

“Anarchy in sexual relationships is a symptom of
alienation from God, neighbors, and self.”

Confession of 1967

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

The Worship of God
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 29, 2018

10:00am

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.

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 scripture readings for the day. **Child Care** is available all morning in the Education Building for infants and toddlers.

Pastoral Care: needs and prayer concerns may be communicated to Ernest Krug.

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 in the fall.

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 “Concerto in G Major,” BWV 592 J. S. Bach
Allegro – Grave – Presto *after* Johann Ernst

*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 145

LEADER: All your works praise you, O Lord,
and your faithful servants bless you.

PEOPLE: **They make known the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power.**

LEADER: That the peoples may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

PEOPLE: **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

LEADER: The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.

PEOPLE: **You open wide your hand and satisfy the needs of
every living creature.**

*HYMN 645 “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” MIT FRUEDEN ZART

PRAYER of CONFESSION

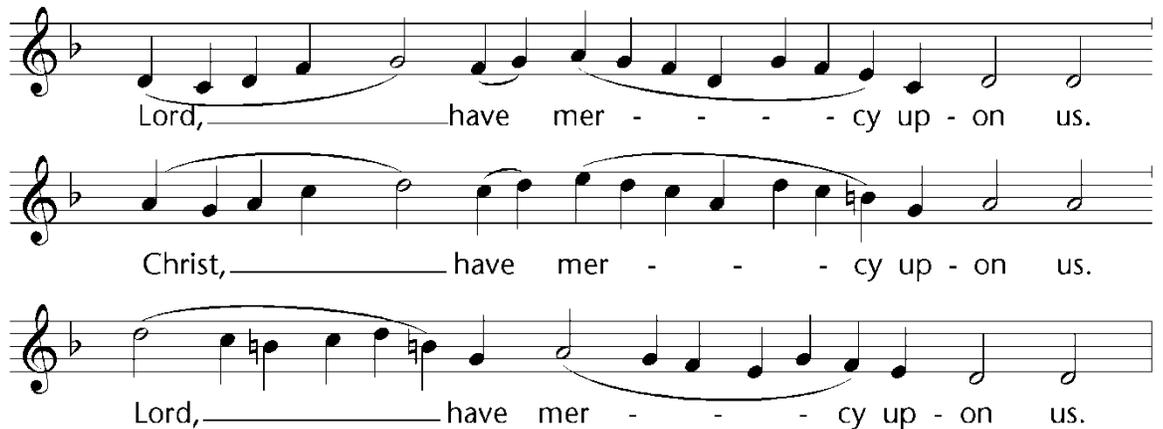
O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we remain silent in the presence of evil. You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You call us to seek the good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.

You call us to fight pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near.

Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. 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, school age children are invited to gather at the table under the Arnold Park balcony for quiet activities during worship. The nursery on the middle level of the education building is available for preschool age children and younger.

DISMISSAL of CHILDREN

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

I. II. TALLIS' CANON

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.

DUET

“Laudamus te”

Antonio Vivaldi

(from *Gloria*)

Mary Ann Rutkowski, *soprano*
Caroline Nielson, *mezzo-soprano*

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.
Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

*We praise Thee. We bless Thee.
We worship Thee. We glorify Thee.*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON — II Samuel 11:1-28

Pew Bible, OT page 284

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “It’s Always About Power”

John Wilkinson

*HYMN 415 “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

RESTORATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A New Creed, United Church of Canada (1968)

We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. 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

DUET

"I Waited for the Lord"

Felix Mendelssohn

(from *Hymn of Praise*)

Mary Ann Rutkowski, *soprano*

Caroline Nielson, *mezzo-soprano*

*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.**

ALL: **Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness that has created us, your grace that has sustained us, your discipline that has corrected us, your patience that has borne with us, and your love that has redeemed us. Help us to love you, and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*HYMN 457 "How Happy Are the Saints of God"

WAREHAM

*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

RANDOLPH

**God be with you 'til we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you,
God be with you 'til we meet again.**

*GREETING

POSTLUDE "Concerto in A minor," BWV 593
Allegro

J. S. Bach
after Antonio Vivaldi

The chancel flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Francis Pedrick, beloved husband of Sylvia Pedrick.

