

“Resurrection is too magnificent to grasp or, if we do grasp the One in whom there is no darkness, our knowledge is fleeting. Indeed, apart from the Beloved Disciple (John 20:8), it seems as if the disciples were locked into familiar tombs: upon seeing the empty tomb, the disciples didn’t preach, they didn’t join the choir, they went home (John 20:10).”

Robert Hoch

**The Worship of God**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**

April 8, 2018

10:45am

## 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.

**Church School** is available for children, preschool through sixth grade, during the 10:45am worship service. **The first, second and third grade classes will be at the Worship Table this morning.**

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

**Pastoral Care:** needs and prayer concerns 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 (271-6537, ext. 106 or [lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org)). The next Exploring Membership luncheon will take place on Sunday May 6, at 12:00pm.

**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](mailto: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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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.*

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**PRELUDE**      *"Two preludes on **Jesu, meine Zuversicht**"*      Gottfried August Homilius  
Jesus Christ, my sure Defense  
My Savior, ever liveth

**INTROIT**      *"Come, All Children, Join to Sing"*      Kenneth Lowenberg  
Junior Choir  
Come, all children, join to sing: let the church with praises ring.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.*  
Thank you, God, for ev'rything. Gratefully, our- love we sing.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.*

**\*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 Lord is risen! Alleluia!  
**PEOPLE:** **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**  
**LEADER:** How very good and pleasant it is  
when the people of God live in unity.  
**PEOPLE:** **Let us worship God.**

**\*HYMN 231**      *"Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers"*      SUO GAN

**PRAYER of ADORATION**      Church of Scotland

**Lord God, we adore you; you are a God of power: the whole universe is alive with your energy; of its potential, immensity and complexity we know only a little, but it points us to you as its creator and sustainer.**

Lord God, we adore you; you are also a God of love: your power has a purpose, and we see evidence of that in the beauty of creation, and in the human potential for understanding and creativity.

Above all, your love and your power are focused in the life and death and rising again of Jesus of Nazareth. With joy we celebrate his resurrection, by which you have shown yourself to be a God of power, stronger than all the powers of darkness and sin, keeping us safe in your care; but you have shown yourself also to be a God of love, love that was not quenched by the hatred and bitterness of the Cross; and because of this we believe that you will go on loving us until the end of time.

Lord God, we adore you – the God of power and the God of love; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*RESPONSE



Christ is a - live, and comes to bring Good news to  
this and ev - ery age, Till earth and sky and o - cean  
ring With joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian Wren, 1968 Used by permission  
Tune: TRURO

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Following the children's message, children are invited to proceed to the education building for Sunday School. The nursery on the middle level of the education building is available for children age 3 and younger. The first, second and third grade classes will be at the Children's Worship table today.*

## DISMISSAL of CHILDREN

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

I. II. 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.*

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON — Acts 4:32-35

Pew Bible, NT page 122

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

## ANTHEM “This Joyful Eastertide”

Dutch Carol  
arr. Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, Away with sin and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified,  
Hath sprung to life this morrow!

*Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith  
had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen.*

My flesh in hope shall rest, And for a season slumber: Till trump from east  
to west Shall wake the dead in number.

*Had Christ, that once was slain...*

Death's flood hath lost his chill, Since Jesus cross'd the river: Lover of souls,  
from ill My passing soul deliver.

*Had Christ, that once was slain...*

- text by G. R. Woodward

## GOSPEL LESSON — John 20:19-31

Pew Bible, NT page 115

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON “Living into the Unknown”

Martha Langford

**\*HYMN 817 "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"**

DUNLAP'S CREEK

*The gathering of the servers.*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *from "A Brief Statement of Faith," Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.**

**PRESENTATION of OFFERINGS**

*In addition to our regular offering, today we receive a special offering for the People's Emergency Fund, which is used to help those who come to us in financial distress, especially those who face eviction or utility shut-offs. Envelopes are in the pew racks. Thank you for your generosity.*

**ANTHEM**

**"Hallelujah, Amen"**

**G. F. Handel**

*(from Judas Maccabaeus)*

**Hallelujah, Amen; O Judah, rejoice! Rejoice, O Judah in songs divine, with cherubim and seraphim harmonious join.**

\*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

\*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 forward 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.**

\*SANCTUS

(organ intro)

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! (organ)  
Blest is the One who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

setting by William Mathias

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

*Please join the choir in singing the following hymns while others are being served:*

