



# Third Church Update

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**Thursday, February 16, 2012**

## **Annual Meeting of the Congregation**

Per its bylaws, the Session of Third Presbyterian Church has called for an annual meeting of the congregation on **Sunday, March 4** following the 10:45am service of worship in the Sanctuary. All are welcome. [Annual reports are available at the church and online.](#) [You may see the letter sent by the Nominating Committee here.](#)

There will be a memorial service for **David Welch** in the Sanctuary on Friday, February 17, at 2:00pm in the Chapel.

In these days after Tyler Kopp's death, many of us have experienced a great need to express our support and sorrow in tangible ways. Because the Kopp family has been a passionate and faithful supporter of the Third Church food cupboard, we invite those who would like to participate to bring donations of three staple items – Cereal, Peanut Butter, Toilet Paper – to remember Tyler and his family. Food cupboard receptacles can be found in the back of the sanctuary and chapel, and in the foyer by the church office.

## **Third Church Sunday Schedule**

8:30am Worship - Chapel  
9:30am Adult Faith Development - Johnston Hall  
10:45am Worship - Sanctuary  
11:00am Large Group Church School - CE Building  
12:00pm Coffee Hour - Johnston Hall

## **Worship this Sunday, February 19**

### **8:30am in the Chapel and 10:45am in the Sanctuary**

Roderic P. Frohman preaching "Using What We Have." [II Corinthians 4:1-6; Mark 12: 41-44.](#)

## **Adult Faith Development**

*Sunday, February 19, 9:30am*

*Johnston Hall*

"The Quest for the Historical Jesus" - #2 of 3

*Theodore H. Weeden*

The 2011-2012 [Adult Faith Development Course Catalogue](#) is available on the Third

Church website. Please watch the Adult Education [web page](#) for reminders and updates. To receive a CD copy of classes, please contact Rod Frohman at 271-6537, ext. 106 or [rfrohman@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:rfrohman@thirdpresbyterian.org).

## **Hunger Sunday is Every Sunday!**

*Sunday, February 19*

Please bring canned fruits & vegetables, 14-15oz. canned soup (chicken noodle, tomato). Food Cupboard needs your donations.

## **Amnesty International Letter Signing**

During coffee hour, please stop by the Amnesty International table and sign a letter calling attention to a need for justice. This urgent action request concerns extremely harsh response of police to protesting students in Mexico.

## **“Together You Are the Body of Christ” Stewardship Update**

Thanks to those who have already pledged. As of February 12, we have received 406 pledges totaling \$856,472 with a goal of \$927,600. Pledge cards are available in the office, in the pew pads in the Chapel, and in the pew racks in the Sanctuary. You may mail them to the church or you may submit a confidential pledge to Carol Foster at [cfoster@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:cfoster@thirdpresbyterian.org).

## **Song Fest**

*Thursday, February 16, 7:15-8:30pm*

*Valley Manor Music Lounge*

Please join us for a musical treat of sacred and secular songs. Whether you sing or listen, you will be enriched by the experience. Call Joanne Anderson for further details, 734-1307.

## **Sisters in Spirit**

*Friday, February 17, 9:30am*

*Parlor*

Join Sisters in Spirit to share reflections on the chosen reading, personal experience, prayer, in a supportive environment for exploring your faith. Contact Amy Stratton-Smith at [strattonsmith@frontiernet.net](mailto:strattonsmith@frontiernet.net) or 224-9051.

## **Third Church to Host Rochester Celebrity Organ Recital Series**

*Friday, February 17, 8:00pm*

*Sanctuary*

Third Church will host the final concert in this season's Rochester Celebrity Organ Recital Series (RCORS). Guest artist for this program will be internationally-known concert organist Janette Fishell, who is Professor of Organ at the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University in Bloomington. Ms. Fishell is a brilliant performer, and her program, titled "A Tale of Four Cities," will include music by J. S. Bach, Petr Eben,

Herbert Howells, César Franck and Maurice Duruflé. It promises to be an exciting evening of organ music performed on the Austin organ in our recently refurbished sanctuary! Plan to attend and bring friends and neighbors. Tickets are \$10 (\$5 students), and will be available at the door.

## **Yoga Class will resume on February 27**

### **Born This Way!**

*Monday, February 20, 7:30pm*

*34 Meigs Street*

A support group for Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals, TTs or Questioning and their families and friends or if you want to learn more. We meet at 34 Meigs Street, next to Third Presbyterian Church. For more information please call Caryl Qualich (482-3832) or email Jim Gage at jameshgage@yahoo.com.

