

The Messenger



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More than 20 years ago, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."

Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.

Through this mission, young people learn what it's like to make a positive difference in the world—as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need.

Be part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. Please give generously on Super Bowl Sunday, February 5. Every dollar donated goes to Third Church Hunger Ministries and Cameron Community Center.

Souper Bowl Statistics

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| Total Raised | \$9,583,628 |
| Money Raised | 5,187,337 |
| Pounds of Food Collected | 4,366,650 |
| Participating Groups | 11,869 |
| Participating Youth | 262,762 |
| Charities receiving SoBC donations | 10,138 |

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 will be available two weeks prior to that meeting. We will hear reports on 2011 activities, elect new officers and review our 2012 financial picture.

Congregational Fellowship will offer a light lunch following the meeting.



inReach – Phase II: Face to Face Conversations

inReach is entering the second phase: Face to Face Conversations with the Congregation. After reviewing the surveys and listening to those who have approached us we have compiled questions that will help to organize the congregation's inReach needs/wants and move us towards the recommendation phase.

In addition to meeting with many of our Session committees and boards, there are eight opportunities for you to share your thoughts with us. We hope that you will consider joining us at one of the Open Focus Groups or during one of the Fellowship meetings listed below:

Open Focus Groups:

- Sunday AFTER the 10:45 service**, January 29, noon, Parlor
- Sunday between services**, February 12, 9:30 a.m., Middle Floor Education Building (room 104)
- Midweek – Noon (bring sack lunch)**, Tuesday, February 28, Johnston Hall
- Midweek – evening**, Wednesday, March 7, 6:45 p.m., Johnston Hall

Fellowship Groups:

- Calvin Guild**, Wednesday, January 18, noon, Johnston Hall T3s, TBD
- Beatles to BonJovi**, Saturday, January 21, 7:30pm, Len and Becky Picone's home
- Mom's Group**, Saturday, February 4, 7:30pm at the home of Sarah Boyce
- Men's Breakfast**, Saturday, February 11, 8:30am, Johnston Hall

If you are not available to come to the meetings above, but still would like to share your thoughts with us, please contact us anytime to discuss your ideas/thoughts for inReach.

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THIRD VOICE

As your Associate Pastor for Church and Society, it behooves me to take this time (in John's absence) to give the congregation a short update on my areas of program responsibility.

I staff three committees: the More Light Committee, the Adult Faith Development Committee and the Outreach Committee. Let's look at the 2012 challenges.

The challenge of the More Light Committee in 2012 will be to focus on the issue of same-sex marriage in the state of New York and the problem that Presbyterian ministers are still prohibited by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) Constitution to officiate at such marriages, now legal in New York. There are currently several options being considered within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). One such possibility is a type of "local option" in which a Session could give permission to a Presbyterian pastor to conduct a same gender marriage in its church building solely in states, like New York and Massachusetts, which recognize same gender marriage. At this point a session could give permission for a non-Presbyterian to conduct such a service, but a Presbyterian pastor risks charge in an ecclesiastical court if he or she conducts such a marriage. This coming General Assembly in July in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania should shed some light on this challenge.

The challenge of the Adult Faith Development Committee this coming year is much the same as it is every year: to create a set of classes that are interesting and engaging and relevant for our adult population. Already we are planning for next Fall. The committee wishes to find more non-Sunday morning venues for adult education. This is also the challenge of the InReach Task Force of the church. The committee is looking for suggestions for times, topics and locations beyond Sunday morning that will be of interest to the congregation.



The Outreach Committee is in a planning mode for the next five years. An initial planning session took place on Saturday, October 22, 2011. This session was focused on hearing ideas about the future of our Outreach program that seemed to be bubbling up in the life of each program team. A basic conclusion was reached that the program is not "broken" so it doesn't need to be "fixed." However it does need to be developed. A number of very excellent ideas emerged, including the need for ongoing leadership training and some structure streamlining. During this first session no particular "yardstick" of measurement was used to evaluate our program. The wisdom and experience of leaders was shared and such wisdom is significant. The next planning retreat is scheduled for February 11, 2012 and will use an objective yardstick. We have found exactly such a tool from the, "Center for the Congregation in Public Life" affiliated with CRCDS. This tool is the "Mission Capacity Self-Assessment" tool which helps an outreach program to evaluate its mission. It uses 32 questions which focus on eight habits (best practices) of effective outreach programs in many congregations in the United States. There will be one more planning retreat for the Outreach program on April 28, 2012. The agenda for this retreat will focus on specific changes for each of our Outreach teams.

