



# Third Presbyterian Church

*Seeking the Light*

Another morning and I wake with thirst  
for the goodness I do not have. I walk  
out to the pond and all the way God has  
given us such beautiful lessons. Oh Lord,  
I was never a quick scholar but sulked  
and hunched over my books past the hour  
and the bell; grant me, in your mercy,  
a little more time. Love for the earth  
and love for you are having such a long  
conversation in my heart. Who knows what  
will finally happen or where I will be sent,  
yet already I have given a great many things  
away, expecting to be told to pack nothing,  
except the prayers which, with this thirst,  
I am slowly learning.

Mary Oliver  
*Thirst*

The Worship of God  
Third Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2016

8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

## 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

(8:30) "O Mensch, beweine deine Sünde groß" J.S. Bach  
("O mortal, mourn your great sin")

(10:45) "Aus tiefer Not, schrei ich zu dir," BWV 686 J.S. Bach  
("Out of the depths have I called unto Thee" –  
based on Hymn 424)

### INTROIT

(8:30) "Kyrie" Cathy Moglebust  
Celebration Ringers

(10:45) "Ubi Caritas" Junior Choir  
Ubi caritas et amor, Where there is charity  
and love,  
Deus ibi est. God is there.  
– Traditional Latin,  
music by Victor C. Johnson

\* DOXOLOGY PLEASE STAND AS THE ORGAN INTRODUCTION BEGINS  
OLD HUNDRETH  
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

Psalm 63

Leader: O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

People: For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; my lips shall give you praise.

Leader: So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your Name.

People: For you have been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

\* HYMN 182 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

KINGSFOLD

PRAYER  
of CONFESSION

Forgiving God, we confess how we have rebelled against you. We have allowed doubts and fears to hold us back from the freedom to which you have called us in Christ Jesus our Lord. We have been quick to blame others for our weakness and slow to accept responsibility for ourselves. Forgive us, and grant us your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

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  
(10:45)

**“Guide Us, Lord”**

Guide us through these days, O,  
Lord; help us to seek your way,  
trusting as you lead us with love,  
teach us again to pray.

by Mark Patterson  
Junior Choir  
Beth Fischer, piano  
Natalie Vinton, viola

Help us know you more clearly,  
help us love you more dearly,  
help us follow you more nearly day by day,  
day by day.  
Guide us Lord, we pray.

Guide us through these days, O, Lord,  
help us to seek our way,  
seeking wisdom from your word,  
strengthen our tender faith.

*Help us know you...*

When we stray and fall to sin  
help us find your path again;  
draw us closer in your fellowship of love.

*Help us know you...*

Lead us, teach us,  
guide us, Lord, we pray.

Quoting the Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester,  
1197-1253

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE  
(10:45)

*(Children, age 3 through 6<sup>TH</sup> grade, may depart for c church school and child care following the children's message. You may exit through the doors to the left of the pulpit to get to the Education Building. Third Grade will be at the Worship table today.)*

DISMISSAL  
of CHILDREN  
(10:45)

*(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

RECEPTION of  
NEW MEMBERS  
PRESENTATION  
CONSTITUTIONAL  
QUESTIONS  
WELCOME  
(10:45)

God calls us to be a servant people and gathers us into the body of Christ. We rejoice that God has added you to our number this day and we recognize you as brothers and sisters in faith. We renew our covenant to live and work together in the spirit of Christ and so to love and support one another that we may give honor and glory to God. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to the care and ministry of this congregation.

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.*

EPISTLE LESSON I Corinthians 10:1-13 (Pew Bible, NT, page 172)  
LEADER: The Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

SOLO "Hear My Prayer" Antonin Dvorak  
(8:30) Paige Kiefner, soprano

ANTHEM: "Like As the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks"  
(10:45) Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me 'Where, where is now thy God?'

