



# WORSHIP

*Chapel*

September 21, 2025

*Listen to the mustn'ts, child. Listen to the don'ts. Listen to the shouldn'ts, the impossibles, the won'ts.  
Listen to the never haves, then listen close to me... Anything can happen, child. Anything can be. ~ Shel Silverstein*

**GATHERING SONG**

*Hope for the Future*

Paul McCartney

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**WELCOME**

Rev. Brian Paulson

**SONGS OF PRAISE**

*Forever  
We Fall Down*

Chris Tomlin  
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**CONFESSION OF SIN**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**SONG OF RESPONSE– HYMN #600**

*Amen*

AMEN

**PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST AND BLESSING THE CHILDREN**

*As the congregation greets one another, children are invited to join our Sunday School teachers and depart for Sunday School*

**MOMENT FOR MINISTRY – Stewardship 2026**

Session Elder Essie Pochron

**ENCOUNTER WITH THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Session Elder Tony Cacich

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

*Psalms 30 (NRSVue)*

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

*Matthew 15:21-28 (NRSVue)*

**SERMON**

***Bold Hope***  
**THE RESPONSE**

Dr. Paulson

**SONG OF AFFIRMATION**

*I Will Come to You*

YOU ARE MINE

**OFFERING OUR LIVES AND RESOURCES**

**OFFERTORY SONG**

*Crumbs from Your Table*  
Chapel Music Team – Adam Hendrickson, director

Clayton, Evans, Hewson, & Mullen Jr.

**DEDICATION PRAYER**

**TABLE TALK**

**MOMENT FOR MINISTRY – Legacy Reentry Foundation**

Rev. George Moore and Jan Ritter

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER**

**THE SENDING**

**SONG OF SENDING**

*Mighty to Save*

Fielding & Morgan

**THE CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**CLOSING MUSIC - HYMN #543**

*God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me (v. 5)  
(O Christ, Surround Me)*

GREEN TYLER

## IN MINISTRY TOGETHER

<b>Ministers</b>	The Congregation
<b>Officers</b>	The Session and the Board of Deacons
<b>Pastor</b>	The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson ( <i>In Sanctuary today</i> )
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	The Rev. Amy Heinrich
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	The Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley
<b>Pastoral Resident</b>	Alex Barnes, M.Div. ( <i>In Sanctuary today</i> )
<b>Music, Department Head</b>	Gloria Song

*A complete list of our staff team is found at [FirstPresLibertyville.org](http://FirstPresLibertyville.org)  
Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley is away visiting family.*

## Sunday School

### Sunday School (Ages 3–8th Grade, 10:15–11:00 AM)

- **Check-in kiosks:** Chapel narthex, Sanctuary narthex, CE Wing
- **Name tags:** For all children (and accompanying adults of younger children)
- **Dismissal:** Teachers/helpers with signs will guide kids to classrooms
- **Pick-up:** Please pick up promptly after worship so leaders can join the Congregational Meeting
- **Classrooms:**
  - Ages 3–4 → Rooms 105/106
  - Grades K–1 → Rooms 204/205
  - Grades 2–3 → Room 209
  - Grades 4–5 → Room 202
  - Grades 6–8 → Room 207

**Need help?** Ask any usher or pastor

## Community Notes



**Church Calendar:** [www.firstpreslibertyville.org/calendar](http://www.firstpreslibertyville.org/calendar)



**Parish Life Newsletter:** [www.firstpreslibertyvill.org](http://www.firstpreslibertyvill.org)

### Today

10:00 AM Worship in the Chapel & Sanctuary  
10:15 AM Sunday School PreK–8th Grade  
11:00 AM Social Hour (Social Hall & Courtyard)  
3:00 PM Confirmation Class  
4:00 PM Junior High Fellowship (Chapel, Youth Lounge & Social Hall)