



*Seeking the Light*

### "Let Evening Come"

Let the light of late afternoon  
shine through chinks in the barn, moving  
up the bales as the sun moves down.

Let the cricket take up chafing  
as a woman takes up her needles  
and her yarn. Let evening come.

Let dew collect on the hoe abandoned  
in long grass. Let the stars appear  
and the moon disclose her silver horn.

Let the fox go back to its sandy den.  
Let the wind die down. Let the shed  
go black inside. Let evening come.

To the bottle in the ditch, to the scoop  
in the oats, to air in the lung  
let evening come.

Let it come, as it will, and don't  
be afraid. God does not leave us  
comfortless, so let evening come.

Jane Kenyon

## The Worship of God Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2013

10:45 a.m.

## 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.** Parking is available in the Meigs Street parking lot. On Sundays, the Arnold Park parking lot is available for handicap parking only. Street parking is possible on both sides of East Avenue. Additional parking can be found at (all on East Avenue):

- Jewish Community Federation (Sibley Place)
- Seneca Waterways Council of the Boy Scouts
- American Association of University Women
- Rochester Area Community Foundation
- Century Club

**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 to all floors/areas of the church.

**Large Print Bulletins and Bibles** are available from the ushers. Hymnals and Bibles are located under the first row pews.

**Children and Worship Children's** worship bulletins, Bibles and activity bags are available from the ushers.

**Church School** is available for children, preschool through sixth grade during the 10:45am worship service.

**Child Care** is available in the Education Building for infants and toddlers to age three.

**Coffee Hour** follows the 10:45am worship service. All are invited to this time of fellowship in the Celebration Center.

**Pastoral Care** needs and prayer requests may be communicated to Martha Langford.

**More About Membership.** If you are interested in joining Third Church, or just want to know more, contact Lynette Sparks. An Exploring Membership dinner will take place January 19.

## 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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### THIRD CHURCH STAFF

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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 turn off all cell phones and pagers. As the music begins this morning, please take time to become more aware of the continuing presence of God.

\* *Stand as you are able*

PRELUDE "Partita on Nun komm der Heiden Heiland" Hugo Distler  
(based on Hymn 14)

CHORAL INTROIT "Of the Father's Love Begotten" DIVINUM MYSTERIUM  
Junior Choir

Of the Father's love begotten  
Ere the worlds began to be,  
He is Alpha and Omega,  
He the source, the ending He,  
Of the things that are, that have been,  
And that future years shall see,  
Evermore and evermore

This is He whom Heaven-taught singers  
Sang of old with one accord;  
Whom the Scriptures of the prophets  
Promised in their faithful word.  
Now He shines, the Long-expected;  
Let creation praise its Lord  
Evermore and evermore.

LIGHTING of the  
ADVENT CANDLE

Dan and Janet Davies

LEADER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

LEADER: The prophet Isaiah wrote that the wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing.

PEOPLE: **Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.**

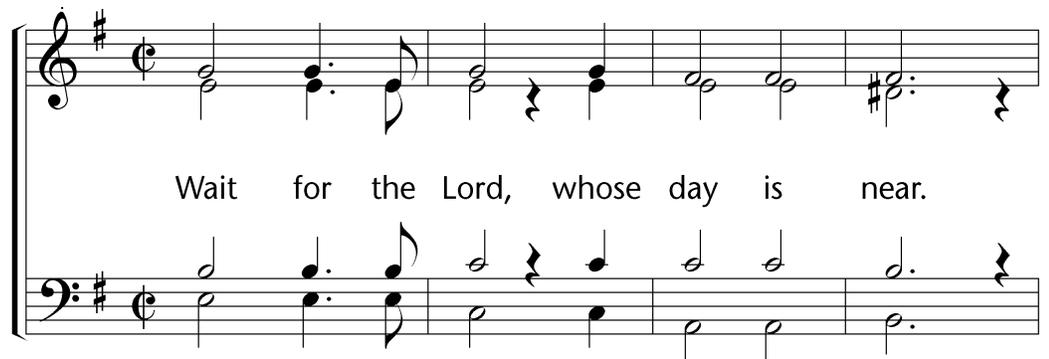
LEADER: For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water;

PEOPLE: **A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; and the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing;**

LEADER: Everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

PEOPLE: **Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!**

*(sung three times)*



Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.



