



**Third
Presbyterian
Church**
Seeking the Light

In remembrance of me, always love.
Celebrate Life

**The Worship of God
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

April 26, 2015

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 "Prelude"
(from *Celebrate Life!*)

Buryl Red

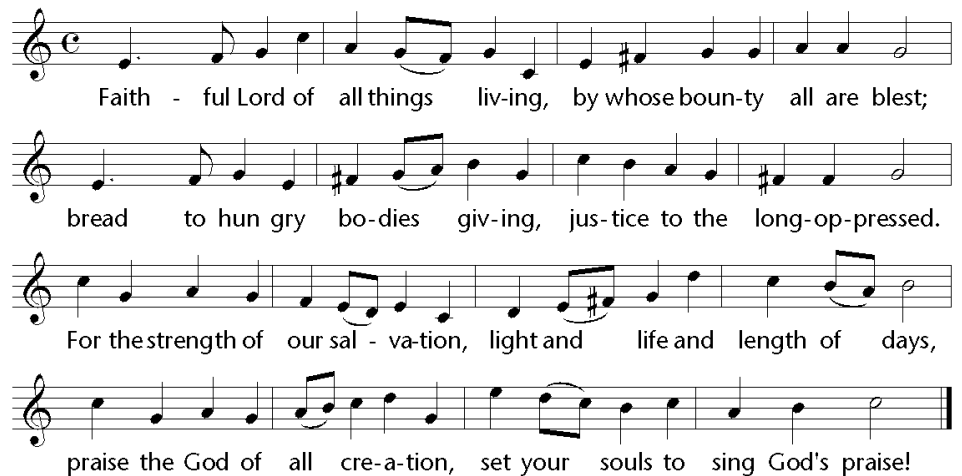
WELCOME
and ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH MUSICAL **CELEBRATE LIFE!** Buryl Red & Ragan Courtney
(see text and notes beginning on the next page)

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE *(Prayer Request cards are available in pew pockets and can be placed in the offering plate.)*

PRESENTATION of OFFERINGS *In addition to the regular offering, today's loose offering and checks with "Youth Music" noted in the memo line will help support the expense of today's and future youth musical presentations.*

* 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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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: We celebrate this day, O God, your great love for us and for the world. Help us to respond to your love by living in joy and hope, and by sharing your story of caring and forgiveness. We celebrate the good news that Christ is alive! Amen.

* HYMN 391 "Take My Life"

HENDON

* CHARGE
and BENEDICTION

* GREETING

POSTLUDE "Postlude"
(from *Celebrate Life!*)

Buryl Red

Come to the Celebration Center following worship to greet The Covenant Singers and Band, and thank them for their presentation this morning! Cake will be served!

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST: Peter DuBois

GREETERS: Cynthia Capps, Rob Keefe, Carol Roth,
Connie Schultz, Dot Wallace

USHERS: Sue Danielson, Miriam Gale, Tom Gillett, Ann McMican, Jack
Mould, Janet Stewart, David Tennant, Paul Zeh

