the Lord who visited His own, and by his death for sin atoned, to bring to us salvation. Emmanuel, within our hearts, the yearning. There is a yearning that fills the hearts of those who wait the day of His appearing. There is a yearning when all our sorrows are erased and we shall see the One who placed within our hearts the yearning.*”
Men’s Chorus

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Romans 5:12-14; 18-21
(Pew Bible, p. 917) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Irenaeus” Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Confession of 1967, 9.15)
God’s sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of man’s mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and good in receiving sinful humanity. The power of God’s love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

✦ HYMN 377 “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” Houston

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE TC Anderson

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

OFFERTORY “Grace” *Mark Hayes*
“*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound; that saved a wretch, a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am found; I once was blind, but now I see.
’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and that same grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour when I first believed.
Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
This grace hath brought me safe thus far, and surely grace will lead me home.
When we’ve been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than since the day we first begun.*”
Men’s Chorus

✦ 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

GOING FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

✦ HYMN 307 “God of Grace and God of Glory” Cwm Rhondda

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE “Trumpet Tune” *Douglas Wagner*
Blow up the trumpet in the new moon. Psalm 81:3

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang
Greeters: Tom Carroll, Pam Miller
Flowers: **Sara and Alison Campbell**—Remembering Mike Campbell, we miss you, Dad!
Don and Lois Hartung—In celebration of our 65th wedding anniversary
Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson
Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson
Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban