



**The Worship of God
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

January 28, 2018

10:45am

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 "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 in the pew racks.

Church School is available for children, preschool through sixth grade, during the 10:45am worship service. The sixth grade class will be at the Worship Table today.

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

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 (271-6537, ext. 106 or lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org). The next Exploring Membership luncheon will take place next Sunday, February 4 at 12:00pm.

Newsletter: The Messenger is published monthly. Copies are available in the Chapel and Sanctuary, in the literature racks outside Johnston Hall and the Arnold Park entrance, and on the church website. If you are interested in receiving the newsletter, contact Cindy Mark in the Church Office (ext. 100 or cmark@thirdpresbyterian.org).

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, please take time to become more aware of the continuing presence of God.

**Please stand as you are able, in body or in spirit.*

PRELUDE “Arietta” Thomas H. Kerr

INTROIT “Light of Light” Nancy Gifford
Junior Choir

Light of light, ever bright, bringing day to darkest night,
Ev’ry-where, hear our prayer, give us eyes to see.
Laudamus te.

Evermore we adore God of majesty and awe,
Ev’ry-where hear our prayer, give us voice to praise.
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te.

*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 Psalm 111

LEADER: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

PEOPLE: **Great are the deeds of God; they are studied by all who
delight in them.**

LEADER: God’s work is full of majesty and splendor,
and God’s righteousness endures forever.

PEOPLE: **God’s marvelous works are to be remembered;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**

LEADER: The works of God’s hands are faithfulness and justice;
all of God’s commandments are sure.

PEOPLE: **They stand fast for ever and ever,
because they are done in truth and equity.**

LEADER: God sent redemption to the people;
God's covenant has been commanded forever;
holy and awesome is God's name.

PEOPLE: **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
God's praise endures forever.**

*HYMN 755 "Alleluia! Laud and Blessing"

WEISSE FLAGGEN

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your lovingkindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful spirit. 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.

Peter DuBois, 2004

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 and baptism, children are invited to proceed to the education building for Sunday School. The nursery on the middle level of the education building is available for children age 3 and younger. The sixth grade class will be at the Children's Worship Table today.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION Ian Kenneth Baker

THE ACT OF BAPTIZING

WELCOME

ELDER: Through baptism, Ian Kenneth has now been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church. God has made him a member of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

PEOPLE: **With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into the peace and unity of the church of Jesus Christ. Our vow is to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you and to help you to know and follow Christ. May God's abundant blessings be always with you.**

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE AND DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

KINGDOM

1. Child of blessing, child of promise, Bap-tized
2. Child of joy, our dear-est trea-sure, God's you

with the Spir - it's sign, With this wa - ter God has
are, from God you came. Back to God we hum-bly

sealed you Un - to love and grace di - vine.
give you: Live as one who bears Christ's name.

Text: Ronald S. Cole-Turner, 1980
Tune: V. Earle Copes, 1959

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.

FOCUS on MISSION

Committee on Nominations

EPISTLE LESSON — I Corinthians 8:1-13

Pew Bible, NT page 171

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“Jubilate Deo”

Benjamin Britten

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: Serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise. Be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

- Psalm 100 (with Gloria Patri)

GOSPEL LESSON — Mark 1:21-28

Pew Bible, NT page 35

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Community, Authority and Incarnation”

John Wilkinson

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS of the PEOPLE
and 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

"True Light"

Keith Hampton

Riki Connaughton, *alto*

Anders Namestnik, *tenor*

Will Zimmer, *bass*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Almighty God is light. He lives in us as True Light. In the beginning, out of the darkness, God created Light. Don't let the light that You've given me die, And don't desert my mind. But let the one who serves You Praise you again. You are the one who judges right from wrong. Your glory excites no envy. He lives in us as True Light. This little light of mine...

- words by Keith Hampton, including text by Grigor Narekatzi (951-1003) from the "Book of Mournful Chants"

*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

*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: **Gracious God, you call us together in community and send us out in the name of Jesus, your Word made flesh. Bless what we give and bless the ways that we serve you, that our ministry may be courageous and bold. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*HYMN 159 "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"

KINGSFOLD

*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*GREETING

POSTLUDE "Grand Choeur Dialogué"

Eugène Gigout

The Chancel flowers this morning are given in honor of our wonderful staff.

The memorial prayer candle is lit in gratitude for the gift of baptism.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

John Wilkinson..... Preacher
Martha C. Langford, Ernest F. Krug, Mary DuBois..... Liturgists
Peter A. DuBois..... Director of Music/Organist
Mary Ann Rutkowski..... Associate Director of Music
Caroline J. Robinson Assistant Organist
Carol Roth, Tim Stout, Ruth Sylvestre Rossi,
Miss Rickey Snowden, Dot Wallace Greeters
Sue Danielson, Dianna Daunton, Miriam Gale, Tom Gillett,
Ann McMican, Gayle Phillips, Janet Stewart, David Tennant Ushers
Tutors, Arts and Enrichment Coffee Hour Hosts



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In Our Prayers

The Boyd family on the birth of **Owen Douglas Boyd**, whose parents are Jen and Doug Boyd, and grandmother is Gayle Phillips.

Ginger and John Briggs, Jarr and Bailey on the death of Ginger's father **James Webb**.

The Seoud and McKee families on the death of **Donald Roger Premo, Sr.**

URGENT Stewardship Update



As we move toward finalizing the 2018 budget, the Stewardship and Joint Budget and Finance Committees are grateful for all who have pledged

thus far

To date, 359 of you have pledged \$855,889. Included in that number are 21 new pledges. Thank you!