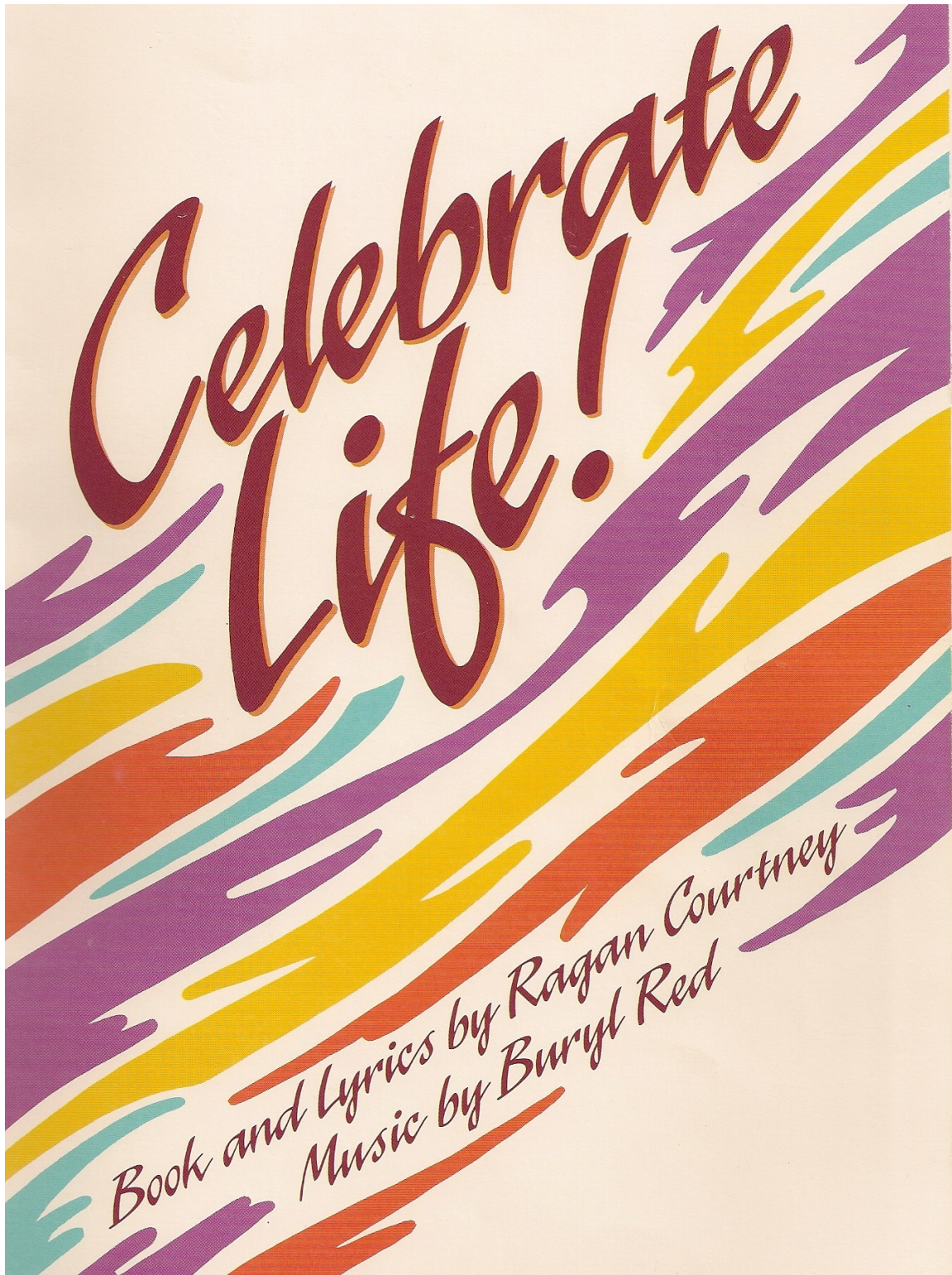
COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: East Avenue Grocery Run

*The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Nicholas and Evelyn Tescione and The Rev. Howard Foye and Elizabeth
Foye, parents of Pam and Ry Foye, and of Robert F. Tescione, brother of Pam Foye.*

*The Memorial Prayer Candle is lit today
in gratitude for all those who work with the youth of Third Church.*

Dedication Next Sunday

A brief gathering will be held to memorialize James Chisholm on Sunday, May 3 following the 10:45 a.m. service of worship, in the area near the east door of the sanctuary.



“In Concert”

Performed by THE COVENANT SINGERS of Third Church
Peter DuBois, *musical director*
John Hennessey, *staging director*

Director's Notes...

Welcome! And thank you for joining us today! This morning, we are celebrating life – celebrating *THE* Life – and celebrating the gifts of our youth!

