



THE GOSPEL OF

LUKE

REVOLUTION  
OF THE KING

Sunday | April 16, 2017

*THE DEAD ARE RAISED*

Easter Sunday

"Let no one fear death,  
for the Death of our Savior has set us free.  
He has destroyed it by enduring it.  
He destroyed Hell when He descended into it.  
He put it into an uproar even as it tasted of His flesh.  
Hell took a Body, and discovered God.  
It took earth, and encountered Heaven.  
It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it did not see.  
O death, where is thy sting?  
O Hell, where is thy victory?"

John Chrysostom, 4th century

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.*

## Sanctuary Decorations

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**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.



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!

# YOU ARE GOOD



Lord, you are good and your mer-cy\_ en-dur-eth for - ev - er.\_



Lord, you are good and your mer-cy\_ en-dur-eth for - ev - er.\_



Peo-ple from ev - er - y na - tion and tongue, from gen - er - a - tion to

## *refrain*



gen-er - a - tion, we wor - ship you.\_\_\_\_ Hal-le-lu - jah, hal -



- le-lu - jah, we wor - ship you\_\_\_\_ for who you are.\_\_\_\_ We



wor - ship you,\_\_\_\_ hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, we



wor - ship you\_\_\_\_ for who you are.\_\_\_\_ For you are good!

2nd time



Yes, you are! Yes, you are! Yes, you are!

So good, so good.



Yes, you are! Yes, you are! Yes, you are!

You are good,



all the time, —

all the time, —



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4. to beginning

— you are good! — you are good,

# AGNUS DEI

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, for the Lord God Al-might-y

reigns. Al - le - lu - ia! Ho - ly! Ho - ly are you,

Lord God Al-might - y! Wor-thy is the Lamb; wor-thy is the Lamb.

You are ho - ly. Ho - ly, are you, Lord God Al-might -

y. Wor-thy is the Lamb; wor-thy is the Lamb. A - men.

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## **Congregational Prayer**

*God invites us to bring our needs and burdens to him.*

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, we praise you that on Easter morning you triumphed over death for us. We praise you that we who are trapped in the bondage of death have life and eternal hope because of what you have accomplished for us.

**People: We praise you, Risen Lord!**

Leader: Have mercy on us for all the many ways we are still in bondage to sin, which keep us in bondage to death. Deliver us from the patterns of our lives that hurt others and ourselves. Deliver us from the dark motivations of our hearts that poison even the good we do with self-centeredness and pride. Deliver us from the evil that seeks to undo us.

**People: Forgive us, Risen Lord!**

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you reign over heaven and earth and are at work in the world through your Holy Spirit. Have mercy on all those among us and around us who are suffering and struggling under the shadow of death. Heal those who are sick, set free those who are oppressed, comfort those in sorrow, and touch those facing death with the liberating news of your risen life. Use us to be the presence of your risen life to others.

**People: Save us, Risen Lord!**

Leader: On this Easter morning, we anticipate the day when you will come again and make all things new. Bring your healing to metro Richmond. Bring your healing to our nation. Bring your healing to all creation. May the power of your resurrection transform our death-scarred world into the new creation!

**People: Come quickly, Risen Lord!  
Hallelujah! He is risen!**

## **Celebration of Baptism**

**11:45 a.m. service**

Andrew Jedidiah Teixeira and  
Isaac Christopher Teixeira

## **Song**

**11:45 a.m. service**

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you.  
And give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace forever.



## **Greeting of Peace**

*We celebrate that Jesus' risen life has made us into a new community.*

# THANKSGIVING

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## Our Offerings

Pray for Myrna McLaughlin with Least of These Ministries as she extends the gospel and God's care based in Zimbabwe.

## Offertory

"El Gran Yo Soy (Great I Am)"

### 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services

Quiero vivir cerca de Ti,  
Que sea real el cielo en mí.  
Quiero escuchar los ángeles  
Cantar a una voz.

