

# Third CHURCH

Sunday | June 21, 2015

## *The* **SHAPE** *of* **WORSHIP**

The formational power of Christian worship

“If you are to go to Christ, do not put on your good  
doings and feelings, or you will get nothing;  
go in your sins, they are your livery.  
Your ruin is your argument for mercy;  
your poverty is your plea for heavenly alms;  
and your need is the motive for heavenly goodness.  
Go as you are, and let your miseries plead for you.”  
– Charles Spurgeon

Welcome!  
Bienvenido!  
欢迎!  
مرحباً

*We're glad you've chosen to worship at Third!  
We look forward to meeting and getting to know you.*

*Third Church exists to spread the gospel and seek  
the Shalom of metro Richmond and the world through  
a movement of communities and congregations,  
welcoming people of all cultures to the glory of Jesus Christ.*

# GATHERING

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*God gathers us all and calls us by his grace.*

Welcome and Announcements

## † Call to Worship

*Please stand.*

Leader: In the morning, Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait expectantly. For you are not a God who is pleased with wickedness; evil may not dwell with you. The arrogant cannot stand in your presence. You are against all those who do wrong.

**People: But I, by your great mercy and love, can come into your house; in reverence I bow down toward your holy temple.**

Leader: Let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may rejoice in you.

**People: Surely, Lord, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield.**

## † Opening Prayer

## † Songs of Praise

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” – #62 in the hymnal

“Psalm 62”

(See music on following page.)

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† *The cross indicates standing, as you are able.*

# PSALM 62

Stuart Townend and Aaron Keyes



1. My soul finds rest in God a-lone, my rock and my sal - va - tion; A\_\_
2. Find rest my soul in God a-lone a - mid the world's temp - ta - tions; When
3. I'll\_ set my gaze on God a-lone and trust in Him com - plete-ly; With



for-tress strong a - gainst my foes And I will not be sha - ken; Though  
e - vil seeks to take a hold I'll\_ cling to my sal - va - tion; Though  
ev' - ry day pour out my soul And He will prove His mer - cy; Though



lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies like ar - rows pierce me; I'll\_  
rich - es come and rich - es go, don't set your heart up - on\_ them; The  
life is but a fleet - ing breath, a\_\_ sigh too deep to mea - sure; My



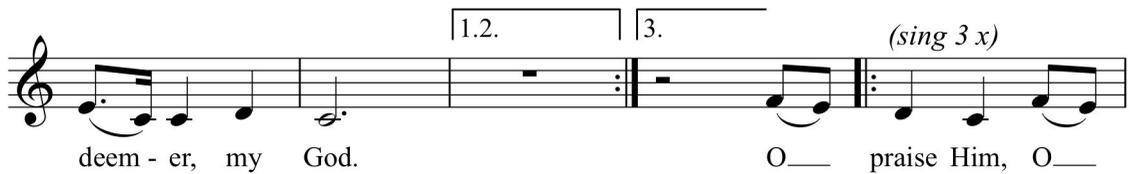
fix my heart on right-ous-ness; I'll\_ look to Him who hears me. O\_\_  
fields of hope in which I sow are\_ har-ves-ted in hea - ven.  
King has crushed the curse of death and I am His for - e - ver!



praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, my De - light and my Re -

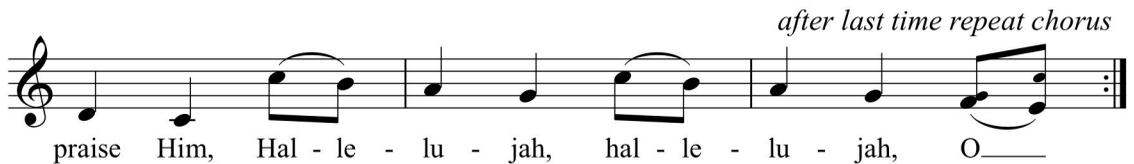


ward. Ev - er - last - ing, nev - er fail - ing; My Re -



deem - er, my God. O\_\_\_ praise Him, O\_\_\_

1.2. 3. (sing 3 x)



praise Him, Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, O\_\_\_

after last time repeat chorus

# CONFESSING

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*God invites us to be honest with him about ourselves.*

Isaiah 6:1-5

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory." At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty."