There are good things ahead for More Light, Adult Faith Development and Outreach at Third Presbyterian Church.

Cordially yours,

Roderic P. Frohman
Associate Pastor for Church in Society



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30AM CHAPEL, 10:45AM SANCTUARY

FEBRUARY 5

Christopher Luedde, Guest Preacher
(see page 7)
"The City Gathered"
Isaiah 40:21-31 and Mark 1:29-39

FEBRUARY 12

Roderic P. Frohman preaching
"Salt and Light"
Matthew 5:13-20

FEBRUARY 19

Roderic P. Frohman preaching
"Coattail Religion"
II Kings 2:1-15

FEBRUARY 26—FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Amy Williams Fowler, Guest Preacher
(see page 7)
"Promises, Promises"
Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10
Mark 1:9-15

ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 22

We will begin with a light supper at 6:00pm in the Celebration Center. If you would be willing to bring a soup in your crock pot, please contact Cathy Norton at 328-7543 or cnorton@rochester.rr.com

After we have eaten, 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). Begin the Lenten Journey with us on Ash Wednesday for a service of Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes.

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| PLEDGES RECEIVED: | 374 (36% of total households) |
| TOTAL PLEDGED: | \$818,408 (88% of goal) |
| GOAL: | \$927,600 |
| AVERAGE PLEDGE: | \$2,188 |

REPORT AS OF JANUARY 17

Pledge cards may be mailed to the church. You may also contact Carol Foster at 271-6537, ext. 111 or cfoster@thirdpresbyterian.org to pledge confidentially.

Milestones

Born

- A son, **Maxwell Thomas Harren-Lewis**, born January 20 to The Rev. Lindsay Harren-Lewis and husband Tim. Proud grandparents are Chuck and Diana Lewis (Parish E East)

Baptized

- Sean Clement Adsit**, born July 2, 2011, son of Michael and Emily Clement Adis, (L West Parish), on December 18

We express Sympathy to

- Rose, Bill, Bob and Karen Pethick and family (C Northeast Parish) on the recent death of Rose's sister-in-law, **Jeanette W. Carey**
- Mick, Jane, Robert and Sarah Dickinson (B Northwest Parish) on the recent death of Mick's uncle, **Steve Dickinson**

and to the families of

- Charles H. Meinhold**, (E East Parish) on December 22
- Ivan L. Town** (C Central Parish) on December 28
- Norma Van Dussen** (I South Central Parish) on December 31
- Mona G. Thomas** (D East Central Parish) on January 3
- Lois Parker** (C Central Parish) on January 18

Mardi Gras Tuesday, February 21st— 5:45-8:00pm

A Third Church tradition! Delicious house-made pancakes by your own Arnold Park Flippers, toe-tapping Dixieland Jazz by the Meigs Street Ramblers, face painting, mask-making, and to end the evening—entertainment by “Loopy the Clown.” Tickets on sale February 5, 12 and 19 following both services or by contacting Becky D’Angelo-Veitch (271-6537, ext. 118 or rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org). Tickets are \$5 per person with a maximum of \$25 per family.



Becky if you are willing.

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

Deacons’ Bench



Lunch-n-Learn: “Caregiving for Aging Parents” February 12, 12:15pm Celebration Center

Third Church Deacons are hosting a lunch on Sunday, February 12 at 12:15pm in the Celebration Center that includes a presentation and discussion about Caregiving for Aging Parents.

If you resemble the “sandwich” generation—come grab a sandwich and explore the creative art of caring for your family’s generations. Make your reservations with the church office (271.-6513) by February 9 so that we can have a meal ready for you! Lunch will be \$5.00.

Third Church Gatherings

Yoga at Third Church

Mondays, February 6, 13, 27 6:45-8:00pm
Johnston Hall. Contact Lynn at llambert6212@yahoo.com or Becky at rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org.

Calvin Guild

Wednesday, February 15 at 12:00pm
Ruth Morton will share a book review at this month’s gathering of the Calvin Guild. If you would like to attend and have not received a phone call, please call Cile Rice (461-3813) or Lois Stevens (271-6668).

Moms’ Group Book Club

Saturday, February 4 at 7:30pm at the home of Sarah Boyce
We will be reading and discussing “Reframing Hope” by Carol Howard Merritt. Please bring a snack or beverage to share.

