



**Third
Presbyterian
Church**

Seeking the Light

“The bottom line in the Christian life is that it’s all something that God does in us; in fact it’s something that *only* God can do in us. That means we have to entrust ourselves to that mysterious and wonderful power of love that surrounds us all; it means we have to trust God to do that wonderful, unimaginable work of new life.”

Alan Brehm

**The Worship of God
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

July 26, 2015

10:00 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: We offer quiet activities for school aged children during worship in the sanctuary. There are table and chairs on a rug under the Arnold Park balcony where children will have the opportunity to read books and do activities that relate to our scriptures for the day.

Child Care is available in the Education Building for infants and toddlers to kindergarten.

Coffee Hour follows the worship service. All are invited to this time of fellowship in the Narthex.

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.

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 "Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr" Johann Sebastian Bach
(Alone to God on High be Honor) BWV 662

* 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

LEADER: Look to the Lord, for God is faithful,
PEOPLE: **giving us our food in due season.**
LEADER: Call on the Lord, for God is near,
PEOPLE: **ready to rescue us from danger.**
LEADER: Let us worship God.

* HYMN 403 "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" UNSER HERRSCHER

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You are always faithful to us, yet we pursue our own desires. You are generous beyond measure, yet we jealously hoard your gifts. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to comprehend the height and depth and breadth of your great love for all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Following the children's message, school aged children are invited to gather at the table under the Arnold Park balcony for quiet activities during worship. Child care is provided for children, Kindergarten and younger, in the Education Building. (Nursery Room 107)

DISMISSAL
of CHILDREN

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

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.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 6:1-15

(Pew Bible, NT page 97)

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO "At the River"

Aaron Copland
Betsy Marvin, soprano

EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 3:14-21

(Pew Bible, NT page 193)

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Filled with the Fullness of God"

Martha Langford

* HYMN 833 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

ST. MARGARET

* AFFIRMATION
of FAITH

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

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE
and THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Prayer Request cards are available in pew pockets and can 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

SOLO "How Shall I Sing to God?"

Cary Ratcliff

* 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

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: **Generous God, provider of our daily bread, you give us rest in green fields and satisfy our hungry souls. Take the simple, meager gifts we bring and transform them into a great feast so that all people may taste and see the goodness of your coming realm; through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Amen.**

* HYMN 711 "Lord of All Good"

TOULON

* 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

"Sonata in B-flat"
Op. 65 No. 4: 1. Allegro

Felix Mendelssohn

*The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Alice Kwong, beloved mother of Tai Kwong.*

*The Sanctuary Memorial Prayer Candle is lit today in gratitude for our partnership with
New Life Presbyterian Church.*

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:

PREACHER: Martha Langford
LITURGIST: Lynette Sparks
ASSISTANT ORGANIST: Caroline Robinson
GREETERS: Bob Eames, Jack Salzer, Jim Stewart
USHERS: Justin Connolly, Sue Danielson, Miriam Gale, Tom Gillett,
Ann McMican, Jack Mould, Janet Stewart, David Tennant

July 26, 2015



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Summer Book Reviews

Third Church has moved into its summer schedule. We hope that you will make your way to Johnston Hall at 9:00am on Sunday mornings to hear more about a good book.

Today at 9:00am:

The 5 Love Languages, Gary Chapman,
led by Becky D'Angelo-Veitch

AUGUST 2

Convictions, Marcus Borg,
led by James Stewart

AUGUST 9

Three Women of Hope; Esther in Exile and Five Women: Sarah, Hagar, Rebekah, Rachel, Leah
Christianne Méroz,
led by translator Dennis Wienk

AUGUST 16

Being Mortal, Atul Gawande
led by Karen Walker

AUGUST 23

Does This Church Make Me Look Fat?
Rhonda Janzen,
led by Lynette Sparks

AUGUST 30

Altered Genes, Twisted Truth, Steven Druker
led by Ruth Morton

Summer of the Century

Join us this summer for informal discussions around thoughtful articles from recent *Christian Century* editions, with leaders Jim Stewart, Paul Gongloff, and Lynette Sparks. Conversations will be on Thursdays from noon-1:00pm, through August 20. Copies of articles will be available in the literature rack outside the church office.

Vacation Bible School—Growing God's Garden

July 27-30, New Life Presbyterian Church

Join us as we gather on the front lawn of New Life Presbyterian Church to share God's love and learn of God's Word for each of us. Kids and grown-ups will snack, sing, learn Bible stories and memory verses through skits and storytelling, and participate in daily *specials!* For those wishing to serve in the VBS 2015 ministry (grade 6 and up, plus adults), there's a role for YOU! For those able to join our staff this year, come **today at 5:00pm** to New Life Church for a picnic and run-through of the evenings to come. Contact Ann McMican at mcmould@rochester.rr.com or Barbara Durfee at ddurfees@frontiernet.net or 586-9942.

Elvis to Elton Picnic This Week!

PICNIC BY THE ERIE CANAL

(Sixties Or Seventies...plus or minus that age!)
Our FOURTH Annual Summer Picnic will take place, rain or shine, at Perinton Park on **Wednesday, July 29** beginning at 4:00pm. Again we ask that you bring bocce, badminton, basketballs, frisbees, cards and other fun summer games. There is a tennis court if you'd like to get a match together, or take a walk along the canal path for a nice summer stroll. You may come for the entire time or drop in for a picnic supper with us.

UPT 2nd Annual Summer Picnic

Sunday, August 2, 1:30pm
Shoreline Shelter, Ontario Beach Park
Hot dogs and hamburgers served at 3:00pm.
Lemonade/Iced Tea will be provided. Please

bring your family, a dish to pass, lawn chairs, games and swimsuits. RSVP to the church office at 271-6513 or cmark@thirdpresbyterian.org.

Chancel Choir Fundraiser

Members of the Chancel Choir will be staffing the Meigs Street and Arnold Park lots during the Park Avenue Festival, **Saturday, August 1 and Sunday, August 2**. Funds raised will help offset expenses for presenting major choral works in worship, as well as support future tours and recording projects. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to take advantage of our convenient parking when they come to the festival – only \$5 per car!

Hunger Sunday

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

CALENDAR for July 26 – August 2

Sunday at Third Church

9:00 am	Summer Book Review	JH
9:15 am	Intercessory Prayer	Chapel
9:45 am	Child Care	CE
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Coffee Hour	Cloister
5:00 pm	VBS Picnic/Training	Off Site (New Life Church)

Monday, July 27

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School	Off Site

Tuesday, July 28

9:15 am	Morning Prayer	Cloister
9:45 am	Staff Meeting	Parker Room
5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School	Off Site

Wednesday, July 29

4:00 pm	Elvis to Elton	Off Site
5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School	Off Site

Thursday, July 30

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
12:00 pm	Summer of the <i>Century</i>	JH
5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School	Off Site

Friday, July 31

Saturday, August 1

8:00 am	Chancel Choir Parking Fundraiser	
10:00 am	Dining Room Ministry	CC

Sunday, August 2

9:00 am	Summer Book Review	JH
9:15 am	Intercessory Prayer	Chapel
9:45 am	Child Care	CE
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Coffee Hour	Cloister
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