## **Song of Confession**

"I Confess to God the Almighty"

(See music on following page.)

## **Silent Confession**

## **Words of Forgiveness**

Isaiah 6:6-7

Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."

**People: Hear the good news, brothers and sisters: Jesus Christ has died for us and taken away our guilt and shame forever! Through the mercy of God, we are forgiven!**

## **Song of Assurance**

"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

(See music on following page.)

## **† Greeting of Peace**

*As those welcomed and given peace by God, let's welcome each other in the peace of Christ.*

# I CONFESS TO GOD THE ALMIGHTY

words: trad., music by K Taulbee



1. I con - fess to God, the Al - might - y  
2. And I ask you, my sis - ters and bro - thers,



and to you, my bro - thers and sis - ters,  
pray for me, my sis - ters and bro - thers,



I have sinned through my own fault,  
as you pray to the Lord,



in my thoughts and my words,  
pray for me to the Lord,



1.  
In what I've done and have failed to do.



2.  
As I pray for you.

# HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

Words and Music by Stuart Townend



How deep the Fa-ther's love for us How vast be-yond all meas - ure; That



He should give His on - ly Son To make a wretch His treas - ure. How



great the pain of sear-ing loss The Fa - ther turns His face a-way As



wounds which mar the Cho sen One bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry

# THANKSGIVING

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*We give back to the Lord in gratitude for what he has done for us.*

Pray for Church Hill Activities and Tutoring (CHAT) a Christian community development organization that seeks to build community as they tutor, provide life-skills and leadership training, seeking to transform the environment of the Church Hill area.

## **Offertory**

8:45 & 11:15 Service

“All Creatures of Our God and King” by Hayes  
Sanctuary Choir

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam!  
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice!  
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
All ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care!  
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

10:00 Service

RESOUND – guest musicians

## **† Doxology**

*Please stand as we sing our thanks to the Lord.*

**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.**

# PROCLAIMING

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*God speaks to us through his Word.*

## Prayer of Illumination

### Scripture Readings

Psalm 32:1-7

- <sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.
- <sup>2</sup> Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.
- <sup>3</sup> When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.
- <sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.
- <sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." And you forgave the guilt of my sin.
- <sup>6</sup> Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found; surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them.
- <sup>7</sup> You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

<sup>16</sup> So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. <sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: <sup>19</sup> that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup> We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**



# RESPONDING

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*We respond to God's Word.*

## † Song of Response

"Jesus, Cast A Look On Me"  
(See music on following page.)

## Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

### † Musical Refrain

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy;  
— Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.

**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.**

## Prayer Needs

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### For Health:

Gene Cox, Carol Holt, Merle James, Celeste Reynolds, Lynn Pendleton, Gretchen Gravely, Betty and Joe Cox, Pam Rambo, Mary Howard, Jared Armistead

### For Comfort:

Deaths – Betsy Pollard (grandmother, 6/12), Mary Lou Laird (6/8), Chip Buehler (mother, 6/6), Steve Gravely (father, 5/27), Ed McKeon (5/25), Jeff Rebman (mother, 5/21), Marriott Jackson (husband Sam, 4/12)

### For Metro Richmond:

We pray for the criminal justice system in metropolitan Richmond: for chaplains, ministries to jails and prisons, half-way houses, work-release and after-care programs.

# JESUS, CAST A LOOK ON ME

Music by Matthew Perryman Jones  
Words by John Berridge



Je - sus cast a look on me,  
All that feeds my bu - sy pride,  
Make me like a lit - tle child,  
Lean - ing on Thy lo - ving breast,  
In this pos - ture let me live,



Give me sweet sim - pli - ci - ty;  
Cast it ev - er - more a - side;  
Of my strength and wis - dom spoiled;  
Where a wea - ry soul can rest;  
And ho - san - nas dai - ly give;



Make me poor and keep me low,  
Bid my will to Thine sub - mit,  
See - ing on - ly in Thy light,  
Feel - ing well the peace of God,  
In this tem - per let me die,



Seek - ing on - ly Thee to know.  
Lay me hum - bly at Thy feet.  
Wal - king on - ly in Thy might.  
Flo - wing from His pre - cious blood.  
And ho - san - nas e - ver cry.

