

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*



HERITAGE

“You think your pain and your heartbreak are unprecedented in the history of the world, but then you read. ...the things that tormented me most were the very things that connected me with all the people who were alive, who had ever been alive.”

— James Baldwin

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**APRIL 8, 2018
11:00 AM**

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.*

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

PRELUDE “His Eye Is On the Sparrow” *arr. Caudill & Nelson*
Chuck Beech, piano; Chris Urban, organ

WELCOME TC Anderson

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
All: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
One: though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
All: though its waters roar and foam,
One: though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
All: We will not fear, for we are not alone.
One: Let us worship God!

✦ HYMN 245 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!” Llanfair

PRAYER OF THE DAY Alex Lang

**Living God, to you no door is closed, and no heart is locked.
Draw us we pray, like your servant Thomas, beyond our doubts.
Enable us to see Jesus the Christ, and to touch his wounds - even where
they bleed in others.**

**This we ask through Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

One: Christ is risen indeed; 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

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Alex Lang

ANTHEM “Crown Him Lord of All” *arr. Jack Schrader*
“Who is He in yonder stall, At whose feet the shepherds fall? Who is He in deep
distress, Fasting in the wilderness? 'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story! 'Tis the Lord!
The King of glory! At His feet we humbly fall, Crown Him! Crown Him, Lord of all!
Who is He the people bless, For His words of gentleness? Who is He to whom they
bring, All the sick and sorrowing? Lo at midnight, who is He, Prays in dark
Gethsemane? Who is He on yonder tree, Dies in grief and agony? Who is He that from
the grave, Comes to heal and help and save? Who is He that from His throne,
Rules through all the world alone?”
Chancel Choir; Kristen Walter, director; Chuck Beech, piano

SCRIPTURE READING John 20:19-28
(Pew Bible, p. 883) TC Anderson
The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “Seeing Jesus” TC Anderson

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 257 “The Risen Christ” Woodlands

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

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 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 “He Shall Feed His Flock” *John Ness Beck*
“He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: He shall gather the lambs with His arm,
and carry them in His bosom, and gently shall lead those that are with young.
He shall gather the lambs in His arm, and carry them close to His heart;
and gently, so gently, so gently shall lead those with young.”
Chancel Choir; Kristen Walter, director

✦ 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 233 “The Day of Resurrection!” Lancashire

✦ BENEDICTION TC Anderson

POSTLUDE “Fanfare” *Arthur Wills*

✦ Please stand as you are able.

Preaching: TC Anderson
Ushers: Dave Crim (head usher), Frank Morrone, Kaori Ozaki, Jan
Richardson, Kazue Sono
Flowers: **Betty Lou Bukowski**—Honoring the memory of Betty Lou’s
parents, Ethel and Barney Olson
Stan and Nancy Conning—In memory of loved ones
Pastors: Alex Lang, Judy Hockenberry, TC Anderson
Director of Music and Worship: Adam Hendrickson
Associate Director of Music and Organist: Christopher Urban