

the
**CRUCIFORM
LIFE**

Sunday | April 1, 2018
CRUCIFORM HOPE
Easter Sunday

"Open wide your hearts that they
Let in joy this Easter Day.
Seek God's house in happy throng;
Crowded let His table be;
Mingle praises, prayer and song,
Singing to the Trinity.
Henceforth let your souls always
Make each morn an Easter Day."

Gerard Manley Hopkins



*Called together for the renewal of all things
through Jesus Christ.*

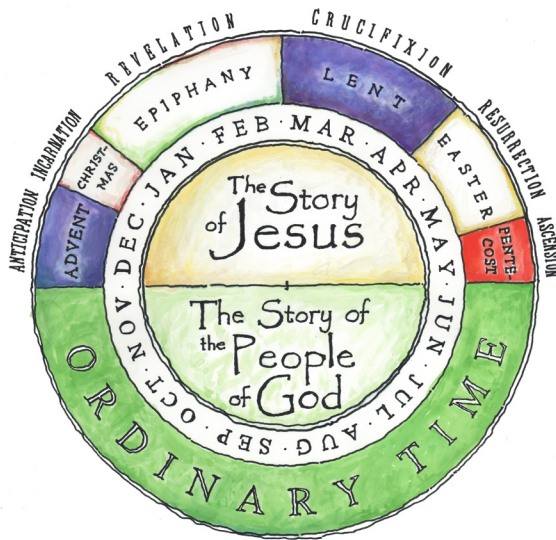
Welcome!
¡Bienvenido!
欢迎!
مرحباً

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

Sanctuary Decorations

As followers of Jesus, we “tell time differently” with a calendar shaped by the story of God’s works of salvation and renewal. Not only do we mark the seasons of the Christian year through the readings and music in our worship service, we also use colors and textures to enrich our space and experience of worship.

After six weeks of somber purple to mark the Lenten season of repentance and remembrance of Jesus’ suffering, on Easter morning the Sanctuary is transformed into a place of celebration and joy. The colors of white and gold remind us that Jesus is King, and that his resurrection has overcome death and washed us clean of our sins. Even the lilies of the field join us as we lift up our hands and voices in praise of the One who is renewing all things by his power and love.



GATHERING

God gathers us all and calls us by his grace.

Prelude

Sanctuary

"Introduction and Fugue on a Theme by Handel"
(Alexandre Guilmant)

Jeff Hummel

Prelude

Fellowship Hall

"Hearts and Voices"

Worship Team

Welcome and Announcements

† Call to Worship

Leader: Hear the good news: the grave is empty!

Everyone: Hallelujah!

Leader: Escucha las buenas nuevas: ¡Cristo resucitó!

Everyone: Hallelujah! He has risen indeed!

Leader: Where, O Death, is your victory?

Leader: ¿Donde, O Muerte, esta tu aguijón?

Everyone: Death has been swallowed up in victory!

Leader: Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life.

The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.

Leader: And whoever lives by believing in me will never die.

**Everyone: Thanks be to God,
he gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!**

Leader: Christ is risen!

Leader: ¡Cristo resucitó!

Everyone: He has risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Prayer of Adoration

† Songs of Praise

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

#234 in the Hymnal

"Great Are You, Lord"

"Your Kingdom Knows No End"

(See music on following page)

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



Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
All creation, join to say Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

GREAT ARE YOU, LORD

Verse

You give life. You are love. You bring
light to the dark - ness. You give hope. You re -
store ev - 'ry heart that is bro - ken.

And great are you, Lord.

Chorus

It's your breath in our lungs, so we
pour out our praise, we pour out our praise. It's your
breath in our lungs, so we
pour out our praise to you on - ly.