The memorial prayer candle is lit with prayers for peace among the nations of the world.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

John Wilkinson..... Preacher
Lynette K. Sparks, Ernest F. Krug Liturgists
Peter A. DuBois..... Director of Music/Organist
Bob Eames, Alison Gray, Maryjane Link..... Greeters
Dianna and Clive Daunton, Jeff Sprague,
Beth and Phil Tschorke, Stephen Zuegel Ushers



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In Our Prayers

- For the **Boyce and Stout family** on the death of Sarah's step-father Larry Shaer.
- For **Laurie King** on the death of her brother Gerry Campbell.
- For **Robert Campbell** on the death of his wife, Jean Campbell. A memorial service will be held on **Wednesday, August 1 at 11:00am** in the Chapel. A reception will follow in Johnston Hall.

Pew Cushions

Individual pew cushions are available in the Sanctuary. Please see an usher for assistance.

Food Cupboard in Need

CAN YOU HELP? Please consider bringing a few jars of peanut butter (18oz) to church every Sunday this summer. Our supply is almost depleted! We give 50 - 60 jars every week. Thank you!

Summer Sundays with TEDx

9:00am, Johnston Hall

Today: "My son was a Columbine shooter: This is my story" by Sue Klebold, led by Beth Struever.

Sunday Aug 5: "The urgency of intersectionality" by Kemberle Crenshaw, led by Mary Cowden.

Name Tags Have Arrived

If you ordered a Third Church name tag for yourself, you may pick it up after the Sunday service at the welcome table in the Narthex, or in the church office during the week.

Next Sunday

To preview our upcoming Year of Stories, John Wilkinson's sermons today and August 5 will explore two extended biblical narratives.

On **August 5**, we will look at John 6:1-40, Jesus feeding the 5000.

**You are invited to read this beforehand.
Review of 2018 General Assembly**

Sunday, August 5, following 10:00am worship

Johnston Hall

Third Church elder Ralph Carter served as a commissioner to this year's General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) which met in St. Louis in June. Ralph will share insights about his experience. All are welcome.

**COMING SOON:
Intergenerational Summer Choir!**

For two Sundays in August, interested singers, seventh grade through adult, are invited to come early and rehearse an anthem or two to sing in worship that day! On Sunday August 19, and Sunday August 26, we'll meet at 9:00am in the (air conditioned!) Choir Room, and after a brief rehearsal in the Sanctuary, we'll be ready to sing for worship. No robes, so dress with that in mind, and come join us! A great way to "try out" a choir experience, or for regular singers to get their voices in shape for the Fall season! Peter DuBois and Mary Ann Rutkowski are coordinating this effort.

Summer of the Century

Thursday, August 2 12:00pm, Johnston Hall

"The housed, the homeless and the right to be somewhere," led by Beth Struever.

Thursday, August 9: "The poor we will always have with us?" led by Beth Struever.

Organ Historical Society National Convention THIS WEEK

The Convention will be held in Rochester and surrounding towns July 29 through August 3. Peter DuBois and Caroline Robinson will both be performing for the convention during the week (at other locations) among some thirty-two artists from around the country. Third Church will play host to a major recital on Wednesday evening, August 1 at 8:00pm in the sanctuary. Internationally renowned artist Alan Morrison, Professor of Organ at the Curtis Institute of Music, will perform an exciting program, including a full transcription of Modest Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition." This and other evening concerts during the convention will be open to the public.

Third Church members may identify themselves at the door as members to receive free admission to this concert (a \$30 value!) Full information about the convention may be found online at www.organhistoricalsociety.org/2018.

School Supplies for Cameron Ministries

Help us collect schools supplies for the children at Cameron Community Ministries, which ministers to children in the high-poverty Lyell-Otis neighborhood. You can bring your donations to the marked collection box outside the church office by **Sunday, August 19**, and we will transport them to Cameron.

Alternatively, you may make a donation for supplies and we will forward it to Cameron.

Supply list: **BACKPACKS, 3-ring binders, erasers, dry erase markers, highlighters, *glue sticks, index cards, hand sanitizer, *loose leaf paper (wide ruled), *scissors, pencil sharpeners, pens and pencils, scotch tape, *tab dividers, *pocket folders (solid colors), tissues (full size boxes), post-its, colored markers (washable), rulers, colored pencils, pencil cases, *composition notebooks, spiral notebooks (solid colors/wide ruled)

**denotes items that are in highest demand*

Summer Sizzle Report – More Volunteers Needed

We are in strong need of more volunteers for Summer Sizzle at Wilson Commencement Park. Our program runs four days a week from 9am to 4pm. The time we need the most coverage

is the time frame between 9am and 1pm. You do not need to volunteer four days a week. You would be chaperoning activities with presenters, light clean-up and assisting in the light serving of daily breakfast.

