

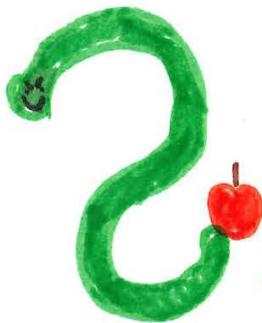


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TESTAMENT



Fast



Forward!!!

The Worship of God
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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: There is no Sunday School today so that children can enjoy this morning's musical.

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). 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).

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 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 “Toccatà in F” BuxWV 157 Dieterich Buxtehude

*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 119

LEADER: Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

PEOPLE: **I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
to observe your righteous ordinances.**

LEADER: Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord,
and teach me your ordinances.

PEOPLE: **Give me life, O Lord, according to your word.**

LEADER: Your decrees are my heritage forever;
they are the joy of my heart.

PEOPLE: **I incline my heart to perform your statutes
forever, to the end.**

*HYMN 67 “My Song Forever Shall Record” PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

*PRAYER of ADORATION

**Creator God and Lord of life, you who call forth from the
darkness of death all those who love you, we rejoice, in this
Easter season, in the good news of resurrection. Visit us
with your bright blessing of peace and life. We pray in the
name of the risen Christ. 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.

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Tune: TRURO

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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON — Joshua 1:1-9

read this morning from *The Message*
Jack Cuadrado, *reader*

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Old Testament Fast Forward (in 10 minutes!)

Words by Tom Long, music by Allen Pote

INTRODUCTION (Instrumental)

GOD'S WORD

God's word tells the story,
God's word is where it starts,
God's word makes a promise,
God's word is in our hearts.
God's word lights the darkness,
God's word a burning blaze,
God's word fills creation,
moves the earth to songs of praise.
It's fam'ly tales and history. (It's history.)
It's drama, songs, and mystery. (It's mystery.)
It's news of love that sets us free,
and points us to eternity!
God's word tells the story,
God's word is where it starts,
God's word makes a promise,
God's word is in our hearts.
God's word lights the darkness,

God's word a burning blaze,
God's word fills creation,
moves the earth to songs,
songs of praise.
God's word, God's word,
God's Word!

GOD CALLING



(Audrey Stout, soloist)

Adam and Eve, where are you?
Why are you hiding in shame,
so far away from the promise of
dawn,

where the Lord is calling your name?
Before the world was formed I knew you;
the day you were born I could see
no time or space can divide us.
One day I will come,
one day I will come,
and I will bring you home to me.

THE LORD SAID TO NOAH

The Lord said to Noah

"Build me an arky, arky."

Lord said to Noah

"Build me an arky, arky.

Make it out of hick'ry barky barky,"

children of the Lord.

THE ARK LOADING SONG



First came aardvarks
dancing up and down
with glee, praising God
that Noah chose to load
them alphabetic'ly.

Further down the line
there were hissed cat

calls 'cause the vipers and the zebras didn't like
the plan at all.

There were hopping kangaroos, there were
hyperactive shrews, birds and bats and
butterflies and other things that flew.

Animals that slithered on their bellies on the
ground, fleas that used the backs of cats and
dogs to get around!

Millipedes were marching on a thousand tiny
feet, and the camels all were tripping 'cause
they couldn't keep the beat!

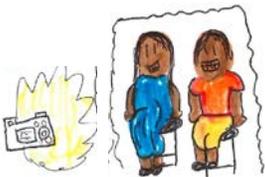
The octopi walked with a special kind of charm
as they came up the path arm in arm, arm in
arm, arm in arm, arm in arm, arm in arm in
arm in arm in arm in arm in arm in arm!

As they passed Missus Noah in the middle of
the crowd, the cats all curtsied, the dogs
bow-wowed! Arf! Arf!

Elephants saluted by raising their trunks,
'though I suspect they did it so as not to smell
the skunks!

Seals swam forward and started to applaud,
as the birds sang out to the glory, the glory of
God!

