

The Messenger



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Summer Book Reviews

Join us for a stimulating discussion of timely and important books. Whether you've read the book or not, you will be glad for the opportunity to stimulate your thinking.

Sundays at 9:00am in Johnston Hall

June 24: "Leaving Church: A Memoir of Faith" by Barbara Brown Taylor; *led by John Wilkinson*

July 1: "And Tango Makes Three" by Peter Parnell and Justin Richardson and "My Two Uncles" by Judith Vigna; *led by Caryl Qualich and Helen Witt. Please note that children are cordially invited to attend.*

July 15: "Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community and War" by Nathaniel Philbrick; *led by James Moore*

July 22 "Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln" by Doris Kearns Goodwin; *led by Peter Wisbey*

July 29: "Better" by Atul Gawande and "How Doctors Think" by Jerome Groopman; *led by Jane Liesveld*

August 5: "Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything" by Steven Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner; *led by Robert Veitch*

August 12: "Plan B 2.0: Rescuing a Planet Under Stress and a Civilization in Trouble" by Lester R. Brown; *led by Ruth Morton*

August 19: "Christianity for the Rest of Us" by Diana Butler Bass; *led by Rod Frohman*

August 26: "Too High a Price to Pay: The Case Against Restricting Gay Parenting" by Leslie Cooper and Paul Cates; *led by Gloria Pleger on behalf of the More Light Committee*

Third Church Family Picnic



When:

Sunday, July 15

Time: **12:00noon-2:00pm**

Where: **Kreag Road Park**

555 Kreag Road
Pittsford, NY 14534

Bring along your family's place setting, meat to grill and a dish to pass.

The park has fields for lots of activities—Bring your own equipment (baseball, basketball, tennis, volleyball, fishing and any other lawn games).

(You might also like to bring some extra chairs or blankets for seating.)

This event is sponsored by the Children's Ministry Committee, on behalf of the entire congregation.

Fourth Annual Third Church Book Sale

WHEN: Saturday, August 4 and Sunday, August 5, during the Park Avenue Festival

WHERE: The Celebration Center

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- 1) **DONATE** your "in-good-condition" used books (**NO FOREIGN LANGUAGE BOOKS, TEXTBOOKS, MEDICAL BOOKS or MAGAZINES**) Books may be dropped off from June 18-July 20 in the office (in the "book bin") or in the Education Building. (lower level, second door on the right)
- 2) **VOLUNTEER to:** a) pre-sort books on a Sunday in July – contact Jan Chisholm at 227-7904 or janchis@rochester.rr.com; b) work a 2-hour shift as a cashier – contact Marilyn Sheftic at 598-3363 or mschefti@rochester.rr.com

If you'd like more information, please contact Jan or Jim Chisholm. We're looking forward to an even bigger and better event than past years—**BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Church Family

Born

- **Thomas Mason Waller**, born June 8, 2007, to Mike and Kirstin Pryor Waller, in Maryland. Grandparents Don and Karen Pryor (*City West, Chili, Spencerport and Brockport Parish*) rejoice in his arrival!

Baptized

- **Marin Rose Kilmer** (June 10, 2007), daughter of Matthew and Margaret Jones Kilmer
- **Braden Forrester Bellizzi** (June 17, 2007), son of Kellin Ann King and Matthew Bellizzi (*South Wedge Parish*)

Married

- **Robert Sterrett** and **Liz Fowler**, on June 4, 2007 (*West Penfield Parish*)
- **Sarah Latham** and **Chris Wolfe**, June 9, 2007 (*Webster/North Wayne County Parish*)

Sympathy

We express sympathy to

- Carol and Bill Crain, Will Crain, Mary Ellen Knickerbocker and their children (*South Pittsford Parish*) on the May 28, 2007 death of former member and Carol's mother and their grandmother/great grandmother, **Ruth Mackinder Kuenzli**, in Michigan
- Louise Geiser and family (*South Pittsford Parish*) on the death of her husband, **Donald A. Geiser**, on May 28, 2007. Mr. Geiser had been a member of Third Church for nearly 60 years.

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Kudos

to **Hal Hood** for building four beautiful tables that will sit in the Chapel and Sanctuary narthexes to serve a variety of purposes. Hal and **Otto Muller-Girard** continue to create many

wonderful and useful items for use around the church. Their commitment and handiwork are greatly appreciated!



Worship Schedule

10:00am in the Sanctuary

July 1—

Roderic P. Frohman preaching

July 8—

Deborah L. Hughes preaching

July 15—

John Wilkinson preaching

July 22—

Deborah L. Hughes preaching

July 29—

Sacrament of Holy Communion

John Wilkinson preaching

Ruth Draper Places Fourth in



International Competition

Assistant Organist **Ruth Draper** was one of nineteen young organists from around the world (*and one of only two Americans*) selected to compete in the

Odense International Organ Competition and Festival held recently in Odense, Denmark. The Festival ran from May 28—June 8. It is indeed a great honor and accomplishment for Ruth to be selected for this high-profile competition and congratulations on your wonderful achievement!