### **Mardi Gras**

*Tuesday, February 21, 5:45-8:00pm*

*Celebration Center*

Tickets will be on sale on 2/5, 12 & 19 after both services. Join the Congregational Fellowship committee in our annual pancake supper celebrating Mardi Gras. We will swing to the Dixieland Jazz of the Meigs Street Ramblers, enjoy an entertaining show by “Loopy the Clown,” and of course, enjoy those delicious pancakes made by your own “Arnold Park Flippers.” Tickets will be available on Sunday February 19 during coffee hour. As in the past, we are recruiting for the elite pancake flipping crew known as the “Arnold Park Flippers” and would welcome the use of any griddles that members are willing to loan us. Contact Becky D’Angelo-Veitch at [rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org) or 271-6537, ext. 118 if you are willing.

### **Christian Faith and LGBT Experience Spring Lectureship**

*Tuesday, February 21, 7:00pm*

*Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School*

Adam’s Gift: A Memoir of a Pastor’s Calling to Defy the Church’s Persecution of Lesbians and Gays is presented by Jimmy Creech, Former United Methodist Minister. It is free and open to the public. An opportunity for a free will donation will be available. For further information, please contact G. P. Dickerson-Hanks at 340-9651 or [gdickerson-hanks@crcds.edu](mailto:gdickerson-hanks@crcds.edu)

### **Book Club**

*Wednesday, February 22, 1:00pm*

*Library*


Contact Susie Kieren at [skieren4@yahoo.com](mailto:skieren4@yahoo.com) for further information.

### **Ash Wednesday**

***Wednesday, February 22, 6:00pm***

***Celebration Center and Chapel***

We will begin with a light supper. If you are willing to bring a soup in your crock pot, please contact Cathy Norton at 328-7543 or [cnorton@rochester.rr.com](mailto:cnorton@rochester.rr.com). After dinner, we will adjourn to the Chapel for worship at 7:00pm with Martha Langford preaching "A Matter of Heart, [Psalm 51:1-17; Joel 2:1-2, 12-17](#), communion and the imposition of ashes.



## **Lenten Voices Sermon Series**

*February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29*

*Johnston Hall*

February 23: The Absurdity of the Gospel

*Sermon by Noriel C. Capulong*

Text: [Mark 1:14-15](#)

Led by Rod Frohman

March 1: Nature Also Mourns for a Lost Good

*Sermon by Dr. Paul Tillich*

Text: [Psalm 19:2-5](#), [Romans 8: 19-22](#), [Revelation 21:1; 22:1-2](#)

Led by Rod Frohman

March 8: Was Peter Looking for a Bailout?

*Sermon by Debra Samuelson*

Text: [Mark 8:27-38](#)

Led by Martha Langford

March 15: A Serpent in the Desert

*Sermon by Phyllis Tickle*

Text: [John 3:14-21](#)

Led by Martha Langford

March 22: Jesus Pioneer and Sympathizer

*Sermon by David L. Bartlett*

Text: [John 12:20-33](#), [Hebrews 5:7-10](#)

Led by Rod Frohman

March 29: The Vulnerability of Love

*Sermon by Laura Mendenhall*

Text: [Mark 14:1-15:47](#)

Led by Martha Langford

Come for all, or join us when you can. Led by Roderic Frohman and Martha Langford. Bring your lunch and join the discussion. Copies of sermons will be available in the church office.

### **inReach Face to Face Conversations with the Congregation**

Please join inReach at one of the following Focus Groups to discuss your ideas and thoughts for inReach.

#### **Open Focus Groups:**

**Midweek - Noon (bring Sack Lunch)**, Tuesday, February 28 at noon, Johnston Hall

**Midweek - evening**, Wednesday, March 7, 6:45pm, Johnston Hall

If you are not available to come to these meetings, we still would love to talk with you. Please contact co-chairs Deb Bishop, [dabishop@rochester.rr.com](mailto:dabishop@rochester.rr.com), 598-3249, Bob Pethick, [rapkap@frontiernet.net](mailto:rapkap@frontiernet.net), 216-2118, or staff member Becky D'Angelo-Veitch, [RVeitch@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:RVeitch@thirdpresbyterian.org), 271-6537 ext. 118 to discuss your ideas/thoughts for inReach.

**The Lent and Holy Week Brochure** [with worship, learning and fellowship opportunities is available here.](#)

### **Choir Forming to Salute RAIHN Volunteers**

Kevin Nitsch, music director at The Baptist Temple invites coordinators, clergy, choir directors, volunteers, family and friends to join the 2012 RAIHN Interfaith Choir. No experience necessary. The choir will perform at the worship celebration of RAIHN volunteers and supporters on Sunday, April 29 at 7:00pm at The Baptist Temple. The music will inspire our hearts and reflect the theme: *Called to Act! Pursuing with Joy!* Copies of the music will be made available electronically, hard copy of audio recordings to suit your learning style. Rehearsals will be held at The Baptist Temple, 1101 Clover Street. Please join us for three or more rehearsals: Sundays, March 25 and April 15 at 12:30pm; Tuesday April 17, 7:00pm; Sunday April 22, 7:00pm; Tuesday April 24, 7:00pm; Sunday, April 29 12:30pm and 6:30pm (warm up exercises). [Contact Kevin](#) with any questions.

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