



*Seeking the Light*

Hopeful realism refuses both easy optimisms and cynical pessimisms. It suggests that we do not really know ourselves when we concentrate on our abilities apart from our limits and our faith. However, it also claims that we do not truly know ourselves when we consider our limits and our faults apart from our abilities and apart from the traces of true communion in community that we encounter in God's world.

Douglas F. Ottati  
*Hopeful Realism*

The Worship of God  
Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2014

8:30 a.m.

## WELCOME TO THIRD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are grateful for your presence this morning. Third Church strives to be a faithful, open and inclusive congregation. We are a diverse people united by a common faith in Jesus Christ and by meaningful worship and service. We invite all who are seeking to live a life of Christian faith and discipleship to join us. If you are new to Third Church, the following information may be helpful.

**Parking On Sunday mornings:** Street parking is possible on both sides of East Avenue. On Sundays, the Arnold Park parking lot is available for handicap parking only. Other parking is available in the Meigs Street parking lot and can be found at:

- Jewish Community Federation (Sibley Place)
- Seneca Waterways Council of the Boy Scouts
- American Association of University Women
- Rochester Area Community Foundation
- Strathallan Hotel
- Century Club (all on East Avenue)

In the event of a medical emergency, please notify an usher or staff member. An AED and first aid supplies are located in the hallway between the sanctuary and elevator.

**Hearing Assistance:** The Chapel and Sanctuary are equipped with induction loop systems. Use the "T-switch" of your hearing aid. If you have difficulty hearing during the worship service, please speak with an usher immediately.

**An Elevator** is located at the Parish House-Education Building junction to assist in accessibility.

**Large Print Bulletins and Bibles** are available from the ushers. Hymnals and Bibles are located under the first row pews.

**Children and Worship:** Children's worship bulletins, Bibles and activity bags are available from the ushers.

**Church School** is available for children, preschool through sixth grade during the 10:45am worship service.

**Child Care** is available in the Education Building for infants and toddlers to age three.

**Coffee Hour** follows the 10:45am worship service. All are invited to this time of fellowship in the Celebration Center.

**Pastoral Care** needs may be communicated to Martha Langford.

**More about Membership:** If you are interested in joining Third Church, or just want to know more, contact Lynette Sparks. The next Exploring Membership Dinner takes place June 9.

## A WORD ABOUT THIS CHURCH

**THIRD CHURCH** participates in the Presbyterian Church (USA) Commitment to Peacemaking. Our intention is to pursue avenues of peace and justice for ourselves, our families and communities, for all people in the world in which we live. We seek to be agents of reconciliation.

**THIRD CHURCH** has joined with other Presbyterian congregations in declaring ourselves to be a "More Light" church. We are committed to the full participation of all persons in our church community without regard for sexual orientation, personal background or human condition.



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### THIRD CHURCH STAFF

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## Preparation for Worship

We come to worship from a busy and noisy world. As we prepare to offer ourselves in praise and adoration of God, it is important that we step back from our preoccupations and focus our thoughts on God. We ask that you please turn off all cell phones and pagers. As the music begins this morning, please take time to become more aware of the continuing presence of God.

\* *Stand as you are able*

PRELUDE "Rejoice Beloved Christians"

J.S. Bach

\* DOXOLOGY

*PLEASE STAND AS THE ORGAN INTRODUCTION BEGINS*

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

\* CALL to WORSHIP

from Psalm 116

LEADER: What shall I return to the Lord  
for all God's bounty to me?

PEOPLE: **I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the Lord,**

LEADER: I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all the people—

PEOPLE: **in the courts of the house of the Lord  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the Lord!**

\* HYMN 442 "The Church's One Foundation"

AURELIA

PRAYER  
of CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

KYRIE

Lord, have mer - - - cy up - on us.  
 Christ, have mer - - - cy up - on us.  
 Lord, have mer - - - cy up - on us.

Peter DuBois, 2004

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: Friends, believe the good news.  
 PEOPLE: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\* RESPONSE:

*organ intro*  
 Glo-ry be to God: Cre - a - tor, Christ, and  
 Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and ev-er  
 shall be: World with-out end. A - men! A - men!

