



# Third Presbyterian Church

*Seeking the Light*

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I'm actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Thomas Merton  
*Thoughts in Solitude*

## The Worship of God Palm Sunday

March 29, 2015

8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

## WELCOME TO THIRD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are grateful for your presence this morning. Third Church is a community of diverse people united by a common faith in Jesus Christ, who gather for meaningful worship, who share our blessings in service of others, and who strive to be a place of welcome. 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)
- American Association of University Women
- Rochester Area Community Foundation
- 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.

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

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

**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. Copies of the congregational prayer list may be found in the church office.

**More about Membership:** If you are interested in joining Third Church, or just want to know more, contact Lynette Sparks. Our next Exploring Membership dinner will take place June 14.

**Newsletter:** The *Messenger* is published monthly. Copies are available at the back of the Sanctuary, in the literature racks outside Johnston Hall and on the church website. If you are interested in receiving the newsletter, contact Cindy Mark in the Church Office (cmark@thirdpresbyterian.org or 271-6537, ext, 100).

## 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.



[www.thirdpresbyterian.org](http://www.thirdpresbyterian.org)



Find us on Facebook: "Third Presbyterian Church"

### THIRD CHURCH STAFF

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John Wilkinson, Pastor	ext. 105
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William W. Young, Pastor Emeritus	
Roderic P. Frohman, Pastor Emeritus	

## 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  
(8:30)

"Trumpet Tune in C Major"

David N. Johnson

\* OPENING  
ACCLAMATION

LEADER: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Hosanna in the highest!**

\* PROCLAMATION  
of the ENTRANCE  
into JERUSALEM

Mark 11:1-11

LEADER: When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately."

PEOPLE: **'They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.**

LEADER: Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

PEOPLE: **'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!'**

LEADER: Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

\* HYMN 88

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

*Please wave your palms during the singing of the refrain.*

*10:45: The hymn will be repeated until all have entered the Sanctuary. Children process with One Great Hour of Sharing banks, placing them in the baskets near the baptismal font.*

\* UNISON PRAYER

**We praise you, O God, for your redemption of the world through Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Let these branches be signs of his victory and grant that we who carry them may follow him in the way of the cross, that, dying and rising with him, we may enter into your kingdom through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

ANTHEM

(10:45)

"This Is the Day"

Mark Burrows

Glorious Voices and Junior Choir

Beth Fischer, *piano*

*This is the day that the Lord has made.*

*Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

*This is the day that the Lord has made.*

*Let us rejoice. Let us rejoice.*

*Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

This is a day for worship,  
this is a day for song,  
a day to praise our gracious Lord  
who loves us all life long.

*This is the day...*

This is a day for sharing,  
this is a day for prayer,  
a day to talk with one who listens,  
the one who's always there.

*This is the day...*

This is the day that the Lord has made!

DEDICATION  
of CHILDREN'S  
ONE GREAT HOUR of  
SHARING OFFERINGS

(10:45)

*Children depart to their classes for child care and Palm Sunday activities. You may exit through the doors to the left of the pulpit to get to the Education Building, where the children will gather in their classrooms.*

DISMISSAL of  
CHILDREN  
(10:45)

(sung twice: once in unison, once as a canon, beginning with the pulpit side) TALLIS' CANON

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through  
this and ev - ery com - ing day, That in Your Spir - it  
strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.

text: Mary Jackson Cathey, 1986  
music: Thomas Tallis, adapt. Parker's *Whole Psalter*, c.1561

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.*

ANTHEM

“Let This Mind Be in You”

Lee Hoiby

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- *Philippians 2:5-11*

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

(*Pew Bible, NT page 197*)

LEADER:

The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE:

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Engaged”

John Wilkinson

\* HYMN 148

“At the Name of Jesus”

KING'S WESTON

\* AFFIRMATION  
of FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with**

outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE  
and THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Prayer Request cards are available in pew pockets and may be placed in the offering plate.*

**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.**

PRESENTATION  
of OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

"Crucifixus"

Antonio Lotti

*(translation)* He was crucified, and for us He also suffered under Pontius Pilate and was buried.

