



“The ultimate test of a moral society is the kind of world that it leaves to its children.”

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

The Worship of God
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 12, 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 on Sunday, October 14 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 “Praeludium circulare” Charles-Marie Widor
(from *Symphonie II*)

*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 124 and 118*

LEADER: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
PEOPLE: **maker of heaven and earth.**
LEADER: This is the day that the Lord has made;
PEOPLE: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*HYMN 404 “What Is This Place” KOMT NU MET ZANG

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ 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.

PSALTER Psalm 130 (*read responsively by verse*) Pew Bible, OT page 573

SOLO "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" John Ness Beck
transcribed by Craig Courtney
Mary Ann Rutkowski, *soprano*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON — Ephesians 4:25-5:2 Pew Bible, NT page 194

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Guidelines for the New Life" John Wilkinson

*HYMN 729 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from "A Brief Statement of Faith," Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*

In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet

entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. 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

SOLO "Sing Praise to God"

Mark Hijlek
Mary Ann Rutkowski, *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: **Grant us, O Lord, the grace always to do and think what accords with your purpose; that we, who cannot exist without you, may be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

***HYMN 731** "Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm"

REPTON

***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 "Fugue in D Major," BWV 532

J. S. Bach

The chancel flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Elizabeth Hansen, wife of Ronald Hansen.

The memorial prayer candle is lit in solidarity with all who grieve and mourn – may they be comforted.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

John Wilkinson..... Preacher
Lynette K. Sparks Liturgist
Käthe Wright Kaufman Organist
Camille Clayton, Ruth Rossi, Betsey Wheeler Greeters
Elmer Dustman, Hope Herting, Jeremy Peters, Gloria Pleger,
Jim Pochodylo, Don Schichler, Rebecca Schichler, Anne Sievers..... Ushers



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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!

Welcome to Guest Organist Käthe Wright Kaufman

We welcome guest organist Käthe Wright Kaufman this morning, who is currently the Glynda Stephens Taylor Organ Scholar at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Buffalo. Thank you, Ms. Kaufman, for sharing your talents with us!

Summer Sundays with TEDx

9:00am, Johnston Hall

Today: "The power of vulnerability" by Brené Brown, led by Mary Cowden.

Sunday Aug 19: "The gift and power of emotional courage" by Susan David, led by Beth Struever.

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 the next two Sundays, 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 16 12:00pm, Johnston Hall
"What does it mean to hope?" led by Paul Gongloff.

Thursday, August 23: "When I need a gratitude intervention" led by Mary Cowden.

After Worship Conversation – Next Sunday

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

Benjamin Sprunger and Candacia Greeman will share their recent experiences supporting primary and secondary education efforts in South Sudan for over 1000 students. 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. 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 Update

It hard to believe that Summer Sizzle- Wilson Wondercamp is entering month two and is past the halfway mark. This year's program is headquartered at Wilson Commencement Park and Sojourner Home and is partially supported by the speech department graduate students at Nazareth College.

Our highlights have been a trip to Camp Whitman kickoff, The Strong Museum, Rochester Museum and Science Center, Capoeira, African Drumming, Latin Dancing, Caribbean Day, MCC Chemistry Club Visit, Dental Education and Healthy Eating from Jordan Health, visits from the RPD, the RPD Horse Unit and the RFD. The Rochester Police Department brought pizza to the children and joined them in African drumming. Wilson Wondercamp also paid a visit to Third Church where our own Mary Ann Rutkowski, led a music workshop for interested children.

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.