The musical *Celebrate Life!* by Buryl Red and Ragan Courtney, is one of the early pieces written in the genre of “youth musicals,” dating from 1972. It is timeless, however, in its retelling of the story of Christ, His life and ministry, and our place in that story today.

It is a musical that has touched thousands of people in several generations of adults and youth over the years. It was last presented at Third Church in 1987, and included in that cast were some parents of our current children and youth! So it is with joy and thanksgiving that we offer it again today.

You'll notice that this morning's musical is presented differently than in previous years. Today's performance is in “concert” form, rather than in a fully-staged production.

Families' lives and patterns of activities have changed dramatically over the 40+ years that we have been presenting musicals at Third Church. With more and more extra-curricular sports, music, and drama activities both in and out of the schools, our families and youth are pulled in increasingly diverse directions. Recognizing and respecting those changes, we are grateful that *Celebrate Life!* lends itself to reimagining in a different format. This new opportunity also comes at a time when our Sunday evening youth fellowship is showing steady and strong growth. And as good stewards of the time and energy of our youth, this change has resulted in strengthening our total Sunday evening youth program.

Thank you again for your support of the youth of this church, and for helping us to celebrate them and their gifts as they offer to us, *Celebrate Life!*



Peter DuBois
Director of Music/Organist

Celebrate Life!

Music by Buryl Red ~ Book & Lyrics by Ragan Courtney

The Covenant Singers & Band

Peter DuBois, *musical director* ~ **John Hennessey**, *staging director*

Musical numbers

Processional

Prepare a way for the Lord! Clear a straight path for him! Prepare a way for the Lord, For he cometh, he cometh! He cometh, prepare his way!

The Truth Shall Make You Free

He's the wind I soar on, He's the grass I run through, He's the one I turn to when I have to laugh or cry. He's the light of my world, He's my precious pearl, He's my answer to woe, He's my friend even after I die. He's the sun I sing in, He's the sea I swim in, He's the mountain I climb to when I want to reach a new high. Jesus, my Lord. Of all the things he said to me, the best was, truth shall make you free. You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. You shall know the truth, and love is the proof that the truth shall make you free.

Hail, O Blessed One

Soloists: Randy Carlson & Jonathan Lutzer

Hail, O blessed one! The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, for you have found favor with God. And you shall bring forth a song, and you shall call him, Jesus. Hail, O blessed one, the Lord is with you!

Song of Mary

Soloist: Emily Rachfal

Sing, my soul, the greatness of the Lord. Rejoice, my spirit, Rejoice in God, my Savior. So tenderly has he regarded me, So wondrously has he exalted me, All generations shall call me blest. For his name is holy, He is the mighty one. His mercy is ever sure. Sing, my soul, the greatness of the Lord.

There Is a Great Joy Coming

Soloists: Randy Carlson & Jonathan Lutzer

Be not afraid, I have good news for you. There is a great joy a-coming to the whole people, my Lord. *Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to God in the highest, Peace, goodwill towards all.* Today in the city of David a Savior is born. *Glory, glory, glory...* He shall be called mighty Jesus, the King of kings and Lord of lords. *Glory, glory, glory...*

Hello, Baby

Hello, Baby...little laughing child. Hello, Jesus, we've been waiting all the while for you to come our way. Look at your mother smile. Hello, Jesus, we've been hoping all the while that you would come today.

The Three Kings

*Kings: Evan Crowley-Perry
Trevor Lucas
Massimo Vasta*

We are three kings! We are loaded with shiny things. We rode on three camels that aren't very pretty, We kind-a tired and just a bit gritty. We are three witty, gritty kings! We are three kings, also called Wise Men; there is no place we haven't been. We've played all the cities and towns in the world, our heads are anointed, our beards are curled. We are three oily, curly kings! I have gold; I have frankincense; I have myrrh. Gold, frankincense and myrrh: these are what we bring to the baby King. Gold and myrrh and frankincense to show our love which is intense....Myrrh and frankincense and gold for the King who was foretold...Gold and frankincense and myrrh, mighty fine gifts! Yes, sir!

