

"We cannot worship both God and money. Either our money will serve our faith, or our faith will serve our money."

-David Lose

The Worship of God Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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 also be found at:

- Jewish Community Federation (Sibley Place)
- American Association of University Women
- **Rochester Area Community Foundation**

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 "Tswitch" 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.

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

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

Pastoral Care needs and prayer concerns 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 luncheon will take place October 2.

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 silence all electronic devices. 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 "Choral II in B minor"

César Franck

CHORAL INTROIT "Weave"

Rosemary Crow Junior Choir

Weave, weave, weave us together. Weave us together in unity and love. Weave, weave, weave us together, weave us together, together in love.

We are many textures, we are many colors,

each one different from the other.

But we are entwined with one another in one great tapestry.

Weave, weave...

* 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: Help us, O God of our salvation;

PEOPLE: For the glory of your name, deliver us;
LEADER: Forgive our sins, for your name's sake.
PEOPLE: For we will give thanks to you forever;

from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

* HYMN 386

"Come, Worship God"

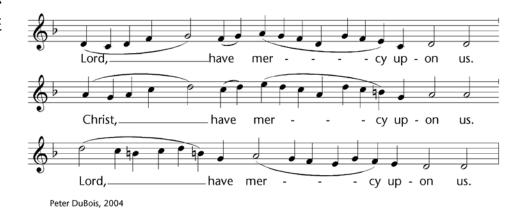
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PRAYER of CONFESSION

(unison)

Holy God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, creator of the universe, casualty of our sin, breath of life; we come trembling before you for we have hoarded and bartered what has never been ours in the hope of securing our future. We have yearned for wealth more than we have yearned for you. We have squandered your trust and grieved your heart with our betrayal. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and forgive our sins, for your name's sake. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER KYRIE



ASSURANCE of PARDON

LEADER: Friends, believe the good news.

PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* RESPONSE



TEACHER/ADVISOR COMMISSIONING

Following the children's message, children are invited to proceed to the education building for Sunday school. The nursery on the middle level (10:45) of the education building is available for children to age three. The $2^{nd}/3^{rd}$ grade class will be at the Children's Worship table today.

DISMISSAL of CHILDREN



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.

OLD TESTAMENT A

Amos 8:4-7

(Pew Bible, OT page 856)

LESSON

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

ANTHEM

"Like As the Hart"

Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say

unto me 'Where, where is now thy God?'

- Psalm 42:1-3

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 16:1-13

(Pew Bible, NT page 79)

LEADER: **PEOPLE**:

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Shrewd Service"

Martha Langford

* HYMN 343

"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

GERMANY

* AFFIRMATION of FAITH

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

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

(Prayer request cards are available in pew pockets and can be

and placed in the offering plate.)

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.

PRESENTATION of OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

"Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee"

Johannes Brahms

Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee; heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee. Why brood all day in sorrow? Tomorrow will bring thee God's help benign and grace sublime in mercy. Be true in all endeavor and ever ply bravely; what God decrees brings joy and peace, He'll stay thee. Amen.

- Paul Flemming (1609-1640)

***** RESPONSE:



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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: God of mercy, we thank you that you are full of tenderness and compassion. Grant us your grace, that with thanksgiving and joy we may serve you faithfully and walk in your ways. In Christ's name we pray.

Amen.

* HYMN 708 "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

SCHUMANN

***** CHARGE and BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

* GREETING

POSTLUDE "Fanfare"

Jacques Lemmens

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:

PREACHER: Martha Langford

LITURGISTS: Lynette Sparks, Katie Orem

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST: Peter DuBois

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Mary Ann Rutkowski
ASSISTANT ORGANIST: Caroline Robinson

GREETERS: Camille Clayton, Peg Rachfal, Jean Whitney, Bernie Todd Smith,

Clive Daunton

USHERS: Bill Boller, Otto Muller-Girard Jr., Priscilla Boller, Robb Adams,

Nancy Adams, Phil Tschorke, Beth Tschorke, Jeff Sprague

The flowers in the Chancel are given in loving memory of Roberta and Frank Bennett, parents of Kate Bennett and grandparents of Julia Hermanson.

The memorial candle is lit in honor of our teachers and advisors.

