



**9:00 AM WORSHIP**

**WELCOME** TC Anderson

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**All: We are citizens of heaven; children of God.**  
One: God can and will transform us when we open our hearts.  
**All: There are always new possibilities with God.**  
One: Stand firm in the Lord.

✦ **“10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)”** Myrin & Redman

✦ **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**

**MATTHEW 5:1-12**

**MESSAGE** “Step 3: Teachings” Alex Lang  
Scripture: Matthew 7:24-28

**SONG** “People Have the Power” Patti & Fred Smith

**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 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.

**SHARING OUR GIFTS** “Mountain” Houston & Crocker

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

✦ **“BLESSED BE YOUR NAME”** Beth & Matt Redman

✦ **BENEDICTION** Alex Lang

✦ Please stand as you are able.

**Compass:** TC Anderson, guitar/vocals; Amy Carroll, keyboard; Grace Carroll, vocals; Kevin Carroll, bass; AJ Coleman, drums; Adam Hendrickson, guitar/vocals; Beth Osborn, vocals; Greg Schultz, saxophone; Madison Treppa, vocals

**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**

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



“So many people come to church with a genuine desire to hear what we have to say, yet they are always going back home with the uncomfortable feeling that we are making it too difficult for them to come to Jesus.”  
— Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *The Cost of Discipleship*

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY  
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

**MARCH 17, 2019  
9:00 & 10:30 AM**

**Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.**

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# 10:30 AM WORSHIP

## GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "A Gaelic Melody" *arr. Hal Hopson*  
"Hallelujah" *Leonard Cohen*  
Chancel Handbell Choir; Nick Pulikowski, director  
*The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.*

WELCOME Alex Lang

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✦ HYMN 81 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Austrian Hymn

CALL TO CONFESSION Judy Hockenberry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
**Loving God, have mercy on us. We have missed the mark so many times. We falter on the path of discipleship. We are unwilling to make the sacrifices you ask of us. We forget to govern our thoughts as well as our actions. We turn away from injustice. We engage in activities that promote oppression of others. We want to be better and more courageous. Forgive us and help us to start again.**

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM  
Theodore James Aldrich, born May 7, 2018—son of Brian and Kristen Aldrich

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Judy Hockenberry

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:1-12  
(Pew Bible, p. 785) Judy Hockenberry  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Be Thou My Vision" *arr. Cathy Moglebust*  
Chancel Handbell Choir and Organ

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 7:24-28  
(Pew Bible, p. 788) Alex Lang  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Step 3: Teachings" Alex Lang

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Theological Declaration of Barmen)  
**As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetter of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures. We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords — areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him. (8.14 and 8.15)**

✦ HYMN 223 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Hamburg

## GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Judy Hockenberry

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OFFERING

OFFERTORY "God is My Rock" *Paul Leddington Wright*  
*"God is my rock, God is my fortress, God is our rock and our fortress, our stronghold, a very present help in time of need. How precious are His thoughts to me, if I should count them, if I should count them, they are more than numbers in the sands. Search me, O God, and know my heart, try me, O God, and know my thought. Lead me, O God, in the way everlasting. God, my rock, God, my fortress, God, my stronghold. My God, my King, my Saviour everlasting."*  
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

## GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

✦ HYMN 353 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" Solid Rock

✦ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE "Choral" *Joseph Jongen*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

**Preaching:** Alex Lang  
**Greeter:** (10:30 am) Bill Hamilton  
**Ushers:** (9:00 am) Sharon Ferdinand, Dawn McGrath  
(10:30 am) Kate McVay (head usher), Peter Bukowski, Rob Lincoln, Walt Meyer, Frank Morrone  
**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  
**Praise Band:** Compass (9:00 am service)

## WORSHIP NOTES