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Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

\* HYMN 8 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

TRURO

PRAYER  
of CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we suffer today because of sin, both the sins we have chosen and the sins committed against us. We have done things we should not have done, and we have neglected to do those things we should have done. Save us from ourselves; save us from the forces of evil in this world. We do not have the power to undo what has

already been done, so grant us grace to bear present burdens and courage to change things that can be changed. Teach us how to live as those with hope, as we await the coming of the Christ Child, our Savior Jesus. 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

ANTHEM

“Children, Let’s Wait for the Baby”

Thomas Keesecker

Junior Choir

Mary Cowden, *piano*; Dan Taylor, *bass*

Children, let’s wait for the baby. Children let’s wait for the baby boy who will bring us peace and joy! Star-child, born on earth, heaven sent to save our world. Come, Lord Jesus come, come in our hearts to stay. Hope will reign again, shower all the earth with love. Open up our eyes to see a brand new day!

People let’s dance for Emmanuel. People let’s dance for Emmanuel who has come to change the world. God’s son is coming; his name is Emmanuel. Jesus is coming, oh, alleluia! Make straight the pathway; the Prince of Peace is coming. Jesus is coming, oh, alleluia!

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*(Following the children's message, children up to sixth grade are invited to proceed to the education building for Sunday school. The nursery is available for children to age three on the middle level of the education building.)*

## DISMISSAL of CHILDREN

*(sung twice: once in unison, once as a canon, beginning with the pulpit side)*

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.)*

## GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 11:2-11

*(Pew Bible, NT, page 11)*

LEADER:

The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE:

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

"Growing in Anticipation"

John Wilkinson

## SPECIAL MUSIC for ADVENT

"A Little Advent Music"

Hugo Distler

## PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

*(Prayer request cards can be found in the pew racks)*

**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

*A special music offering is being received for this morning's presentation of "A Little Advent Music." Special Music envelopes may be found in the pew pockets. Your generosity is appreciated. Additional support comes from the Lois V. Parker Special Music Fund.*

# ANTHEM "O Savior, Throw the Heavens Wide" Johannes Brahms

1. O Savior, throw the heavens wide; Come down with speed unto our side. Unbar the gates and let us in; Unbar what once was lock and pin.
2. As gentle dew from heaven fall; Descend, O Lord, and cover all. Ye rainclouds, break, and torrents bring; Let Israel receive his king.
3. O Earth, in flower be seen! Let hill and dale be evergreen. O Earth bring forth one blossom rare, A savior from the meadow fair.
4. Here suffer we a heavy doom: Before us yawns the cheerless tomb. Ah, come, lead us with steady hand From exile to our native land.
5. So let us all be thanking Thee, For Thou hast ever set us free. So let us praise Thee o'er and o'er, From this time on and forevermore. Amen.

- 17th century chorale text

## \* 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

- 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: **God of hope and joy: We thank you for every good gift. As we anticipate the birth of the Christ child, bless what we give. Allow our lives to reflect your love as we await your good news. Amen.**

\* HYMN 14 "Savior of the Nations, Come"  
HEILAND

NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN

\* CHARGE  
and BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL  
RESPONSE

\* GREETING

POSTLUDE "Finale" (from Symphonie II)

Charles-Marie Widor

### *About today's music...*

The organ prelude *Partita "Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland"* is by the German composer Hugo Distler, and is based on Hymn 14 in The Presbyterian Hymnal – the same hymn on which his choral piece *A Little Advent Music*, which will be heard later, is based. Three of the four sections of the piece are included in the prelude today. It reflects, in its compositional style, Distler's particular interest in music of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. The central part of the piece, the chorale with variations, displays a wonderful variety of musical approaches to the hymn tune. More about Distler and his background can be found below...

