



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF LAKE FOREST

Nurturing a community of faith working through love.



Welcome!

May 31, 2026

To all who are weary and seek rest,
To all who mourn and long for comfort,
To all who are lonely and desire friendship,
To all who hunger and thirst for grace,
and to all who will come,

First Pres opens wide her doors and offers
welcome in the name of Jesus Christ.

Today's Service

Trinity Sunday

The times between Christmas and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent are known as "Ordinary Time," time outside the two great seasons of the liturgical calendar. The truth is there is nothing ordinary — if by ordinary we mean less important — about this time. During this time we are invited into faithful attention to what it means to live out daily what we say we believe.

The Revised Common Lectionary scriptures assigned for today are Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20.

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Prayer for Today

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Book of Common Prayer

Visiting First Pres?



If you're new to First Pres, please scan this code to get in touch.

Join us for Coffee Hour following worship in the Great Room.

Worship Participants

Rev. Jon Wasson
Pastor & Head of Staff

Rev. Anna Langholz
Associate Pastor for
Congregational Life

Dr. Robert McConnell
Director of Worship & Music

Dr. Stephen Alltop
Organist

Daniel Makins
Songwriter in Residence

Brian Hoffman
cello

Liz Farwell
Elder

Cindy Rogna
Deacon

The Baptism

Receiving the sacrament of baptism this morning is Brooke Temple Sortal, child of Sara and Scott Sortal.



Our Sanctuary sound system is equipped to broadcast directly to Auracast (via Bluetooth, check your hearing aid's phone app) and T-Coil-equipped hearing aids. Assistive listening devices are also available from the ushers.



Prelude

Suite No. 2
Prelude
Trio de Flutes
Basse de Trompette
Jean-Adam Guillan

The Welcome

*Call to Worship

Psalm 8

Leader: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: You have set your glory above the heavens.

Leader: When we behold your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars which you have set in place,

**People: What is humankind that you should be mindful of us,
or the children of the earth that you should care for us?**

Leader: And yet you have made us only a little lower than the angels,

People: And crowned us with glory and honor.

Leader: You have given humanity rule over the works of your hands,
over all sheep and oxen,

People: And the beasts of the field,

Leader: The birds of the sky, and the fish of the sea,

People: and whatever swims in the paths of the sea.

Leader: O Lord, our Lord,

All: How majestic is your name in all the earth!

*Hymn of Praise No. 1

Holy, Holy, Holy

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

(silent confession...) **Merciful Father, you have called us to embody the mutual love and intimate common life that you had with the Son and the Holy Spirit before the worlds began, but we have failed to fulfill your calling. We have not been agents of the restoration and reconciliation that you seek for the world. We have not heeded the appeals of our spiritual parents, your prophets and apostles. We have been argumentative, and failed to show deference to each other. We have failed to be instruments of your peace. Forgive us, merciful Lord, and renew us by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we might know that grace, love, and intimate friendship that come only from you; through our savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Kyrie

John Arndt, David Gungor, Ian Cron,
Ben Kilgore, and Evan Wickham

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri No. 581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Baptism

Brooke Temple Sortal

Congregational Question

Leader: Friends, do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture this child, by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Jesus, and to be a faithful member of Christ's church?

People: **We do.**

*The Apostles' Creed

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.

The Baptism

Sung Response No. 188 verse 3

Jesus Loves Me

**Jesus loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong.
They are weak, but He is strong**

**Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.**

Presentation of the 4th Grade Bibles and Blessing of the Children

Children who just finished their 4th grade year and will be heading into our youth programs in the fall are invited forward. Receiving their 4th grade bibles are:

Olivia Cicero
Henry Concannon
Cameron Peter Hall
Emily Ann Hamming
Jack William Kaylor
Alexa Knapp
Clarke Palmer Miles

Philip Conrad Proesel
Elle Pykosz
Emerson Ruyle
Lincoln Schwartz
Reid Spirito
William Watson

Leader: Holy God, we thank you for the gift of these children,

People: And for their parents.

Leader: We know that you have entrusted them to their parents,

People: And also to our community.

Leader: To care for them,
to teach them,
to be examples of Christ to them.
Bless these children.

People: And let us be a blessing to them.

All: Amen.

Following the blessing, children in preschool through 4th grade may go to the Playground. Every child needs to be checked-in through Church Center before attending. If you haven't already, please scan the QR code to create a Church Center profile and then check-in your child(ren) for Sunday school at one of the check-in stations in the Great Room.



Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Old Testament, page 1 in pew Bible

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that

the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Anthem

Sabbath of Grace
Daniel Makins

Dear God across the open water
Dear God across the open sea
Separating light from darkness
What will this new morning mean?
Beneath a dome of sky, to hold beloveds
Given everything they need, in a Holy Image
No rush, no fret, no worry
God is in no hurry
Then God looked over all creation
Then God declared that it was good
All things put in sacred order
To rest beneath a Holy Shroud

A sabbath of grace, the work is over
A blessing on the Earth, lets love recover
No rush, no fret, no worry
God is in no hurry
Always at the edge of everything
The resonance of love remains
God provides amazing grace
God does not accelerate
No rush, no fret, no worry
God is in no hurry

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:16-20
New Testament, page 34 in pew Bible

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Sermon

Jon Wasson

"Unhurried"

*Hymn of Response

Rejoice in All Your Works

1. E - very mouth that cries for food, e - very lung that yearns for
 2. E - very tree that thirsts for rain, e - very bird that seeks its
 3. May the pon - d'rings of my heart and the song u - pon my

5 breath, e - very eye that sear - ches through the dark for light,
 nest, e - very heart that waits in hope to be made glad,
 lips with the cho - rus of cre - a - tion join in praise

9 all cre - a - tion looks to You for its breath and for its
 all cre - a - tion looks to You for its breath and for its
 to the God who made all things, to the Spi - rit who sus -

13 food; from the good - ness of Your hand we're sa - tis - fied.
 food; from the good - ness of Your hand we're sa - tis - fied.
 tains, to the Son who o - ver all cre - a - tion reigns.

17 **REFRAIN**
 Oh re-joice in all Your works, King of hea-ven, King of earth! E-very crea-ture You have

23 made de-clar-es Your praise. We re-joice in all You've made, God of

28 all sus-tai - ning grace; with the moun - tain, sky, and sea we sing Your praise.

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Prayers of the People

The 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.**

Invitation to the Offering



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Offertory

God Is in No Hurry
Andy Gullahorn

When you close your eyes to pray
And your mind starts drifting off
Do you feel a little shame
Like you're getting something wrong
Like there's a way you're supposed to be
That you haven't figured out
And if any of it is real
Then you should be there by now

Chorus: God is in no hurry
You can take your time
Trusting that the process
is part of the design
Following the crumbs
of what makes you come alive
He loves you where you are
Not where you should be
God is in no hurry

When you step inside the church
And you see the hands held high
Do you wonder what they heard
And why you can't feel that fire
So it's either all pretend
Just emotions all stirred up
Or a deficiency within
You're not spiritual enough
You could try to force yourself
Into being what you're not
You could dress the doubt up well
In the Sunday Best you got
But I don't think God above
Has to be so hard to find
He's in the things you love
So linger there a while
He loves you where you are

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn of Sending

Trinity Sending Song

Paul Zach, Lauren Goans,
Kate Bluett

VERSE



1. May God the Fa-ther who loves us guide us May God the Son speak the truth a - mong us
2. May God the Fa-ther who knows us bless us May God the Son send his heal - ing through us
3. May God the Fa-ther who made us send us May God the Son shine his light be - fore us



May God the Ho - ly Spi - rit move us, show us the king - dom of God. ____
May God the Ho - ly Spi - rit teach us, show us the king - dom of God, ____
May God the Ho - ly Spi - rit lead us, show us the king - dom of God. ____

CHORUS



show us the king - dom of God. ____ May we go in
show us the king - dom of God. ____



peace to love and serve the Lord, a - men. May we go in



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"TRINITY SENDING SONG"

Words & music by Paul Zach, Lauren Goans, Kate Bluett
Integrity Publishing (CCLI not yet assigned)
Lead sheet preparation by Owen Stroud in New Braunfels, Texas.

*Benediction

*Postlude

Suite No. 2
Dialogue
Jean-Adam Guillan

Prayers

Joys & Concerns

We celebrate the baptism of Brooke Temple Sortal this morning.

Lee and Raymond Duyckinck are joyfully reunited in heaven. We pray for Carolyn Bennett and her family on the death of her mother, Lee Duyckinck on May 24.

For Stan Schupbach, Emily Savage, Ellie White and their families on the death of Sherry Schupbach on May 17.

For Cathy Dohnalek and her family on the death of her husband, Dan Dohnalek.