Peter DuBois, 2007

WORDS of WELCOME

*We ask that you sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to the person next to you in the pew. Please greet those worshipping with you at the close of the service.*

NEW TESTAMENT

LESSON

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

*(Pew Bible, NT page 119)*

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“The Risen Sun”

Craig Phillips

Be still, my soul, and rest upon the Lord in quiet certainty. For He has come to rescue you from doubt. And now you stand in glazing glory of a risen sun that cannot set. It will forever be exactly as it is. You stand with Him within a radiance prepared for you before time was and far beyond its reach. Be still and know. And knowing, be you sure your Lord has come to you. There is no doubt that stands before His countenance, nor can conceal from you what He would have you see. The sun has risen. He has come at last. Where stands His Presence there can be no past. Be still, my soul, and rest upon the Lord who comes to keep the promise of His Word.

*from “The Gifts of God” by Helen Schucman (1982)*

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:13-35

*(Pew Bible, NT page 90)*

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Call and Vision, 1”

John Wilkinson

\* AFFIRMATION  
of FAITH

From Confession of 1967, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
Inclusive Language Version

LEADER: The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind.

PEOPLE: **His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for women and men when the gospel is proclaimed and believed.**

LEADER: In this experience, the Spirit brings God’s forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

PEOPLE: **God’s redeeming work in Jesus Christ embraces the whole of human life. Already God’s reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.**

LEADER: With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat.

PEOPLE: **In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God. Amen.**

PRESENTATION  
of OFFERINGS

*In addition to our regular offering, loose offering this morning will support the Pastors’ Emergency Fund. Please be generous as you are able. Envelopes are in the pew pads. The Gathering of the Servers.*

ANTHEM

“The Tree of Life”

K. Lee Scott

1. There in God's garden stands the Tree of Wisdom, whose leaves hold forth the healing of the nations: Tree of all knowledge, Tree of all compassion, Tree of all beauty.
2. Its name is Jesus, name that says, "Our Savior!" There on its branches see the scars of suffering; see where the tendrils of our human selfhood feed on its lifeblood.
3. Thorns not his own are tangled in its foliage; our greed has starved it, our despite has choked it. Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not destroyed it nor fire consumed it.

4. See how its branches reach to us in welcome; hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye weary! Give me your sickness, give me all your sorrow, I will give blessing."
5. This is my ending, this my resurrection; into your hands, Lord, I commit my spirit. This have I searched for; now I can possess it. This ground is holy.
6. All heaven is singing, "Thanks to Christ whose Passion offers in mercy healing, strength and pardon. Peoples and nations, take it, take it freely!" Amen! My Master!

- text by Pécselyi Király Imre von, 1961  
Paraphrased by Erik Routley, 1974

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## \* RESPONSE

Faith - ful Lord of all things liv-ing, by whose boun-ty all are blest;  
bread to hun gry bo-dies giv-ing, jus-tice to the long-op-pressed.  
For the strength of our sal - va-tion, light and life and length of days,  
praise the God of all cre-a-tion, set your souls to sing God's praise!

Text: from the hymn "Praise the God of Our Salvation" by Timothy Dudley-Smith  
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Tune: MEIGS ST.  
Music: © 2004 Peter DuBois

## THE SACRAMENT of THE LORD'S SUPPER

\* INVITATION  
TO THE LORD'S TABLE  
\* GREAT PRAYER  
OF THANKSGIVING

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.**

LEADER: It is indeed right to give you thanks and praise...

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name...

\* SANCTUS

Richard Proulx

(organ intro)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of pow-er and might, heav'n and earth are  
 full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho -  
 san-na in the high-est. Blest is the One who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est.

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.**

SHARING THE BREAD

*(Gluten-free bread is provided this morning for the Lord's Supper. Each bread tray contains pieces of gluten-free bread individually packaged in small plastic bags. Please hold the elements until all have been served.)*

*As you pass the elements, you are invited to say:*

*The body of Christ for you.*

*The blood of Christ for you.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**O God, as we have shared bread and cup at Christ's table, we remember that your son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

\* HYMN 420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

CWM RHONDDA

\* CHARGE  
and BENEDICTION

\* CONGREGATIONAL

RESPONSE

God be with you till we meet again;  
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a shepherd's care enfold you,  
God be with you till we meet again.