- Psalm 42:1-3

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 55:1-9 (Pew Bible, OT page 685)

SERMON "Thirst" John Wilkinson

\* HYMN 696 "O God, You Are My God Alone" GRATUS  
(10:45)

\* AFFIRMATION of FAITH from *The Confession of Belhar*

We believe:

- that God has revealed himself as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;

- that God calls the church to follow in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;
- that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;
- that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;
- that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.  
Amen.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE  
and THE LORD'S  
PRAYER

*(Prayer request cards area available in pew pockets and can be*

*placed in the offering place.)*

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

SOLO  
(8:30)

**"O Divine Redeemer"**

Charles Gounod  
Paige Kiefner, soprano

ANTHEM  
(10:45)

**"Jacob's Ladder"**

arr. Andrew Clarkson

**We are climbing Jacob's ladder, Lead me to the cross.** Every rung goes higher, higher, Lead me to the cross. Climbing up to fires above me, Lead me to the cross. In the dark a light is shining, Lead me

to the cross. One step closer up to heaven, Lead me to the cross. We are climbing Jacob's ladder, Lead me to the cross.

- *Traditional Spiritual, adapt. Andrew Clarkson*

\* 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: Merciful God, we thank you that your transform us by the riches of your grace to renew our lives. May we be instruments of your love, sharing our faith with courage and hope.  
**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

\* HYMN 840 "When Peace Like a River" VILLE DU HAVRE

\* CHARGE  
and BENEDICTION

\* CONGREGATIONAL



RESPONSE     God be with you till we meet again;  
(8:30)     Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
**With a shepherd's care enfold you,**  
God be with you till we meet again.

\* CHORAL  
RESPONSE  
(10:45)

\* GREETING

POSTLUDE     **"Con moto maestoso"**                     Felix Mendelssohn  
(*from Sonata III in A major*)

*The flowers this morning are given in loving memory of the  
Rev. William Young, Anne Steele Young and Elizabeth Young DeBruyne.*

*The memorial candle is lit in reminder of our solidarity with our homeless  
neighbors.*

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

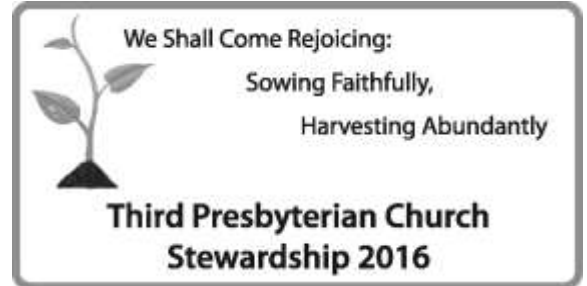
PREACHER:     John Wilkinson  
LITURGISTS:     Lynette Sparks, Martha Langford; 10:45: Rob White  
ACOLYTE:     Erin Colaluca and Kelly Knickerbocker  
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST:     Peter DuBois  
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:     Mary Ann Rutkowski  
ASSISTANT ORGANIST:     Caroline Robinson  
GREETERS:     Cynthia Capps, Dot Wallace, Miss Rickey Snowden, Carol  
Roth, Rob Keefe  
USHERS:     8:30: Griff Vinton, Betsy Vinton  
                  10:45: Ann McMican, Miriam Gale, Tom Gillett, Justin  
                  Connolly, Sue Danielson, Janet Stewart, Dianna Daunton,  
                  David Tennant  
COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:     Membership and Evangelism

February 28, 2016



## MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Thanks to all who have already responded to our Second Mile letter. We are grateful for your support as we continue to work toward financial health. As of this week, we have received 393 pledges for \$858,250. Thanks to all who have pledged, including 36 new pledges and all those who increased their pledge. There are 43 members and friends who pledged in 2015 that we have yet to hear from. Your Stewardship Committee is making plans to contact them by phone. If your pledge is still among the missing, we urge you to send in your pledge card or contact Carol Foster (or 271-6537, ext. 111) with your pledge. Thanks very much.



Bill Coons, Stewardship Chair

### Welcome New Members



**Kim Fay**



**Scott Holmquist**



**Barbara Darbey**



**Elisabeth McClure**

### Sunday Seminar

Today at 9:30am in Johnston Hall

*Job and Ecclesiastes*

with Anne Merideth, Department of Religion, Director of Undergraduate Studies, University of Rochester

### Growing in the Word

*Parable of the fig tree, Luke 13:1-9*

With Diana Daunton

### About Today's Music

Both the prelude and the postlude this morning are based on the chorale (hymn) tune "Aus tiefer not," written by Martin Luther in 1524, setting his own paraphrase of Psalm 130. The tune can be found in the *Glory to God!* hymnal, #424. In the Bach prelude, the melody is woven into a rich six-voice texture, with each phrase receiving a complex contrapuntal treatment. In the Mendelssohn postlude, the melody appears in the pedal voice during the middle section of the piece.