- 254, "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"
- 239, "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!"
- 250, "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Thank you, O God, for giving us communion with our risen and glorious Lord. Now send us out to be a sign of the new life that has come into the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**



\*HYMN 305 "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

DARWALL'S 148TH

\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*GREETING

POSTLUDE "Marche en C majeur"

Louis J. A. Lefébure-Wély

*The chancel flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Robert T. Norton by his wife Catherine and daughters Rachel and Sarah Norton.*

*The memorial prayer candle is lit in memory of Martin Luther King, Jr. on the 50th anniversary of his assassination, with prayers for peace, justice and reconciliation.*

### PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

- Martha C. Langford ..... Preacher
- Lynette K. Sparks, Donna Brink Fox..... Liturgists
- Mary Ann Rutkowski ..... Associate Director of Music
- Caroline J. Robinson ..... Assistant Organist
- Clive Daunton, Bob Eames,  
Alison Gray, Maryjane Link, Betsey Wheeler ..... Greeters
- Elmer Dustman, Hope Herting, Jeremy Peters, Gloria Pleger,  
Jim Pochodylo, Don Schichler, Rebecca Schichler, Anne Sievers..... Ushers
- Deacons Parish B ..... Coffee Hour Hosts



**The Old Testament Fast Forward**  
 Presented by the Junior Choir and Glorious Voices  
**Sunday April 22, 2018 at the 10:45am Worship Service**

Join us for a lively retelling of Old Testament stories through word and song.  
 See what happens when our story tellers attempt to get through the entire Old Testament in *ten minutes!*  
 You won't want to miss the fun!



# MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## One Great Hour of Sharing

Thank you to all who have contributed to this year's One Great Hour of Sharing special offering. To date, we have received 2018 contributions totaling \$5,164. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing — Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People — serve individuals and communities in need of sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. You may still make a gift to OGHS. Make checks payable to Third Presbyterian Church and designate for One Great Hour of Sharing. Thanks also to our many Sunday school children whose "fish bank" contributions added to our offering.

## Holy Week and Easter Recordings

Full recordings of each of the Holy Week services are available for listening on the Third Church website, [thirdpresbyterian.org](http://thirdpresbyterian.org). Click on "Worship Recordings" in the "Worship" drop down menu.

Included are Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter services. Also available are recordings of sermons only from Maundy Thursday and Easter.

## Sunday Seminar

**Sunday, April 8, 9:30am in Johnston Hall**

"Migration in the wake of Maria," led by Gladys Pedraza-Burgos, Chief Operations Officer at the Ibero-American Action League.

**Next Sunday April 15:** "Addressing Hunger in Greater Rochester" led by Mitch Gruber, Chief Programs Officer at Foodlink.

## Growing in the Word

**Sunday, April 8 at 9:30am in the Parlor**

"The Baby in the Basket, Exodus 2:1-10," led by Paul Gongloff.

**Next Sunday April 15:** "The Call of Moses, Exodus 3:1-4:17," led by Dianna Daunton.

## Monday Night Yoga

**Monday, April 9 at 6:30pm, Johnston Hall.**

## Thursday Voices

**Thursday, April 5, 12:00pm, Johnston Hall**

"Testimony," led by Lynette Sparks.

## Spring Toddler Music Class!

**Mondays, April 16 – May 21, 10:30am – 11:00am, CE 204**

This six week class is for children 14 months – 3 years, with their caretakers.

Songs, movement, stories from scripture and rhythm instruments will all be a part of the experience each week!

If you'd like to join us, please contact Mary Ann Rutkowski at 271-6537, ext. 101 or [mrutkowski@thirdpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrutkowski@thirdpresbyterian.org) by **Wednesday, April 11.**

## Rochester Celebrity Organ Recital Series

**Tuesday, April 10, 7:30pm**

**Christ Church Downtown  
141 East Ave.**

The Rochester Celebrity Organ Recital Series presents renowned Danish organist Bine Bryndorf in concert next Tuesday evening, April 10 at 7:30pm. Tickets will be available at the door \$12/regular; \$10 senior; \$5 students.

Third Church is a co-sponsor of this series.

## Young Adult Fellowship (20s and 30s-ish)

### Potluck Dinner

**Friday April 13, 6:30pm, Johnston Hall**

Join fellow young adults from Third Church for a casual potluck dinner and get-to-know-you event! This will be a fabulous opportunity to meet other young adults at Third Church in a relaxed setting. Drinks will be provided, please bring a yummy dish of your choosing to share.