Sisters in Spirit

Fridays, February 3, 17 9:30am
Sisters in Spirit meets in the Third Church Parlor and is reading *Celebration of Disciplines* by Richard Foster. Come share reflections on the

reading, personal experience, prayer, in a supportive environment for exploring your faith. Contact Amy Stratton-Smith (224-9051 or ameliajean123@gmail.com).

Shawl Ministry

Monday, February 6 5:00pm
Contact Nancy Adams at 889-4055. The group meets in the Parlor.

Born This Way!

Mondays, February 6, 20 7:30-8:30pm
A support group for Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals, TTs or Questioning and their families and friends. 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.

Book Club

Wednesdays, February 15, 29 1:00pm
Ruth Morton and Susie Kieren are forming a reading group on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Join us in the Third Church Library! Contact Susie Kieren at skieren4@yahoo.com.

Hunt Hollow Ski Event

Saturday, February 11 Beginning at 3:00pm
Join us for at Hunt Hollow for a night of skiing. Congregational Fellowship will provide snacks; you may purchase additional food. Lift tickets are \$30 and ski rentals, \$15, snowboards, \$20 and snowshoes, \$10. Sign up beginning January 8 at coffee hour. A minimum of 12 skiers is needed for this special price. Contact Will Crain at wcrain@bluefrog.com for further details.

Men’s Breakfast

Saturday, February 11 8:30-10:30am
Join the men of the church as they engage in conversation with the inReach Task Force as we think about the future of our church and our connection to each other. Tickets are \$5 and are on sale after worship.

Adult Faith Development

Sunday morning classes take place from 9:30-10:30am

The full Adult Faith Education program can be found at <http://www.thirdpresbyterian.org/educator/>

The Quest for the Historical Jesus

Johnston Hall

Theodore H. Weeden

February 12, 19 and 26

This class will explore the issue of non-historicity and trustworthiness of the Gospels' portrayal of Jesus in modern research by John Shelby Spong, John Dominic Crossan, Marcus Borg, and of course by Dr. Weeden. Further this class will explore, with pastoral sensitivity, the historical, critical reconstruction of the life of Jesus which leads into a deepening of faith foundation. This class will examine traditional stories such as the birth of Jesus, Last Supper, and the crucifixion.




Ted Weeden returns for a fifth year to our Adult Faith Development program. He received Bachelor of Arts in Divinity from Emory University, and a Doctorate in New Testament from Claremont Graduate School. Ted has taught at various colleges and seminaries, and has served as pastor to many United Methodist churches.

LIBRARY NEWS:

New Interpreter's Bible

A wonderful recent addition to the Third Church library is the twelve-volume New Interpreter's Bible. Published in 1995, this series is a rich resource for all who want to deepen their biblical awareness. Each biblical book is explored in great detail with both commentary on the text and reflection on a passage's meaning. Use this resource to learn more about a particular book, or dig deeper into a favorite passage. Thanks to the Library Committee for procuring this terrific series, which we hope will benefit many. John Wilkinson



Our library has several new books to augment the "Jesus to Constantine" series in Adult Faith Development. Look at the bulletin board in the hall outside the library for more information. The new books, together with others on this topic already in our collection, will be displayed on the book cart in the library and may be borrowed.

The library is always interested in having new members to assist in overseeing the library. Consider joining the Library Committee. For more information please contact Ken Cupery: cuperyz@frontier.com.

Jeanne Harper, for the Library Committee

2012 LENT HIGHLIGHTS

LENTEN VOICES SERMON SERIES—

FEBRUARY 23, MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**February 23—Sermon for the First Sunday in Lent
The Absurdity of the Gospel**

Sermon by *Noriel C Capulong*

Text: Mark 1:14-15, 1 Corinthians 18-19

Led by Rod Frohman

**March 1—Sermon for the Second Sunday in Lent
Was Peter Looking for a Bailout?**

Sermon by *Debra Samuelson*

Text: Mark 8:27-38

Led by Martha Langford

**March 8—Sermon for the Third Sunday in Lent
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 15—Sermon for the Fourth Sunday in Lent
A Serpent in the Desert**

Sermon by *Phyllis Tickle*

Text: John 3:14-21

Led by Martha Langford

**March 22—Sermon for the Fifth Sunday in Lent
Jesus Pioneer and Sympathizer**

Sermon by *David L. Bartlett*

Text: John 12:20-33, Hebrews 5:7-10

Led by Rod Frohman

March 29—Sermon for Palm Sunday

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 in Johnston Hall. Copies of sermons will be available in the church office.