Fine

Bridge

And all the earth will shout your praise. Our

hearts will cry, these bones will sing, _____

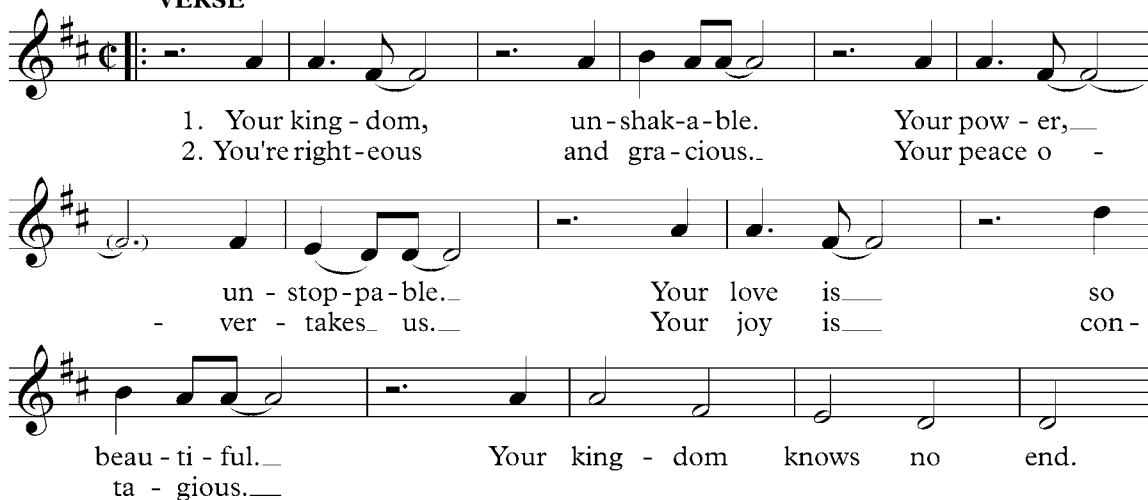
"Great are you,

Lord!" _____ *re*

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YOUR KINGDOM KNOWS NO END

VERSE



1. Your king - dom, un - shak - a - ble. Your pow - er, —
 2. You're right - eous and gra - cious.. Your peace o - —

un - stop - pa - ble. — Your love is — so
 - ver - takes us. — Your joy is — con -

beau - ti - ful. — Your king - dom knows no end.
 ta - gious. —

CHORUS



(Oh) — Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high -

est! Oh — glo - ry to God, glo - ry to

God in the high - est! Your

king - dom knows no end, hal - le - lu - jah!

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BRIDGE



Yours is the king - dom, yours is the pow -



er, yours is the glo - ry, for - ev - er and

ENDING



ev - - er!

Your king - dom



knows no end, hal - le - lu - jah!

THANKSGIVING

† Greeting of Peace

As a new spiritual family reconciled to one another through Christ, offer to one another a sign of peace: a handshake, a hug, or even just a smile. You could say something simple like "Peace be with you," or just simply, "Peace."

Our Offerings

Pray for International Cooperating Ministries as they seek to partner with in-country leaders to nurture believers and build churches. Pray for Third members serving at ICM, Janice Allen as Executive Chair and Geoff Stiff as President.

Offertory

Stories from Third Church: Andy Burgess

8:45 a.m. – Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. – Fellowship Hall

Offertory

"Worthy Is The Lamb"

Sanctuary Choir

10:00 and 11:15 a.m. – Sanctuary (Handel)

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood
To receive power and riches and wisdom and strength
And honor and glory and blessing.
Blessing and honor, glory and pow'r be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne
And unto the Lamb, forever and ever. Amen.

† Doxology

Please stand as we sing 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

God speaks to us through his word.

Stories from Third Church: Andy Burgess
10:00 and 11:15 a.m. – Sanctuary

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-6, 13-19

¹ Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. ³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. ¹⁵ More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. ¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Message:

Cruciform Hope

+ Corey Widmer (Sanctuary) +

+ Derek Mondeau (Fellowship Hall) +

Notes:

RESPONDING

We respond to God's word.

Prayer of Response

From Psalm 105

Leader: Praise the Lord, the day is won!

Everyone: Glory, hallelujah!

Leader: God for us great things has done.

Everyone: Sing, shout hallelujah!

Leader: Now let all the earth proclaim resurrection wonder;

**Everyone: In God's all-enduring name,
death is cast asunder!**

Leader: Loosed from chains by bondage cast;

Everyone: Glory, hallelujah!

Leader: God has freed our souls at last.

Everyone: Sing, shout hallelujah!

Leader: In our darkest, dreadful day,
crushed by grief and mourning;

**Everyone: God will roll the stone away,
radiant love adorning.**

Leader: Faithful in the Lord rejoice,

Everyone: Glory, hallelujah!

Leader: Raise to God your new-found voice.

Everyone: Sing, shout hallelujah!

Leader: Crowned with full redemption's light,
by God's grace befriended;

**Everyone: Life, behold the glorious sight;
death, your reign is ended!**

SENDING

God sends us into the world as his witnesses.

† **Song of Commission**

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.

"In Christ Alone"

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.

During the hymn, people in the Sanctuary may come forward to participate in the "Hallelujah" chorus.

† Commission and Benediction

Leader: Go forth in joy to love and serve our living Lord.

Everyone: We are sent in the name of the risen Christ!

Leader: May the God of peace, who raised to life the great Shepherd of the sheep,
make us ready to do his will in every good thing, through Jesus Christ, to
whom be glory forever and ever.
He is risen!

