

**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](https://www.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](http://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](http://firstpresah.org/media/live-stream). To download or listen to a podcast of today's sermon (available soon), visit [firstpresah.org/media/podcast](http://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*



## HERITAGE

“The work of community, love, reconciliation,  
restoration is the work we cannot leave up to politicians.  
This is the work we are all called to do.”  
—Shane Claiborne

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### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY RESURRECTION OF THE LORD EASTER SUNDAY

**APRIL 1, 2018  
11:00 AM**

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**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.*

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## GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

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PRELUDE “I Am the Resurrection and the Life” *Heinrich Schutz*  
“Intermezzo” *Pietro Mascagni*  
First Pres Brass and Organ

WELCOME Alex Lang

INTROIT “Fanfare for Easter” *Kenneth Walton*  
“*Christ is risen Alleluia! Death hath no more dominion over Him,  
Christ is risen, Alleluia.*”  
Chancel Choir and First Pres Brass

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP (from the hymn “The Strife is O’er”) TC Anderson  
One: The powers of death have done their worst.  
**All: But Christ, their legions, hath dispersed.**  
One: Let shouts of holy joy outburst!  
**All: Alleluia!**  
One: Christ is risen!  
**All: Christ is risen indeed!**

✠ HYMN 232 “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” Easter Hymn

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of grace, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead because we know him as a living God in our midst. You, O Lord, have overcome every power that can hurt or divide us. In you we have the joy of salvation and life abundant. Help us to reach into our world as those who have experienced the joy of your presence in our life. Encourage us to give freely of all that we have so that redemption and restoration might become the new reality in which we all live. Amen.**

### WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

One: Christ is risen indeed; therefore we are not afraid.  
**All: For we know the one in whom we trust.**

✠ 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

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## HEARING GOD’S WORD

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION TC Anderson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 3:1-7  
(Pew Bible, p. 2) TC Anderson  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “Amen, Amen” *Lloyd Larson*  
“*Amen. See the little baby, lyin’ in a manger on Christmas mornin’. See Him at the temple talkin’ to the elders; how they marveled at his wisdom. See Him at the seaside a-preachin’ and a-healin’ the blind and the feeble. See Him in the garden prayin’ to His father in deepest sorrow, Amen. Then they crucified Him, Jesus our Savior, but He rose on Easter, on Easter morn! Jesus lives again! Hallelujah! Amen. Glory, hallelujah! Jesus lives forever! Amen!*”  
Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 20:1-20  
(Pew Bible, p. 882) Alex Lang  
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Equilibrium” 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 749 “Come! Live in the Light!” We Are Called

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## GIVING THANKS TO GOD

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Judy Hockenberry

### 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 “On the Third Day” *Allen Pote*  
“*Jesus was crucified. He died and was buried. On the third day Christ arose. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead, His kingdom will have no end. Christ is risen from the dead, He is risen as He said, He is alive, Alleluia! Christ has conquered death and sin, died for us our souls to win, He is alive, alleluia! On the third day Christ arose!*”  
Chancel Choir, First Pres Brass and Hand Bells

✠ 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

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## GOING FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

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✠ HYMN 238 “Thine Is the Glory” Judas Maccabeus

✠ BENEDICTION Alex Lang

POSTLUDE “Toccata” *from the Fifth Symphony* *C. M. Widor*  
First Pres Brass and Organ

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✠ Please stand as you are able.

**Preaching:** Alex Lang

**Ushers:** Jeff Leach (head usher), Kurt Ahlers, Barbara Martin, Frank Morrone

**Pastors:** Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson

**Director of Music and Worship:** Adam Hendrickson

**Associate Director of Music and Organist:** Christopher Urban

**First Pres Brass:** Sagar Biswas and Jared Cihlar trumpet; Joan Morrone, horn; Gordon Palmer, trombone