The program building site is located at 251 Joseph Avenue in the Destiny Building and has elevators, making it more accessible. As the oldest child is 13, everyone must be 18 and over to volunteer. If you are interested in assisting, contact Melanie Jones at 347-668-6181 or email her at artsenrichmentdirector@aol.com.

Supply request for 40 children on roster (Please, only these can be taken): White cotton t-shirts adult small and medium, rubber bands, Sharpee pens, small glass jars with lids, Dixie cups. Thank you!

RAIHN Volunteer Sign-Up

Thanks to our incredible volunteers, we are down to our last critical spots. Please sign up for our 54th RAIHN rotation here: www.thirdpresbyterian.org/RAIHN. We really need you!

- Sunday 8/5, 11am - **seven** needed to complete set-up
- Sunday 8/12, 9am - **eight** needed for take down
- Sunday 8/12 9:15am - **one** needed to host
- Sunday 8/12, 11am - **one** for pizza lunch
- Sunday 8/12, 1:15pm - **three** for take down

For more information, contact Lou Loggi at louis.loggi@gmail.com or Laurie Mahoney at LMahone1@rochester.rr.com.

Meals With a Meaning – October 20 Hosts Needed!

Want to get to know other church members on a more meaningful level? Then join us this fall for "Meals With a Meaning." There is no set cost for this event. Gatherings are sized to fit each host's table. Meals need not be expensive or fancy, but focus on creativity and personal cooking preferences with a focus on fun! If you've enjoyed this event in the past, consider hosting this year. If you are new to Third Church, we especially look forward to your participation as a guest and getting to know you better. Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 20. Then contact committee chairs to

sign up as a host or a guest. Contact Beth Aten at bethfa@rochester.rr.com or Hope Herting at mhherting@yahoo.com.

Find Us on Twitter and Instagram, and Stay in Touch via Email!

In addition to Facebook, Third Church is also on Twitter and Instagram at handle @ThirdChurchROC. Join the conversation!

Additionally, if you are not on our email distribution list to receive weekly updates, please contact Cindy Mark at cmark@thirdpresbyterian.org.

Calling All Gardeners!

Can you commit to one hour per week to help grow fresh, healthful vegetables for families in need? Volunteer with the Alison Clarke Community Garden to supplement the food at the South Wedge Food Program at the corner of Averill Ave. and Ashland Street. Contact Tracy Walker at tracy@walkermedia.net for more information.

Amazon Wish List

The Third Church librarians have identified a few books that would enhance the offerings of our church library. We have added these to the library's Amazon Wish List.

If you would like to donate a book to the library, visit amazon.com, and from home page, go to the "Lists" drop down menu. Click "Find a List or Registry" then search for "Third Church Library."

In the coming months we will add more books to the wish list that would be welcome additions to our collection. And we always gratefully accept gently used, unmarked books from your personal collection that are appropriate for the library.

New Ways to Donate Online

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.

You can also use your mobile device to make donations to Third! Download the Give+ app, search for Third Presbyterian Church, and

follow the instructions to make one-time or recurring gifts toward your pledge or special funds.

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.

Support Third Church When You Shop at Amazon

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Go to www.thirdpresbyterian.org and click on the Amazon logo on the homepage. Shop as you usually do, and Amazon will send a percentage of your purchase to Third Church. It's a great way to generate income for Third Church at no additional cost to you!

Sunday Morning Parking

Third Church aspires to be inclusive in many ways, including for those with mobility challenges. In order for worshipers to be able to use the ramp at the Arnold Park door, we have designated the ENTIRE Arnold Park parking lot for handicap access on Sunday mornings.

We know, however, that there are more with handicap access needs than there are spaces in the Arnold Park lot. Therefore, if you do not have a blue handicap parking card, we kindly ask you not to park in the Arnold Park lot. If you are dropping someone off at the Arnold Park entrance, please continue through the driveway to our Meigs Street lot.