Everyone: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

† Postlude

"Hallelujah" from *Messiah*
(Handel)

Sanctuary Choir

Easter Lilies for 2018 **The following members and friends of** **Third have provided the lilies for** **the worship services.**

Patty and Jerry Ramsey, in memory of Bill and Peggy Long.

Sarah Winfield, in loving memory of her parents, Jean and Bob Winfield.

Rick and Sue Hendrickson, in memory of loved ones.

Agnes Smith, in loving memory of her husband Doug and with thanks to God
for the blessings of Easter.

Ann Green, in memory of her husband, Francis Green.

NEWS & EVENTS

People on the Move: A Missions Conference at Third – Saturday, April 14

Want to better understand the global migration and refugee crisis going on around the world (and around us!)? At this event, we'll explore what it's like to be a refugee or immigrant and also how we can be involved directly in our area or outside our area, assisting internationals through acts of service and giving. We'll host an interactive refugee experience during the day in the Fellowship Hall on April 14 (perfect for families!) and will hear from Marilyn Borst, on staff with the Outreach Foundation, that evening. More info: thirdrva.org/events.

Newcomers Class – Kicks Off Sunday, April 15, 10:00 a.m.

Are you ready to explore a deeper commitment to this part of the Body of Christ? We'd love to get to know you and provide an opportunity for you to learn about Third's vision for worship, discipleship, community, serving and outreach. At the end of the class, you'll have an opportunity to become a covenant partner of our church family. For more info and to sign up, visit: thirdrva.org/newcomers.

2018 Mexico Mission Trip – Calling college students and adults!

Join us this July 1-7 as we head into Mexico with Amor Ministries (www.amor.org) to transform the life of a family by building a home for them. Over the course of four work days we'll construct a home from scratch (and without power tools), providing a family with a home that will provide safety and security for them. This is a last-minute opportunity we are so excited to share! If you're interested in learning more, get in touch with Rick Hutton (rickh@thirdrva.org) or visit: thirdrva.org/events.

11:00 a.m.: Hope for America's Most Segregated Hour – Arrabon Documentary Screening

Did you know that 11:00 a.m. is still the most segregated hour in America? Arrabon, a Richmond-based ministry and one of our mission partners dedicated to reconciliation and racial healing in the church, will host and be featured in a documentary called *11 a.m.: Hope for America's Most Segregated Hour*. The movie will premiere at the Byrd Theatre on Sunday, April 8 at 2 p.m. For more info and tickets, visit: thirdrva.org/events or 11amthemovie.com.

NEWS & EVENTS

Club 56 Retreat – April 27-28

5th and 6th grade students are invited to the annual Club 56 retreat. We will gather for games, food, fellowship, and a great speaker on the very important topic of integrity! Invite friends. Sign up (\$10): thirdrva.org/events.

Quarterly Men's Dinner – Tuesday, April 17, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Hear Rick DeJarnette, a lifelong mountain climber and guide, share stories of how triumph and tragedy in the mountains has informed his understanding of faith, life's fragility, and forgiveness. We'll have hot dogs, burgers, and chicken for dinner. Bring a friend! Sign up (\$5): thirdrva.org/events. Questions? Contact Tom Barila: tomb@thirdrva.org.

SUNDAY ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Join us next week for our new Sunday School Classes!

We're taking a break from our classes this week, but will reconvene next Sunday, April 8! These classes will run from March 4 to May 27, all at 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. If you've never been to a class before, choose one to drop in to, or try out a few! For descriptions of all our classes, visit: thirdrva.org/Sunday-discipleship.

Acts: The Sequel

Led by Andrew Fuller, Grant Holbrook,
Jennifer Parham

March 4 – May 27, Room 213

A Study of Galatians

Led by David Carroll and David Skove

March 4 – May 27, Room 101

The Architectural Design of a Growing and Faith-Based Family

Topic: The Outcome of Income

March 4 – April 29, Fellowship Hall

Soul Repair: Rebuilding Your Spiritual Life

Led by Mary Damon

March 4 – May 27, 500 Forest Ave.,
Multipurpose Room

*For any questions about our Sunday School classes, contact Tom Barila:
tomb@thirdrva.org.*

STUDENT MINISTRY

Sunday morning student ministry

We're taking a break this week for Easter, but join us next Sunday for food, solid teaching, and great people as we grow together in God's word.

600 Forest Avenue, Student Ministry Area

10:00-11:00 a.m. for all students in 7th-12th grade.

Sunday evening student ministry

Join us from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m in the Fellowship Hall.

