



WORSHIP

Sanctuary

June 1, 2025

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Processional on Psalm 18:19

D. Wagner

“Open to me the gate of righteousness, I will go to them, and I will praise the Lord!”

WELCOME

Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is sovereign; let the earth rejoice!

People: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of God’s throne

Leader: The mountains melt like wax before the Lord.

People: The heavens proclaim God’s righteousness, and all peoples behold God’s glory

Leader: For the Lord is most high over all the earth; God is exalted above all gods.

People: Let us worship God!

❖ HYMN #302

When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace

O WALY WALY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors, to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world.

(Silence for personal confession.)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

❖ GLORIA PATRI *(Glory to God)*

Hymnal #581

❖ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

❖ GATHERING SONG #62

Love the Lord Your God

GREAT COMMANDMENT

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Rev. Amy Heinrich

❖ SONG OF BLESSING #62

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THE WORD

An NRSV pew Bible is available for your convenience. You may access other versions using your mobile device at biblegateway.com.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leigh Rzepecki

FIRST READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE *Psalm 97 (CEB)*

SECOND READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE *Acts 16:16-34 (CEB)*

MEDITATION

A Dangerous Wellness

Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley

THE RESPONSE

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—Brief Form of Land Acknowledgement Statement

For more than 10,000 years, the land on which our church stands was stewarded by Native Peoples. As white colonizers entered the area in the early 1800s, the Potawatomi Nation was forced to cede the land they lived on and people were brutally removed to places west of the Mississippi. Thirty-four years after this removal, our church was founded in Libertyville. Today, the Potawatomi Nation has established bands throughout the United States and Canada, and the Chicago area is now home to one of the largest urban Native populations in the country. We seek God's wisdom and guidance as we lament the sins of colonization and the generational harm done to Native Peoples, both in the past and in the present. We work to counteract Indigenous erasure, respect Native sovereignty, and be good stewards of the land. We strive through word and deed to build Beloved Community for all God's children.

TABLE TALK

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE AND THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Neither Death Nor Life
Chancel Choir—David H. Edelfelt, director; Gloria Song, piano

Marty Haugen

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy (sung in unison)

Hymnal #552 (v. 1)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution, Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup

The Great Mystery of Faith *Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen (sung in unison)*

Hymnal #553

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

(Please note that communion is gluten free bread and grape juice so that there may be no barriers to the table.)

*Hold the bread so we may share it together as a sign of our unity in Christ.
Drink the cup as it arrives as a sign of your individual communion with your Savior.*

Music for Distribution of the Elements

Shalom Chaverim
Chancel Choir, Gloria Song, organ

arr. Harry Harter

HYMN #540

Shalom, chaverim!

SHALOM, CHAVERIM

THE SENDING

❖ PRAYER OF RESPONSE

Leader: You have given yourself to us, Lord;

People: Now we give ourselves for others,

Leader: Your love has made us a new people;

People: As a people of love we will serve you with joy.

Leader: Your glory has filled our hearts;

All: Help us to glorify you in all things.

Eternal God, who brings joy out of sorrow, plenty out of want, life out of death: we thank you for the treasures of the earth, your creation, filled with your blessing, for it was in company with these earthly things that your Son came to dwell, showing us the enormity of your love. Because of Jesus' resurrection from the dead, we too, are brought to new life, called to pray and work for the renewal of others. Make holy the offerings of our lives for the wellbeing of the lives of others, we pray. Amen.

❖ **HYMN #772**

Live into Hope TRURO

MONTREAT COMMISSIONING

faith, Leader: Do you, the members of First Presbyterian Church, confirm the call of God to our siblings to grow in learning, and fellowship by participating in the Montreat Youth Conference?

People: We do.

and Leader: Will you support them with your prayers while they're away, welcome them warmly when they return, and pester them enthusiastically for stories about their experience?

People: We will!

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Maestoso in A Minor George Calkin
Gloria Song, organ

You are welcome to leave in silence during the postlude. Meet and greet joyfully in our Social Hour!

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

Community Notes

Calendar: www.firstpreslibertyville.org/calendar **Parish Life:** www.firstpreslibertyville.org

Sunday, June 1

8:30 AM Pancake Breakfast (Social Hall)
10:00 AM Worship in Sanctuary & Chapel
11:00 AM Social Hour (Social Hall)
11:15 AM "Tending the Wild Garden" Book Study (Library)
11:30 AM Inquirers Class (Dougherty Room)
2:00 PM David Edelfelt Recital (Sanctuary)

Monday, June 2

10:30 AM StoryPoint Worship Service (Offsite)
7:00 PM Troop 71 Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, June 3

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

Wednesday, June 4

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

Thursday, June 5

6:00 PM CMT (Chapel)
7:30 PM June Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday, June 7

10:00 AM Sandra Weingart Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

Sunday, June 8 – Pentecost

10:00 AM Combined Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00 AM Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
11:15 AM "Tending the Wild Garden" Book Study (Library)
1:30 PM Green Oaks Senior Living Worship Service (Offsite)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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)

Congregational Meeting: On Sunday, June 8, a Congregational Meeting will be held after worship to allow the congregation to vote on the proposal to put property up for sale and to elect two people to fill vacant deacon roles.

“Tending the Wild Garden” Book Study: Our study on the book “Tending the Wild Garden” begins today with Rev. Brian Paulson! We'll be meeting in the library right after worship until 12:00 PM.

Interested in Becoming a Member of First Pres Libertyville? We're holding our Inquirers Class today from 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM in the Dougherty Room.

You're invited to a Song Recital - TODAY! This afternoon at 2:00 PM, choir director David H. Edelfelt and his voice students will present a song recital in the sanctuary. David and several of his students will present a varied program of music from the Broadway, popular, and classical genres. Some FPC members have called this the greatest secret entertainment the church has to offer! Please plan to join us for this diverse and entertaining program. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall. See you there!

Join the June Choir! Our first rehearsal is on Thursday at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. The choir will help lead worship on Sundays: June 8, 15, 22, and 29. 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.

Wear Red on Pentecost Sunday – June 8: You're invited to wear red on Pentecost Sunday, June 8, as we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit! Red symbolizes the "tongues of fire" described in Acts 2 and the transforming power of the Spirit. It's a vibrant, visible sign of our inward renewal, a celebration of grace, and a bold statement of faith as we mark the birth of the Church and the spreading of the gospel.

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.

Stephen Ministry Update: The First Pres class of Stephen Ministry trainees are half way through their 20 weeks of training. Judy Beinlich, Bruce Clark, Betsy Davison, and Nancy Harvey Kodish have been meeting weekly to study a variety of Christian caregiving topics. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they complete their training.