\* GREETING

POSTLUDE "Fanfare"

Jacques Lemmens

*The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of  
Mr. and Mrs. David Naramore, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. David Naramore, Jr.,  
Charles B. Naramore, Barbara Naramore Rich and Douglas LaBudde.*

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:**

*PREACHER:* John Wilkinson

*LITURGIST:* Lynette Sparks

*DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST:* Peter A. DuBois

*ASSISTANT ORGANIST:* Tom Mueller

*USHERS:* Bill and Linda Adams



May 4, 2014

## MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Adult Spiritual Formation this Morning

#### *Sunday Seminar: The State of Marriage in the Church: Rites and Rights*

Distinguished panelists will explore marriage rites and rights from four perspectives:

- *Faith:* Deborah Hughes, former Interim Associate Pastor at Third Church;
- *Legal:* Marcus Kroll, Attorney at Law;
- *Personal:* Ralph Carter and Van VanZanten, Third Church members;
- *Sociological:* Beth Struever, Mental Health Professional and Third Church member

***Growing in the Word: Luke 24:13-35***  
"Holy Heartburn" led by Paul Gongloff  
*9:30am in the Parlor*

### Invitation to Prayer

***Each Sunday*** the Chapel is open for prayer between worship services. Spend time in silent prayer, light a candle, or request intercessory prayer with one of the Deacons. To add names to the weekly congregational prayer list, please contact Martha Langford at 271-6513, ext. 108 or [mlangford@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:mlangford@thirdpresbyterian.org).

### Moderator Event Today

*Today, 12:15pm, Sanctuary*  
*Standing for Moderator: What does it mean?* Join us for an informational question and answer session to learn more about the "who, what, when, where and why" of the process.

### Youth Bowling Event

*Today, 6:00-8:00pm, Clover Lanes, 2750 Monroe Avenue*

Two games of bowling, pizza and pop will be provided. Bring extra money for any extra snacks or video games. Come and help welcome next year's seventh graders to the Youth group. Provide your own transportation.

### Hymn Festival Today

The Sacred Music Program of the Eastman School of Music, which is directed by Peter DuBois, is presenting "Te Deum: A Hymn Festival!" to celebrate the launch of the George W. Utech Congregational Hymnody Fund. It will be held this evening at 7:00pm at the Lutheran Church of the Incarnate Word, East Avenue at Goodman. Free admission.

Music for the hymn festival will center on the ancient hymn "Te Deum" and will feature a number of hymns with texts by Timothy Dudley-Smith, one of the greatest living hymn writers in the English language. Among those hymns

will be three new hymns, commissioned for the occasion by the Eastman School, as part of a new initiative through the George W. Utech Congregational Hymnody Fund. The purpose of the fund is to stimulate the creation of new texts and music for congregational singing.

You are warmly welcomed to come and participate in this significant event in the life of the Eastman School of Music and the church music community in Rochester!

### Urban Education School System Support

This month UPT's Urban Education group met to explore expanding our material donations to the schools and programs UPT already is involved with (#3, #35, Young Mother Interim Health Academy, and the Corner Place). Our hope is to enable monthly collections during the 2014-2015 school year from our congregations to benefit these school children. For example, collecting boxes of Kleenex one month, crayons the next month, dollars to pay for field trips the third month, etc.

Please join us Wednesday, May 14 at noon at Third Church as we continue to put flesh on these bones. Direct questions to elaidlaw@monroecc.edu.

### Chris Lenti Farewell Picnic

**Saturday, May 17, 5:00-7:00pm**

Chris Lenti is retiring. Come and help us celebrate her amazing contributions to Third Presbyterian Church over the last 19 years—**Saturday, May 17**, Buckland Lodge, 1341 Westfall Road, 5:00-7:00pm. Bring a dish to pass: **A-**

**L:** Salad or side dish; **M-Z:** Dessert. All are invited. RSVP to Shannan Monrad at 787-0557 or [sswallowmonrad@hotmail.com](mailto:sswallowmonrad@hotmail.com).