A second Advent chorale of the 17<sup>th</sup> century is featured in the offertory anthem, a motet by Johannes Brahms (1833-1897) on the hymn, *O Heiland, reiss die Himmel auf* – "O Savior, Throw the Heavens Wide." Brahms had a deep and abiding love of the works of Johann Sebastian Bach, and this motet is written very much in a style that hearkens back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century, though this was composed some 150 years later. Set in five verses, the chorale melody is always present. The first verse presents the tune in its clearest form, and each subsequent verse treats the melody that grows out of the nature of the text, until the final verse of praise, ending with an elaborate "Amen."

A special offering will be received this morning to support the presentation of these and other major works in our worship in the Advent and Lenten seasons. Envelopes may be found in the pew racks, or checks may be designated "special music." Your generosity is appreciated! Additional support comes from the Lois V. Parker Special Music Fund.

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# A Little Advent Music

*Setting by Hugo Distler (1908-1942)*

*Edited by Larry Palmer*

*Music based on plainsong melody, Veni redemptor gentium*

*Text by Ambrose of Milan (4<sup>th</sup> century)*

*Paraphrased by Martin Luther, 1524*

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Rebecca Gilbert, *flute*

Molly Werts, *violin*

Tom Mueller, *organ*

Emily Agnew, *oboe*

Kathleen Murphy Kemp, *cello*

Donna Brink Fox, *narrator*

Hugo Distler was born in Nuremberg in 1908, and from his early years was deeply connected to and influenced by the music of the Church. His training was at the Leipzig Conservatory, but upon completion of his studies, he immediately turned back to the church. In 1931, he became organist of the St. Jacobi Church in Lübeck, where 200 years earlier the musical giant Dieterich Buxtehude had served in the same position. Thus, the great heritage of church music was very much in the forefront of Distler's experience. In his short life, he developed a distinctive musical style, rooted in the music of the sixteenth to eighteenth centuries, but with a very definite foot in the twentieth. One commentator, John Lienhard, notes that Distler "brought the declamatory joy of baroque composers like Heinrich Schütz to the foursquare old melodies of the German Reformation. His music was quirky but beautiful, tonal yet chromatic. He made the old melodies dance with delight. It is a sound utterly unlike any other. Once you hear it, you don't forget it."

Unfortunately, it was a music that was stifled and ultimately silenced in the rise of the Nazi juggernaut. As part of the Nazi suppression of the German church, Distler's music was branded as "degenerate art" for its religious intensity. He was to be sent off to join the Wehrmacht (German army), but he could never support the war. And, with despair brought on by the knowledge that conscientious objection was treason punishable by death, Distler tragically took his own life at the age of 34, an indirect, but still terrible, casualty of the war.

In his choral and instrumental writing, Distler allows each instrument or voice part to have a life of its own, following the rhythmic and textual shape inherent in each part. This creates an ever-changing texture in which the independently-moving lines sometimes cadence together at the end of major phrases, but at other times do not, meeting only on the final chord of a movement. This intricate interweaving of voices and instruments forms a wonderful kaleidoscope of texture and color.

## Sonata (*instrumental*)

### Stanza 1

Savior of the nations, come,  
Virgin's Son, make here Thy home!  
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth,  
That the Lord chose such a birth.

## I. The Promise

### Stanza 2

Thou, the Father's only Son,  
Hast o'er sin the vict'ry won.  
Boundless shall Thy kingdom be;  
When shall we its glories see?

## II. The Annunciation

### Stanza 3

O be welcome, Thou, my Lord,  
Hosanna, blessed Word!  
Thus prepare a way  
Into my heart today.

## III. The Visit to Elizabeth

### Stanza 4

God be praised in all the earth  
For the wonder of this birth.  
Lowly sinners all to save,  
For mankind His Son He gave.

