



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME

TC Anderson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord is strong and full of glory.
All: **Our God is strong enough to still the mighty winds.**
One: The Lord is full of majesty.
All: **Our God is strong enough to calm the troubled waters.**
One: Come, and we will worship the Lord in holy splendor.

✦ “GREAT ARE YOU LORD”

Leonard, Ingram, & Jordan

✦ 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOHN 9:1-12

MESSAGE

“The Art of Observation”
Scripture: Matthew 5:21-26

Alex Lang

SHARING OUR GIFTS

“I’m Not Who I Was”

Brandon Heath

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(All are invited to share the Lord’s Supper. There is a station with wafers that are free of common food allergens with a separate cup located on the main floor.)

CLOSING PRAYER

✦ “BUILD MY LIFE”

Yunker, Martin, Kaple, Redman, & Barrett

✦ BENEDICTION

Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

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.

**First Presbyterian Church
of Arlington Heights**

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Organized in 1855*



“Our personal ripple effect is the power of one generating hope and change in others for a better world. Like ripples radiating across the surface of a pond when a pebble is tossed in, kindness is powerful and has far-reaching, positive ramifications that bring about a tremendous sense of joy.”

— Laurie Buchanan, PhD

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**JANUARY 13, 2019
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Prelude on Two American Folk Hymns" *Ralph Hastings*
I. Beach Spring
II. Amazing Grace
The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 33 "Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show" Llanfair

CALL TO CONFESSION Judy Hockenberry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy and compassion, we come to you with hearts burdened by things we have done without thought for long-term effects. For the ways in which we have used natural resources without thought for long-term consequences, we apologize. For negative behaviors that we have inadvertently passed on to our children, we ask forgiveness. We are sorry for the times we have taken a speck from the eye of another without removing the log from our own eye. Forgive us. Grant us the ability to recognize and own our faults.

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

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COMMUNITY LIFE

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING John 9:1-12
(Pew Bible, p. 871) Judy Hockenberry
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:21-26
(Pew Bible, p. 786) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "The Art of Observation" Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

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 286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Trentham

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Amazing Grace" *arr. Brian Hanson*
Text from Hymn 649
Chancel Choir; Carol Stolley, violin

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

THE THANKSGIVING

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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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SERVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please partake of the bread as it is served. We will hold the cup and drink together. There are wafers provided on each tray that are free of these common food sensitivities: gluten, wheat, casein, dairy, nut, egg, corn, yeast, soy, low/no sodium.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

✦ HYMN 182 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" Kingsfold

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Toccata on 'Amazing Grace'" *Christopher Pardini*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: Alex Lang

Greeters: (10:30 am) Don and Ruth Howard

Ushers: (9:00 am) Kevin Kelley, Bill Lyon

(10:30 am) Dave Crim (head usher), Jan Cikra, Bill Hamilton, Frank Morrone, Kaori Ozaki, Kazue Sono

Flowers: Michele, Kelly, Charlie, and Susannah Holifield—In memory and thanksgiving for the life of Larry Hayes

Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban

Praise Band: Compass (9:00 am service)

WORSHIP NOTES