2016-2017 TEACHERS AND ADVISORS

Sunday School Youth Advisors

Bill Bay Elizabeth McClure Jenny Bay Bruce Peachey Paul Bishop Pati Primerano

Andrew Elder Gretchen Young-Zeh

Meaghan Held Mary DuBois (Youth Council)

Sunday School Teachers

Pre-school: Shannan Monrad

Kindergarten/1st grade: Darcy Ormaechea, Jan & Ron Roach 2nd/3rd Grade: Sarah Boyce, Tim Stout and Kirsten Elting

4th Grade: Tim Allyn and Jennifer Schafrath

5th Grade: Melanie Jones and Patty & Sean Singh

6th Grade: Sean Ossont and Robert Veitch

Nursery Coordinator: Tori Bruegger

NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

The 10:45 prelude this morning is by great 19th century French composer César Franck. His final works comprised three chorals written from his deathbed in 1890. These pieces were based on his own original hymn-like melodies, rather than existing chorales, as in the Lutheran tradition. Franck's Choral II in B minor is perhaps the most somber of the three, beginning as a passacaglia (first the melody in the bass and then continuing with variations on that melody) and weaving its way through various sections and other themes. At the end the composer combines all of these themes in a dramatic buildup and climax, only to die back down to an ethereal melody reminiscent of a choir of angels.

British composer Herbert Howells' anthem, "Like as the hart" is one of four anthems based on psalm texts he composed at the height of World War II in 1941 and 1942. It is based on Psalm 42, a psalm of exile. Its understated emotional intensity is heightened by the taunts of the Israelites' captors, "Where is now thy God?" The serene opening and closing emphasize the enduring faith of the psalmist, even in adversity.

Johannes Brahms' reverence for the music of Bach is evident in many of his works, including the offertory anthem, "Let nothing ever grieve thee." It sets a strong text of faith by 17th century German poet, Paul Flemming. Brahms' beautiful contrapuntal writing, in which one voice imitates another, is seamless. And the textures and harmonies that he creates point to many of his later works, including "Ein deutsches Requiem.



Presbyterian MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP Church Speking the Light OPPORTUNITIES

New Communion Schedule

- Communion will be celebrated EVERY Sunday in the 8:30am service.
- Communion will be celebrated on the FIRST SUNDAY of EVERY MONTH in the 10:45am service (currently it is celebrated on alternating months).

Church Ladies: A Stone Salad Dinner

Join us Friday, September 23 at 5:30pm for conversation and fun remembering our own school days. Please bring staples, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, Ziploc bags or pencils to donate to our tutoring partners. Bring a school photo of yourself. Last names A-R – please bring one salad ingredient (we will supply the lettuce and dressing); Last names S-Z – please bring a dessert.

Evening Prayer Service Today

A service of Evening Prayer, led by participants of this year's choir camp at Camp Cory, will be held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church (Winton & Highland) today at 4:00pm. All are welcome.

Help For Baton Rouge

Contact Rod Taylor (rtaylor@rochester.rr.com) or Nancy Watson (442-0145,

nancy watson@urmc.rochester.edu)

Ministry and Mental Health Workshop

Saturday, September 24 from 9:00am to 3:00pm at Third Presbyterian Church, organized by Urban Presbyterians Together. There is a \$5.00 registration fee, which includes a light lunch. Registration forms are available from the church office.

East Avenue Grocery Run

Join your Third Church friends for a fun and rewarding day at the East Avenue Grocery Run on November 5th. Register at Coffee Hour or at www.groceryrun.org

Youth Music Rehearsals to Begin

Music groups for youth begin next Sunday, September 25.

- 4:30pm Jr. High Bells (grades 7 & 8)
- 4:30pm Covenant Ringers (Grades 9-12)
- 5:15pm Covenant Singers (grades 7-12)

Send an e-mail to Peter DuBois (pdubois@thirdpresbyterian.org) or Mary Ann Rutkowski (mrutkowski@thirdpresbyterian.org) to let them know you'll be coming.

Caroline Robinson in Recital

Third Church Assistant Organist Caroline Robinson will present her Master's degree recital – on Saturday, September 24 at 8:00pm at Downtown United Presbyterian Church, 121 N. Fitzhugh St. All are welcome to attend.

Youth at Third Kick-off for Youth Families

Pizza Dinner & Information Meeting Sunday, September 25 in Celebration Center 5:00pm Parent Meeting 6:15pm Dinner Celebration Center Bring dish to pass according to last name

A - K: Dessert

L - 7: Salad

RSVP to Jane Carden with # attending *Activities for youth and younger siblings in Youth Lounge

Commissioning Class Information Meeting

Sunday, October 2, Noon-2pm Youth Lounge

All interested 9th-12th graders and their parents interested in exploring their faith are invited to come and learn about this year's Commissioning Experience. The first class follows immediately after the information meeting and will have a parent opportunity as well. Bring your lunch and join us! No RSVP's necessary!