## IV. Mary's Song of Praise

### Stanza 5

From the Father forth He came  
And returneth to the same,  
Captive leading death and hell.  
High the songs of triumph swell!

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## V. The Journey to Bethlehem

### Stanza 6

So brightly doth Thy manger shine,  
The night has new light divine.  
Let not sin o'ercloud this light,  
Ever be our faith thus bright.

## VI. The Fulfillment

### Stanza 7

Praise to God the Father sing,  
Praise to God the Son, our King,  
Praise to God the Spirit be  
Ever and eternally.

## Sonata *(instrumental)*

## CHANCEL CHOIR – 2013-2014

Peter DuBois, *Director of Music/Organist*

Tom Mueller, *Assistant Organist*

### Soprano

Molly Carlson  
Susan Carter  
Sarah Cohen  
Carol Coons  
Mary Cowden  
Tina Curren  
Janet Curry  
Keely Futterer  
Deven Hearne  
Lindsay Holmes  
Karen Hospers  
Katy Judd  
Paige Kiefner  
Kyle Kruchten  
Betsy Marvin  
Rose Peet  
Kay Ramsay  
Jan Salzer  
Katherine Schumacher  
Nancy Thomas  
Jenny Väilitalo  
Kathy Wise

### Tenor

Bruce Aldridge  
Tom Bracken  
Steven Humes  
Bill Ramsay  
Scott Ramsay  
Jon Sheppard  
Linc Spaulding  
Scott Stratton-Smith  
Matthew Swensen

### Alto

Joanne Anderson  
Riki Connaughton  
Diane Davison-Jannarone  
Jeanne Fisher  
Ellen Foster  
Carolyn Grohman  
Casey Lenzo  
Janey Miller  
Kat Nagel  
Cathy Norton  
Jeanette Olson  
Pati Primerano

Caryl Qualich  
Kelsey Robertson  
Linnea Rowley  
Helen Tiss  
Kara Torres  
Ellen VanOcker  
Carol Zajkowski

### Bass

Matthew Adrian  
Cecil Buchinger  
Bill Coons  
Gregg Miller  
Emory Morris  
Andy Nagel  
Bob Norton  
Michael Orem  
Craig Packard  
Bill Pethick  
Jon Schumacher  
Bob Sterrett  
Herb Wise

*The carnations this morning are given to the glory of God  
in loving memory of Shirley Mitchell Moore, beloved wife of James Moore and mother of  
Jennifer Moore Stahlkrantz, James, David and Eliza Moore.*

*The Memorial Prayer Candle is lit this week in memory of students, teachers and staff at Sandy  
Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut and victims of gun violence everywhere.*

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:**

*PREACHER:* John Wilkinson  
*LITURGISTS:* Martha Langford, Lynette Sparks, Donna Brink Fox  
*ACOLYTES:* Olivia Rye, Maisie Merz  
*DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST:* Peter DuBois  
*ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:* Christina A. Lenti  
*ASSISTANT ORGANIST:* Tom Mueller  
*GREETERS:* Maryjane Link, Hannah Powell, Holly Powell, Darryl Powell,  
Bernie Todd Smith, Jean Whitney  
*USHERS:* Sue Danielson, Miriam Gale, Tom Gillett, Ann McMican,  
Janet Stewart, David Tennant, Paul Zeh  
*COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:* Junior Choir Cookie Sale

## “First Snow”

The snow  
began here  
this morning and all day  
continued, its white  
rhetoric everywhere  
calling us back to why, how,  
whence such beauty and what  
the meaning, such  
an oracular fever! flowing  
past windows, an energy it  
seemed  
would never ebb, never settle  
less than lovely! and only now,  
deep into night,  
it has finally ended.  
The silence  
is immense,  
and the heavens still hold  
a million candles; nowhere

the familiar things:  
stars, the moon,  
the darkness we expect  
and nightly turn from. Trees  
glitter like castles  
of ribbons, the broad fields  
smolder with light, a passing  
creekbed lies  
heaped with shining hills;  
and though the questions  
that have assailed us all day  
remain—not a single  
answer has been found—  
walking out now  
into the silence and the light  
under the trees,  
and through the fields,  
feels like one.

