



When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among brothers,
To make music in the heart.

"The Work of Christmas"
Howard Thurman

**The Worship of God
First Sunday after Christmas**

December 29, 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

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 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. Older children will remain in worship this morning with their families. Younger children may attend Large Group Church School.

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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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 "Dance of the Grand Duke" Samuel Scheidt

* 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

LEADER: The Word was made flesh,
PEOPLE: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
LEADER: and dwelt among us,
PEOPLE: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
LEADER: Jesus, Son of the living God,
splendor of the Father, Light eternal—
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord!**
LEADER: Jesus, King of glory, Sun of righteousness,
Glory to you, O Lord!
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord!**
LEADER: Jesus, Wonderful counselor,
mighty God, everlasting Lord—
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord!**
LEADER: Jesus, Prince of Peace, Shepherd of souls,
perfect in holiness—
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord!**
LEADER: Jesus, Friend of all, Protector of the poor,
Treasure of the faithful—
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord!**
LEADER: Jesus, Good Shepherd, inexhaustible Wisdom,
our Way, our Truth, and our Life—
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord!**
LEADER: Jesus, joy of the angels,
and crown of all the saints—
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

* HYMN 53 "What Child Is This?"

GREENSLEEVES

* PRAYER
of ADORATION

Glory to you, almighty God, for you sent your only-begotten Son, that we might have new life. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for you became flesh and dwelt among us that we might become your people. Glory to you, Holy Spirit, for you direct and rule our lives. Glory to you, almighty God, and to your Son, Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

* CAROL 28

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

IN DULCI JUBILO

CHILDREN'S
MESSAGE

(Older children will remain in worship this morning. Childcare is available for infants and toddlers.)

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.)

SCRIPTURE LESSON
READING
CAROL 25

Isaiah 63:7-9

(Pew Bible, OT page 693)

From "Christmas Poem"

Mary Jo Salter

"Away in the Manger" *verse 1*

MUELLER

SCRIPTURE LESSON
READING
CAROL 25

Psalm 148 *(read responsively by verse)*

(Pew Bible, OT page 582)

"Christmas Trees"

Robert Frost

"Away in the Manger" *verse 2*

MUELLER

SCRIPTURE LESSON Hebrews 2:10-18 *(Pew Bible, NT page 219)*
READING "Where Are The Stars Pristine" Alice Fulton
SOLO "Sleep Little Baby" Joel Phillips
Betsy Marvin, *soprano*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 2:13-23 *(Pew Bible, NT page 2)*
REFLECTION
CAROL 25 "Away in the Manger" *verse 3* MUELLER

*LITANY

LEADER: All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God. Alleluia!

PEOPLE: **Shout to the Lord, all the earth. Alleluia!**

LEADER: O Christ, splendor of God's eternal glory,
the mighty Word, sustaining the universe:
Renew our lives by your presence.

PEOPLE: **Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER: O Christ, born into the world in the fullness of time
for the liberation of all creation:
Release all into your promised freedom.

PEOPLE: **Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER: O Christ, begotten of the creator before all time.
For the liberation of all creation:
Release all into your promised freedom.

PEOPLE: **Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER: O Christ, begotten of the creator before all time,
born in a stable at Bethlehem:
May your church be a sign of hope and joy.

PEOPLE: **Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER: O Christ, truly God and truly human, born to a people in
fulfillment of their expectations: Fulfill our desired in you.

PEOPLE: **Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER: O Christ, born of the Virgin Mary, child of wonder and
splendor, mighty God of all ages, Prince of Peace:
May the whole world live in peace and justice.

PEOPLE: **Lord, have mercy.**

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE
and 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

OFFERTORY

"In the Bleak Midwinter"

Harold Darke

*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 your thanks and praise.**
ALL: **All glory to you, great God, for the gift of your Son,
whom you sent to save us. With singing angels, let us
praise your name, and tell the earth his story, that all
may believe, rejoice, and bow down, acknowledging
your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

* CAROL 40

"Joy to the World"

ANTIOCH

* CHARGE
and BENEDICTION

* CAROL
RESPONSE 29 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

GO TELL IT

POSTLUDE "Scherzetto"

Percy Whitlock

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:

PREACHER: John Wilkinson
LITURGISTS: Martha Langford, Mary DuBois, David Stimson
ASSISTANT ORGANIST: Tom Mueller
GREETERS: Bonnie DeHollander, Betty Iwan, Jim Stewart
USHERS: Bill Bay, Tim Broshears, Jeff Morrison, Kelly Thevenet-Morrison, Jeff Weis

*The Memorial Prayer Candle is lit this week for those grieving
the loss of a loved one.*



December 29, 2013

MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Adult Spiritual Development

*Adult Spiritual Development offerings
return January 5 at 9:30am.*

Our Adult Bible Study—Growing in the Word—will be the Sunday Seminar on January 5. Explore John 1: (1-9), 10-18, one of the biblical texts assigned to be read and proclaimed in worship that morning. Consider not only what the text has meant in the past, but also how it speaks to our lives today.

Next Exploring Membership Dinner

Sunday, January 19, 6:00pm

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.)

CALENDAR FOR December 29 – January 5

Sunday at Third Church

10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Child Care for Infants and Toddlers	CE
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	CC

Monday, December 30

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
5:45 pm	Yoga	JH

Friday, January 3

9:30 am	Sisters in Spirit	Parlor
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Saturday, January 4

10:00 am	Dining Room Ministry	CC
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Tuesday, December 31

Wednesday, January 1 Office Closed

New Year's Day

Thursday, January 2

9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC
12:15 pm	Thursday Voices	JH
6:15 pm	Boy Scouts District Meeting	CC
7:00 pm	Outreach	Whitney Room

Sunday, January 5

8:30 am	Child Care	CE
8:30 am	Worship	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar/Growing in the Word	JH
10:00 am	Intercessory Prayer	Chapel
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Church School	CE
12:00 pm	Coffee Hour	CC
12:00 pm	Nominating Committee	Parker Room
12:00 pm	Boar's Head Madrigal Rehearsal	Choir Room
12:15 pm	Nominating Committee	Parker Room
5:15 pm	Covenant Singers	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Youth Dinner/Fellowship	CC



The Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival

**An Ancient Processional
Celebrating Epiphany**

presented by

The Third Presbyterian Church
Chancel Choir & Instrumental Ensemble
and cast of over 100 people

Peter DuBois, *Director of Music*

Saturday, January 11, 2014 - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 12, 2014 - 4:00 p.m.

Free-will offering received at the door
Doors open 45 minutes before each performance
Pre-Festival music – madrigals and handbells – begins
30 minutes prior to each performance