



**Third
Presbyterian
Church**
Seeking the Light

“What is more, he keeps showing up. As he came back a week later for Thomas, Jesus keeps coming back week after week among his gathered disciples -- in the word, the water, the bread, and the wine -- not wanting any to miss out on the life and peace he gives.”

Elisabeth Johnson

**The Worship of God
Second Sunday of Easter**

April 12, 2015

8:30 and 10:45 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)
- 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.

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

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 worship service. All are invited to this time of fellowship in the Celebration Center.

Pastoral Care needs and prayer concerns 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. The 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 271-6513, 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.



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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

(8:30)

"Fantasy in C Major"

William Byrd

(10:45)

"Grand Choer Dialogué"

Eugène Gigout

* 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 I John 1 and 2

LEADER: We declare to you what was from the beginning,
what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes,
what we have looked at and touched with our hands,
concerning the word of life.

PEOPLE: **God is light and in God there is no darkness at all.**

LEADER: If we walk in the light as God is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another.

PEOPLE: **Let us walk in the light, as we celebrate the good
news that Christ is risen!**

* HYMN 121

"That Easter Day with Joy was Bright" PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

* PRAYER of ADORATION

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the
dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life.
From the waters of death you raise us with him and
renew your gift of life within us. Increase in our minds
and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help
us to grow as your people toward the fullness of
eternal life with you, through Christ our Lord.

Help us to trust your power to change our lives and
make us new, that we may know the joy of life
abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

* CONGREGATIONAL
RESPONSE



Christ is a - live, and comes to bring Good news to
this and ev - ery age, Till earth and sky and o - cean
ring With joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

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Tune: TRURO

WORDS of WELCOME

NEW TESTAMENT
LESSON

LEADER:
PEOPLE:

Acts 4:32-35

(Pew Bible, NT page 122)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SOLO
(8:30)

“Et exsultavit”

J.S. Bach

(from *Magnificat*, BWV 243)

Riki Connaughton, *mezzo-soprano*

Et exsultavit spiritus meus in Deo
salutari meo

*And my spirit rejoices in
God, my Savior*

- Luke 1:47

ANTHEM
(10:45)

“Easter Carol”

Richard Proulx

Gabrielle Owen, *flute*

On that bright joyful Easter Day the sun arose with brighter ray, When
Christ, to earthly sight made plain, The glad apostles saw again. Alleluia!
Surrexit Christus hodie!

His wounds to them Christ then did show, Which from his risen body
glow; And they aloud declared and said: “The Lord is risen from the
dead!” Alleluia! Surrexit Christus hodie!

First witnesses to Easter morn Were women three who came forlorn; Then
Magdalen did cease her sighs, When Christ she saw with joyful eyes.
Alleluia! Surrexit Christus hodie!

All glory, Lord, to you we pray, Arisen from the dead today; O great
Creator be our guide Throughout the days of Eastertide. Alleluia! Surrexit
Christus hodie!

- Ambrosian Hymn, 4th- 5th Century

GOSPEL LESSON

LEADER:
PEOPLE:

John 20:19-31

(Pew Bible, NT page 115)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Invited to Resurrection Community”

John Wilkinson

* HYMN 503
(10:45)

“Come, Risen Lord”

SURSUM CORDA

The Gathering of the Servers.

*Children in kindergarten and older will join their families during the
hymn to be present for communion.*

* AFFIRMATION
of FAITH

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.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

PRESENTATION
of OFFERINGS

SOLO
(8:30)

"Rise Up, My Heart, With Gladness"

J.S. Bach

ANTHEM
(10:45)

"Sing Ye to the Lord"

Edward Bairstow

Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea. Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie; Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light; Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; Thou hast opened Paradise, And in Thee Thy Saints shall rise. Alleluia! Amen.