Mary Oliver

### **Christmas Eve Services**

4:30 p.m. Festival of the Nativity in the Sanctuary

8:00 p.m. Christmas Communion in the Chapel

11:00 p.m. Service of Lessons and Carols in the Sanctuary



December 15, 2013

## MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Junior Choir Christmas Cookie Sale

Members of the Junior Choir invite you to their bake sale today. Proceeds will help support their spring musical, "The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit," and other special events.

### Holiday SCRIP Gift Card Sales

Plan on giving gift cards this holiday? Today is your last day to purchase them from the youth during coffee hour.

### Outreach Pre-Christmas Sale

#### *Today, Coffee Hour*

Gift items from the Corner Place will be on sale during coffee hour in the Celebration Center. Peruse the selection of holiday cards, handmade gift items and visual art today. Proceeds support Corner Place programs.

### Gift to Cameron Community Ministries

**Giving a gift to Cameron Community Ministries serves adults, children and families in Rochester.**

This year, give your loved ones a meaningful holiday gift that helps Rochester families living in poverty. In exchange for your contribution, Cameron will send a card and note to the intended recipient explaining the gift and identifying the giver. It's a win-win for everyone! Please see Deb Bishop at the Cameron table during coffee hour.

### Happy Bunch Lunch Today!

The Happy Bunch invites you to join them for the "Third Sunday" brunch today, 12:30pm at the Country Club Diner. To help plan, contact Ralph Carter, [rcarter56@gmail.com](mailto:rcarter56@gmail.com), 271-7649.

### Special Advent Event Today!

Come to the Celebration Center at 6:00pm today for a simple spaghetti supper prepared by the Congregational Fellowship Committee. Families are invited to bring a gift for our friends at Cameron Community Ministries that we will wrap. There will also be an opportunity to make a card to be sent to our homebound members. We will close the evening with a time of carol singing. There is no set charge for this event, though a free-will offering would be appreciated.

### Thursday Voices

#### *December 19*

During Advent, we are studying the lectionary Scripture passages assigned for each Sunday. This week we will explore Isaiah 7:10-16, Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19, Romans 1:1-7, and Matthew 1:18-25 with John Wilkinson.

## Vox Lumine Concert

### *December 19*

Vox Lumine, an excellent professional choir based in Western New York, will present their seasonal concert, "Christmas with Vox Lumine," in the sanctuary of Third Church on Thursday, December 19 at 7:30pm. This program will present a wonderful variety of choral music both old and new, under the direction of Founder and Artistic Director, Brandon Johnson. In gratitude for Third Church's support of the ensemble in its first three seasons, they are offering 1/2 price tickets (\$5) to members of our congregation. Just identify yourself as a "Third Church Member" at the door to receive the discount. More information about the ensemble can be found at [www.voxlumine.org](http://www.voxlumine.org).

## Next Exploring Membership Dinner

Have you found your way to Third Church and want to know more? 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?

**Then an Exploring Membership Dinner is just for you.** Meet members, staff, and other newcomers. Share your story and hear about the journeys that brought others here. Explore ways to connect with others and to put your faith in action. Our next Exploring Membership Dinner will be on ***Sunday, January 19*** at 6:00pm. For more information or to reserve your place at the dinner, please RSVP to Lynette

Sparks (271-6513, ext. 106 or [lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org).)

## Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival

**HELP SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT THE BOAR'S HEAD FESTIVAL** If you're planning on sending out Christmas cards in the coming weeks to friends and relatives, you can help spread the word about the Boar's Head Festival, as well. Small pre-printed announcements are available in quantities for you to pick up on the table outside the church office. These can be enclosed with your Christmas cards to serve as a personal invitation to come and enjoy the festivities on January 11 and 12!