You can pledge by...

- Placing your cards in the offering plate this morning. Additional pledge cards are available in the pews.
- Mailing a completed pledge card to the church office
- Emailing a confidential pledge to cfoster@thirdpresbyterian.org.

If you've already pledged and requested envelopes, you may find them on the table outside of Johnston Hall.

Sunday Seminar

Sunday, January 28, 9:30am in Johnston Hall
"Violence in Scripture," led by Mark Brummitt, Associate Professor of Old Testament Studies at CRCDS.

Growing in the Word

Sunday, January 28, 9:30am in the Parlor
"The Mystery Defies, Mark 11:27-12:24," led by Paul Gongloff.

Exploring Membership Luncheon

Next Sunday, February 4, 12:00pm
Johnston Hall

Are you new to Third Church, and want to learn more about us? Or have you participated for some time and are interested in exploring membership? We invite you to join us at our next Exploring Membership Luncheon on Sunday, February 4. You can bring all your questions, get to know our pastoral staff, members of the church, and other folks new to this place. The emphasis of the conversation is exploring ways to connect. Childcare is available; please let us know in advance if you need it. Our luncheon conversation will conclude by 1:30pm.

To RSVP or learn more, contact Lynette Sparks (271-6537 ext. 106 or lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org).

Mardi Gras Celebration

Tuesday, February 13, 5:45pm,
Celebration Center

Pancakes, live music and fellowship! **Tickets are \$5/person, \$25/family max, on sale during coffee hour today and February 4 and 11.**

If you have questions or would like to help out, please contact Becky D'Angelo-Veitch at rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org or 271-6537, ext. 118.

Nominating Committee Seeks Suggestions

You can nominate yourself or suggest someone who you think has the gifts and qualifications to serve. All nominations are confidential.

Please send your nominations to jwilkinson@thirdpresbyterian.org or complete a nomination form located in the chapel and sanctuary or the church office and return it by today.

Stained Glass Windows at Calvary St. Andrew's Lecture

TODAY, 2:00pm
ROC SALT Mission Center (Historic Calvary St. Andrew's)
68 Ashland St. at Averill

Valerie O'Hara, Pike Stained Glass Studios, will present the history of "The Stained Glass Windows of Calvary St. Andrew's" through slides and a tour of the sanctuary.

If Music Be the Food... Concert Series

TONIGHT, 7:30pm, Sanctuary

The "If Music Be the Food..." concert series features professional and student musicians who donate their time and talent to raise awareness about food insecurity in the Rochester area. Please bring a food item to donate to Rochester's Foodlink food bank as your ticket to the concert.

Toddler Music Class This Winter

Mondays, 10:30am – 11:00am, Moot Room

Our toddler/caretaker music class is back for the winter session! This 6 week class is for children 14 months – 3 years, with their caretakers.

It's not too late to join! Please contact Mary Ann Rutkowski at 271-6537, ext. 101 or mrutkowski@thirdpresbyterian.org.

Monday Night Yoga

Monday, January 29, 6:30pm, Johnston Hall.

Join us for this free class!

Thursday Voices

**Thursday, February 1, 12:00pm,
Johnston Hall**

"Consuming Violence: Voyeurism versus Vision," written by Daniel Train, led by John Wilkinson.

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, February 3, 8:30am, Johnston Hall

Join us for fellowship, pancakes and insightful discussion.

Please RSVP to Paul Bishop at pabishop@live.com or Andrew Elder at andrew_elder@pobox.com.

Souper Bowl of Caring

Next Sunday, February 4

It's Souper Bowl of Caring time again. Bring your canned food items and offering on February 4. Youth will be at both services. This year's hunger ministry recipients are Cameron Community Ministries, Third Church Food Cupboard and our new Youth mission outreach HOM4Lunch. Every dollar, every pound of food stays local! Thank you for helping us to make a difference!

Listening as an Act of Love and Social Change

Monday, February 12, 1:00pm – 4:00pm
M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence
929 S. Plymouth Ave., Rochester

Listening is a gift that helps us to discover ourselves and others.

Join Gandhi Institute director Kit Miller for a thoughtful afternoon focused on experiential exercises, game and dialogue.

RSVP to Deb Bishop, dabishop@rochester.rr.com or 267-9939 if you are able to attend.

Ash Wednesday Schedule

Wednesday, February 14

9:00am – 5:00pm: Prayer and Reflection
The Sanctuary will be open

11:30am – 1:30pm: Ashes
Available in the Sanctuary

12:00pm: Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service

ROC SALT Mission Center (Historic Calvary St. Andrew's)

Corner of Ashland and Averill

6:00pm: Simple Soup Supper

7:00pm: Ash Wednesday Worship

New Ways to Donate Online

Donating to Third Church just got easier!

If you'd like to donate online, visit www.thirdpresbyterian.org, click on the "Give" tab on right under the banner at the top of the page, and select "Give Online."

From there you will find several ways to make a quick and convenient donation, whether it's recurring or one-time only.

Worship Recordings and Sermon Availability

Did you know that Sunday sermons and anthems can be listened to again via the church website?

Visit www.thirdpresbyterian.org, click on "Worship," then select "Sermons and Order of Worship" from the drop down menu.

Sermons are also available for viewing on the website; printed versions are available at several locations in the church.

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