Please RSVP to Mary Ann Rutkowski (mrutkowski@thirdpresbyterian.org, 271-6537, ext. 101) by Tuesday, April 10.

Additionally, do you have an idea for a gathering or want to stay on top of YA events? Contact Mary Ann either by email or phone.

## Calvin Guild

**Wednesday, April 18, 12:00pm, Johnston Hall**

Join us for a program led by Paul Gongloff, "Once Upon a Time: Glimpses of God in Stories."

Cost is \$8 for a simple soup and sandwich lunch. Please RSVP to Dot Wallace at dpiercewallace@gmail.com. RSVP no later than April 13.

## Thinking about Qabats

The Qabats program has been a cornerstone of children's ministry for 25 years. In that time, we have refined our programming and evolved to meet the needs of families.

We believe it may again be time to evolve. All members and friends including (but not limited to) families currently in the program are encouraged to fill out a short survey to guide us as we think about this program for next year and beyond.



Use your cell phone camera to access the survey via this QR code, or find the survey on the children's page of the Third Church Website.

## Support Local Women and Girls

Church Ladies is joining Temple B'rith Kodesh (TBK) in their support of local women and girls. Buy supplies (pads and pantyliners, any size) to make emergency kits for women living in poverty. These items can be dropped off in the collection box outside of Johnston Hall.

**Join the Church Ladies on Saturday, April 28** from 9:00am -11:00am in Johnston Hall for a light breakfast (\$3/person to help offset the cost) and to listen to a representative from the PAD Project while we assemble emergency kits.

## Donations Needed for RAIHN Bridge Apartment

RAIHN now has a bridge apartment, which allows families awaiting their final housing inspection to leave the RAIHN rotation and open a space for another family.

During the month of April, we will be collecting the following items to help stock the apartment:

Cleaning supplies, plunger, toilet brush, toilet paper, paper towels, light bulbs, canned and dry foods.

Donated items should be labeled "RAIHN" and can be left in the specially designated box by the church office.

## Calling All Gardeners!

Can you commit to one hour per week to help grow fresh, healthful vegetables for families in need? Volunteer with the Alison Clarke Community Garden to supplement the food at the South Wedge Food Program at the corner of Averill Ave. and Ashland Street. Contact Tracy Walker at tracy@walkermedia.net for more information.

## Find Us on Twitter and Instagram, and Stay in Touch via Email!

In addition to Facebook, Third Church is also on Twitter and Instagram at handle @ThirdChurchROC. Join the conversation!

Additionally, if you are not on our email distribution list to receive weekly updates, please contact Cindy Mark at cmark@thirdpresbyterian.org.

### **New Ways to Donate Online**

Donating to Third Church just got easier!

If you'd like to donate online, visit [www.thirdpresbyterian.org](http://www.thirdpresbyterian.org), click on the "Give" tab on right under the banner at the top of the page, and select "Give Online."

From there you will find several ways to make a quick and convenient donation, whether it's recurring or one-time only.

### **Worship Recordings and Sermon Availability**

Did you know that Sunday sermons and anthems can be listened to again via the church website?

Visit [www.thirdpresbyterian.org](http://www.thirdpresbyterian.org), click on "Worship," then select "Sermons and Order of Worship" from the drop down menu.

Sermons are also available for viewing on the website; printed versions are available at several locations in the church.

### **Support Third Church When You Shop at Amazon**

Amazon Associates is a program which pays referral fees to Third Church when an Amazon customer accesses [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) through the Third Church website.

Go to [www.thirdpresbyterian.org](http://www.thirdpresbyterian.org) and click on the Amazon logo on the homepage. Shop as you usually do, and Amazon will send a percentage of your purchase to Third Church. It's a great way to generate income for Third Church at no additional cost to you!

### **Sunday Morning Parking**

Third Church aspires to be inclusive in many ways, including for those with mobility challenges. In order for worshipers to be able to use the ramp at the Arnold Park door, we have designated the ENTIRE Arnold Park parking lot for handicapped access on Sunday mornings.

We know, however, that there are more with handicapped access needs than there are spaces in the Arnold Park lot. Therefore, if you do not have a blue handicapped parking card, we kindly ask you not to park in the Arnold Park lot. If you are dropping someone off at the Arnold Park entrance, please continue through the driveway to our Meigs Street lot.

Thanks for your understanding and cooperation. Please call the church office if you have any questions.