

Today's Service Leaders:

Ed Satterfield, Beth Nichols, Callaway Sprinkle

Today's flowers are given in memory of Ron Klipp's mother, Juanita Klipp, whose birthday would have been on March 27.

Welcome, visitors!

We're glad you've chosen to worship at Third! Be sure to write your contact information (phone and/or email) on the pads that will be passed this morning so that we can get in touch with you to let you know more about life at Third. After the service, you will find information on Third in the entry foyer and in the Steeple Corridor under the display TVs. We look forward to meeting and getting to know you.

Morning Prayer

Health Needs

Elva White, Ann Kooiman, Jared Armistead, Mary Ann Hancock, Evelyn Jennings, Joe Keller, Mary Cox

Deaths

Tim Pearson (mother, 3/20), Gaynelle DePass (3/15), Cliff and Julia Sleeman (daughter-in-law, 3/5), Heather Cohn (father, 3/4), Sunny Rosebro (father, 2/9)

A **Wiggle Room** is available if you prefer to have your child with you but he or she is a little too active or noisy to be in the service. The service is streamed into Room 124 so you can hear the sermon while you nurse or play with your baby/toddler. Room 124 is located in the connecting hall across from the Toddler Room 105 leading to the Student Ministry area.

Are you going to be away any Sunday this month? You can now view our worship services (9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary) online at www.thirdrva.org/watch-live. Or, find the link on the Welcome/This Sunday page. You can view the services through UStream (our vendor) on any device: smartphone, tablet, laptop/desktop.

March 29, 2015
11:15 a.m. Sanctuary
Palm Sunday

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"Anger is the fluid that love bleeds when you cut it."

C.S. Lewis

"Harboring bitterness against people is actually confessing their sin to myself, over and over again. Anger is akin to confessing their sin to God, dissatisfied that he hasn't done something and placing myself in his position as judge."

Paul David Tripp

PRELUDE

"Joyful, Joyful"

Third Bells

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

People: **Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!**

Leader: Lo, your king comes to you;

People: **Triumphant and victorious is he,**

Leader: Humble and riding on a donkey,

People: **On a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN OF PRAISE #204**

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

CHORAL PRAISE

"Hosanna in the Highest"

Spirit Singers

CONFESSION

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons and daughters of God.

Matthew 5:9

Lord Jesus, prepare us to see the disease of anger within our hearts. When circumstances or other people obstruct our desires, we allow our anger to get the best of us. Either through passive aggression or active attacks, we lash out at those who stand in the way of our selfish desires. Give us hearts of peacemakers through the peace you have bought for us through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Everyone: Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE

Psalm 103:8

“The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.”

This is the good news: In and through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, we are received by God in love!

Everyone: Thanks be to God!

GREETING OF PEACE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Proverbs 19:11; Ephesians 4:26-27; James 4:1-3

(scripture parallel)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

“Seven: From Anger to Peace”

Corey Widmer

HYMN OF RESPONSE

“In Christ Alone”

(text parallel)

JOINING OF NEW MEMBERS

INTRODUCTION TO OFFERING

Pray for Needle’s Eye Ministries and founder Buddy Childress as they seek to build connections between business professionals and matters of faith and to encourage men and women to impact our community with Christ’s values, ethics and love.

OFFERTORY

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”
(arr. Raney)

Sanctuary Choir
(text parallel)

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

VIDEO TESTIMONY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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, for ever. Amen.

*HYMN OF COMMISSION #512

“At the Cross”

*BENEDICTION

Today’s Bible Readings

Proverbs 19:11, ESV

¹¹ Good sense makes one slow to anger, and it is his glory to overlook an offense.

Ephesians 4:26-27, ESV

²⁶ Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil.

James 4:1-3, ESV

¹ What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ² You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song. This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save. ‘Til on that cross, as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain. Then, bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again. And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me. For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the power of Christ in me. From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand. ‘Til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I’ll stand.

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;

Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.

To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,

The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna to the King! Hosanna in the highest, let loud hosannas ring!

O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

Hosanna in the highest, let loud hosannas ring!