*I wanna be close, close to your side,  
So heaven is real, and death is a lie.  
I wanna hear voices of angels above  
Singing as one.*

Aleluya, Santo, Santo Dios Poderoso,  
El gran Yo Soy.  
Tú eres digno;  
No hay otro, Poderoso,  
El gran Yo Soy.

*Hallelujah, Holy, Holy God Almighty,  
The great I Am.  
Who is worthy?  
None beside thee, God Almighty,  
The great I Am.*

I wanna be near, near to your heart,  
Loving the world, hating the dark.  
I wanna see dry bones living again, singing as one.

Hallelujah, Holy, Holy God Almighty,  
The great I Am.  
Who is worthy? None beside thee, God Almighty,  
The great I Am.

The mountains shake before you;  
There, demons run and flee  
At the mention of your Name,  
King of Majesty.  
There is no power in hell,  
Nor any who can stand  
Before the power and the presence of  
The great I Am, the great I Am.

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## Offertory

9:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

"Hallelujah"  
(Beethoven)

Sanctuary Choir

Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son!

Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.

Man, proclaim his grace and glory; hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son!

## † 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.**

## Testimony of Resurrection Life

# PROCLAIMING

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*God speaks to us through his word.*

## **Prayer of Illumination**

### **Scripture Reading**

Luke 24:1-12

<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup> While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup> He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: <sup>7</sup> 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'" <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words.

<sup>9</sup> When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. <sup>10</sup> It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. <sup>12</sup> Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**



# SENDING

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*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.

## † Commission

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

**People: 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!

**People: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**

## † Benediction

**Postlude**  
**9:15 and 11:45 a.m. services**

"Hallelujah" from Messiah

Choir

*If you would like prayer for any reason, two elders are available at the front of the Sanctuary (by the lectern) after each service. We invite you to come forward for any prayer needs you may have.*

## SERVICE NOTES

**Today at the 11:45 a.m. service we celebrate the baptism** of Andrew Jedidiah "A.J." Teixeira and Isaac Christopher Teixeira, sons of Charles and Elizabeth Teixeira. Relatives present today are great grandmother Kay Handley, grandparents Bill and Susan Andrews, Manny and Ruth Teixeira and aunt and uncle Allie and Joey Andrews. Elder representing the Session by holding the font is Beth Sprinkle. Prayer sponsors are Grant and Erin Holbrook.

**Today we celebrate the birth** of Lucy Ann Malik, daughter of Gretchen and Shaun Malik. Lucy was born on April 11, 2017.

**Today we celebrate the birth** of Hannah Nelson "Nellie" Payne, daughter of Becca and Chris Payne. Nellie was born on Monday, April 10, 2017.



**Easter Lilies for 2017**  
**The following members and friends of**  
**Third have provided the lilies for**  
**the worship services.**

Agnes Smith, in loving memory of her husband, Doug.

Sue Hendrickson, in memory of loved ones.

Sue Hendrickson, in honor of Becky Sloomweg.

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

Jim and Liz Slate in memory of our loved ones.

Jim and Liz Slate in celebration of our families.

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

Ann Green and children, in memory of their father, Francis Green.

Bruce and Janet Kay, in memory of loved ones.

Marriott Jackson, in loving memory of her husband Sam Jackson, whose celebration of life was held 3 years ago today, Easter Sunday.

Marriott Jackson, with love and gratitude for special friends Carolyn Oakley, Marty and Mike Lico, Jim and Jane Fields and Elizabeth Connor, who make certain that Marriott gets to church on Sundays.

Mike and Lauren Brinson, in memory of her father, John Sheranek.

Malcolm and Lois Myers, in memory of Elaine Pivec.

Malcolm and Lois Myers, in memory of Patricia V. Myers.

In memory of Jim Heafner, lifelong brother in Christ, hunting and fishing friend of David Skove.

