



WORSHIP

Sanctuary

May 18, 2025 - Confirmation & Baccalaureate

THE GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC - HYMN #376

When All Is Ended

YOGANANDA

WELCOME

Rev. Brian Paulson

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Mentor Sally Kowal

Leader: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God on high!

People: Praise God, sun and moon. Praise God, all you shining stars!

Leader: Praise God from the earth, you sea monsters and ocean depths!

People: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, praise the Lord!

Leader: Kings and all peoples of the earth, princes and all rulers of the earth, praise the Lord!

People: Old and young together; all people praise the Lord!

Leader: Let us worship God!

❖ HYMN # 757

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Bridge Partner Roberti Community House Carmen Lago

Pam Fisher, Volunteer Coordinator

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mentor Connie Kowal

FIRST READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE

John 13:31-35

Mentor Gail Starr

ANTHEM

Children of the Heavenly Father arr.
Chancel Choir—David H. Edelfelt, director

B. Ellingboe

SECOND READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE *Revelation 21:1-6*

Mentor Adam Gohr

SERMON

The Same, but Different

Alex Barnes, M.Div.
Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley

THE RESPONSE

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

CONFIRMATION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

Presentation for Confirmation Elder Anna Groebe and Pastor Katie Freund (ELCA)

Profession and Confession of Faith

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.

Prayer of Blessing Elder Anna Groebe

Welcome into Membership

Elder Martin Frey

Leader: People of God, you have heard these confirmands proclaim their faith. Will you welcome them into membership in Christ's Church and will you support them in their discipleship? Will you?

People: **We will, with God's help.**

Please remain standing, as you are comfortable.

❖ **Commissioning and Anointing**

❖ **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

❖ **SONG OF BLESSING - HYMN #62**

Love the Lord Your God

HENDON

BACCALAUREATE

Recognition of Graduates

Presentation of Crosses

Prayer for Graduates

PRESENTATION OF SAVIDIS ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

Gloria Song, Dept. Head of Music and Organist

TABLE TALK

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Rev. Amy Heinrich

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: We give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

OFFERING

Come, Share the Spirit
Chancel Choir; Gloria Song, organ

Robert A. Hobby

❖ **PRAISE GOD - HYMN #608** (*The Doxology*)

PRAISE GOD

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, DEDICATION, AND 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.

THE SENDING

❖ **HYMN #376**

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YOGANANDA

❖ **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

❖ **POSTLUDE**

Gigue from Partita No. 3
Jasmine Horton, violin

J.S. Bach

❖ *Please stand in body or in spirit, as you are comfortable.*

Confirmands:

Hailey Louise Baker
Leah Pauline Baker
Elizabeth (Libby) Erickson Brown (ELCA)
Caroline Causemaker
Claire Cummings

Nellie Johanna Dajka
Declan Alexander Hosken
Conrad Kenny
Emily Perkins
Aubrey (Bree) Lynn Summers

Graduates:

Grace Booth, *Libertyville High School*
Sara Brann, *Vernon Hills High School*
Erin Duffy, *Libertyville High School*
Jillian Wren Frey, *Libertyville High School*
Hunter Friese, *Los Angeles College of Music, BA*
Rachel Groebe, *Libertyville High School*
Rebecca Groebe, *Illinois State University, BS*
Andrew Hauser, *Christian Life School*

Katie Kollasch, *Lake Forest High School*
Ella Marsden, *University of Denver, BS & BA*
Jamie Nicholson, *Washington University, BSBA*
Kyle Otte, *University of Michigan, BS*
Delaney Rybicki, *Libertyville High School*
Quinn Schambow, *Libertyville High School*
Jamie Swanson, *Kent State University, BA*
Connor White, *Grayslake Central High School*

Community Notes

Learn more in our online *Parish Life* newsletter at www.firstpreslibertyville.org

The flowers are placed to the glory of God by Gini & Brad Baker in congratulations to all the confirmands and graduates that we celebrate today. God's peace and blessings be with you today and every day; and by the church office ladies in honor of Lennie Blair's induction into the Libertyville Senior Hall of Fame.