- text from Exodus 15:21,4 and by R. Campbell

* 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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The Lord's Supper this morning will be celebrated by the ancient practice of "intinction," from the Latin "to dip." At the time of communion, ushers will invite you to come forward to the lower chancel via the center aisle. Take a piece of bread from the server, dip it in the cup which contains grape juice, and partake as you are served. Gluten-free bread is available at a clearly marked station under the Meigs Street balcony. You may return to your seats via the side aisles. If moving to the communion table is difficult for you, a team of servers will come to you to serve the communion elements.

*** 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: We praise you, holy God, for...

... Therefore with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, we worship and adore your glorious name, praising you forevermore:

(organ intro) Richard Proulx

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
AND CUP

MOTET
(10:45)

"Set Me as a Seal"

René Clausen

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love; neither can the floods drown it. Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.

- from Song of Solomon 8:6,7

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give thanks, great God, for the hope we have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. We praise you for his presence with us that we have experienced again at his table of abundance and grace. Because he lives, we look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate us from your great love made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* HYMN 302

"I Danced in the Morning"

SIMPLE GIFTS

* 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)

"A Blessing of Grace"

Mark Patterson
Junior Choir

May God be gracious unto you and bless you.
May God's face shine down upon you.
May God give you grace, may God give you peace,
May God's love go with you forever.
May God be gracious unto you. Amen.

* GREETING

POSTLUDE

(8:30)

"Tuba Tune in D major, Op. 15"

C.S. Lang

(10:45)

"Allegro" (from Concerto in G)

J.S. Bach

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Charles and Sally Watson from their family.

The Memorial Prayer Candle is lit today in memory of those killed at Garissa University in Kenya during Holy Week.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:

PREACHER: John Wilkinson
LITURGISTS: Lynette Sparks, Martha Langford
Jeremy Peters (10:45)
ACOLYTES: Celia Fox, Henry Fox
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST: Peter DuBois
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Mary Ann Rutkowski
ASSISTANT ORGANIST: Caroline Robinson
GREETERS: Bob Eames, Maryjane Link, Jeff Morrison,
Kelly Thevenet-Morrison, Betsey Wheeler
USHERS: Elmer Dustman, Ann Haag, Hope Herting, Gloria Pleger,
Anne Sievers, Don Schichler, Rebecca Schichler
COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Deacons Parish C: Sarah Cohen, Fred Rich

**Junior Choir Concert
12:15 p.m.**

"Gaudeamus Hodie" arr. Natalie Sleeth
Junior Choir

"Morning Has Broken" arr. Kevin McChensey
"Hyfrydol" arr. Charles Maggs
Children's Bell Choir

"Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Richard DeLong
"Al Shlosha D'Varim" Allan E. Naplan
"We Are Singing, for The Lord is Our Light" arr. Hal H. Hopson
Traditional Zulu Song

"A Blessing of Grace" Mark Patterson
Junior Choir

Mary Ann Rutkowski, Associate Director of Music
Beth Fischer, Accompanist
Katie Orem, Accompanist/Instrumentalist

A freewill offering to support the Junior Choir trip
will be received following the concert this afternoon.
Baskets will be available at the doors.

April 12, 2015



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

One Service of Worship at 10:45 on April 26

On Sunday, April 26, due to the Unity Health Flower City Challenge which will affect East Avenue and streets leading to the church early that morning, we will NOT have an 8:30am service. Adult Spiritual Formation and Jr. Choir rehearsal will happen at their usual times, and we will have ONE worship service at 10:45am.

Spiritual Formation on April 12

Sunday Seminar: Johnston Hall
"The Mosaic of Peace: Responding to a Call for Peace and Wholeness in a Land called 'Holy,'" with Susan Orr

Growing in the Word: Parlor
Acts 4:32-35: *"Shelter Among Believers,"* led by Jan Widboom

Junior Choir Concert Today

The Junior Choir and Children's Bell Choir will present a brief concert following the 10:45am worship today in preparation for their trip to Pittsburgh next week. A freewill offering will be received.