***Easy*** recipes for mince tarts, plum puddings may be found in the literature racks outside the church office. Please let us know as soon as possible if you can provide baked goods, and also if you are available to help with the reception set-up for either performance. You are invited to help financially support our presentation of the biennial Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival as a Patron. To help in this way, send a check payable to Third Presbyterian Church with the notation "Boar's Head Patron" clearly marked—place your check, so marked, in the offering plate.



**HUNGER SUNDAY**  
Next Sunday please bring:  
***Canned Tuna and Canned Chicken***  
Food Cupboard needs your donations  
**EVERY SUNDAY!**

Thank you to all who have presented your pledge for 2014. As of December 9, we have received 294 responses pledging a total of \$747,684 (82%) towards a goal of \$912,500. We will continue to receive pledge cards by mail or you may make a confidential pledge to Carol Foster at 271-6537, ext. 111, or cfoster@thirdpresbyterian.org.

### Christmas Caroling at Presbyterian Home

***Sunday, December 22, after 10:45 worship***

The Youth will carol at the Rochester Presbyterian Home. Meet in the Youth Lounge at 12:45pm. We will return at 2:45pm, in time for the Nativity rehearsal. RSVP to Jane Carden (271-6537, ext. 106). All are invited!

### Christmas Basket Needs

#### ***Coffee Hour***

We're almost there—our Christmas basket ministry needs only \$400 in additional cash contributions to complete all of the baskets. Thank you in advance for helping us close that gap.

### Advent Poems on Display in the Gallery...

Visit the Third Church Gallery to read the Advent scripture passages, a brief poem or two for each Sunday, and corresponding Third Church photos.

## CALENDAR FOR December 15—December 22

8:30 am	Child Care	CE
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
9:30 am	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
9:30 am	Youth Church School	CE/201
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar	JH
9:30 am	Growing in the Word	Parlor
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Intercessory Prayer</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 am	Church School	CE
12:00 pm	Coffee Hour/Junior Choir Cookie Sale	CC
12:00 pm	Rock Slinger Informational Meeting	Moot Arts Room
4:30 pm	Junior High Bells	Sanctuary
4:30 pm	Covenant Ringers	Moot Arts Room
5:15 pm	Covenant Singers	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Advent Feast	CC

### Monday, December 16

8:30 am	Chapel Bells	Moot Arts Room
9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
6:00 pm	Boy Scouts	CC
6:45 pm	Yoga	JH
7:30 pm	Born This Way!	Parlor

### Tuesday, December 17

9:15 am	Morning Prayers	Chapel
9:45 am	Staff Meeting	Parker Room
10:00 am	Enneagram Class	Parlor
6:00 pm	Trustee	<i>Off Site</i>
7:00 pm	Enneagram Class	CE/Room 207

### Wednesday, December 18

4:00 pm	Sojourn with the Psalms	Parlor
5:00 pm	Children's Bell Choir	Moot Arts Room
5:30 pm	Qabats	CC
5:30 pm	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
6:45 pm	Glorious Voices	Moot Arts Room
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

### Thursday, December 19

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
12:00 pm	Thursday Voices	JH
7:30 pm	More Light Committee	Whitney Room
7:30 pm	Vox Lumine Concert	Sanctuary

### Friday, December 20

9:30 am	Sisters in Spirit	CC
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### Saturday, December 21

10:00 am	Dining Room Ministry	CC
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### Sunday, December 22

8:30 am	Child Care	CE
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
9:30 am	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Arts Room
9:30 am	Youth Church School	CE
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar	JH
9:30 am	Growing in the Word	Parlor
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Intercessory Prayer</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 am	Church School	CE
12:00 pm	Coffee Hour	JH
12:15 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
1:00 pm	Youth Caroling at RPH	<i>Off Site</i>
2:00 pm	Nativity Costuming	Moot Arts Room
3:00 pm	Nativity Rehearsal	Sanctuary

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