### Handbell Concert

**Thursday, May 8, 7:00pm**

The Third Church Ringers, Celebration Ringers and Chapel Bells will present a program of handbell favorites at St. John's Home, 150 Highland Avenue. All are welcome. The concert is free and open to the public.

### Sticky Lips BBQ Dinner to Benefit Youth

*Join us for a Smokin' Good Time!*

**Sunday, May 18** - 12:00noon at Third Church

**Cost:** \$10 per dinner

Tickets are available at coffee hour today or through Ellen Rye ([ryeellen@hotmail.com](mailto:ryeellen@hotmail.com)).

### May Presbytery Meeting at Third Church

On **Tuesday, May 20** Third Church will host the stated meeting of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley. We look forward to welcoming commissioners from throughout the presbytery. This will be John Wilkinson's last meeting as presbytery moderator.

The meeting begins at 4:00pm and we will need a team of volunteers to help with parking, greeting and registering. If you are able to help with this, please contact the church office or Jo Whang at 381-8516 or [jwhang1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jwhang1@rochester.rr.com).

A team of Dining Room Ministry volunteers will prepare the evening meal for the presbytery. Thanks to them for sharing their time and energy. Servers

will also be needed.

## **Choral Evensong May 20 at 7:00pm**

Each presbytery meeting has a worship component to it, and for this meeting we are combining the annual Third Church year-end choral evensong service with the presbytery meeting, inviting the presbytery, Third Church and community members to worship together. The Chancel Choir will sing music by David Hogan, Egil Hovland, Bobby McFerrin, Craig Phillips, and Richard Shephard. Even if you do not come for the presbytery meeting, you are encouraged to attend the evensong service.

### **HUNGER SUNDAY**

Next Sunday please bring:

*Spaghetti (26 oz. cans)*

*Pasta Sauce (26 oz. cans)*

Food Cupboard needs your donations

**EVERY SUNDAY!**

# CALENDAR for May 4 – May 11

## Sunday at Third Church

8:30 am	Child Care	CE
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar	JH
9:30 am	Growing in the Word	Parker Room
9:30 am	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
9:30 am	Youth Church School	CE/201
9:30 am	Youth Committee	CE/Youth Lounge
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Intercessory Prayer</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 am	Church School	CE
12:00 pm	Coffee Hour	CC
5:00 pm	Youth Bowling	<i>Off Site</i>

## Monday, May 5

8:30 am	Chapel Bells	Moot Arts Room
9:00 am	Food Cupboard	CC
1:00 pm	Memorial Service for Jim Chisholm	Sanctuary
2:00 pm	Library Committee	Library
5:00 pm	Shawl Knitting Ministry	Parlor
6:00 pm	Boy Scouts	CC
6:45 pm	Yoga	JH
7:00 pm	Youth Committee	Whitney Room
7:00 pm	Explorer Scouts	CE
7:30 pm	Born This Way!	Parlor

## Tuesday, May 6

9:15 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
9:45 am	Staff Meeting	Parker Room
7:00 pm	Congregational Fellowship	Whitney Room

## Wednesday, May 7

4:00 pm	Sojourn with the Psalms	Parlor
5:30 pm	Junior Choir	Moot Arts Room
7:00 pm	Children's Ministry	Whitney Room
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

## Thursday, May 8

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
12:00 pm	Thursday Voices	JH
1:00 pm	Book Club	Library
5:30 pm	Joint Budget & Finance	JH
7:00 pm	Handbell Concert	<i>St. John's Home</i>

## Friday, May 9

## Saturday, May 10

8:30 am	Outreach Retreat	JH
10:00 am	Dining Room Ministry	CC

## Sunday, May 11

8:30 am	Child Care	CE
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
9:30 am	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar	JH
9:30 am	Growing in the Word	Parlor
9:45 am	Covenant Singers Warm Up	Sanctuary
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Intercessory Prayer</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>Worship/WMA Recognition</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
12:15 pm	Coffee Hour	CC

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