## SENDING

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*God sends us into the world as his witnesses.*

### † Song of Commission

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” – #20 in the hymnal

### Commission

Leader: Brothers and sisters, we are beggars who have brought to the eternal feast. May we never forget our position as sinners saved by grace, may we never stop returning gain and again to the fountain of Christ’s mercy, may we never boast in arrogance or pride as if we are the architects of our own salvation, may we never cease to be amazed at the depths of the mercy of God.

**All: Let us go forth in humility to serve the world, as those who have received everything by grace. Let us go forth in boldness to love the world, as those who know the forgiveness and love of God.**

### † Benediction

*Please stand as you are able.*

## SERVICE NOTES

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Joining us in worship today are Richard Everett (8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.) and RESOUND (10:00 a.m.), who were part of Friday night Makers Series. Richard Everett was a professional actor in London for some years before becoming a playwright and screenwriter with 8 stage plays produced, translated and published to his credit. He’ll be participating in the Sermon Chat class at 10:00 a.m. RESOUND is the RVA-based a cappella trio of Joseph Clarke, Mariah Hargrove, and Jessica Fox, whose social media and word of mouth acclaim has led to recent appearances on Good Morning America and Late Night with David Letterman.

Today’s flowers are given by Martha and Jack Schilthuis in thanksgiving for their 61st wedding anniversary, which was on June 19.

## NEWS

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**Thank you, Mark Koontz!** – On Sunday, June 28, Mark Koontz will be retiring as Third's organist. Mark has faithfully served Third for over 15 years and informed us in January of his intent to enter a new phase of life and ministry. We are so grateful for Mark's ministry with us. Please take the opportunity to express your appreciation to him over the next two weeks.

**Wheelchair Access** – We have created space in the middle of the sanctuary not only to make it accessible, but to welcome those in wheelchairs into the center of our fellowship.

**Staff Searches** – This is an exciting time at Third! We are currently searching for several staff positions, such as a Director of Finance and Administration, Communications Director, Organist, Associate Director for Student Ministry, Mission Pastor, and Executive Assistant for the Pastor. We await the Lord's timing and His choice of the persons He desires for each of these roles. Pray along with the leadership for God's leading and our discerning His will. If you would like full descriptions of these roles or information on how to apply, please visit [www.thirdrva.org/open-ministry-positions](http://www.thirdrva.org/open-ministry-positions).

**Reading Glasses and Cases Needed for the Haiti Mission Trip** – Please help the Haiti mission team to provide 400-600 pairs of reading glasses and sunglasses for the mobile medical clinic. A box for collection of the glasses is on the counter by the Fellowship Hall. The trip is set for July 11-18. We will need all glasses by the end of June. No prescription glasses. We would also like to have cases for the glasses. Contact Carolyn Oakley (937-6564/cdoakley1@gmail.com) for more information.

**Bibles For India** – Inspire International, the literacy ministry of David and Nalini Singh, is in continuing need of new and gently used Bibles, Bible dictionaries and commentaries. Children's materials are also needed. A collection box is in the niche outside of Room 109.

## EVENTS

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*For more information on classes, events and ministries, come to the Fellowship Hall at 9:45-11:30 a.m., visit our website or find more information at kiosks throughout the building.*

**College-Age Brunch – Today!** Meet in the Fellowship Hall from 11:00 - 11:15 a.m. to go to brunch to discuss sermons and life. Contact Tim Latham (434-426-7713).

**Mission Prayer Meeting for Asia – Tomorrow!** Join us for prayer from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Leader: Bob Metcalf. Host: Carolyn Oakley, 937-6564. 2710 Old Point Dr. (23233) Mary McCulloch will be our guest for the evening. Please plan to carpool to Carolyn's home.

**It's a Third Tradition!** – Spend July 4th with the Flying Squirrels (game at 7:05 p.m.) and enjoy fireworks after the game. Tickets are \$10. Buy your tickets and register at [www.thirdrva.org/registrations](http://www.thirdrva.org/registrations).

