



WORSHIP

Combined Service

May 31, 2026
Confirmation & Baccalaureate

THE GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
Chapel Music Team - Adam Hendrickson, director

Kathleen Thomerson

WELCOME

Alex Barnes, M.Div.

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

John Sahagian

Leader: God's many blessings are all around us.

People: God's mercies are new every morning,

Leader: God's grace is sufficient.

People: and God remains present in times of trouble.

Leader: God's love saves us,

People: and God's name makes us whole.

Leader: Let us revive our faith,

People: resurrect our hope,

Leader: renew our commitment to love one another,

All: and offer our gratitude to God through our worship.

❖ HYMN # 741

Guide My Feet (vv. 1-3)

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THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rob Heinrich

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1:1-19 (CEB)

ANTHEM

God Who Made the Earth
Motet Choir - David H. Edelfelt, director

Leo Sowerby

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:16-20 (NRSVue)

Mike Kollasch

SERMON

Everything, Everywhere, All at Once

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

THE RESPONSE

CONFIRMATION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

Presentation for Confirmation Elder Anna Groebe

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

Welcome into Membership

Jon Summers

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.**

Commissioning and Anointing

❖ PASSING OF THE PEACE

❖ SONG OF BLESSING - HYMN #726 *Will You Come and Follow Me* (vv. 1, 4, 5)

KELVINGROVE

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

Rev. Amy Heinrich

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

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

Allegro molto appassionato from Concerto in E Minor
Jasmine Horton, violin; Gloria Song, piano

Felix Mendelssohn

❖ 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 #730

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

GRAND ISLE

❖ CHARGE AND BLESSING

❖ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #726 *Will You Come and Follow Me* (v. 5)

KELVINGROVE

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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

IN MINISTRY TOGETHER

Ministers

The Congregation

Officers

The Session and the Board of Deacons

Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson

Associate Pastor

The Rev. Amy Heinrich

Associate Pastor

The Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley

Pastoral Resident

Alex Barnes, M.Div.

Music, Department Head

Gloria Song, M.Mus.

*A complete list of our staff team is found at FirstPresLibertyville.org
Rev. Brian Paulson is away visiting family.*

Community Notes

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

Flower dedication:

The flowers today are placed to the glory of God by Barbara Sullivan to honor the special birthday of her cousin, Kathleen Bromley.

Sunday, May 31 - Confirmation & Baccalaureate

10:00 AM — Combined Worship (Sanctuary)

11:00 AM — Cake Reception (Social Hall)

11:15 AM — Pride Day Prep: Posters & Decorations (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, May 27

4:00 PM — PADS Food Donation Drop-Off

Sunday, June 7 - Rev. Amy's Retirement Celebration

10:00 AM — Congregational Meeting & Combined Worship (Sanctuary)

11:00 AM — Retirement Reception (Social Hall)

Looking Ahead

June 20 — Mobile Food Pantry Volunteering

June 21 — Ordination & Installation of Church Officers, followed by Ice Cream Social

June 28 — Pride Sunday Service

July 19 — Bluegrass Sunday & Courtyard Cookout

Cake Reception

Join us in Social Hall after worship today for a cake reception in honor of our confirmands and our graduates.

Pride Month Arts & Crafts

After worship today, you're invited to Fellowship Hall after worship to join the LGBTQ+ Workgroup in making Pride Parade posters for your own use and decorations for our June 28 Pride Sunday worship service. Materials provided.

Rev. Amy's Retirement

Join us next Sunday, June 7 as we celebrate the faithful ministry and retirement of Rev. Amy M. Heinrich after nearly 22 years as Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Amy will preach during worship in the sanctuary, and a reception in her honor will follow in Fellowship Hall.

Congregational Meeting

A brief Congregational Meeting will be held at the beginning of the service on June 7 to complete formal action related to Rev. Amy's retirement and transition from pastoral service at First Pres, as required by the PC(USA) and the Presbytery of Chicago.

Share Your God-Sized Dreams for First Pres!

Over the past several months, members of our congregation have gathered to prayerfully imagine God's vision for the future of First Presbyterian Church of Libertyville. If you were unable to attend one of the Vision Plan Gatherings, we still want to hear from you! Please take a few moments to complete a Vision Plan Input Form and share your "God-Sized Dreams" for our church community. You'll find the forms in the Narthex.

Join the June Choir!

Sing with us on June 14, 21, and 28! Rehearsals are held at 7:30 PM on the Thursday before each Sunday service. Whether you're a longtime choir member or would like to give it a try, all are welcome! To sign up or learn more, email Gloria or call the church office.

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.

Podcasts

Check out our podcasts! You can find [Sunday Sermons](#) and [Anywhere Anytime Bible](#) on the listening platform of your choice, including Spotify and Apple.

Contact a Pastor or Staff Member

To reach the church office, please call 847-362-2174 or email office@boxp.net. Office hours are Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–4:00 PM.

Pastoral Emergencies

If you are a church member and need to reach a pastor in an emergency, please call 847-367-6460. Please leave a message, and a pastor will return your call as soon as possible.