MONDAY, MARCH 5

Monday Night Healing Service at 7:00pm in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER—

FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 7, 14, 21, 28 & APRIL 4

Join the Third Church staff for a brief service of morning prayers at 9:15am in the Chapel

MONDAY, APRIL 2

Holy Week Monday Night Prayer at 7:00pm in the Chapel

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR LENT—MARCH 11

On Sunday, March 11 at the 10:45am service, the Chancel Choir, Soloists, and Orchestra will present the "Requiem, K. 626" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart as the special musical offering for Lent. This masterwork of choral literature was left unfinished at Mozart's death in 1791, but sketches of portions of several of the unfinished movements provided material for Mozart's friend Franz Xaver Sussmayr to complete the work at the request of Mozart's widow. A preview of the piece will be offered that morning by Justin Lundberg in the Adult Education hour at 9:30am.

MOM'S GROUP RETREAT

Save the date: MARCH 16-17

Our Retreat will be March 16-17 at Casowasco. Watch your e-mail for details in mid-February

Children's Ministry News

Contact: Becky D'Angelo-Veitch, Children's Ministry Coordinator 271-6537, ext. 118, rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org or Christina Lenti, Associate Director of Music at 271-6537, ext. 101 or clenti@thirdpresbyterian.org.

Church School News

Children in kindergarten and older will come into worship on Sunday, February 5 for the sacrament of communion. Sunday school will begin at 10:40am on this day.

Children's Ministry Ice Skating Party

Saturday, February 11, 5:30-7:00pm
Manhattan Square Park

We hope you will join us for an evening of skating and fellowship on this evening. The children's ministry committee has rented the rink, and invite you to join us for skating and hot cocoa and a simple dinner with friends! The committee will provide a few hot items (meatballs, mac and cheese, etc.) you are invited to bring another snack to share. There is no charge to attend, and if you don't have skates, you can rent them from Manhattan Square for \$3.



Qabats

We will be finishing our "Noah's Ark" rotation in February. On Wednesday, February 15, we will be having a "fun nite." We will be off on February 22 for break week and Ash Wednesday, but will resume on "leap day" (February 29) as we move forward into full rehearsal mode for the children's musical, "A Technicolor Promise."

"Technicolor Promise" April 22 at 10:45am

Everyone loves a rainbow! Not only is it a wonder of creation, radiating beauty after a rain, but more importantly it is a sign of God's overwhelming love and grace. "A Technicolor Promise" by Alan Pote is a retelling of the story of Noah and the Ark and the events leading to God's covenant promise, symbolized by the rainbow. The musical will be presented by the children of the Junior Choir and the Glorious Voices on Sunday April 22 at 10:45am in the Third Church Sanctuary.



THE B.E.A.T. BOX

Building Excitement at Third

Contact: Jane Carden, Youth Ministry Coordinator 271-6537, ext. 107 or jcarden@thirdpresbyterian.org.

SOUPER BOWL of CARING SERVICE BLITZ

FOODLINK Saturday, February 4
936 Exchange Street 9:00am
Rochester, NY 14608 Transportation NOT provided

As part of the Souper Bowl of Caring Service Blitz, we have a Foodlink Saturday on February 4. Our jobs will vary depending on what work needs to be done. Dress for the weather, the building is not heated. Families and friends can participate as well. *Please provide your own transportation.* Meet in the parking lot behind the building. An RSVP is not necessary but a general head count would be appreciated. Contact Jane Carden (jcarden@thirdpresbyterian.org) to indicate your participation.

Youth FIELD TRIP (weather permitting*)

SNOWTUBING@GLACIER RIDGE

Spencerport, NY

When: Saturday, Feb 11, 2012

Leave: 1:00pm (from Meigs Street parking lot)

Return: 4:30pm

Cost: \$20 per person (only covers cost of tubing)

RSVP: by Wednesday, February 8 to Jane Carden (jcarden@thirdpresbyterian.org)



*Please note: based on weather conditions and hill conditions, Glacier Ridge Snow tubing hours are subject to change.

MAKE A "SOUPER" DIFFERENCE!

Souper Bowl of Caring

February 5

Did you know that one in seven households in the United States are food insecure, the highest number ever recorded in our nation. In 2011, participants in the Souper Bowl of Caring made an impact on the lives of millions of hungry families, as dollar-by-dollar, can-by-can, their collections totaled \$9.5 million for hunger relief in America.

