

August 3, 2025 GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING SONG All Things Rise Samuel Yoder

WELCOME Alex Barnes, M.Div.

SONGS OF PRAISE 10,000 Reasons Myrin & Redman

Sanctuary Thompson & Scruggs
CONFESSION OF SIN Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG OF RESPONSE Amen AMEN

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY - Personnel Elder Becky Nelson

ENCOUNTER WITH THE WORD

Elder Anna Groebe

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
THE EPISTLE READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 (NRSVUE)

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 12: 13-21 (NRSVUE)

GATHERING SONG *Come and Find the Quiet Center* (v. 1)

BEACH SPRING

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

SONG FOR REFLECTION Come and Find the Quiet Center (v. 2 & 3) BEACH SPRING

MEDITATION Double, Double, Toil and Trouble Alex Barnes, M.Div.

SONG OF AFFIRMATION Slow Down Callahan & Mizel

TABLE TALK

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY – Sunday School Elizabeth & Joshua Wagner

OFFERING OUR LIVES AND RESOURCES

OFFERTORY SONG

Now to Live the Life

Matt Redman

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION MUSIC The Remembrance Song Maher & Redman

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

THE SENDING

SONG OF SENDINGLean On Me
Bill Withers

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Community Notes

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

The flowers today are placed to the glory of God by Mary Russert in celebration of Nolan Russert and Lauren Benditzky's marriage on July 31; wishing them God's amazing grace for a beautiful life ahead.

Upcoming Events

Memorial Service for Martha Crandall (Aug. 9)
Blessing of the Backpacks (Aug. 10)
Kids Tent at Libertyville Lunch in the Park (Aug. 15)
Mobile Food Pantry Volunteering (Aug. 16)
Organ Recital/Demonstration (Aug.17)
Sunday School Sneak Peek Party (Aug. 24)
CARE Summer Book Discussion (Aug. 24 & 27)
Grown Up Movie Night & Cookout (Aug. 29)
Rally Day Fall Kick-Off (Sept. 7)

Meet our new Chapel Music Team Director: We are thrilled to welcome Adam Hendrickson to the First Pres of Libertyville family! With nearly two decades of experience in the Presbyterian Church (USA), Adam brings a deep love for music and ministry. He holds degrees in music, sings opera, plays in bands, and performs with the Chicago Symphony Chorus—sharing his gifts everywhere from the House of Blues to Carnegie Hall. Adam is excited to begin this new chapter with us and looks forward to getting to know our congregation!

Sunday School Volunteers Needed: Don't miss the chance to experience the joy of spending time with our youngest learners—and to be on the receiving end of their boundless enthusiasm and unexpected wisdom! Check out the whiteboard in the Social Hall to explore a variety of ways you can help on Sunday mornings. Even if you can only sign up once a semester, your involvement helps make our education program possible. Sign up today for your favorite age group and be sure to mark your calendar for our Sunday School volunteer training on Saturday, August 9, from 9:00–11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Questions? Rev. Nicole would love to connect you with one of our experienced volunteer team members to share how this role has deeply enriched their own faith journey.

Blessing of the Backpacks: Students of all ages are invited to bring their backpacks, lunch boxes, or briefcases to worship next Sunday for a special blessing. We'll send them off into the new year with a backpack tag which reminds them how loved they are by God and this church. We hope to see you then!

Pipe Organ Performance & Demonstration: Join us on Sunday, August 17 at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary for a special organ performance and demonstration by renowned organist Brian Schoettler. For this unique event, the organ will be moved front and center so you can see it up close and in action. This event is free and open to the public—we especially encourage children to attend! After the program, you're invited to come up to the organ, ask Brian questions, and even try playing it yourself.