\* 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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8.7.8.7 D  
Tune: MEIGS ST.  
Music: © 2004 Peter DuBois

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.**  
ALL: **Merciful God, we thank you for the witness of Christ, who enters Jerusalem with us and for us. As we shout "Hosanna" and share our gifts with the church and for the world, bless what we give and bless our service, in the name of the one who comes in your name. Amen.**

\* HYMN 89 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

ELLACOMBE

\* CHARGE  
and BENEDICTION

\* CONGREGATIONAL  
RESPONSE

(8:30)

**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.**

\* CHORAL RESPONSE  
(10:45)

\* GREETING

POSTLUDE "Les Rameaux"  
(The Palms)

Jean Langlais

CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING  
(10:45)

*The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Gordon and Jeanne Gale, parents of Miriam Gale and grandparents of Will and Alexandra Ryan.*

*The Sanctuary Memorial Prayer Candle is lit  
in memory of Third Church members who have recently died.*

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

*PREACHER:* John Wilkinson  
*LITURGISTS:* Martha C. Langford, Lynette Sparks  
*ACOLYTES:* Evan Crowley-Perry, Erin Colaluca  
*DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST:* Peter A. DuBois  
*ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:* Mary Ann Rutkowski  
*ASSISTANT ORGANIST:* Caroline Robinson  
*GREETERS:* 10:45: Maryjane Link, Jeff Morrison, Kelly Thevenet-Morrison, Dot Wallace, Betsey Wheeler  
*USHERS:* 8:30: Suzy Hengerer  
10:45: Bill Boller, Priscilla Boller, Ralph Carter, Justin Connolly, Ann Haag, Ann McMican, Beth Sieber, Van VanZanten, Jeff Weis, Rob White  
*COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:* Deacons, Parish E: Tim Broshears, Vicki Austin



# MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## About Today's Music

Today's music reflects several of the dramatically different aspects of Holy Week, from the tumultuous entry of Jesus into Jerusalem ("All Glory, Laud, and Honor" and the postlude, "Les Rameaux"); to the first anthem on the suffering servant scripture from Philippians; to a reflection on the Crucifixion to come later in the week in the "Crucifixus" of Antonio Lotti. It is some of the most powerful music of the church year.

## Call for Congregational Meeting

Per its bylaws, the Session of Third Presbyterian Church has called for a congregational meeting *today* following the 10:45am service in the Sanctuary to hear a report from the Nominating Committee. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The slate is as follows: *(date following name is when the candidate joined Third Church)*

### Elder, Class of 2018

Janet Davies (1973)	Carol Roth (2014)
Jane Dickinson (2003)	Susan Valla (2012)
Laurie Mahoney (1987)	Josephine Whang (1964)
Susan Melech (1949)	Lily Hutkowski (2013) (Youth)
Katie Orem (1985)	Emily Rachfal (2013) (Youth)

### Deacon, Class of 2018

Cynthia Capps (1964)	Sue Joseph (1995)
Renee Clarke-Peters (2009)	Diana Phillips (2002)
Mary DuBois (1992)	Kay Ramsay (1967)
Judy Gordon (2004)	Michael Gorman (2014) (Youth)
Tina Jones (1979)	Maisie Merz (2014) (Youth)

### Trustee, Class of 2018

Sandy Gianniny (1982)  
 Fran Gotscik (2003)  
 Gregg Hamberger (2004)  
 Bill Jones (1979)  
 Jim Moore (1967)

### Nominating Committee

Nancy Adams (1985)  
 Molly Perry (2006)

## Spiritual Formation at 9:30am

Sunday Seminar: *No meeting on Easter*

April 12 in Johnston Hall: **The Mosaic of Peace: Responding to a Call for Peace and Wholeness in a Land called "Holy" with Susan Orr, Presbytery for Mission and Education**

Growing in the Word: Parlor

April 5: *No meeting on Easter*

April 12: Acts 4:32-35: *"Sharing Among Believers," with Jan Widboom*

## Thursday Voices, Noon, Johnston Hall

April 2: *Including Mark 16:1-8, with Martha Langford*

April 9: *The Sabbath by Abraham Heschel, with Martha Langford*

## Junior Choir Concert on Sunday, April 12

The Junior Choir and Children's Bell Choir will present a brief concert following 10:45am worship on April 12. This concert is in preparation for their upcoming trip to Pittsburgh. Please join us! A freewill offering will be received to help offset the costs of this and future trips and endeavors.