Moms' Group Retreat Journeys



Friday-Saturday, September 28 & 29

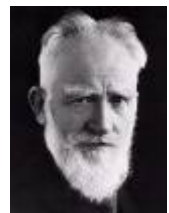
Covenant Acres Camp and Retreat Center, Pike, NY

Join the Third Presbyterian Church Moms' group on our first retreat! We will meet for dinner Friday and spend the next 24 hours exploring our theme for the year, "Journeys," with our leader, Deborah Hughes. Cost will be \$55 before August 1, and \$70 after, with a registration deadline of September 12. For more information, contact Becky D'Angelo-Veitch at 271-6537, ext. 118 or veitch@thirdpresbyterian.org.

Follow the links from the Fellowship or What's New pages on the website for registration forms and other information: www.thirdpresbyterian.org/fellowship.

Shaw Festival this Summer?

There are still a few tickets available! Join the group motoring to Niagara-on-the-Lake on **Saturday, July 28** for a day trip to see "The Philanderer" by George Bernard Shaw. Please call Lila at Gallery of Travel (427-0920) for details and deposit requirements. The trip (USD \$129.00) includes transportation, tickets and buffet lunch at the Pillar and Post.



Third Churchers Feted

Four members and one of our pastors were recently given "Faith In Action Awards" at the June 12, 2007 Annual Awards Dinner sponsored by the Greater Rochester Community of Churches. The dinner was held at the Clarion Riverside Hotel.

Linc Spalding, Rusty Olson, and Alison Elder were recognized together for their work, with four others from Temple B'rith Kodesh and the Islamic Center, for planning and implementing the March visit of actress Noa Baum to Rochester for a special presentation of her one-woman play, "A Land Twice Promised." The play presented a Jewish mother and a Palestinian mother as each struggles with her life.

Ralph Carter was honored by Interfaith Advocates for his work for justice for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender citizens of our community. Besides being a tireless advocate within our church for GLBT rights, Ralph is also very active in the larger community.

Deborah Hughes, our Interim Associate For Congregational Care was honored by the Presbytery of Genesee Valley Mission and Advocacy Committee for her work in the Mosaic Partnership program to bring together people of different races and for her work in taking two teams of volunteers from Third Church to New Orleans to rebuild homes in the past 12 months.

Additionally,

- **Shirley Moore** was recognized for "giving back, lending an ear" in her work at the Wilmot Cancer Center where her wonderful caring manner puts the patients at ease.
- **Tab Whang** was recognized for his work with Literacy Volunteers in helping those new to the United States communicate better.
- **Kathy Schumacher** received the RPO Volunteer of the Year Award in the Education Department in recognition of her more than 35 years of volunteers services to the RPO.
- **Jon Schumacher** also received an RPO Volunteer of the Year Award, the "Baton of Distinction," for being a consistent volunteer. Since 1964—he has worked on every Annual Campaign, was elected to the Honorary Board, co-chaired the New Century Endowment Campaign (which just met its goal) and has served on numerous other committees.

Congratulations to all of the awardees. We're very proud of your accomplishments

2007 Camp Cory Choir Retreat August 20-23, 2007



Camp Cory Choir Retreat is open to all children currently in grades 3-6, interested in singing in the Junior Choir next year. The camp gives us a great opportunity to be together, get to know each other, begin singing together, learn some music skills and HAVE FUN!

The full schedule is being prepared now; swimming, fishing, "Capture the Flag," talent show, good food, water balloons, kickball, soccer, tennis, worship opportunities, drama, crafts, Orff percussion, recorder, lots of singing, handbells, African drumming, kayaking and... even some free time will be included! There will be an evening campfire with "s'mores."

To aid in the planning for the camp, it would be helpful to let Chris Lenti know as soon as possible if you are interested in attending this year. Contact her at clenti@thirdpresbyterian.org or 271-6537, ext. 110. Complete information and registration forms have been mailed.

RAIHN NEEDS YOU!

July 29-August 5

IHN's 13th rotation begins July 29 at Third Church. We are already organizing for our hosting week and need our capable cadre of volunteers to select their roles and shifts now!



- Set-up on the first Sunday of our host week
- Guide children's activities on set-up Sunday
- Dinner preparers
- Dinner/evening hosts
- Overnight hosts
- Breakfast preparers
- Take-down on the final Sunday of our host week
- Volunteer at the Day Center, 34 Meigs Street - Saturday only
- Supplies – inventorying, shopping
- Food - shopping
- Laundry - and organizing our linen closet

To Volunteer

Contact Wendy Shellman (Shellman@rochester.rr.com) or at 383-8288.

Use Credit Cards for Pledge Payments?