GOD HAS A PLAN



God has a plan, God has a
plan,
When God makes a
promise, the promise
comes true. Even

impossible things can be possible, miracles
happen when God chooses you!

Such complicated stories, it sometimes makes
you doubt. How can this be God's family?
How will it all turn out?

Joseph had a special gift, God spoke to him in
dreams. But other gifts like simple tact, he
lacked or so it seems.

God has a plan, God has a plan,
When God makes a promise, the promise
comes true. Even impossible things can be
possible, miracles happen when God chooses
you!

UNLIKELY HEROES

(Danielle Walker and Cooper
Ossont, soloists)



Little Moses, in a basket, far from
Pharaoh on his throne, 'till a
princess sees the slave boy, raises
him to be her own.

Later in a bush's burning, God says, "Set my
people free!"

"Lord, I never been no leader, surely you're not
pickin' me!"

God likes unlikely heroes; don't need no
famous names.

Even when you think you're battin' zero, God
can use you in the game.

Don't need no Wonder Woman; don't need no
Man of Steel.

Prayin' is your super power; all you gotta do is
kneel.

Ten plagues later, Hebrews leavin'; Pharaoh's
mad enough to cuss. Breaks his word and
shouts an order.

"Go bring back that exodus!" Armies chasin'
after Moses;

Moses askin', "Lord, why me?"

Then he prays and God delivers; makes a road
right through the sea.

God likes unlikely heroes; don't need no
famous names.

Even when you think you're battin' zero, God
can use you in the game.

Don't need no Wonder Woman; don't need no
Man of Steel.

Prayin' is your super power; all you gotta do,
all you gotta do, all you gotta do is kneel!

JOSHUA FOUGHT THE BATTLE OF JERICHO

Joshua fought the battle Jericho, Jericho,
Jericho.

Joshua fought the battle of Jericho and the
walls came a-tumblin' down.

JUDGES

(Anna Colaluca, Sophie Veitch, and Abby Rich, soloists)

Take a look at Gideon. He fought the armies of
Midian

With a little bitty brassy band, Three hundred
men, picked by hand.

Late at night he won the day, with a couple of
horns and jars of clay.

So great a guy, some day you'll see,
"They're gonna name a Bible after me!"

Judges, judges, not the courtroom kind.
Judges, judges, take a look, you'll find judges,
judges, even when they're odd, judges, judges,
great leaders of God.

Take a look at Deborah, and give a really big
hep hoorah!

A double threat who wore a dress, she was a
judge and prophetess!

Led an army in a rout, when another leader
chickened out. So remember when it's time to
fight: "I'm twice the man of any Canaanite!"

Judges, judges, even when they're odd,
Judges, judges, great leaders of God.

Take a look at Samson now. He was stronger
than a herd of cows, 'til Delilah cut his hair,
and Philistines found him there. So they
chained him center-stage. His tragic act was
all the rage. His final line caused quite a fright:
"I'm bringin' down the house tonight!"

Judges, judges, not the courtroom kind.
Judges, judges, take a look, you'll find
Judges, judges, even when they're odd,
Judges, judges, great leaders of God, great
leaders of God!

PRAISE FOR THE CITY EVERLASTING



(Natalie Rohl, soloist)

God can call a simple shepherd,
give him psalms of praise to sing,
lift his arm to fight a giant, raise
him up to be a king.

Praise for the city everlasting,
Praise for the ruler on the throne.
Praise you, Lord, for you have named us and
claimed us as your own.

THE KING IS GOOD

(Nathaniel Austin, soloist)

"O king, I come to tell you, a most disturbing
tale, a story of injustice where evil has
prevailed."

The crowd was sure that David would know
what must be done, so all who stood nearby
him rose up and cried as one:
YES! The king is good! YES! The king is wise!
He has the heart of God, he will not stand for
lies. YES! The king is brave! YES! The king
will fight. When David sees a wrong, he always
puts it right.