Sunday, May 18 - Confirmation & Baccalaureate Sunday

10:00 AM Combined Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00 AM Cake Reception (Social Hall)
11:30 AM Coffee & Conversation with Kristal Larson, LGBTQ+ Center Lake County (Dougherty Room)
1:30 PM Sedgebrook Senior Living Service (Offsite)

Monday, May 19

6:15 PM 1st Year Elders (Dougherty Room)
7:00 PM Officer Examination with Session (Fellowship Hall)
7:30 PM Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 PM Troop 71 PLC Meeting (207)

Tuesday, May 20

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
7:00 PM Stephen Ministry Training (Dougherty Room)
7:00 PM Esther Circle (Library)

Wednesday, May 21

7:30 AM Morning Bible Study (Zoom)
4:00-5:30 PM PADS Donation Drop Off

Thursday, May 22

6:00 PM Chapel Music Team (Chapel)
6:30 PM Motet Choir (Sanctuary)
7:30 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

Saturday, May 24

7:30 AM Men's Sounding Board (Conference Room)

Sunday, May 25 - Memorial Day Weekend

10:00 AM Combined Worship (Chapel)
11:00 AM Social Hour (Social Hall)
11:30 AM Congregational Forum (Chapel)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Inquirers Class (June 1)
Sunday Book Study (Begins June 1)
Congregational Meeting (June 8)
Father's Day Ice Cream Social (June 15)
Ordination & Installation of Officers (June 22)
Recognition of New Members (June 22)
Courtyard Convos (Sundays in July)
Bluegrass Sunday (July 6)

Coffee & Conversation: Join us at 11:30 AM in the Dougherty Room for coffee and conversation with Kristal Larson from the LGBTQ+ Center Lake County.

Congregational Forum about Maple Ave. Properties: A Congregational Forum will be held next Sunday, May 25 at 11:30 AM in the Chapel to discuss a proposal to sell two vacant Maple Avenue lots owned by the church. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. All questions are welcome and will be addressed. On Sunday, June 8, a Congregational Meeting will be held after worship to allow the congregation to vote on the proposal to put the two properties up for sale. Please contact Elders Tony Cacich or Gary Holland with any questions.

"Tending the Wild Garden" Book Study: Our study on the book "Tending the Wild Garden" begins June 1! We'll gather after worship in the library. Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson will be leading us as we explore the Fruit of the Spirit as outlined by the Apostle Paul in his letter to the Galatians. Email Megan at mhuber@boxp.net to sign up.

Interested in Becoming a Member of First Pres Libertyville? If you've been worshiping with us and are considering making First Presbyterian Church of Libertyville your spiritual home, we invite you to attend our Inquirers Class. It's an opportunity to learn more about our church community and how we are united by God's love. Please let us know if you'll be attending our class on Sunday, June 1, from 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM in the Dougherty Room. Sign up at www.firstpreslibertyville.org or call the office (847-362-2174) to learn more.

Join the June Choir! Do you love to sing? Come be part of our June Choir, open to everyone in the church and the wider community—no auditions, just a joyful spirit! The choir will help lead worship on Sundays: June 8, 15, 22, and 29. Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:30 PM, and you are welcome to participate for as many weeks as you're available—whether that's one Sunday or all four! To sign up or learn more, please email Gloria at gsong@boxp.net.

PADS Food Collection: Drop off on Wednesdays between 4-5:30 PM in the Sanctuary Narthex. Please visit www.firstpreslibertyville.org for the items that are needed.

Flower Dedication Calendar: Honor a loved one or celebrate a special occasion with a beautiful floral arrangement in our worship spaces on Sunday mornings. To make your dedication, simply fill out the form below or call us at 847-362-2174. The cost is \$45.

Sermon Podcasts: Podcasts of previous Sunday sermons are available on the listening platform of your choice, including Spotify, Apple, and YouTube Music. The links are also available on our website at www.firstpreslibertyville.org/podcasts. New podcasts are generally uploaded midweek.