After This He Went Journeying

Soloists: Ava Taylor & Audrey Vinton

After this he went journeying from town to town and village to village, Proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God.

I Quietly Turned to You

Soloist: Gabrielle Owen

There was nowhere else to turn, and nowhere else to go; My body knew all the pain a body can know, When I quietly turned to you. Help of the helpless, I turned to you. When no one else would help, and no one else would hear my cries full of anguish, my cries full of fear, Then I quietly turned to you. Hope of the hopeless, I turned to you. I saw you standing there, I saw the beauty from you beaming, I saw the peace, the joy, the perfect love that could be. I saw you standing there, I thought that I was surely dreaming: For suddenly warmth and love and joy were shining through me, As you quietly turned to me. Friend of the friendless, you turned to me. Now I know such perfect peace, I feel such sweet release, Your love let me live again, your love set me free. Help of the helpless, friend of the friendless, I quietly turned to you, and you turned to me.

After This He Went Journeying

Soloists: Erin Colaluca & Meghan Elder

After this he went journeying from town to town and village to village, Proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God.

The Lord's Prayer

(the congregation is invited to join in saying the Lord's Prayer, as led by the speaker...)

In Remembrance

In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine. In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done. In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor. In remembrance of me, open the door and let your brother in. Take, eat, and be comforted, Drink, and remember, too, that this is my body and precious blood, shed for you. In remembrance of me, search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love. In remembrance of me, don't look above, but in your heart for God. Do this in remembrance of me.

Carry Him Gently

Soloist: Gabrielle Owen

Carry him gently, my Baby, carry him gently, my child; carry him far from suffering, Let him rest for awhile. I gave him love as a baby, I shared his joy as a child. He died alone, forsaken, Let him rest for awhile. Oh, Jesus, your life is unending, Even death can't take you away. Oh, Jesus, your faith is unbending, for you are the truth and way. Carry him quickly, my baby, carry him quickly, my son; Carry him far from suffering, his work is done.

He is Alive!

He is alive, and he's shown me the way, He gives me joy to begin every day. He is alive and he's opened the door, He give me hope to live life evermore. He is alive and so I celebrate, This is the story that I must relate. He is alive and I love him, I am alive and he loves me. Hallelujah!

Prayer for Peace

Make me an instrument of thy peace, Lord, of thy peace. Where there is hatred let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Doubt, faith; despair, hope; darkness, light; sadness, joy; Pardon, faith, hope, light, and joy, love.

The Covenant Singers

* denotes Reader

*Randy Carlson
*Erin Colaluca
Evan Crowley-Perry
Meghan Elder
Celia Fox
Kelly Knickerbocker
*Andrew La Favor
*Frieda Jones
Danielle Lipari
Harrison Lucas
Trevor Lucas

*Jonathan Lutzer
Juliana Lutzer
Anthony Mangieri
*Bizzy Merz
Gabrielle Owen
Miranda Owen
Jobin Philip
Benjamin Primerano
Nicholas Primerano
Emily Rachfal
Rachel Schaefer

Eliza Shriver
Lydia Stratton-Smith
*Ava Taylor
*Massimo Vasta
*Tessa Vasta
Audrey Vinton
*Natalie Vinton
Aidan Weis
Julia Wisbey

The Band

Paul Henry, *guitar*
Anthony Mangieri, *bass*
Andrew La Favor, *drums/percussion*
Scott Stratton-Smith, *piano*
Peter DuBois, *keyboard*

April 26, 2015



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Youth

There is *no* evening programming tonight. Next Sunday is our last youth gathering of this program year. We will be bowling at Clover Lanes, 5:30-8:00pm. Drop off and pick up at Clover Lanes.

Take Stock in Our Youth!

