



Sunday | July 17, 2016

*SHOW HOSPITALITY
TO ONE ANOTHER*

“The invitation that we as Christians extend to one another is not simply an invitation into our house or to our tables; what we ask of other people is that they enter into our lives.”

Lauren Winner

“The focus of entertaining is impressing others; the focus of true hospitality is serving others.”

Tim Chester

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

God gathers us all and calls us by his grace.

Prelude "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Jeff Hummel

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation From Psalm 19:14

Leader: May the words of our mouths
And the meditations of our hearts
Be pleasing in your sight,
O Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer.

Everyone: Amen.

Let's quiet our hearts in silent preparation for worship.

Choral Call to Worship "In This Very Room" Sanctuary Choir
11:15 a.m. service (Harris) (See text on page 4)

† **Call to Worship** From Psalm 5

Leader: In the morning, Lord, you hear our voice;
in the morning we lay our requests before you
and wait expectantly. For you are not a God who
is pleased with wickedness; with you, evil is not welcome.

**People: But we, by your great love, can come into your house!
In reverence we bow down toward your holy temple.**

**Everyone: Let all who take refuge in you be glad;
let them ever sing for joy.**

† **Opening Prayer**

† **Songs of Praise** "You Are Good"
"How Great Thou Art" #21 in the Hymnal
(See music on pages 5 and 6)

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

IN THIS VERY ROOM

In this very room there's quite enough love for one like me,
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for one like me,
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to chase away any gloom,
For Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in this very room.

And in this very room there's quite enough love for all of us,
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all of us,
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to chase away any gloom,
For Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in this very room.

And in this very room there's quite enough love for all the world,
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all the world,
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to chase away any gloom,
For Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in this very room.

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!

HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

[Chorus] Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin. [chorus]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art." [chorus]

CONFESSING

God invites us to be honest with him about ourselves.

Call to Confession

From Isaiah 30:15, 18

"In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it. Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you; he rises to show you compassion. For the LORD is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him!"

Song of Confession

"We Repent"

Urban Songwriting Interns

We're separated
Truth is hard to be found
Injustice is in sight
We search for Your light.

We're ashamed
Of what we bring to Your Name
We're in need of a change.

(chorus)
Oh Lord,
We confess our sin
Oh Lord,
We let Your light in.

Oh Lord,
We confess our sin.
Oh Lord.

We repent. (4x)

Silent Confession

† **Words of Comfort and Assurance**

From Psalm 103:8-13

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
 slow to anger,
 abounding in love.
 He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;
 he does not treat us as our sins deserve
 or repay us according to our iniquities.
 For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
 so great is his love for those who fear him;
 as far as the east is from the west,
 so far has he removed our transgressions from us.
 As a father has compassion on his children,
 so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.

Sisters and brothers, let us recall this good news:

Everyone: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

† **Greeting of Peace**

THANKSGIVING

We respond to God's word.

Our Offerings

Pray for Pastor Leon Dorleans and Haiti Outreach Ministries, working to train young leaders for Christ's mission. Pray for our mission team serving in Port-Au-Prince this week.

Musical Offering

"From the Garden to the City"
(written by the Arrabon Urban Interns)

From the garden to the city, that's the story of our race.
From those innocent beginnings, to the perfect healing place.

Since our family in the garden was enticed to greed and pride
We were vagrants, running, hiding, from the God we've all defied.

But in Christ, this God pursued us, drew the plans for our release.
Came among us, faced our hatred, died to bring us lasting peace.
Died to bring us lasting peace.

Now we're called to hope and wholeness, children of the loving God.
A community of pilgrims on the pathway Jesus trod.

Heirs of God's eternal city, we are working for the day
When the kingdom Christ has promised drives injustice right away.

'Cause in Christ this God pursued us, drew the plans for our release.
Came among us, faced our hatred, died to bring us lasting peace.
Died to bring us lasting peace.

From the garden to the city, that's the story of our race.
With the God who calls us homeward, till we see him face to face.

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† 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.

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings

Ephesians 2:18-19

¹⁸ For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household.

Romans 12:9-13, 15:7

⁹ Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. ¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. ¹³ Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

⁷ Welcome one another, then, just as Christ has welcomed you, in order to bring praise to God.

1 Peter 4:9

⁹ Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

RESPONDING

We respond to God's word.

Song of Response

"The Servant Song"
(BEACH SPRING)

We are travelers on a journey.
Fellow pilgrims on the road.
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.
I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the nighttime of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you
Speak the peace you long to hear.

Sister, let me be your servant.
Let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too.
Brother, let me be your servant.
Let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too.

I will weep when you are weeping.
When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
Till we've seen this journey through.
When we sing to God in heaven,
We shall find such harmony
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony.