## NEWS & EVENTS

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**Women's Coffee and Conversation – Tuesday, April 18, 9:30 a.m., Parlor**  
Drop by and meet some new women at Third over coffee. Casual. Childcare available by emailing Kathy White: [kathyw@thirdrva.org](mailto:kathyw@thirdrva.org).

**Forgotten No More: Interest Meeting and Coffee– Sunday, April 30, 11:15 a.m., Parlor**

A new group is forming at Third to advocate for the fatherless by supporting families who are adopting or fostering, and also to serve social workers in Third's community. Stop by for coffee and learn about getting involved with this developing initiative to care for orphans here in Richmond and around the world. Questions? Contact Danny Avula: [dannyavula@yahoo.com](mailto:dannyavula@yahoo.com).

**2017 Vacation Bible School: Registration Opens April 23!**

Join us this summer as we discover amazing things designed by our Creator God at our Galactic Starveyors VBS! This year, we're excited to partner with the Christian Arabic Church (CAC) to work and to learn alongside one another during this week! Registration will be open to all members and regular attenders of both Third and the CAC from Sunday, April 23 – Saturday, May 20. During this time, we encourage you to consider inviting at least one family you know who doesn't go to church, that God may want to reach with the good news of Jesus Christ. If you have a family that you want to invite, please email Tracie ([traciem@thirdrva.org](mailto:traciem@thirdrva.org)), who will contact them with a personal invitation and link to register. Registration opens to the general public on Sunday, May 21 and closes when we reach capacity. More info: [thirdrva.org/events](http://thirdrva.org/events).

## SUNDAY ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

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Join us for our adult Sunday morning discipleship classes **during the 10:30 a.m. worship hour.** For more information on the classes below, visit: [thirdrva.org/classes-and-fellowship](http://thirdrva.org/classes-and-fellowship). Questions? Contact Tom Barila ([tomb@thirdrva.org](mailto:tomb@thirdrva.org)).

### **A Study of Hebrews**

Room 101

### **Where is God in the Business and Busyness of Life?**

Room 217

### **Marriage Fellowship**

Room 215

### **Forgiving and Reconciling:**

### **Bridges to Wholeness and Hope**

500 Forest Avenue, Room 109

### **Did Our Hearts Not Burn Within Us?**

### **A Study of Luke**

Room 213

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**Join us for one of our ongoing classes or for this new class!**

### **Loving God With Our Minds: April 2 - June 11 (breaking for Easter), Fellowship Hall**

This class, taught by CJ Alderson, will explore developing the Christian mind so we may strengthen our faith and sharpen our apologetic. We hope to provide a space that is down to earth, yet intellectually rigorous enough for real learning and honest dialogue. Questions? Please contact CJ Alderson ([courtalderson@gmail.com](mailto:courtalderson@gmail.com)) or Tom Barila ([tomb@thirdrva.org](mailto:tomb@thirdrva.org)).

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - SUNDAY MORNING

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**Childcare available during Easter worship services.**

**Please see a greeter for room assignments.**

8:00, 9:15 and 11:45 a.m. Childcare is available for Kindergarten and younger.  
10:30 a.m. Official Sunday school for all children and teens.

**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 located near the Student Ministry area in Room 132.

**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](mailto:kathyw@thirdrva.org)) or Tracie Meadows ([traciem@thirdrva.org](mailto:traciem@thirdrva.org)).

## STUDENT MINISTRY

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**Student Ministry Fundraiser:** Eat at Pie Five (at Willow Lawn) on Sundays from now through June, mention you're with Third, and they'll donate 10% of proceeds to our high school summer mission trip!

### **Sunday morning student ministry**

Join us 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](mailto:rickh@thirdrva.org)) or Andrea ([andreaw@thirdrva.org](mailto:andreaw@thirdrva.org)).