The second anthem this morning is an arrangement by Boston-area composer Andrew Clarkson of **the familiar spiritual, "Jacob's Ladder."** This arrangement is dedicated to the memory of those who lost their lives on 9/11. It was inspired by a visit to a fire station in the East Village shortly after 9/11, where choir members from Trinity Church, Boston, sang hymns to bolster the spirits of those affected. The composer noticed a lone fireman at the station, standing midway down a ladder from the floor above – one who had escaped from the basement of the North Tower. Shortly after that, **in worship, he heard the scripture of the story of Jacob's Ladder, and heard it with new ears, prompting this arrangement.**

### RAIHN Rotation – Volunteer Opportunities

Please sign up now to participate in our 44<sup>th</sup> rotation which begins today. Together, we can meet our goal of providing a good night's rest in a safe place where we share healthy meals—served up with kindness, acceptance, warmth, and compassion. We are in need of "take-down" help on Sunday, March 6 prior to worship (9:15am-10:30am) when we will reverse our setup of guest bedrooms & store everything. Contact Lou Loggi at [louis.loggi@gmail.com](mailto:louis.loggi@gmail.com) or 781-4237 or Laurie Mahoney at [LMahone1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:LMahone1@rochester.rr.com) or 747-5852.

### Recital Invitation

Sunday, February 28, at 7:00pm in Kilbourn Hall at the Eastman School of Music  
Third Church Bass soloist/section leader Cody Müller will present his graduate degree recital this evening. All are invited to attend this free concert, which will include Brahms "Four Serious Songs," Ned Rorem's "Flight for Heaven," and Patrick Dunnevant's world premiere of "Passion de Jean."

### Living Waters Wednesdays



*Lynette Sparks will lead the service on March 2. Join us at 6:00pm in the Chapel.*

### Lenten Voices (Thursdays)

March 3, 12:00pm, Johnston Hall

*Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*

Led by Martha Langford

### Shawl Knitting Ministry

Shawl Knitting Ministry

March 2 and 16 at 5:00pm, Parlor

Contact Sue Spaulding (342-9568)

### Sisters in Spirit

Fridays, March 4 and 18 at 9:30am, Parlor

Contact Amy Stratton-Smith, [ameliajean123@gmail.com](mailto:ameliajean123@gmail.com)

### Annual Meeting

Per its bylaws, the session of Third Presbyterian Church has called for a congregational meeting on Sunday, March 6, 2016 following the 10:45 AM service of worship. All members are encouraged to attend. The Congregational Fellowship Committee will offer a light lunch during the meeting. We will hear reports about 2015, discuss our 2016 financial picture, and elect new officers.

## Monday Yoga

March 7, 14, 21 at 6:30pm, Johnston Hall

## Special Music For Lent

Sunday, March 13 during 10:45am worship and 7:30pm. The Chancel Choir will present two performances of Johannes Brahms' masterwork, "Ein Deutsches Requiem" on Sunday, March 13. The first performance will occur during an extended 10:45am worship service, with a second offering to the larger community at 7:30pm that evening. Soloists for the Requiem will be Paige Kiefner, soprano; Chadwick Somers, baritone (10:45am); and Cody Müller, bass (7:30pm). These performances will also feature a special accompaniment, arranged by Brahms himself, for piano four-hands, and utilize the beautiful new concert grand piano in our sanctuary. Pianists for the Requiem will be Beth Quimby Fischer and Christina Lenti. Come and experience the sublime beauty of **Brahms' masterwork** – and help spread the word to friends, family, and neighbors!

## Cameron Bowl-A-Thon

Sunday, March 13 – 1:30pm at Clover Lanes

**Sponsored By Children's Ministry And Youth** Family Fun For A Great Cause!

We invite you to participate in a fundraiser for one of Third Church's favorite organizations—Cameron Community Ministries.

The cost of \$25 per person gets you two games of bowling, shoe rental, pizza and soda and the chance to win lots of great prizes! We know that the \$25 per person price tag will add up for families, so we have a deal we think you **won't be able to refuse**—the Children's Ministry and Youth committees will subsidize \$10 of the registration for the first 40 who sign up! That takes the price down to pretty much the regular price for two games of bowling and shoe rental, so why not join us?