Election Discussion

A two-part series led by Paul Gongloff will explore election issues from the perspective of people of faith. The first part is "Looking Ahead to Election Day", held at on Tuesday, September 20 at 7pm. Part two of the discussion, "Election Day Debriefing and What's Next?" takes place on November 10 at 7:00pm. Both events will take place at Sisters of St. Joseph Mother House in Pittsford.

Exploring Membership Luncheon

We invite you to join us at the next Exploring Membership Luncheon on October 2, designed for people new to the congregation to learn more about Third Church. It gives you an opportunity bring questions, and get to know our pastoral staff, a few church members, and other folks new to this place. Child care is available if you let us know in advance that you need it. Our luncheon conversation will conclude at 1:30pm. For those that are ready to join in membership, the next step is a New Member Gathering offered at two different times (1) that same afternoon following the luncheon from 1:30-2:30pm, or (2) on the following Sunday, October 9, at 8:30am. To RSVP, contact Lynette Sparks (271-6513 ext. 106) or lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org

You're Invited...

to the next

EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Do you want to know more about Third Church?

Do you want to deepen your ties to this community of faith?

Do you wonder about becoming a member, but have questions?

THEN AN EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON IS JUST FOR YOU!

Meet members, staff, and other newcomers.
Share your story and hear others' stories.
Explore ways to connect with others
Attendance carries no obligation to join.

EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEONS

October 2, 2016

12:00 noon in Johnston Hall

December 4, 2016

12:00 noon in Johnston Hall

February 5, 2017

12:00 noon in Johnston Hall

May 7, 2016

12:00 noon in Johnston Hall

Childcare available. Please reserve in advance.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAYS:

October 9, 2016 December 11, 2016 February 12, 2017 May 21, 2016

New Member Class at 8:30am

Received by the Session at 10:00am in Johnston Hall

Welcomed in worship at 10:45am



To RSVP, contact **Lynette Sparks** (Isparks@thirdpresbyterian.org or 271.6537 ext. 106).

Calendar for September 18 – September 25

Sunday at Third Church						
8:30ar					CE Building	
8:30ar	n Worship				Chapel	
9:30ar	n Growing in the Wor	d			Parlor	
9:30ar	n Sunday Seminar				JH	
9:30ar	n Jr. Choir Rehearsal				Moot Room	
10:00ar	, ,				Chapel	
10:00ar	, ,				Sanctuary	
10:45ar					Sanctuary	
11:00ar					CE Building	
12:00pr					CC	
3:00pr	•		hearsal for evenir	O . ,	Off-site	
4:00pr	n Camp Cory Evening	Prayer		St. Thomas Episo	copal Church	
Monday, Se	ptember 19		Friday, Sep			
9:30am	Food Cupboard	CC	5:30pm	The Church Ladies	JH	
5:00pm	Shawl Knitting Ministry	Parlor	Caturday C	antambar 24		
6:30pm	Yoga	JH	9:00am	eptember 24	Markshan IU	
6:30pm	Youth Committee	Parker	1:00pm	'		
1:00pm Dining Room Ministry CC Tuesday, September 20						
9:15am	Morning Prayer	Chapel	Sunday, Se	ptember 25		
9:45am	Staff Meeting	Parker	8:30am	Worship	Chapel	
6:00pm	Property Committee	Whitney	8:30am	Child Care	CE Building	
7:00pm	Trustees Meeting	CC	9:30am	Sunday Seminar	JH	
7:00pm	Deacons Meeting	JH	9:30am	Jr. Choir Rehearsal	Moot Room	
7:00pm	Outreach Steering	, Whitney	9:30am	Growing in the Word		
[-	J		10:00am	Intercessory Prayer	-	
Wednesday	, September 21		10:45am	Worship	Sanctuary	
12:00pm	Calvin Guild	JH	11:00am	Church School	CE Building	
5:30pm	Jr. Choir Rehearsal	Moot Rm	12:00pm	Coffee Hour	CC	
5:30pm	Membership & Evang.	Whitney	2:00pm	Witness Palestine Filr		
7:15pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Rm	4:30pm	Covenant Ringers	Moot Rm	
·			4:30pm	Jr. High Bells	Sanctuary	
	eptember 22	66	5:15pm	Covenant Singers	Choir Rm	
9:30am	Food Cupboard	CC	6:00pm	Youth Kick-off Potluc	k Dinner CC	
10:45am	Celebration Ringers	Moot Rm				
12:00pm	Thursday Voices	JH				
5:30pm	Third Church Ringers	Moot Rm				