Questions? Contact Rick (rickh@thirdrva.org) or Andrea (andreaw@thirdrva.org).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - SUNDAY MORNING

We're taking a break from our Sunday School schedule this week for Easter Sunday, although childcare is still available for children kindergarten and younger at all services.

Please join us next week, Sunday, April 8! We will resume our regular schedule with Sunday School classes during the 10:00 a.m. hour, and childcare for Kindergarten and younger at the 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. For more information on these offerings, please visit: thirdrva.org/family-ministry-sunday-morning.

AGE	ROOM
Infants, toddlers, 2 year olds (Little Lambs)	All on the 1st floor
Little Lions - Young 3s	Room 223
Little Monkeys - Older 3s, Young 4s	Room 204
Little Eagles - Older 4s	Room 202
Kindergarten	Room 227
1st Grade	Room 220
2nd Grade	Room 221
3rd Grade	Room 201
4th Grade	Room 209
5th and 6th Grade	Basement
Middle and High School	Meet in Student Ministry Area

DURING 8:45 AND 11:15 A.M. SERVICES: Childcare is available for all children aged Kindergarten and younger. First grade and above attend worship with their parents.

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. You'll be able to watch the service via streaming. The room is across the courtyard and directly up the stairs, Room 226.

Please let us know if we can help familiarize you with all that is available at Third for your children. Contact Kathy White (kathyw@thirdrva.org) or Tracie Meadows (traciem@thirdrva.org).

THIS WEEK AT THIRD

Sunday, April 1

Resurrection Sunday

8:45, 10:00, 11:15 a.m. Worship services – Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Worship service – Fellowship Hall

12:30 p.m. Praying for our Nation – Room 101

Monday, April 2

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, April 3

9:30 a.m. "All Things New: A Study on 2 Corinthians" – Room 213

7:00-8:30 p.m. Muslim World prayer group meets at Laurie Chalifoux' home,
10801 Whitaker Woods Road, Richmond, 23238, 543-0361

Wednesday, April 4

6:30 p.m. Refresh Wednesday evening study – Parlor

Thursday, April 5

6:00 p.m. Healing Prayer group – Student ministry area

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal – Choir room

Friday, April 6

6:00 p.m. The Christian Arabic Church Good Friday service – Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall

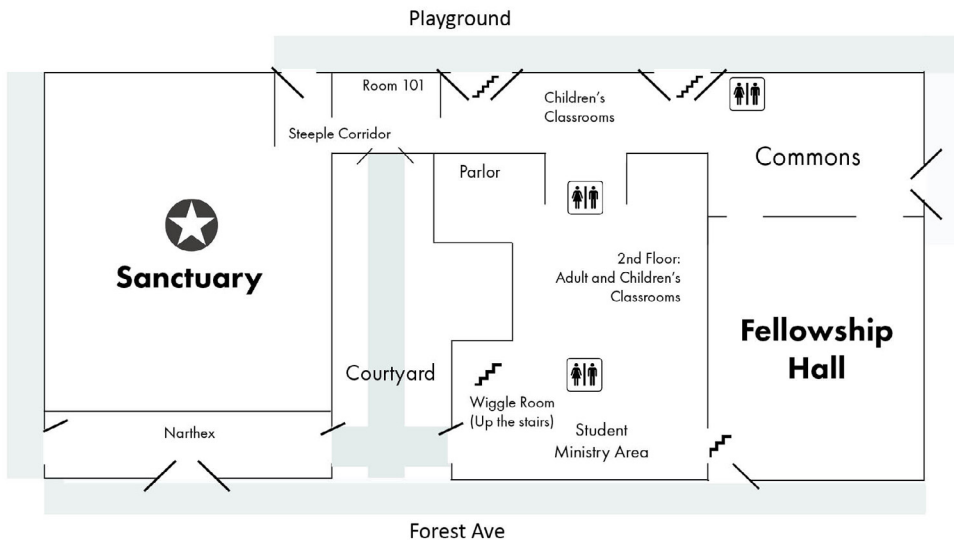
JOIN US NEXT WEEK

Welcome to Third! We're so glad you're here. We'd love to get to know you and for you to learn more about our community. We have a couple opportunities for you to connect with us and help you find out more about Third.

- **Sign up for our ministry emails:** thirdrva.org/signup
- **Pick up Third Press:** Our monthly newsletter can be found around the church.
- **Follow us on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram:** @thirdrva
- **Join us for a Welcome Coffee next week,** Sunday, April 8 at 11:15 a.m. in the Parlor. Start her to learn more about Third.

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT THIRD

If you need help or have any questions at any point on a Sunday morning, look for individuals wearing carnations or yellow name badges. They're here to help answer questions, find you seats, and guide you around our building.



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