## **THIS WEEK AT THIRD**

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### **Sunday, April 16 Easter Sunday**

8:00, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m. Worship services – Sanctuary

### **Monday, April 17 Easter Monday – Church Office Closed**

6:00 p.m. Jobs for Life – Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Kingdom Knitters – Parlor

### **Tuesday, April 18**

9:30 a.m. Women's Group, "No Other Gods" – Room 213

9:30 a.m. Women's Coffee and Conversation – Parlor

6:30 p.m. Nan Clarke's dinner study group – Kitchen, 500 Forest Ave.

### **Wednesday, April 19**

5:30 p.m. Recovering Community – Kitchen, 500 Forest Ave.

6:45 p.m. Club 56 meeting – Basement

### **Thursday, April 20**

7:00 p.m. Worship team rehearsal – Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Needle's Eye Young Professionals Grp. – Multipurpose Room, 500 Forest Ave.

7:00 p.m. Newcomers class – Rooms 213/215

### **Friday, April 21**

8:30 a.m. Europe missionary care and prayer group – meets at Carolyn Oakley's home,  
2710 Old Point Dr., Richmond, 23233, 937-6564

6:00 p.m. Healing prayer rooms – Student ministry area

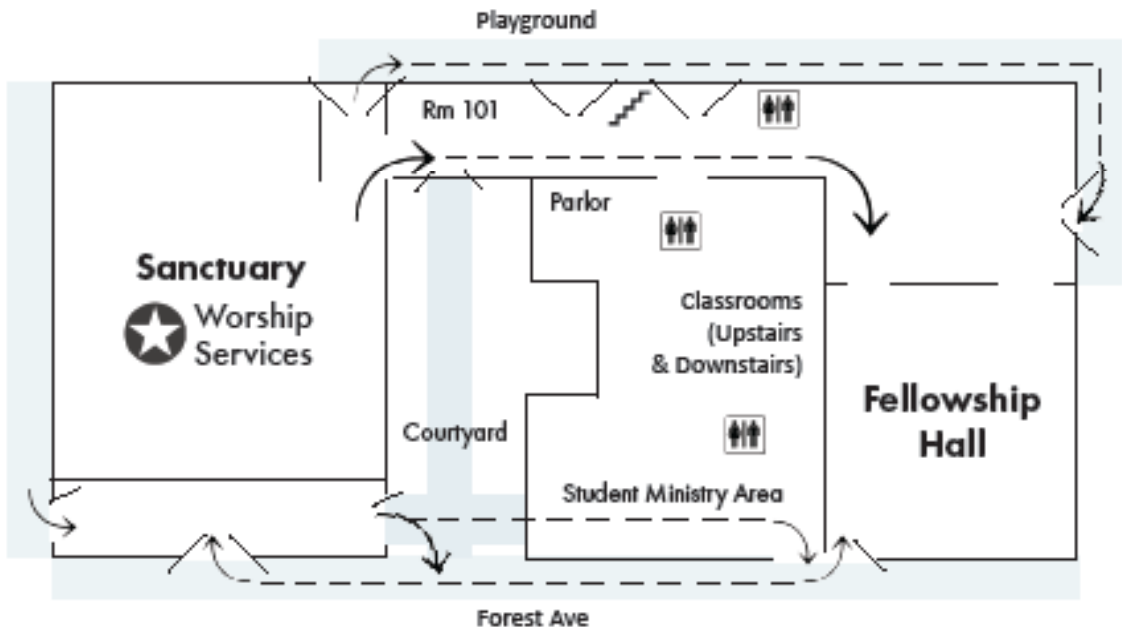
## LEARN MORE ABOUT THIRD

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 emails:** [thirdrva.org/signup](http://thirdrva.org/signup)
- **Pick up Third Press:** Our monthly newsletter can be found around the church.
- **Follow us on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram:** @thirdrva

## SUNDAY MORNINGS AT THIRD

Our Easter morning worship services will be at 8:00, 9:15, 10:30, and 11:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Sunday School will be held during the 10:30 a.m. worship service, and coffee and refreshments will be served after the 9:15, 10:30 and 11:45 a.m. services in the courtyard.



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