## Lunch and Learn—Money Matters

**Sunday, April 19, 12:15pm**

Celebration Center

In personal finances, as in life, we find the "certainty of uncertainty."

- Do I need a rainy day fund?
- Have I planned for the unexpected?
- What about the kid's education?
- Will my savings take me through retirement?
- Where do I begin?

Our speaker, Ed Lapinski, a certified financial planner from Waddell & Reed, will explore these questions and how one plans for the seasons of life. There is a \$5.00 suggested

donation for lunch. Please reserve your place with the Church Office (271-6513).

### Photo Directory Supplement

Let's put faces with names! In 2012, Third Church published a new pictorial directory with the help of Lifetouch photography. Three years later, it's time for updates. Please consider having a picture taken if you are not in the current directory.

Photography sessions will take place on **Friday, April 24** (2:00pm until 9:00pm), and **Saturday, April 25** (10:00am until 5:00pm) for the New Member and Friends supplement. You may sign up following worship beginning March 29, online at [www.thirdpresbyterian.org](http://www.thirdpresbyterian.org) or by calling Rose Pethick (388-8546).

### Third Church More Light Q & A on Being Transgender Today

**Q:** Are job opportunities the same for transgender people as for others?

**A:** NO! Transgender individuals experience significant discrimination in employment and are over-represented in the population of the under-employed and unemployed. The National Center for Transgender Equality reports that 74% of transgender adults faced harassment or mistreatment at work, 20% were dismissed, 20% were denied promotion and 37% were not even considered for hire.

For more information on gender identity discrimination, visit: [transgenderlegal.org](http://transgenderlegal.org)  
Plan now to join More Light for a Transgender Forum on May 3.

### Sixth Grade Heifer Fair Auction—May 6

#### ***Request for Donations & Save the Date***

The sixth grade Sunday school class has done a project each year since second grade... community service, made quilts for those who were ill, and adopted families. Since this is their last year in grade school, they wanted to go out with a bang! On **May 3** after worship, they will hold a Silent Auction. The proceeds from the auction will purchase animals from the Heifer Project and items through the Presbyterian Gift catalog which benefits various ministries and projects of the Presbyterian

Mission Agency. Each student has chosen an animal/item they want to buy. They have calculated that at least \$2,000 is needed to accomplish it.

They are not only asking you to "Save the Date," they are also asking for your help. If you have any items you would like to donate for the auction, they would appreciate the donation. Nothing is too big or too small. Direct donations or questions to Lori Gilley at 230-3179 or [lori.a.gilley@gmail.com](mailto:lori.a.gilley@gmail.com).

### Save the Date—Sunday, May 17

The annual Third Church Youth Sticky Lips BBQ lunch will be held **Sunday, May 17** from 12:00noon to 1:00pm. Tickets go on sale in coffee hour starting April 26. Don't miss this delicious fundraiser for Third Church youth programming. Please help us spread the word to friends and family!

### Great Schools for All Symposium Update

The next step in the *Great Schools for ALL* efforts to guarantee access to a quality education for every child in greater Rochester is the formation of five work groups (county-wide magnet schools, socio-economically integrated summer learning programs, expansion of the Urban-Suburban program, regional planning, and outreach/diversity efforts) to achieve greater socio-economic integration. Each group is tasked with spending 60 days establishing straightforward objectives, reviewing relevant research, assessing opportunities for and barriers to success, and proposing action steps that could be initiated within the next year. For more information, please refer to the January 2015 communication available at <http://bit.ly/1BkrsYX> or contact Lynette Sparks or John Wilkinson at [contact@gs4a.org](mailto:contact@gs4a.org)