A shepherd had a thousand sheep; he was a
wealthy man. His neighbor was a peasant who
owned a single lamb; but when the rich man
had a guest who came to dine one night, he
stole his neighbor's lamb and put it to the
knife!

Then David burned with anger and vowed to
God on high: "This wealthy man will pay for
he deserves to die!" YES! The king is brave!
YES! The king will fight.

When David sees a wrong, he always puts it
right.

GIVE ME A CLEAN HEART

(Carolyn Knickerbocker, soloist)

I know I sinned, I disobeyed.
I feel so lost, so far away.
Please let me know that you are there.
Please show your face, Lord, hear my prayer.
Give me a clean heart, give me a clean heart.
Take my spirit, make it new.
I need forgiveness and I need you.
Give me a clean heart, O God.

We offer you our broken lives and you receive
our sacrifice. You heal the pain of sinful days
and send us out to sing your praise.
Give me a clean heart, give me a clean heart.
Take my spirit, make it new.
I need forgiveness and I need you.
Give me a clean heart, O God.
Give me a clean heart.

FAST FORWARD (with apologies to Rossini)

Next in line came Solomon. He was David's
fav'rite son.
Smartest king you've ever seen. Really dazzled
Sheba's queen.
Later on he kinda soured. He was swayed by
worldly power.
Then he sinned and really stumbled; that's the
way the kingdom crumbled.
Then there came a bunch of kings with names
that we can hardly say.
If we tried our tongues would twist and tie up
anyway.
Followed by the wicked Ahab and his evil
Jezebel,
when Elijah prayed and from the sky a fire fell.

Yo ho, yo ho, the word of God we know,
la la la la la la la la yo ho, yo ho!

Run away from the Lord's what Jonah did.
In the den of lions, Daniel hid.
Don't forget Elijah cured a kid.
What comes next? Make a list.
Jonah, Job and Jeremiah,
Lamentations, Zechariah.
Cheer! Cause I think we're done!

PRAISE FOR THE CITY EVERLASTING

(REPRISE)

One day there will come another, and the
reign of God will start.
Son of David, a Messiah, who will conquer
ev'ry heart.
Praise for the city everlasting,
Praise for the ruler on the throne.
Praise you, Lord, for you have named us and
claimed us as your own.

GOD'S WORD (REPRISE)

God's word tells the story, God's word is where
it starts,
God's word makes a promise, God's word is in
our hearts.
God's word lights the darkness, God's word a
burning blaze,
God's word fills creation, move the earth to
songs, songs of praise.
Hear the word! Tell the story,
Hear the word! shout the truth.
Hear the word! Tell the story,
Hear the word! raise the roof.
Hear the word! Child of Adam,
Hear the word! Child of Eve,
Hear the word, all God's children!
Hear the word, all God's children!
Hear the word, and believe!

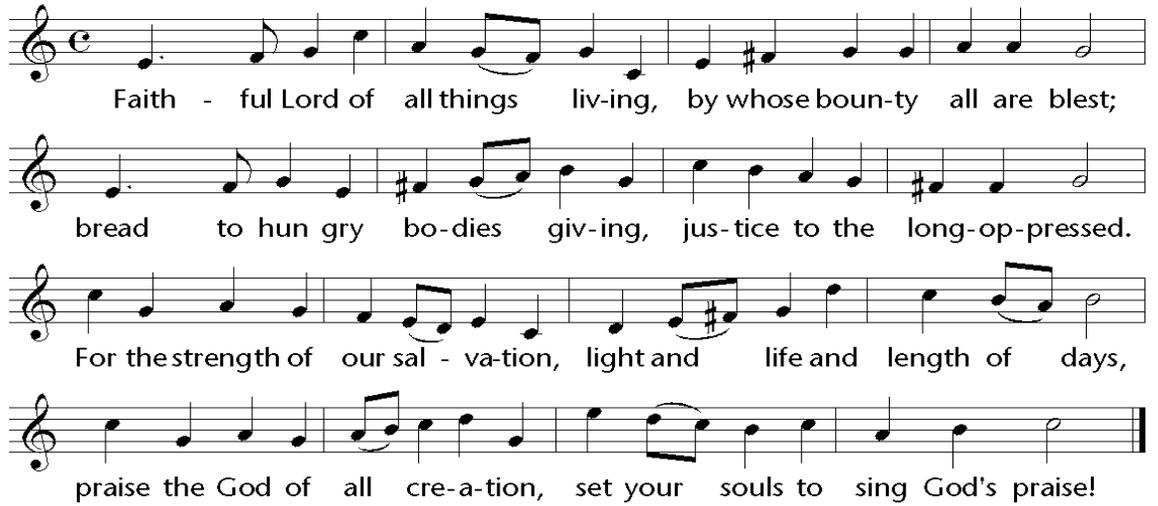
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OFFERTORY