Prayers of the People

VERSE

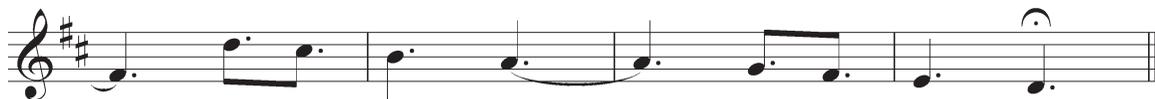


You hear us call, you hear us call, Ab - ba, Fath - er. _____

CHORUS



Lord, have mer - cy, _____ Christ, have mer - cy; _____



_____ Lord, have mer - cy, _____ Christ, have mer - cy.

Prayer Needs

For Health

Brenda Burgess, Francis Steadman, Betty Cox, James Hacker, Kath Thorne, Brandon Perry, Charles Ellison, Christie Geraty, Dru Fitch, Mark Koontz, Margaret Leith, Dabney Harvey, Eileen Raynor, John and Lou Hanscom, Carol Holt, Celeste Reynolds, Pam Rambo

For Comfort

Deaths – Becca Payne (grandmother, 7/1), Paul White (mother, 6/20), Christina Brown (brother, 6/17), Pam Haney (mother, 6/9), Sunny Rosebro (mother, 6/6), Geof Stiff (mother, 6/1), Nancy Curry (mother Susan Godfrey, 5/30), Tred Spratley (mother, 5/17), Evelyn Jennings (granddaughter, 5/14), Tanya Wohner (daughter-in-law, 5/13), Ann Tate (father, 5/15 and brother-in-law, 3/29)

For Metro Richmond

We pray for governments and governing bodies of metropolitan Richmond: for the supervisors of Chesterfield County, the County administrator and all county employees.

For Our Nation and the World – South Sudan

South Sudan gained independence from Sudan in 2011 and became the world's newest nation and one of its poorest. The country broke into civil war in 2013 after the nation's two top politicians bitterly split. An estimated 50,000 people have been killed since then. South Sudan numbers more than 12 million people and more than seven million Christians.

Hundreds of people have been killed this week as the two ethnic factions battle each other again. The nation teeters once again on the brink of civil war. Two UN peacekeepers also were caught in the violence and died.

- Pray for the intense fighting to cease and for the ethnic rivalry to dissipate and the wounds to heal.
- Pray for developmental progress: clean water, food, immunizations, health care, literacy, education, the building of infrastructure.
- Pray for peaceful relations with Sudan, a Muslim majority country. South Sudan controls the region's oil reserves but pipes and roads for delivering oil belong to Sudan.
- Pray for good Bible teaching, leadership training, peacemaking and seminary education.
- Pray for the safety of Third member David Elliott, who is serving in South Sudan with Doctors without Borders.

For Our Nation and the World – Missionary Prayer and Care groups meet monthly to pray for our mission partners in Europe, Asia and the Muslim world. Contact Carolyn Oakley (cdoakley1@gmail.com/937-6564) to learn more.

Note change: The prayer group for our European mission partners will meet on Friday, July 22 at Carolyn Oakley's home from 8:30-10:00 am. Contact: 804-937-6564.

SENDING

God sends us into the world as his witnesses.

Song of Commission

"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.
Till 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.
Till he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from his hand.
Till he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

† **Commission**

Leader: Brothers and sisters, God has spread the table of his welcome for us and received us into his triune love. In him we have found a home. Let us go forth to extend the radical hospitality of Jesus to the world, to welcome others into our homes, our stories and our lives.

People: To him the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen!

† **Benediction**

† **Postlude**

11:15 a.m. service

"Trumpet Processional in G Major"
(David Lasky)

Jeff Hummel

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

We welcome to worship this morning the Urban Songwriting Interns.

The Urban Songwriting Internship is an intensive eight-week leadership development program offered in partnership by East End Fellowship and Arrabon. Interns participate in a learning experience of the following subjects: 1) biblical theology and exposition, 2) worship studies with a focus on multicultural worship, 3) race, class, and culture, 4) songwriting, and 5) community engagement. Arrabon is a ministry that equips churches and organizations with the tools and resources for effective cross-cultural engagement and reconciliation practices. They shepherd communities from an aspirational value of diversity and conflict resolution to an embodied practice.

Today we celebrate the birth of Luke Allen Thompson, son of Jessica and Rob Thompson. Luke was born on July 11, 2016.

Today we celebrate the birth of Mason Robert Henley, son of Emily and Michael Henley. Mason was born on July 7, 2016.

Today's flowers are given by Mary Ann Hancock in memory of her husband John who passed away 28 years ago on July 18.