### Food Cupboard Needs

***Peanut Butter (18 oz.), Cereal***

### Donations for UPT Children's Programs

***March: Socks & Underwear***  
***April: Stickers***

# SPIRITUAL THOUGHTFUL COMPASSIONATE INCLUSIVE ARTISTIC ENGAGED

Throughout Lent, we continue our marketing/communications effort intended to invite friends and neighbors across our communities to experience Third Presbyterian Church. Our focal point is six words that help describe who we are; the word in bold print is this week's theme:

- Spiritual
- Thoughtful
- Compassionate
- Inclusive
- Artistic
- **Engaged**

Each Lenten Sunday's worship focuses, in some way, on one particular theme word. Our website, Facebook page and Twitter feed also include the week's theme word and image. Twice in Lent we will do direct mailings inviting people to connect with us.

**In your bulletin is a postcard. You can take it home or mail it to a friend. If you'd like, you can write a brief reflection on your experience of Third Church as "engaged" and put it in the offering plate. Or post your own reflection on our Facebook page.**

Our hope is that as we invite people to connect with Third Church, that our own members and friends will experience a deeper connection.

## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives and work together to strengthen their families and communities.

Recognizing that the hope we have in Christ is lived out in our hope for one another, we respond with gifts that help our sisters and brothers around the world find the hope for a brighter future. The offering will be received on Easter. Please be generous as you are able.

# HOLY WEEK

## TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER

March 31

Tuesday Morning Prayer (9:15am in the Chapel)

## LIVING WATERS WEDNESDAYS (6:00pm in the Chapel)

April 1

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 2

Tenebrae and Holy Communion (7:30pm in the Sanctuary)

## GOOD FRIDAY

April 3

GRCC Good Friday Walk for Solidarity and Justice, 9:00am at 530 Lyell Avenue.

Worship Service (12:15pm in the Chapel)

## EASTER

April 5

### SUNRISE WORSHIP SERVICE

(6:30am at Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School)

### EASTER WORSHIP (9:00 and 11:00am in the Sanctuary)

John Wilkinson preaching

“Invited to Go, Tell, See” (Mark 16:1-8)

Music for choir, brass, organ and handbells

## Easter Floral Decorations

If you would like to make a donation to help support the cost of our Easter decorations and lilies for our homebound members, please send your check to the church office marked *“Easter Decorations”* and note clearly the names that should be included in the Easter bulletin.

I would like this gift to be:

\_\_\_\_\_ In loving memory of:

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\_\_\_\_\_ In honor of:

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\_\_\_\_\_ In celebration of:

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*Today is the deadline for receiving donations.*

# CALENDAR FOR March 29—April 5

## Sunday at Third Church

8:15 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	Parlor
9:30 am	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
10:30 am	Gather in Chapel for Palm Processional	Chapel
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 am	Church School	CE
12:15 pm	Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary
12:15 pm	Youth Revisioning/Implementation	Parker Room
12:30 pm	Coffee Hour	CC

## Monday, March 30

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
5:30 pm	Spiritual Direction	Parlor
5:30 pm	Stewardship	Parker Room
7:00 pm	Great Schools 4 All	CE/B04

## Tuesday, March 31

9:15 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
9:45 am	Staff Meeting	Parker

## Wednesday, April 1

5:00 pm	Shawl Knitting Ministry	Parlor
6:00 pm	Living Waters Wednesdays	Chapel
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

## Thursday, April 2—Maundy Thursday

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
12:00 pm	Thursday Voices	JH
5:45 pm	Third Church Ringers	Sanctuary
6:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Reader Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:45 pm	Choir Warm Up	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship	Sanctuary

## Friday, April 3—Good Friday

9:00 am	Good Friday Walk	<i>Off Site</i>
12:15 pm	Good Friday Worship	Chapel

## Saturday, April 4

10:00 am	Dining Room Ministry	CC
10:00 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

## Sunday, April 5—Easter

6:30 am	Sunrise Worship	CRCDS
8:00 am	Chancel Choir Warm Up	Choir Room
8:45 am	Child Care	CE
9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary