



9:00 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME

Alex Lang

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

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All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those God redeemed from trouble.

All: Let them thank the Lord for steadfast love and wonderful works.

One: God satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. Let us worship God.

✦ "HERE I AM TO WORSHIP"

Tim Hughes

✦ 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

JEREMIAH 30:18-19

MESSAGE

"Thanks-gimme"

TC Anderson

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

SONG

"Simple Living"

Getty, Townend, & Getty

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 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

"With My Own Two Hands"

Jack Johnson

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ "I WILL FOLLOW"

Tomlin, Ingram, & Morgan

✦ BENEDICTION

TC Anderson

✦ 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**

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



"With a thankful heart, with an endless joy,
with a growing family, every girl and boy,
will be nephew and niece to me, will bring love, hope,
and peace to me. Yes, and every night will end,
and every day will start, with a grateful prayer
and a thankful heart."

—The Muppet Christmas Carol

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
CHRIST THE KING**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2018
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 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come/We Gather Together Medley”
Bruce Blanck, piano; Dick Daugherty, woodwinds; Gordon Johnson, bass
The prelude is your invitation to quiet preparation for the worship of Almighty God.

WELCOME TC Anderson

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✦ HYMN 645 “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” Mit Freuden Zart

CALL TO CONFESSION Alex Lang

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all blessings, we pray that you move in our hearts today. That you remind us of all of the blessings that you have given us already, but that we don’t find contentment with. We confess that our hearts continually desire more, more money, more security, more this, more that. We move so quickly from thinking about what we do have to what we don’t have and what we want more of. Please help us to see all of your blessings in our lives. Help us to be grateful for everything we already have and move us to give to others as freely as you have given to 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.**

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COMMUNITY LIFE

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Alex Lang

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 30:18-19
(Pew Bible, p. 640) Alex Lang
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “Give Thanks” Henry Smith
*“Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.*
Bruce Blanck, piano; Dick Daugherty, woodwinds;
Gordon Johnson, bass; Nick Pulikowski, vocals

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 9:6-8
(Pew Bible, p. 942) TC Anderson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Thanks-gimme” TC Anderson

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Confession of 1967) Alex Lang
The church responds to the message of reconciliation in praise and prayer. In that response, it commits itself afresh to its mission, experiences a deepening of faith and obedience, and bears open testimony to the gospel. Adoration of God is acknowledgement of the Creator by the creation. Thanksgiving is rejoicing in God’s goodness to all people and in giving for the needs of others. Petitions and intercessions are addressed to God for the continuation of his goodness, the healing of ills, and the deliverance from every form of oppression. Amen.

✦ HYMN 37 “Let All Things Now Living” Ash Grove

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Alex Lang

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For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “With a Voice of Singing” Martin Shaw
“With a voice of singing declare ye this and let it be heard, Alleluia. Declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia. Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia. O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of his name, make his praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.”
Chancel Choir; Kristen Walter, conductor

✦ 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 644 “Give Thanks, O Christian People”
Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein

✦ BENEDICTION TC Anderson

POSTLUDE “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Wyeth
Bruce Blanck, piano; Dick Daugherty, woodwinds; Gordon Johnson, bass

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: TC Anderson

Greeter: (10:30 am) Bill Hamilton

Ushers: (9:00 am) Mark Bishop
(10:30 am) Bob Harrald (head usher), Peter Bukowski, Ruth Howard, Karen Hughes, Frank Morrone

Flowers: **Richard and Betty Arnold**—In celebration of our 63rd wedding anniversary

Sue Campbell and Family—Thankful for the life of Mike Campbell

Rob and Nancy Lincoln—In celebration of Kobi & Todd Lincoln’s seventh wedding anniversary

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)

Guest Musicians: Bruce Blanck, Dick Daugherty, and Gordon Johnson

WORSHIP NOTES