There has been some interest expressed in the possibility of Third Church being able to process credit card payments for pledges, etc. over our website. Since this process involves costs to the church, we don't want to undertake it if it will be financially detrimental to the church. Before we do any serious investigation into the details of this process, we'd like to know how many congregation members would take advantage of this option. If you're interested in this possibility, please complete the following:

- I would pay my pledge by credit card: (*please circle one*)
 - Weekly
 - Monthly
 - Quarterly
 - Annually
- I would be willing to pay a small processing fee to help offset the cost.

In order to give us an accurate idea of the response, **please complete this survey only once**. Please complete the survey by August 1 and leave it in Carol Foster's or Jan Chisholm's mailbox, or in the box marked "survey" in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Jan Chisholm at 227-7904 or janchis@rochester.rr.com.

Third Presbyterian Church Staff

- **John Wilkinson**, Pastor
- **Roderic P. Frohman**, Associate Pastor for Church in Society
- **Deborah L. Hughes**, Interim Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
- **William W. Young**, Pastor Emeritus
- **Peter A. DuBois**, Director of Music/Organist
- **Christina A. Lenti**, Associate Director of Music
- **Ruth A. Draper**, Assistant Organist
- **Rebecca D'Angelo-Veitch**, Children's Ministry Coordinator
- **William H. Taber**, Youth Ministry Coordinator
- **Pamela T. Foye**, Parish Visitor
- To reach any of our staff, call Third Presbyterian Church at (585) 271-6513.



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July Calendar

Sunday, July 1

9:00am Adult Faith Development
10:00am Worship—Sanctuary
10:15am Summer Church School
11:00am Coffee Hour
11:15am Tour Choir

Monday, July 2

9:00am *Messenger* Deadline
9:30am Food Cupboard
5:00pm Shawl Knitting Ministry
7:30pm Presbyterian Men
7:30pm GLBT Support Group (34 Meigs)

Tuesday, July 3

Wednesday, July 4—Independence Day
Office Closed

Thursday, July 5

9:30am Food Cupboard
7:00pm Outreach (Offsite)

Friday, July 6

Saturday, July 7

9:00am Coptic Church
10:00am Dining Room Ministry (Muller-Girard)

Sunday, July 8

6:00am Youth Depart (Silver Bay)
9:00am Adult Faith Development
10:00am Worship—Sanctuary
10:15am Summer Church School
11:00am Coffee Hour
11:15am Tour Choir

Monday, July 9

9:30am Food Cupboard

Tuesday, July 10

Wednesday, July 11

9:15am Morning Prayer
9:45am Staff Meeting

Thursday, July 12

9:30am Food Cupboard

Friday, July 13

Return from Silver Bay

Saturday, July 14

9:00am Coptic Church
10:00am Dining Room Ministry (Salzer)
4:00pm Pride Parade

Sunday, July 15

9:00am Adult Faith Development
10:00am Worship—Sanctuary
10:15am Summer Church School
11:00am Coffee Hour
11:15am Tour Choir
12:00pm All Church Picnic
7:30pm "Voices" Concert

Monday, July 16

9:30am Food Cupboard
5:00pm Shawl Knitting Ministry
7:30pm GLBT Support Group (34 Meigs)

Tuesday, July 17

6:00am Presbyterian Youth Triennium

Wednesday, July 18

9:15am Morning Prayer
9:45am Staff Meeting
7:00pm Pride Movie
7:00pm Tour Choir

Thursday, July 19

9:30am Food Cupboard

Friday, July 20

Saturday, July 21

9:00am Coptic Church
10:00am Dining Room Ministry (Theuer)

Sunday, July 22

6:00am Meeting Ground (Mission Trip)
9:00am Adult Faith Development
10:00am Worship—Sanctuary
10:15am Summer Church School
11:00am Coffee Hour

Monday, July 23

9:30am Food Cupboard
6:00pm World Peacemaking/Mission

Tuesday, July 24

Wednesday, July 25

9:15am Morning Prayer
9:45am Staff Meeting

Thursday, July 26

8:00am Book Sale Organizing
9:30am Food Cupboard

Friday, July 27

8:00am Book Sale Organizing

Saturday, July 28

8:00am Book Sale Organizing
8:00am Congregational Fellowship Trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake
8:00am Book Sale Organizing
9:00am Coptic Church
10:00am Dining Room Ministry (Coons)

Sunday, July 29

8:00am Book Sale Organization
9:00am Adult Faith Development
10:00am Worship/Communion
10:15am Summer Church School
2:00pm RAIHN Guests Arrive

Monday, July 30

8:00am RAIHN Guests
8:00am Book Sale Organization

Tuesday, July 31

8:00am RAIHN Guests
8:00am Book Sale Organizing

Mark Your Calendar!
July 15: All Church Picnic
August 4-5: Book Sale

Keep our Youth Travelers and Choir Travelers in your prayers.