



**Third
Presbyterian
Church**

Seeking the Light

Christ has no body but yours,
no hands, no feet on earth but yours,
yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassion on this world,
yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
yours are the hands,
with which he blesses all the world.

Teresa of Avila (attributed)

**The Worship of God
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

July 2, 2017

10:00am

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: Street parking is possible on both sides of East Avenue. On Sundays, the Arnold Park parking lot is available for handicap parking only. Other parking is available in the Meigs Street parking lot and can also be found at:

- Jewish Community Federation (Sibley Place)
- American Association of University Women
- Rochester Area Community Foundation

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. **Large Print Bulletins and Bibles** are available from the ushers. Hymnals and Bibles are located in the pew racks.

Children and Worship: We offer quiet activities for school age children during worship in the sanctuary. There are table and chairs on a rug under the Arnold Park balcony where children will have the opportunity to read books and do activities that relate to our scripture readings for the day.

Child Care is available all morning in the Education Building for infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

Pastoral Care: needs and prayer concerns may be communicated to Ernest Krug, ekrug@thirdpresbyterian.org.

More about Membership: If you are interested in joining Third Church, or just want to know more, contact Lynette Sparks (271-6513, ext. 106 or lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org).

Newsletter: The Messenger is published monthly. Copies are available in the Chapel and Sanctuary, in the literature racks outside Johnston Hall and the Arnold Park entrance, and on the church website. If you are interested in receiving the newsletter, contact Cindy Mark in the Church Office (ext. 100 or cmark@thirdpresbyterian.org).

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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John Wilkinson, Pastor.....	ext 105
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Lynette K. Sparks, Associate Pastor for Outreach and Evangelism.....	ext 106
Ernest F. Krug, Parish Associate	
Peter A. DuBois, Director of Music/Organist.....	ext 109
Mary Ann Rutkowski, Associate Director of Music	ext 101
Rebecca D'Angelo-Veitch, Coordinator of Children's Ministries and Congregational Life	ext 118
Jane S. Carden, Youth Ministry Coordinator	ext 107
Caroline J. Robinson, Assistant Organist	
Roderic P. Frohman, Pastor Emeritus	

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 silence all electronic devices. As the music begins, please take time to become more aware of the continuing presence of God.

**Please stand as you are able, in body or in spirit.*

PRELUDE “Partita on ‘Simple Gifts’” Noel Goemanne

*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 from Psalm 13

LEADER: I trust in your steadfast love;

PEOPLE: **my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.**

LEADER: I will sing to the Lord,

PEOPLE: **because he has dealt bountifully with me.**

*HYMN 409 “God Is Here!” ABBOT’S LEIGH

PRAYER of CONFESSION

**O Lord, you taught us to love you and our neighbor, but we have not lived in right relationship or walked in the light of your love. Forgive us for the wrongs we have done, and for the ways we have failed to follow you. Yet we trust in your gift of forgiveness, which is freedom and life in Christ.
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

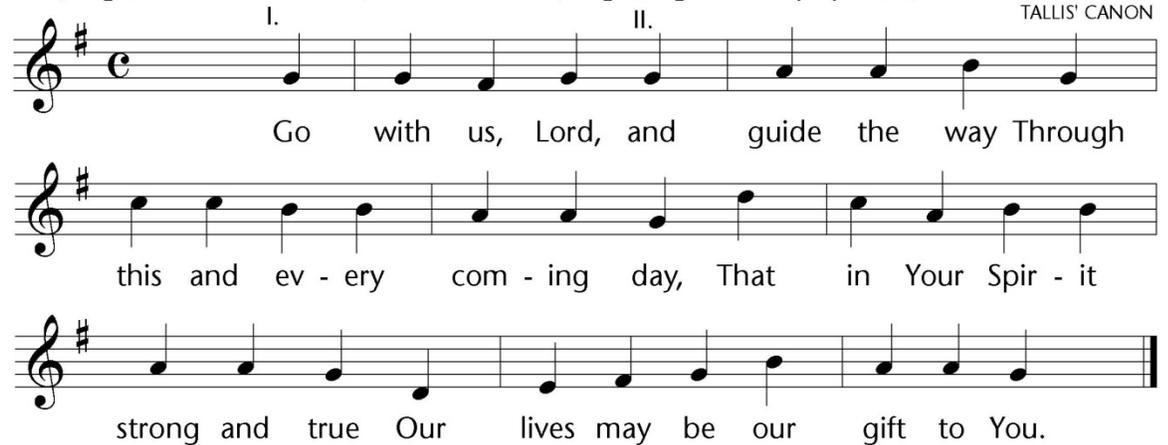
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Following the children's message, school age children are invited to gather at the table under the Arnold Park balcony for quiet activities during worship. The nursery on the middle level of the education building is available for preschool age children and younger.)

DISMISSAL of CHILDREN

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

TALLIS' CANON



I. II.

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.)

EPISTLE LESSON — Romans 6:12-23

(Pew Bible, NT page 156)

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO “Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace”

Eric Thiman
Sam Witmer, *baritone*

GOSPEL LESSON — Matthew 10:40-42

(Pew Bible, NT page 11)

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Representing Christ”

Lynette K. Sparks

*HYMN 509 “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

(The gathering of the servers.)

HOLY MANNA

***AFFIRMATION of FAITH**

from *A Brief Statement of Faith, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and in ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. Amen.

PRESENTATION of OFFERINGS

SOLO

"Shall We Gather At the River"

arr. Derek Remeš
Sam Witmer, *baritone*

*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!

*THE SACRAMENT of THE LORD'S SUPPER

(At the time of communion, ushers will invite you to come forward via the center and side aisles. Take a piece of bread from the server, dip it in the cup which contains grape juice, and partake as you are served. Return to your seat via the side aisle. All bread is gluten free. If moving to the communion table is difficult for you, a team of servers will come to you to serve the communion elements.)

*INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.**

LEADER: It is truly right to give you thanks and praise...

*SANCTUS

(organ intro) Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blest is the One who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

THE 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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

As others are being served, please join in singing the following hymns:

525 – "Let Us Break Bread Together"

517 – "Here, O Our Lord, We See You"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life, and renewed us for your service. Help us who have shared Christ's body and received his cup to be his faithful disciples so that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom, and our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 338 "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"**

MATERNA

***CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

RANDOLPH

**God be with you 'til we meet again;
Loving counsels guide uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you,
God be with you 'til we meet again.**

*GREETING

POSTLUDE "Fanfare"

Jacques Lemmens

The flowers this morning are in honor of the June 30 wedding of Robert White and Cecil Buchinger and in memory of Ernest and Julia Grant, parents of Jean Whitney.

The Memorial Prayer Candle is lit with prayers for our nation on this Independence Day weekend.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:

Lynette K. Sparks Preacher
Ernest F. Krug Liturgist
Peter A. DuBois..... Director of Music/Organist
Camille Clayton, Bonnie De Hollander, Maryjane Link Greeters
Roxanne Boyer, Harrison Lucas, Bob Merz,
Jobin Philip, Beth Sieber, Betsy Vinton, Griff Vinton Ushers