RSVP by March 7 to be sure that you get your subsidy! Contact **Becky D'Angelo-Veitch**, [rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:rveitch@thirdpresbyterian.org), 271-6537 ext. 118 or Jane Carden, [jcarden@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:jcarden@thirdpresbyterian.org), 271-6537 ext. 107

## Concert Tickets on Sale

Tickets will go on sale this week for the Choir of Royal Holloway concert on April 8 at 7:30pm in our Sanctuary. **Don't miss this opportunity to hear this world-renowned** English choir in live performance. See the current issue of the *Messenger* for full details. Tickets will be available in the Church Office, beginning March 1, during the week, and at coffee hour following worship, beginning March 6. Cost is \$15 general admission; \$5 for students with valid ID; children 12 and under, free. This concert is being presented, in part, with significant support given in loving memory of Elizabeth S. Hansen.

## Housing Needed

We are in need of overnight housing for 26 members of the Choir of Royal Holloway of the University of London when they perform a concert at Third Church on Friday evening, April 8. It would involve providing breakfast the following morning and returning the singers to church that day. If you can provide housing for two or more singers, please contact Peter DuBois right away at [pdubois@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:pdubois@thirdpresbyterian.org) or by phone at 271-6537, ext. 109.

# Calendar for February 28 – March 6

## Sunday at Third Church

8:30 am	Child Care	Christian Education Building (CE)
8:30 am	New Member Gathering	Library
8:30 am	Worship	Chapel
9:30 am	Commissioning Class	Youth Lounge
9:30 am	Junior Choir Rehearsal	Moot Room
9:30 am	Growing in the Word	Parker
9:30 am	Sunday Seminar	Johnston Hall (JH)
10:00 am	Intercessory Prayer	Chapel
10:00 am	Session with New Members	Parlor
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Church School	CE
12:00 pm	Coffee Hour	Celebration Center (CC)
12:00 pm	Nominating Committee	Parker
12:15 pm	Qabats Revisioning	CE Room 206
2:00 pm	RAIHN guests arrive	CE/CC
4:00 pm	Covenant Ringers	Sanctuary
4:30 pm	Jr. High Bells	Moot Room
4:30 pm	Youth Advisors	Parker Room
5:15 pm	Covenant Singers	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Youth Dinner and Fellowship	CC/Youth Lounge

## Monday, February 29

6:00 am	RAIHN	CE Bldg	10:45 am	Celebration Ringers	Moot Room
9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC	12:00 pm	Thursday Voices	JH
3:30 pm	Memorial Service for Ellen VanOcker	Sanctuary	5:30 pm	Third Church Ringers	Moot Room
4:30 pm	Memorial Service Reception	CC	7:00 pm	Outreach Committee	CC
6:00 pm	Boy Scouts	CC			
6:30 pm	Yoga	JH			
7:00 pm	Great Schools for All – Magnet Schools	Whitney			

## Friday, March 4

6:00 am	RAIHN	CE Bldg
9:30 am	Sisters in Spirit	Parlor

## Saturday, March 5

6:00 am	RAIHN	CE Bldg
10:00 am	Dining Room Ministry	CC

## Sunday, March 6

6:00 am	RAIHN	CE Bldg
8:30 am	Child Care	CE
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
9:30 am	Outreach Steering Committee	Whitney
9:30 am	Jr. Choir Rehearsal	Moot Room
9:30 am	Commissioning Class	Whitney Room
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	Annual Meeting & Luncheon	CC
4:00 pm	Covenant Ringers	Sanctuary
4:30 pm	Jr. High Bells	Moot Room
5:15 pm	Covenant Singers	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Youth Dinner/Fellowship	CC/Youth Lounge

## Wednesday, March 2

6:00 am	RAIHN	CE Bldg
5:00 pm	Children's Musical Rehearsal	Moot Room
5:30 pm	Junior Choir	Moot Room
5:30 pm	Qabats	CC
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Living Waters Wednesdays</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Sectional Rehearsals	Choir/Moot Rm
7:00 pm	More Light	Whitney Room
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Rm

## Thursday, March 3

6:00 am	RAIHN	CE Bldg
9:30 am	Food Cupboard	CC

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