

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.

If you're not reading *The Loop*, you're not in the loop.

Pick up The Loop for this week's announcements and calendar. You'll find it at exits around the building. You can also read The Loop online at www.ThirdRVA.org.

Morning Prayer

Health Needs

Baby Josephine "Josie" Allen (daughter of Courtney and Clayton Allen), Debra Goddard, Dean Dennis, Parker Hale, Tiffany Hartman, Nancy Taulbee, Vince Reynolds, Roy Johnson, Edwin Phillips, Christie Geraty, Ellen Hemphill, Dave Cox

Deaths

Mark Koontz (mother), Ivan Cole (brother), Carol Holt (son), Russell Tate (mother), Kim Taulbee (mother), Bette Phillips (brother), Myrtle, James and David Hacker (son, brother George)

Leadership Trustee Ron Butler

Elders, Class of 2014

Andre Coetzee, Scott Frayser, Sue Kimball, Paul Newell, Robin Ore, Jennifer Parham, Lee Sauvain, Robert Wilson

Elders, Class of 2015

Keith Byers, Scott Cox, Tom Hayes, Mark Sprinkle, Randy Tabb, Bob Tatti, Fred Whitten, Tom Widmer

Elders, Class of 2016

Doug Brown, Andy Burgess, Jon Hottinger, Val Kling, Peter Murchie, Speaker Pollard, Andi Redmond, Annhorner Truitt

Preaching Schedule	
September 7	Steve Hartman
September 14	Corey Widmer
September 21	Steve Hartman
September 28	Corey Widmer
October 5	Steve Hartman

August 31, 2014
11:15 a.m. Sanctuary

MEDITATION

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30

"...but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!"
Philippians 2:7-8

PIANO PRELUDE

Ron Klipp

WELCOME AND GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 46:10-11

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMNS OF PRAISE #612**

"How Firm a Foundation"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #516**

"Be Still and Know"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:1-10

(scripture inside)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

"The Power of Remembering Who You Are"

Steve Hartman

Mission Partner Prayer

Pray for Ashley Hall and Urban Hope as they seek to strengthen the inner city of Richmond through encouraging financial stability, assisting people in home ownership and affordable rental property.

“Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ...”
2 Peter 1:1

“Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus...”
Romans 1:1

HYMN OF RESPONSE #48 “God of Creation, All-Powerful”

APOSTLES’ CREED (Hymnal #14)

INTRODUCTION TO OFFERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering Sentence: “Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.”
1 Timothy 6:17

OFFERTORY “My Great Redeemer’s Praise” (text parallel)
(arr. McCartha) Sanctuary Choir

***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.”

FAITH SHARING VIDEO

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

***HYMN OF COMMISSION #66** “The God of Abraham Praise”

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Today we celebrate the birth of Josephine “Josie” Caroline Allen, daughter of Cortney and Clayton Allen. Josie was born on Monday, August 25, 2014.

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. Click on Welcome, This Sunday, Watch Live. You can view the services through UStream (our vendor) on any device: smartphone, tablet, laptop/desktop.

Today’s Bible Reading

Luke 17:1-10

¹ Jesus said to his disciples: “Things that cause people to sin are bound to come, but woe to that person through whom they come. ² It would be better for him to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around his neck than for him to cause one of these little ones to sin. ³ So watch yourselves. If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him. ⁴ If he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times comes back to you and says, ‘I repent,’ forgive him.” ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶ He replied, “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it will obey you. ⁷ Suppose one of you had a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Would he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, ‘Come along now and sit down to eat?’ ⁸ Would he not rather say, ‘Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink?’ ⁹ Would he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.’”

My Great Redeemer’s Praise

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.
He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.
He speaks, and listening to His voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
‘Tis music in the sinner’s ears, ‘tis life, and health, and peace.
O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!
In Jesus Christ you then shall know, shall feel your sins forgiven;
Anticipate your heaven below, and own that love is heaven.
O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise!

Today’s Service Leader: Ed Satterfield

Today’s flowers are given in honor of Jimey and Kathy Ames for their faithful service to our children’s ministry.