"Prelude on LEONI"
(The God of Abraham Praise)

Richard Proulx

*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!

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*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.**

ALL: **We thank you, O God, for your word and for its messengers. Bless us and bless what we give, that your church may be strengthened for joyful service. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*HYMN 463 **"How Firm a Foundation"**

FOUNDATION

*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

*GREETING

POSTLUDE **"Prelude in Classic Style"**

Gordon Young

The memorial prayer candle is lit in honor of Third Church children and those who nurture and support them.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

John Wilkinson..... Liturgist
Peter A. DuBois..... Director of Music/Organist
Mary Ann Rutkowski Associate Director of Music
Ruth Sylvestre Rossi, Carol Roth,
Miss Rickey Snowden, Tim Stout, Dot Wallace Greeters
Sue Danielson, Dianna Daunton, Miriam Gale, Tom Gillett,
Ann McMican, Gayle Phillips, Janet Stewart, David Tennant Ushers
More Light Committee Coffee Hour Hosts
Coffee Hour will be held in Johnston Hall this morning.

A word of thanks to all of the parents and families of the Junior Choir and Glorious Voices members for their help and support in numerous ways during this musical process and throughout this program year; to our wonderful sextons, John Pilato, Joey Becerril, and Charles Capers for all of their assistance in the many set-ups and tear-downs for this musical and our regular Qabats programming; to our ever-supportive program staff and excellent support staff for all they do; to the congregation of Third Church for their nurturing love and support of these children; and, of course, to the members of the Junior Choir and Glorious Voices for their dedication, hard work, and enthusiasm and for sharing their gifts each week as they sing their praises to God!

The Old Testament Fast Forward Cast

Stage Manager: Luke Perillo
Narrators: Natalie Derthick, Adrienne Quimby
Voices of God: Audrey Stout, Kathryn Cowdrick Swensen, Paul Gongloff, Robb Adams, Jean Whitney
Serpent: Carolyn Knickerbocker
Adam: Cooper Ossont
Eve: Danielle Walker
Noah's Wife: Sophie Veitch
Noah: Jack Allyn
Shem: Elena Renauto
Japeth: Jacob Weishaar
Ham: Chloe Dinse-Johnson
Animals on the Ark: Rose Allyn, Drew Allyn, Sage Bellucci-Mattice, William Curtis-Leist, Kara Dolohanty, Eleanor Fischer, Frederick Fischer, Eva Heyl, Millie Mahar, Ruthie Mahar, Jacky Renauto, Margaret Schafrath, Virginia Schafrath, Brooke Trahan
Abraham: Jacob Weishaar
Sarah: Sarah Singh
Photographer: Caroline Nielson
Isaac: Jack Allyn
Rebecca: Jay-Lynn Poindexter
Jacob: Luke Perillo
Esau: Eleanore Derthick
Rachel: Nori Bellucci-Mattice
Leah: Chloe Dinse-Johnson
Joseph: Nathaniel Austin
Benjamin: Faith Weishaar
Joseph's other Brothers: Millie Mahar, Abigail Rich, Elena Renauto, Lia Renauto, Audrey Stout
Ishmaelite: Carolyn Knickerbocker
Potifar: Cooper Ossont
Potifar's wife: Anna Colaluca
Guard: Natalie Rohl