In July 2015, 24 Third Presbyterian Church youth and six adult leaders are embarking on a journey to Montreat in Black Mountain, NC. Montreat is a Presbyterian Conference center where hundreds of teenagers from all over the US come to worship, share experiences through small groups, music, games and activities.

Please consider "buying stock" in our youth to help fund this journey. Stock sales will begin next Sunday.

Sticky Lips BBQ Dinner— Tickets on Sale Today!

The annual Third Church Youth Sticky Lips BBQ lunch will be held **Sunday, May 17** from noon to 1:00pm. Ticket sales (\$12) begin today during coffee hour.

RAIHN@3rd Weekend Host Volunteers

Lunch meeting after worship today in Johnston Hall. Weekend overnights, food teams, and Day Center hosts will meet over a light lunch to share, discuss and improve our protocols.

Living Waters Wednesdays



April 29, 6:00pm, Chapel
Join us in the Third Church Chapel for this worship opportunity. Martha Langford is leading worship.

Thursday Voices

Thursday, April 30, 12:00pm, Johnston Hall
Exploring Abraham Heschel's book, *The Sabbath, "Holiness in Time"* with Martha Langford

Elvis to Elton—May 1

6:00 pm, Celebration Center

"Luck Be a Lady" is the theme for this gathering! If you are in the **Sixty Or Seventy (S.O.S)** age group, or a little more or less than that age, we'd love to see you at our next *Elvis to Elton* Potluck Supper gathering. We extend a special welcome for anyone who will be joining us for the first time. We would like you to bring:

1. **A dish to pass:** **A - G**, dessert; **H - N**, salad; **O - Z**, main dish (meat, casserole, vegetable)
2. Your **own serving spoon** for your dish
3. Several **items for our Food Cupboard** (tuna, spaghetti sauce, canned veggies, cereal, soup, etc.)

Come for "engaging" fellowship, fabulous smorgasbord, and a fun "dicey" activity. Contact Sue Locke with your reservation at 749-8577 or slocke43@rochester.rr.com.

Spiritual Development Next Week

9:30am Seminar: Ben Eshleman, named an R.I.T. Wolf Scholar for his research on Rochester's transgender history, will present **Being Transgender Today**, exploring the social, legal, and health concerns of transgender persons and how this matters for us as people of faith.

Return for the **Lunch and Learn** at 12:15pm for a panel discussion with Ben Eshleman and community partners: Emily Heninger and Julie Acosta from the Trans Alliance of Greater Rochester, Cara Wood from Trillium Health, and the Gay Alliance of Genesee Valley. A \$5

donation is suggested to cover the cost of the lunch. To reserve your place, please contact the church office at 271-6513.

Growing in the Word: Parlor

I John 3:1-7: "We are God's children," led by Jeff Falter

Third Church More Light Q&A on Being Transgender Today

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Q: How can our church community be welcoming to transgender members?

A: Lack of knowledge contributes to offensive behavior toward those who are different. In interactions with transgender individuals, don't be afraid to ask their preferred name and preferred pronoun (he/she/they). Learn about "micro-aggressions," those small actions or assumptions that demean and alienate. Use inclusive language. Don't assume gender identity or bathroom preference. Be ready to advise all visitors of the location of non-gender specific, family-friendly, and accessible bathrooms.

For more information on being a welcoming church, visit: welcomingresources.org

Request for Donations for May 3 for Sixth Grade Heifer Fair Auction

The proceeds from the sixth grade Sunday school class auction will purchase animals from Heifer Project and items through the Presbyterian Gift catalog benefitting various ministries and projects of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. If you have any items that you would like to donate for the auction, your donation would be appreciated! Nothing is too big or too small. Contact Lori Gilley at 230-3179 or lori.a.gilley@gmail.com.

Society for Chamber Music Concert

Sunday, May 3

The Society for Chamber Music in Rochester Presents Jon Nakamatsu Returns!