**Women's Summer Study** – Wednesdays, July 8 - August 12, 7-9 p.m. A DVD study of *Keep it Shut* by Karen Ehman explores what the Bible says about the ways we use our words. Teaching by Connie Byers and Karen Hayes. Contact Beth Nichols ([bethn@thirdrva.org](mailto:bethn@thirdrva.org)). Register at [www.thirdrva.org/registrations](http://www.thirdrva.org/registrations) or in person at Third on 6/28 and 7/5.

**Sports Skills Camp** – Week of July 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pump Road fields. Only a few more weeks to sign up! For children and youth, rising 1-12 grades. To register and for more details visit [www.thirdrva.org/sports-skills-camp](http://www.thirdrva.org/sports-skills-camp) or contact Tom Barila ([tomb@thirdrva.org](mailto:tomb@thirdrva.org)).

**Experience Israel Tour 2016** – March 24 - April 3, 2016. Registration deadline and deposit due by September 15, 2015. We will tour Israel as well as Petra, Jordan. We hope to have 24-26 on the trip but need at least 20 people to go. Contact Tom Barila ([tomb@thirdrva.org](mailto:tomb@thirdrva.org)) for more information or visit our website for additional details.

**El Salvador Mission Trip** – October 8-13, 2015. Deadline to register is July 8. An 11 member team led by Tom Barila. We will come along-side our mission partner, Sports Outreach Institute. Contact Tom Barila ([tomb@thirdrva.org](mailto:tomb@thirdrva.org)) for more information.

## SUNDAY ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

*Sundays at 10:00 a.m.*

**The Epistles of John: What Makes You Think That You Are Right?** – Led by Rev. Nan and Boyd Clarke in Room 101. Studying the epistles of John provides answers from orthodox historic Christianity to modern anxieties about belief and the question of certitude.

**Sermon Chat** – This week's guest: Richard Everett discussing Confession and Assurance. Led by Elders and hosted by Tom Barila in Room 217. Join us for discussion about the sermons and personal application. An ideal environment for those who want to go deeper with the Bible text, ask questions, and meet new folks.

**Sticky Faith!** – A powerful opportunity to learn how we can help our young members with the most important part of their development. Facilitated by the Student Ministry Committee in the Student Ministry Area.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

*Grades 6th -12th at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings*

This summer we're tackling some of the tough questions that teenagers ask about God, faith, and the Christian life. Join us each week as we take a look at what God's word says in answer to some of life's challenging and important questions. Taught by Rick Hutton and Sarah Mims (Student Ministry summer intern) each week in the Student Ministry area.

For more information on upcoming student ministry events and how you can get involved, contact Rick Hutton ([rickh@thirdra.org](mailto:rickh@thirdra.org)).

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - SUNDAY MORNING

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*We welcome you to Third and want you to know that your children are precious to us! Our staff of both professional child care workers and volunteers are here to serve your family in a safe, loving and Christ-centered environment.*

### **8:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Service:**

Infants – Room 104

Toddler 1 – Room 109 - younger toddlers

Toddler 2 – Room 105 - older toddlers and twos

2s and 3s as of 9/30/14 (Little Lambs and Little Lions) – Room 103

4s as of 9/30/14 and Kindergartners – Attend 8:45 service with parents and during Noisy

Offering, they will be led to Room 223 for play, snack and story time. During the

11:15 service, take your child directly to Room 223 for play, snack and story time.

1st-6th grades – Attend worship with parents.

### **10:00 a.m. Service:**

Infants – Room 104

Toddler 1 – Room 109

Toddler 2 – Room 105

Little Lambs & Little Lions (2 year olds to young 4s): We'll combine these classes for the summer in the Little Lambs room – Room 103 - for a complete Sunday School lesson.

Little Eagles (4-5 year olds) and Kindergarten: Drop off and pick up your child in Room 223 for Sunday school.

1st-6th grade: Drop off in Rooms 213/215 for Sunday school.

(Children will be released to the Fellowship Hall at 11:05 a.m.)

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.

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Please contact us if we can help familiarize you with all that is available at Third for your children. Kathy White: [kathyw@thirdrva.org](mailto:kathyw@thirdrva.org). Tracie Meadows: [traciem@thirdrva.org](mailto:traciem@thirdrva.org).