For Renee Borkowski and her family on the death of her mother, and for Renee to find relief from kidney stones.

For Paul Bergmann who is home recovering from a fall.

For Elinor Hite who has been in the hospital.

Community

For the ongoing work of our mission partner Lakelight Institute. Lakelight Institute's vision and mission is to equip Christians with timeless wisdom for modern life. Rooted in Lake County, the Institute encourages individuals and organizations to thoughtfully reflect God's light in everyday life and leadership. Classes, lectures, fellowships, and other resources focus on the integration of faith and work, faith and theological imagination, and personal and cultural formation. The Institute regularly hosts programs open to the public at Christ Church in Lake Forest. www.lakelight.com

Prayer Requests

We are a church that prays for each other, celebrating life's joys and supporting each other in times of need. Our staff prays together on Tuesday mornings and would like to include your prayers. For prayer requests please fill out a Joys & Concerns card, email us at pastoralcare@firstchurchlf.org or call 224.544.1962.

Prayer requests will be removed from this listing after two weeks.

Prayer Chain For confidential prayers, you may email prayerchain@firstchurchlf.org. Please know that your prayers will be held in strict confidence.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Danny Carpenter Residency

We send warm congratulations to Danny as he marks a significant milestone, ending his Lake Fellow residency at Second Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis where he is preaching at their services this morning and celebrating completion of this two-year achievement.

Church Center Profiles and Photos

As we grow, Church Center is playing an increasingly important role in our event signups and church communications. If you haven't yet, please accept the invitation you received (via email on January 21) to list your family in our directory, and add photos of yourself and the members of your household. Photos help our church family learn names, recognize one another, and stay connected. Contact Karla Finley at karla@firstchurchlf.org with questions.

Meal Train Ministry

Our Deacons' Meal Train is one simple way we care for one another at First Pres. Since launching earlier in the year, we're grateful to have already supported six families and to make sure we're able to support as many as possible, we are actively seeking new volunteers to help serve this wonderful ministry. Register on Church Center.

First Camp 2026

Monday, June 8 – Friday, June 12

9:30 am – 11:30 am

Sign up today for our 5-day camp for church families with kids between the ages of 3–6 years old to aid in the transition to Sunday School and Children's Choir. Led by Rachel Magnusson and parent volunteers, space is limited to 30 campers. Register your children and yourself as volunteer today on Church Center.

Summer Choir

June 14 & 28, July 5 & 12, and August 2

Love to sing? Looking for a simple way to participate in our Music Ministry this summer? Join the Summer Choir! We'll sing during worship on select Sundays this summer, helping lead the congregation in hymns and easy anthems. No Thursday rehearsals or robes are required—just come ready to sing.

We'll gather at 8:30 am for a brief rehearsal before the 9:30 am service on June 14 & 28, July 5 & 12, and August 2. Questions? Contact Robert McConnell at rmccconnell@firstchurchlf.org



Find First Pres in Church Center Scan here to log in and learn about everything happening in our congregation!



Announcements and Upcoming Events

Pursuing A Tech-Wise Life **June 1, 7pm**

Join with others in our community to hear author Andy Crouch discuss the role technology plays in shaping our relationships at home, at work, and in our communities, and to offer practical steps for moving beyond distraction and reclaiming a more human-centered way of life in a tech-saturated world. Put on by our friends from the Lakelight Institute. To learn more and register scan the QR code or visit: <https://www.lakelight.com/events/pursuing-a-tech-wise-life>



Andy Crouch is the partner for theology and culture at Praxis, a venture-building ecosystem awakening redemptive imagination. His writings explore faith, culture, and the image of God in the domains of technology, power, leadership, and the arts. He is the author of five books (plus another with his daughter, Amy Crouch), including: *The Life We're Looking For: Reclaiming Relationship in a Technological World*, and *Culture Making: Recovering Our Creative Calling*. His work and writing have been featured in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, and Time.

Nursery Supervisor Needed

We are seeking a part-time Nursery Supervisor to lead and maintain our church nursery. This individual creates a welcoming, loving, and safe environment for infants and toddlers during Sunday worship services, oversees a small team of student workers, and reports to the Director of Children's Ministry. For more information contact Rachel Magnusson at rmagnusson@firstchurchlf.org.

Pastoral Care

For pastoral care when the church office is closed, email pastoralcare@firstchurchlf.org or call 224.544.1962 to leave a voicemail.



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