Jail Master: Sophie Veitch
Pharaoh: Jack Allyn
Moses: Cooper Ossont
Tour Guide #1: Anna Colaluca
Tourist: Faith Weishaar
Gideon: Natalie Rohl
Tour Guide #2: Sophie Veitch
Deborah: Eleanore Derthick
Barak: Jack Allyn
Tour Guide #3: Abigail Rich
Samson: Cooper Ossont
Delilah: Sarah Singh
Israelite #1: Anna Colaluca
Samuel: Natalie Rohl
Israelite #2: Abigail Rich
Saul: Audrey Stout
David: Carolyn Knickerbocker
Goliath: Cooper Ossont
Nathan: Nathaniel Austin
Minor Prophets: Nori Bellucci-Mattice, Eleanore Derthick, Millie Mahar, Lia Renauto, Sarah Singh, Faith Weishaar, Jacob Weishaar
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Cast Member #2: Sophie Veitch
Cast Member #3: Anna Colaluca
Cast Member #4: Natalie Rohl
Cast Member #5: Cooper Ossont
Cast Member #6: Jacob Weishaar
Cast Member #7: Elena Renauto
Cast Member #8: Sarah Singh
Cast Member #9: Danielle Walker
Cast Member #10: Abigail Rich
Cast Member #11: Audrey Stout
Cast Member #12: Nathaniel Austin

Production Team

Musical Director: Mary Ann Rutkowski
Assistant Director: Caroline Nielson
Piano/Choir Accompanist: Ralph Carter
Page Turner: Barb Rich
Claves: Caroline Nielson, Will Zimmer
Drama Coaches: Christine Colaluca, Becky D'Angelo-Veitch, Caroline Nielson, Barb Rich, Mary Ann Rutkowski
Costumes: Cast, Crazy Dog T-Shirts, Cori Averill
Set Builder: Tim Stout
Set Building Assistants: Jason Aquisto, Cori Averill, Leanne Averill
Scenic Design: Leah Ormaechea
Set Painting: Jane Carden, Darcy Ormaechea, Leah Ormaechea, Mary Ann Rutkowski
Props: Cori Averill, Daniel Fischer

Stage Crew: Evelyn Bishop, Megan Stout, Madeline Veitch, Will Zimmer
Sound: Jen Herting, Ken Herting
Lighting Design: Keira Mahar
Lighting Assistants: Michael Singh, Julia Wisbey
Poster Design: Leah Ormaechea, Deb Bishop
Choir Parents: Christine Colaluca, Barb Rich
Photographers: Daniel Fischer, Sean Singh
Videographer: Tom Renauto
Cast Party: Tim Allyn, Mary Ellen Knickerbocker, Patty Singh, Kelly Weishaar, Peter Weishaar
Sign Language Instructor: Mary Ellen Knickerbocker
Stage Setup: Andy Austin, Nathaniel Austin, Joey Becerril, Anna Colaluca, Christine Colaluca, Rich Colaluca, Jen Herting, Ken Herting, Keira Mahar, Jason Mahar, Millie Mahar, Ruthie Mahar, Carolyn Knickerbocker, Mary Ellen Knickerbocker, Caroline Nielson, Robert Veitch, Sophie Veitch, Will Zimmer



MINISTRY, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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. 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 22, 9:30am in Johnston Hall

"Renewable Energy: Incubators at RIT," led by Bill Jones and Brad Sparks.

Next Sunday April 29: "The Muslims I Know," led by Mara Ahmed, activist and filmmaker. Join us for at 12:30pm to participate in a special presentation of Ahmed's film. More information on the following page.