Preconcert Talk at 7:00pm

Concert at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

The concert includes *Intermezzo Op. 118*

(Brahms), *Serenade in C major for String trio, Op. 10* (Dohnányi), and *Piano Quartet, Op. 13* (Strauss) played by Juliana Athayde, violin, Melissa Matson, *viola*, Steven Doane, *cello*, and Jon Nakamatsu, *piano*.

Special ticket price for Third Church Members \$20, ADVANCE SALE ONLY—must be purchased in advance in the church office, during regular office hours on weekdays. No Sunday sales, and all tickets at the door will be at the regular price of \$30. Ticket and general information:

infochambermusicrochester@gmail.com

Register Now for Great Schools for All Education(GGSA) Event

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.*

Calling All RAIHN@Third Volunteers—May 17-24

Please sign up now for our 41st RAIHN rotation week when we'll welcome five families on May 17. Use our on-line volunteer sign-up tool -- www.thirdpresbyterian.org/raihn or call Laurie Mahoney @ 473-0583 or Lou Loggi at 781-4237.

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 26 – May 3**Sunday at Third Church**

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| 9:15 am | Child Care | CE |
| 9:30 am | Junior Choir Rehearsal | Moot Arts Room |
| 9:30 am | Sunday Seminar | JH |
| 9:30 am | Growing in the Word | Parlor |
| 9:30 am | Covenant Singers Warm up | Sanctuary |
| 10:00 am | Intercessory Prayer | Chapel |
| 10:45 am | Worship | Sanctuary |
| 12:00 pm | Coffee Hour | CC |
| 12:00 pm | Church Officer Training | Whitney Room |
| 12:15 pm | RAIHN Cooks | JH |
| 12:15 pm | Youth Revisioning/Implementation | Parker Room |

Monday, April 27

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| 9:30 am | Food Cupboard | CC |
| 5:30 pm | Worship, Music and Arts | Parker Room |
| 6:00 pm | Boy Scouts | CC |
| 6:30 pm | Yoga | JH |
| 6:30 pm | Zumba | CE/206 |
| 7:00 pm | Great Schools for All | CE/B04 |

Saturday, May 2

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| 10:00 am | Dining Room Ministry | CC |
| 1:00 pm | Heifer Fair Auction Set Up | JH |
| 2:00 pm | RAIHN Car City | Off Site |

Sunday, May 3

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| 8:30 am | Worship | Chapel |
| 8:30 am | Child Care | CE |
| 9:30 am | Jr. Choir Rehearsal | Moot Arts Room |
| 9:30 am | Sunday Seminar | JH |
| 9:30 am | Growing in the Word | Parlor |
| 9:30 am | Implementation Team/Advisors | Parker Room |
| 10:00 am | Intercessory Prayer | Chapel |
| 10:45 am | Worship | Sanctuary |
| 11:00 am | Church School | CE |
| 12:00 pm | Chisholm Plaque Dedication | |
| 12:00 pm | Coffee Hour | JH |
| 12:15 pm | Heifer Fair Auction | JH |
| 12:15 pm | More Light Lunch and Learn | CC |
| 12:15 pm | Youth Revisioning/Implementation | Parker Room |
| 5:00 pm | Covenant Singers | Choir Room |
| 5:30 pm | Youth Bowling Event | Off Site |
| 7:00 pm | Chamber Music Society Pre-Concert | |
| | Talk | Sanctuary |
| 7:30 pm | Chamber Music Society Concert | Sanctuary |

Tuesday, April 28

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

Wednesday, April 29

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| 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 30

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| 9:30 am | Food Cupboard | CC |
| 10:45 am | Celebration Ringers | Moot Room |
| 12:00 pm | Thursday Voices | JH |
| 5:45 pm | Third Church Ringers | Moot Arts Room |

Friday, May 1

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| 6:00 pm | Elvis to Elton | CC |
| 3:30 pm | Great Schools for All | JH |

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