

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.

2019 Graduates

Matthew Agami
Erik Anfenson
Samuel Bay
Lee Blanck
Grace Campbell
Grace Carroll*
Spenser Churchill
Rebecca Dahm
Bailey Dean*
Ashley Desserich
Fiona Freeman
Meghan Hergert*
Grant Hiskes*
Matthew Hurley
Grace Lowe
Natalie Marr
Grace Martin
Tyler Moskal
Grace Park
Thomas Parrish*
Daniel Ryerson
Alex Schuffler*
Cora Vincent
Reid Wagner

*Present in worship today

CELEBRATE
CLASS of
2019

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights

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



BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY

“I think that all the silence is worse than all the violence,
fear is such a weak emotion that's why I despise it.

We are scared of almost everything,
afraid to even tell the truth,
so scared of what you think of me,
I'm scared of even telling you.”

— Lupe Fiasco

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 19, 2019
10:00 AM

Choose love. Be the light. Change the world.

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10:00 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Fanfare and Processional" *Lynn Trapp*
The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.

WELCOME TC Anderson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord is my light and salvation;

All: whom shall I fear?

One: The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

All: of whom shall I be afraid?

One: Let us worship our wonderful God.

✦ HYMN 275 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Ein' Feste Burg

CALL TO CONFESSION Alex Lang

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we ask that you forgive us for allowing our fears and worries to get the better of us. We fear the stranger and so we aren't welcoming, we fear those different from us and so we don't see their value, we fear not having enough and so we hold on to our blessings and bury them in the ground. Help us to be courageous in our love, generous in our hospitality, and be fearless in our giving, so that we may live more fully into who you are and who we're meant to be.

SILENT CONFESSION

...in Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

✦ ACT OF PRAISE (Hymn 587) Celtic Alleluia
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

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Alex Lang

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:30
(Pew Bible, p. 831) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 28:10
(Pew Bible, p. 811) TC Anderson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Be Not Afraid" TC Anderson

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed) Alex Lang

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 71 "Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me" First Song
Congregation, please join in singing the refrain.

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Go Forth Into the World in Peace" *John Rutter*
"Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. Amen."
Chancel Choir

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

THE THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

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

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 726 "Will You Come and Follow Me" Kelvingrove

✦ BENEDICTION TC Anderson

POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune in D Major" *David N. Johnson*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: TC Anderson

Usher: Sharon Ferdinand

Flowers: **Tom and Denise Beihoffer**—In honor of our silver wedding anniversary

Ruth Crandall—In honor of my granddaughter, Meghan Hergert, on her graduation from Wheeling High School

Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson

Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban

WORSHIP NOTES