Living Waters Wednesdays



April 15, 6:00pm, Chapel
Join us in the Third Church Chapel for this worship opportunity. John Wilkinson is leading worship.

Thursday Voices

Thursday, April 16, 12:00pm, Johnston Hall
Exploring Abraham Heschel's book, *"The Sabbath,"* with John Wilkinson

Chapel Concert by Candlelight

Thursday, April 16, 7:30pm
The "Decho Ensemble," a saxophone duo featuring Jake Swanson and Sarah Marchitelli, will conclude this year's Chapel Concert by Candlelight series. They'll present a program of classical music including works by Bach, Mozart, Mellits, Cote, Knorr and Paul Hindemith. The series is made possible in part by support from the Janet S. and David B. Reed Fund. Join us and invite your friends.

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, certified financial planner, will explore how one plans for the seasons of life. There is a \$5.00 suggested donation for lunch. Reserve your place with the Church Office (271-6513).

Organ Masterworks with Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra

Sunday, April 19, 2:00pm

David Higgs, world-renowned organist and Chair of the Department of Organ, Sacred Music and Historical Keyboards at the Eastman School of Music, joins the RPO for music for organ and orchestra by Bach, Handel, Hanson and Barber. Tickets are available by calling the RPO box office (454-2100) or online at RPO.org.

Photo Directory Supplement

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). You may sign up following worship or online at www.thirdpresbyterian.org or by calling Rose Pethick (388-8546).

Men's Group Breakfast

Saturday, April 25, 8:30am, Johnston Hall
Come join other men from Third Church for breakfast, fellowship, planning future activities and a discussion topic (TBA).

Please RSVP to Paul Bishop, pabishop@live.com or Andrew Elder, andrew_elder@pobox.com so we can plan the breakfast. A \$5 donation for breakfast or the equivalent amount in food for the Food Cupboard is suggested.

Triple Play Intergenerational Mission Day

April 25, 8:00am – 2:00pm

Join the Presbytery at the Triple Play Intergenerational Mission Day on April 25 from 8:30am-2:00pm. We'll be gathering at the Gates Presbyterian Church and fanning out in teams for onsite mission work at seven sites representing agencies and congregations funded by the Triple Play grants. We'll gather together at Gates

after our mission work to share lunch and our experiences. A \$10 registration fee is due by April 20 to Cheryl Battaglia, 1190 Winton Road South, Rochester, NY 14618 (programsecretary@pbygenval.org.)

Youth Musical—April 26, 10:45am

The Covenant Singers and instrumental ensemble will present the musical *Celebrate Life!* in worship that morning. Through music and narration written by Ragan Courtney and Buryl Red, *Celebrate Life!* traces the life of Christ from prophecy to birth to ministry to Passion and Resurrection. It was last performed at Third Church in 1987, and has inspired generations of youth and young adults. In adapting to changing demands on our youths' and families' time, as well as the needs of the ongoing youth program of Third Church, this musical will be presented in a "concert version" rather than a fully-staged version. It will feature many of our talented youth in solo and speaking roles, and is sure to be a meaningful addition to our worship on April 26. Plan to come and support our youth!

Third Church More Light Q & A on Being Transgender Today

Q: Can you legally be denied housing because you're transgender?

A: YES! Unless new legislation is passed in NY State (the Gender Expression Non Discrimination Act) landlords can continue to discriminate against transgender individuals. According to a recent study by the National Center for Transgender Equality among transgender adults: 8% had been evicted, 19% had been denied a home/apartment, 18% became homeless, 24% had to find temporary shelter, 25% had to move back with family or friends, and only 23% owned their own home

compared to 67% of the general US population.

For more information on anti-discrimination legislation, visit: www.prideagenda.org. Plan now to join More Light for a Transgender Forum on May 3.

Great Schools for All Education(GGSA) Event

(GS4A) May 5 Education Event Register Now!