Growing in the Word

Sunday, April 22 at 9:30am in the Parlor

"The First Plague, Exodus 7:1-24," led by Paul Gongloff

Next Sunday April 29: "Free at Last, Exodus 12: 1-15," led by Ernest Krug.

Monday Night Yoga

Monday, April 23 at 6:30pm, Johnston Hall.

Join us for this free class!

Thursday Voices

Thursday, April 26, 12:00pm, Johnston Hall

"Saying Yes and Saying No," led by Martha Langford.

Work Day at ROC SALT

Saturday, April 28, 9:00am-1:00pm

All of Third Church is invited to a day of service and fellowship, all ages included.

We will work both inside and outside of ROC SALT (at Ashland and Averill) to help spruce things up!

We will also share a lunch and devotional prayer.

To sign up, please visit pbygenval.org/upcoming-events/ or contact Cheryl Battaglia at financialadmin@pbygenval.org.

Support Local Women and Girls

Saturday, April 28, 9:00am – 11:00am

Johnston Hall

Join the Church Ladies 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.

Lunch and Learn: "The Muslims I Know"

Sunday, April 29, 12:30pm

A documentary screening of "The Muslims I Know" with director and producer Mara Ahmed. Meet the Rochester Pakistani American community as shown in this 2008 documentary that seeks to answer, "Where are the moderate Muslims?"

A light lunch will be served and a free-will offering will be held to cover the cost of the lunch and the film screening. Suggested donation \$10. RSVP to the church office at 271-6513 if you plan to attend.

New Small Group

Please join us for a four week study on "The Life and Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer." We will meet on April 26, May 10, May 24, and June 14 (the second and fourth Thursdays of each month) at Third Church beginning on April 26 from 7:30-9:00pm.

This DVD/book study delves into what it means to be the church in the world, examines how we live a Christian life, and discusses Bonhoeffer's theme, "religionless Christianity." Study materials will be provided, with a suggested donation of \$10 to cover the cost.

Questions? Contact Dianna Daunton
ddaunton@rochester.rr.com.

Caroline Robinson Organ Recital

Thursday, May 3, 1:10pm
Christ Church Downtown
141 East Ave.

Assistant organist Caroline Robinson will present her first Doctoral recital. All are invited to attend!

Exploring Membership Luncheon

Sunday, May 6, 12:00pm in Johnston Hall

If you are new to Third Church and would like to know more about us, or are interested in exploring membership, we invite you to join us at our next Exploring Membership Luncheon on Sunday, May 6 at noon. You can bring all your questions, get to know our pastoral staff, and meet other folks new to this place. Our conversation is informal, and emphasizes the many ways to connect. Childcare is available; please let us know in advance if you need it.

Our luncheon conversation will conclude by 1:30pm. For those that are ready to join in membership, the next step is a New Member Gathering offered that same afternoon following the luncheon from 1:30-2:30pm, or can be arranged at another mutually convenient time. To RSVP or learn more, contact Lynette Sparks (271-6537 ext. 106 or lspark@thirdpresbyterian.org).

Plant Sale: Youth Fundraiser

Pre-orders will be taken at Coffee Hour on Sunday, April 29 and Sunday, May 6, with delivery on Sunday, May 13. The cost is \$10. Please contact Shannan Monrad, sswallowmonrad@hotmail.com, if you have any questions!

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.

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.

Junior Choir CDs Still Available!

Did you get a chance to purchase your copy of the Jr. Choir's latest CD, "So it is with the Spirit"? We have copies still available for purchase. They make great gifts and offer a different way to share Third Church with friends and neighbors. Contact Mary Ann Rutkowski (mrutkowski@thirdpresbyterian.org, 271-6513 , ext. 101) to order, or stop by the office during the week. CDs are \$12 each, or 2 for \$20. Thank you for your support!

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, 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, 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.

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Go to 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.

