



“Sharing our abundance may, as Jesus says, be impossible for mortals, but nothing is impossible for God. None of us knows what risks God's spirit may empower us to take. Our faith, ministry and hope are that the Creator will empower us to trust his generosity, so that bread may abound.”

Walter Brueggemann
“The Liturgy of Abundance,
the Myth of Scarcity”

The Worship of God
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 5, 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 “Prière” Camille Saint-Saëns
Benjamin Krug, *cello*

*DOXOLOGY *(Please stand as the organ introduction begins)* OLD HUNDRETH

**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 5*

LEADER: Through the abundance of your steadfast love,
O God, I will enter your house,

PEOPLE: **I will bow down towards your holy temple
in awe of you.**

LEADER: Let all who take refuge in you rejoice;
let them ever sing for joy.

PEOPLE: **Spread your protection over them,
so that those who love your name may exult in you.**

*HYMN 529 “Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether” UNION SEMINARY

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. 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.

SOLO

“Mein gläubiges Herze”

J. S. Bach

(My heart ever faithful – *from* Cantata 68)

Danika Felty, *soprano*

(translation) My faithful heart, rejoice, sing, make merry, your Jesus is near! Away misery, away complaining, to you will I say only my Jesus is here.

GOSPEL LESSON — John 6:1-40

Pew Bible, NT page 97

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“The Bread of Life”

John Wilkinson

*HYMN 796 “Break Thou the Bread of Life”

BREAD OF LIFE

The gathering of the servers

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from “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. Amen.

PRESENTATION of OFFERINGS

In addition to the regular offering, today we receive our monthly special offering to support the People's Emergency Fund, which is used to help those who come to us in financial distress, especially those who face eviction or utility shut-offs. Each month we are forced to turn some people away because funds have been depleted; your donations enable more assistance to people in need. Envelopes are in the pew racks. Thank you for your generosity.

SOLO

"O for the Wings of a Dove"
(from *Hear My Prayer*)

Felix Mendelssohn
Danika Felty, *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

THE SACRAMENT of THE LORD'S SUPPER

At the time of communion, ushers will invite you to come forward via the center and side aisles. Take a piece of gluten free bread from the server, dip it in the cup which contains grape juice, and partake as you are served. Return to your seat via the side aisle. If moving forward is difficult for you, a team of servers will come to you to serve the communion elements.

*INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*GREAT 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.**

*SANCTUS

Richard Proulx

(organ intro)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blest is the One who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 498** "Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"

BEACH SPRING

***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 "Fanfare"

John Cook

The chancel flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Caroline Robinson, with gratitude for her creative and faithful service as Assistant Organist for the past four years. We ask God's blessings on all of her future endeavors.

The memorial prayer candle is lit in solidarity with people who are homeless in our community, including those staying at Third Church this week as part of our RAIHN ministry.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

John Wilkinson..... Preacher
Ernest F. Krug Liturgist
Caroline J. Robinson Assistant Organist
Bonnie DeHollander, Ruth Rossi, Jack Salzer Greeters
Jim Boyer, Roxanne Boyer, Jobin Philip,
Mary Philip, Beth Sieber, Stephen Zuegel..... Ushers



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In Our Prayers

For **Sally Merrill**, on the death of her husband, Pete Merrill.

A memorial service for Pete Merrill will be held on Saturday, August 11 at 10:00am in the Sanctuary. A reception in Johnston Hall will follow.

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

Sunday Aug 12: "The power of vulnerability" by Brené Brown, led by Mary Cowden.

Welcome RAIHN Guests

Today we welcome RAIHN families who will be our overnight guests all week in the Education Building.

Please consider the following critical open spots. You can sign up at: www.thirdpresbyterian.org/raihn.

We will have a full house! Our RAIHN volunteers have been awesome especially with a summer rotation. Just a few more critical spots for your consideration:

- A few more to help set up after church today, at 11:00am

- Two to help today between 2:00pm and 5:00pm with families and small children during family orientation
- Eight more to help take down before church 9:00am, August 12
- One to join Laurie during Pizza Lunch on Sunday August 12, after church
- Three to join Laurie on Sunday August 12 at 1:15pm to finish up taking down the Youth Lounge - done by 1:45!

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

Review of 2018 General Assembly

**Today, following the 10:00am Service
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.

Name Tags Have Arrived – It's Not Too Late to Place an Order!

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.

We are also taking new orders for name tags if you have not yet ordered one. The cost is \$10.50. Please contact Sheila Elliott at selliott@rotoliteelliott.com to order yours.

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 9 12:00pm, Johnston Hall
"The poor we will always have with us?" led by Beth Struever.

Thursday, August 16: "What does it mean to hope?" led by Paul Gongloff.

After Worship Conversation

Sunday August 19, 11:00am, Johnston Hall
"Building Minds in South Sudan"

Come hear Benjamin Sprunger and Candacia Greeman speak about their recent experiences supporting primary and secondary education efforts in South Sudan for over 1000 students. Formed in 2011, northwest of Kenya, South Sudan faces numerous problems including famine, food and water insecurity, and a brutal civil war. Come hear of latest developments, daily miracles, and signs of hope from administrative capacity builder, Benjamin Sprunger and teacher trainer, Candacia. Benjamin is nephew of Third Church members Ralph Carter and spouse, Van Van Zanten.

School Supplies for Cameron Ministries

Help us collect school 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!

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.

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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.