Please join participants from a broad section of the Greater Rochester community **on May 5, 2015** to build consensus around action steps to reduce the concentration of poverty in the Rochester city schools. The GS4A Coalition is looking for partners in progress as we build on work begun at our November 2014 conference, and continued by six working groups formed to develop possible responses to the crisis of high poverty schools.

When: Tuesday, May 5, 2015
8:00am-12:30pm

Where: Mt. Olivet Baptist Church
141 Adams St., 14608

Cost: None

REGISTER NOW: gs4a.org/register

Sponsored by: *Great Schools for All*. Learn more about GS4A at www.gs4a.org.

Questions: Email contact@gs4a.org, or call Lynette Sparks or John Wilkinson at 585-271-6513. *Please forward this invitation to others interested in joining this conversation.*

Sticky Lips BBQ Dinner—Save the Date!

The annual Third Church Youth Sticky Lips BBQ lunch will be held **Sunday, May 17** from noon to 1:00pm. Tickets go on sale in coffee hour starting April 26.

UPT Children's Program Support

April: Stickers
May: Children's Scissors

Hunger Sunday

*Food Cupboard has an ongoing need for
Peanut Butter (18 oz.), Cereal*

CALENDAR for April 12 – April 19

Sunday at Third Church

8:30 am	Child Care	CE
8:30 am	Worship	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar	JH
9:30 am	Growing in the Word	Parlor
9:30 am	Youth Church School	CE 201
9:30 am	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
9:30 am	Commissioning Class	CE
10:00 am	Intercessory Prayer	Chapel
10:40 am	Church School	Education Building
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Coffee Hour	CC
12:15 pm	Youth Revisioning/Implementation	Parker Room
12:15 pm	Junior Choir Concert	Sanctuary
3:30 pm	Small Ensemble Rehearsal (Three Kings)	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Covenant Singers	Choir Room/Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Youth Dinner and Fellowship	CC and CE Lounge

Monday, April 13

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
2:00 pm	Library Committee	Library
5:30 pm	Personnel	Whitney Room
6:00 pm	More Light Book Study	Off Site
6:00 pm	Boy Scouts	CC
6:30 pm	Zumba	CE
6:30 pm	Yoga	JH
7:00 pm	New Officer Orientation	Whitney Room
7:00 pm	Great Schools 4 All	CE/B04

Tuesday, April 14

9:15 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
9:45 am	Staff Meeting	Parker Room
6:00 pm	Session/Commissioning Class	JH

Wednesday, April 15

12:00 pm	Calvin Guild	JH
5:00 pm	Shawl Knitting Ministry	Parlor
5:00 pm	Children's Bell Choir	Moot Arts Room
5:30 pm	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
6:00 pm	Living Waters Wednesdays	Chapel
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Thursday, April 16

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
10:45 am	Celebration Ringers	Moot Room
12:00 pm	Thursday Voices	JH
1:00 pm	Book Club	Library
5:45 pm	Third Church Ringers	Moot Arts Room
7:00 pm	Corner Place Steering Committee	<i>New Life</i>
7:30 pm	Chapel Concert by Candlelight	Chapel

Friday, April 17

3:30 pm	Great Schools 4 All Steering	JH
5:30 pm	Junior Choir Trip to Pittsburgh	
6:30 pm	Youth Field Trip	Off Site

Saturday, April 18

10:00 am	Dining Room Ministry	CC
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Sunday, April 19

8:30 am	Child Care	CE
8:30 am	Worship	Chapel
9:30 am	Jr. Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar	JH
9:30 am	Growing in the Word	Parlor
10:00 am	Intercessory Prayer	Chapel
10:45 am	Worship/Special Music	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Church School	CE
12:00 pm	Lunch and Learn	CC
12:00 pm	Happy Bunch Out to Lunch	Off Site
12:00 pm	Coffee Hour	JH
2:00 pm	RPO Organ/Orchestra Concert	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Youth Musical Readers/ Rehearsal	Choir Room
5:00 pm	Covenant Singers (ending at 8:00pm)	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Junior Choir returns from Pittsburgh	

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