Since Souper Bowl of Caring began in 1990 with a simple act of caring from a church youth group in South Carolina, more than \$81 million has been collected from participants in all 50 states. Just as it was on that Super Bowl weekend in 1990, 100% of the money collected today is given directly to hunger-relief charities in local communities.

On February 5, Third Church youth will again join the effort to end hunger. Our 2012 goal is to collect one dollar more than last year's total of \$1016. Please be generous! Have your donation ready on February 5. Together we can make a "Souper" difference!



Our "Souper" offerings will support Cameron Community Ministries and Third Church hunger ministries.

SEEKING THE COMMON GOOD

•**WORLD PEACEMAKING & MISSION**, Rob Veitch, 865-9918, rveitch@jcs.com
•**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**, Donald Boyd, 248-0657, dlbbop@rit.edu
•**HUNGER**, Carol Coons, 227-5953, cycoons@netacc.net
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•**LOUISIANA HURRICANE RELIEF TEAM**, Rod Taylor, 271-1436, rtaylor12@rochester.rr.com

•**RH₂NO**, Sally Altobello, 544-0429, Rh2NOLA@gmail.com
•**MORE LIGHT**, Susan Kieren, 271-1955, skieren4@yahoo.com
•**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**, Tom Gillett, 461-4581, tdgillett@frontiernet.net
•**ADVOCACY**, Vince Tollers, 461-1202, vtollers@rochester.rr.com

•**CORNER PLACE**, Joyce Perry, 244-3125, perryhq@frontiernet.net
•**TUTORING SCHOOL #6**, Sue Maddock, 244-0633, SMAAsue@rochester.rr.com
•**SCHOOL #35**, Ike Neilson, 385-8585, neilson@rochester.rr.com

Kihumo Head Start is Becoming a Reality!



First enrollees and teachers in the Kihumo Head Start program sponsored by Third Church Capital Campaign



Workers digging foundations and sewers for new bathrooms at the Kihumo Head Start school

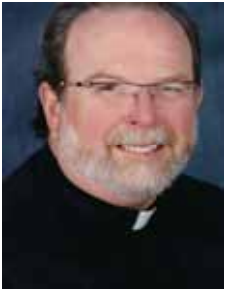
Poor Kenyan pre-school children have the same problem as poor American children. When they arrive for their first day of elementary school, they are already three years behind the families of educated parents.

In November the Session of Third Church sent \$12,000 to the Kihumo Presbyterian Parish, our mission partners in Nairobi, Kenya. This was for renovation of their Sunday school building into four classrooms, an office, water service and bathrooms for children. These funds were from the Kenya portion of our Capital Campaign. In addition, \$2925 was raised for scholarships at our December Alternative Christmas Market. The cost for one child to attend this preschool for one year is \$150. This is very reasonable compared to American costs. On their own, the Session of the Kihumo Parish decided to complete the construction of an adjacent kitchen which has stood idle for six years.

The pictures you see above show the first students and teachers and construction of bathrooms in a previously waterless Sunday school building. We have received the following report from Don Wambaa, their Clerk of Session.

1. A Bill of Quantities was prepared showing an estimated cost of 900,000 Shillings. From our current projections, this may rise to 1.4 million Shillings due to added costs of redoing the whole floor, putting ceilings to all the rooms, building a septic tank and soak pits, installing additional windows to provide adequate lighting to all classrooms.
2. Work on the project started on 12/16/2011 and we have so far completed the walling and plastering. We have managed to dig the septic tank and construction started on 12/29/2011. We have finished the floor and its now curing. We started fabricating the windows for the front of the building on site and the work is ongoing. Painting will require the walls to cure properly and also dry up.
3. The expenditures to date are: 1,061,470 Shillings or \$12,314. At this point we expect the project to total about \$24,000.
4. A school board has been appointed to run the school. It consists of church members with experience in areas of education, management, sales and health. To date, seven children have already enrolled and the school opened on 4th January. Three teachers have already been recruited, two of whom will take up responsibilities as the school picks up. The excitement here is very great and it is hoped that our enrollment will increase substantially by end of the first term. (A school year has three terms) We thank God for your participation on this project and we ask for His blessings in this partnership.

Sincerely yours in His service,
Donald Wambaa, Session Clerk,
Kihumo Presbyterian Parish



In February, we welcome guest preachers to the Third Church Pulpit

February 5: The Reverend Christopher S. Luedde

Christopher is a retired Episcopal priest, who most recently served at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church on Winton Road. He previously served Episcopal congregations in Maumee and Toledo, Ohio, Bridgeport, Michigan and Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

He received his B.A. from the University of Kansas and his M.Div. from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, and an honorary doctorate of Humane Letters, El Shaddai Biblical Studies, African Methodist Episcopal Church. He has travelled to the Middle East several times, and teaches a course at UB on religion and science.

He has been very active in the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester and is the current board chair of the Episcopal Church Home.

Chris and Susan (who teaches math at Mercy High School) are the parents of Carrie and Shawn, both lawyers in Chicago.

February 26: The Reverend Amy Williams Fowler
Presbytery Leader,
Genesee Valley Presbytery



Amy is a pastor—having served as associate pastor, pastor, and interim pastor for the first fifteen years of ministry in Tennessee, Georgia, Indiana and Illinois. She began presbytery work in 2000, serving in Chicago, Indiana, Missouri, and now in Genesee Valley. A graduate of Duke University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, she is a Doctor of Ministry degree candidate at Columbia Theological Seminary, exploring the intersection of Christian spirituality, missional theology and congregational transformation. Her husband, Gene Fowler, is a pastor in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) currently serving as designated pastor at Irondequoit Presbyterian Church, and their son, Thomas, is a law student at Boston University. Amy enjoys all kinds of music, especially blue grass and classical, gardening and cooking.

She is the Presbytery Leader, the chief administrative officer of the Presbytery, acting as head of staff and resourcing its various committees, including the Committee on Ministry. Her responsibilities include stimulating communications between the Presbytery and congregations and representing the Presbytery to denominational governing bodies, as well as in ecumenical settings in the Rochester area.

Exploring Membership Dinner

Sunday, March 18, at 6:00pm in Johnston Hall

Have you found your way to Third Church and wonder what participation in this church might mean for you? Have you been active in the church and consider deepening your ties to this community of faith? Are you interested in becoming a member, but have questions?

The "Exploring Membership Dinner" on March 18 is a time to meet members and other newcomers and staff. This is an opportunity to share your story and hear from others about the journeys that brought us here, and explore ways to connect with the people here.

Following the dinner, those who wish to become members of Third Church can choose to attend one of two New Member Gatherings: the first immediately following the dinner from 7:30 to 9:00pm on March 18, or from 8:30 to 10:00am on Sunday, March 25. New members will be received by the church Session at 10:00am on March 25 and then presented at the 10:45am worship service.

For more information or to reserve your place at the dinner, please RSVP to Martha Langford (mlangford@thirdpresbyterian.org or 271-6513, ext. 108).

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY...

In the event of a medical emergency, it would be extremely helpful for emergency medical technicians to have the following information available:

- Name and Address**
- Emergency Contact (this may also be listed in your cell phone address book)**
- Name of Doctor**
- Insurance Company & Policy Number**
- List of Current Medicines**
- Current Medical Conditions**

Update this information and keep it in your wallet at all times.

THIRD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

- **John Wilkinson**, Pastor
- **Roderic P. Frohman**, Associate Pastor for Church in Society
- **Martha C. Langford**, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
- **William W. Young**, Pastor Emeritus
- **Peter A. DuBois**, Director of Music/Organist
- **Christina A. Lenti**, Associate Director of Music
- **Tom Mueller**, Assistant Organist
- **Rebecca D'Angelo-Veitch**, Coordinator of Children's Ministry and Congregational Life
- **Jane S. Carden**, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
- To reach any of our staff, call Third Presbyterian Church at (585) 271-6513



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Peter DuBois and Friends in Concert

February 10, 7:30pm, First Baptist Church



Peter DuBois will perform a recital for the Community Concert Series at The First Baptist Church of Rochester on Friday, February 10 at 7:30pm. He'll perform organ music by Charles-Marie Widor, J. S. Bach, Dan Locklair and Olivier Messiaen. He'll also be joined on the program by Third Church member and RPO cellist **Kathleen Murphy Kemp**, and Third Church soprano soloist **Caroline Miller** for selections by J. S. Bach, André Previn, Craig Phillips, and Sergei Rachmaninoff. The concert is free and open to the public, and the church is located at 175 Allens Creek Road.

Third Church to Host RCORS

February 17, 8:00pm, Third Church Sanctuary

Third Church will host the final concert in this season's Rochester Celebrity Organ Recital Series (RCORS) on Friday, February 17 at 8:00pm in the sanctuary. 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.