# THIS WEEK AT THIRD

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## **Sunday, June 21**

- 10:00 a.m. Weekly refreshments – Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 p.m. AA – Rooms 213/215
- 7:00 p.m. Student Ministry Gathering – Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 p.m. Christian Arabic Church Worship – Sanctuary

## **Monday, June 22**

- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School – Church Building, 600 Forest Ave.
- 12:00 p.m. Annual Sam Jackson Golf Tournament – Richmond Country Club
- 7:00 p.m. Asia Prayer and Care Group – at Carolyn Oakley's home

## **Tuesday, June 23**

- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School – Church Building, 600 Forest Ave.
- 9:00 a.m. Kingdom Knitters – Parlor
- 12:00 p.m. The Book Group – Bonhoeffer Room, 500 Forest Ave.
- 6:20 p.m. Session Dinner – Kitchen, 500 Forest Ave.
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting – Multipurpose Room, 500 Forest Ave.

## **Wednesday, June 24**

- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School – Church Building, 600 Forest Ave.

## **Thursday, June 25**

- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School – Church Building, 600 Forest Ave.
- 6:30 p.m. Healing Prayer Rooms – Student Ministry Area, 600 Forest Ave.

## **Friday, June 26**

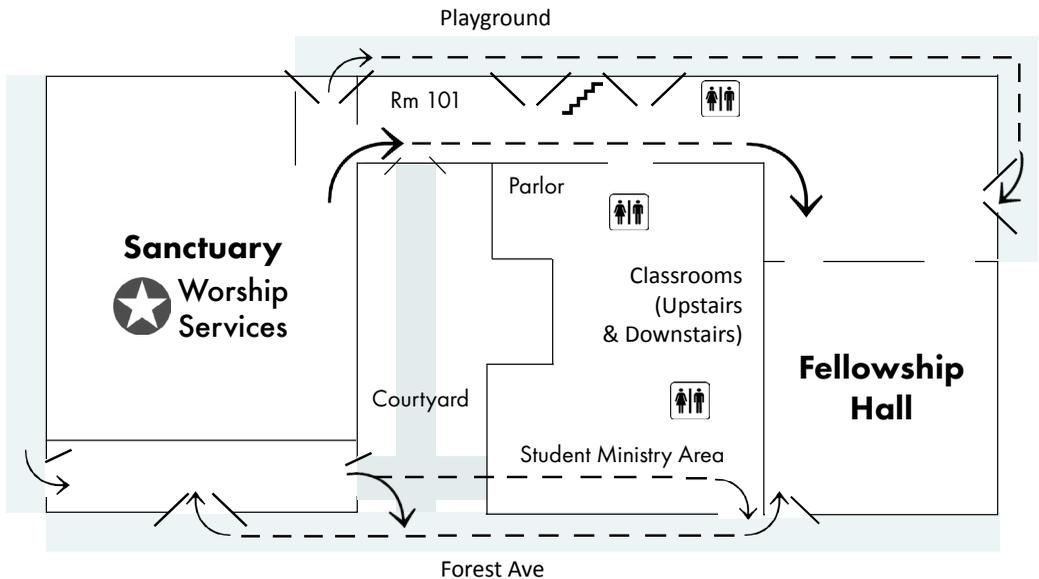
- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School – Church Building, 600 Forest Ave.
- 9:00 a.m. Emotional Eating Group. – Knox Room, 500 Forest Ave.

## LEARN MORE ABOUT THIRD

Welcome to Third! Visit [www.thirdrva.org](http://www.thirdrva.org) to learn more about the community and how you can connect. Worship preparation, sermon reflection notes, and sermon audio are posted weekly. You can also watch the sermon live on the "This Sunday" page. If you'd like to join a small group or find out how you can become a member, please contact Beth Nichols at [bethn@thirdrva.org](mailto:bethn@thirdrva.org). Also follow us on Facebook and Twitter for community updates.

## JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP TODAY!

Our services are at 8:45 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 11:15 a.m. on Sundays in the Sanctuary. Join us for a short time of communion and prayer every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in Room 101, next to the Sanctuary. From 9:45-11:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings, stop by for a time of fellowship and refreshments, including Blanchard's coffee, in the Fellowship Hall.



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