NEWS & EVENTS

RVA Rapid Transit: A Dialogue – Tuesday, July 19, 7:00 p.m., Room 101

Did you know that Richmond ranks #92 (out of 100) for public transportation connectivity? That means that many people who can't afford a car also can't get to basic services or jobs. As we think about loving our neighbors, we need to consider our connectivity and its impact on reconciliation and justice for our metro area. Come to a dialogue with our friends from the Metro Richmond Clergy Committee for Rapid Transit at Richmond Hill to learn more about this issue and how you can be involved. Questions? Contact Andrew Moore at amoore@psgrichmond.org or visit rvarapidtransit.org.

Volunteer with STEP at the Pump Road Fields - Thursday, July 21, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

We have the opportunity to host 25-30 STEP (Strategies to Elevate People) campers at the Pump Road property next week. Volunteers are needed to cook hot dogs, play with the kids, do simple crafts, and clean up. If you can help, please contact Tracie at traciem@thirdrva.org.

Redeeming Sex: Workshop with Deb Hirsch – Saturday, July 23, 9:30 a.m., Veritas School

In this workshop, Debra Hirsch, author of *Redeeming Sex: Naked Conversations about Sexuality and Spirituality*, will help us explore a holistic, biblical vision of sex and gender that honors God and offers good news to the world. Deb has a unique ability to facilitate this conversation and to bring things to light that are fresh, rooted and hope-giving. Registration is free but required: thirdrva.org/events.

The Center for Christian Counseling Needs Your Help!

The Center has 3 offices that are in desperate need of painting. It's a great project for a small group that would like a summer mission project that can be done in a day. We'll provide all the supplies - we just need some willing hearts and a desire to serve our clients. Please contact Margie Satterfield if you'd like to help: 517-5815.

Relationships in Peace Ministry

If you are experiencing a relationship impasse or need someone to walk beside you through a difficult relational situation or conflict, please contact us. We're here to help. Visit www.thirdrva.org/partners/relationships-in-peace. For assistance: RelationshipsInPeace. thirdrva@gmail.com or call Margie Satterfield, (804) 819-0260.

SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP

We've moved our fellowship time (9:45–11:30 a.m.) outside for the warmer months, weather permitting. Join us in the courtyard (by the Forest Ave. entrance) for refreshments and a time to catch up with friends and meet some new people! In case of rain, join us in the Fellowship Hall.

SUNDAY ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Sunday Morning Discipleship Fellowship Classes (10:00 –11:00 a.m.)

The summer classes will meet at 10:00 a.m. through July 31, when we will take off the month of August. Join us today for one of these classes:

How to “One Another” One Another

Intergenerational class following the new sermon series.

Children kindergarten and older are invited to attend *with their parents*.

Fellowship Hall

Summer of Psalms

A rich discussion of psalms and how they express the full spectrum of experience and emotion.

Led by: Good News Fellowship

Room 101

The First 500 Years

An introduction to the early church and why it matters.

Led by: Nan and Boyd Clarke

Room 100

If you have any questions or want more information, contact Tom Barila (tomb@thirdrva.org) or pick up one of the *Summer 2016: Community, Discipleship, and Mission* booklets from around the church. **Note:** Children don't move up to the next age group till September.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Our Sunday school schedule has changed. All students are invited to attend the 7-week intergenerational class at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Evening Ministry: Be a part of games, music and teaching, and small group community each Sunday night.

600 Forest Ave., Fellowship Hall and Basement

7:00-8:30 p.m. for all students in 7th-12th grade.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - SUNDAY MORNING

Our Sunday school schedule has changed. All children kindergarten and older are invited to attend the 7-week intergenerational class at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Children 2-5 years old will have Sunday school in their classrooms.

8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services - Childcare available for all children aged Kindergarten and younger. First grade and above attend worship with their parents.

10:00 a.m. service - Sunday school for children ages 2-5. Nursery available for infants and toddlers. Pick up one of the *Summer 2016: Community, Discipleship, and Mission* booklets from around the church for more information.

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 which is located in the connecting hall across from the toddler Room 105.

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, July 17

8:00 a.m. Prayer and Communion – Room 101

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

Monday, July 18

7:00 p.m. Kingdom Knitters – Parlor

7:00 p.m. Muslim World Prayer Group – meets at Laurie Chalifoux' home,
10801 Whitaker Woods Rd., 23238, 740-1199

Tuesday, July 19

6:15 p.m. Dinner study group – Kitchen, 500 Forest Avenue

Wednesday, July 20

7:00 p.m. Women's summer study – Fellowship Hall

Thursday, July 21

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

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

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

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Mosaic Bible study – Room 124

Friday, July 22

8:30-10:00 a.m. European Prayer Group - meets at Carolyn Oakley's home, 2710 Old
Point Drive, 23233, 937-6564.

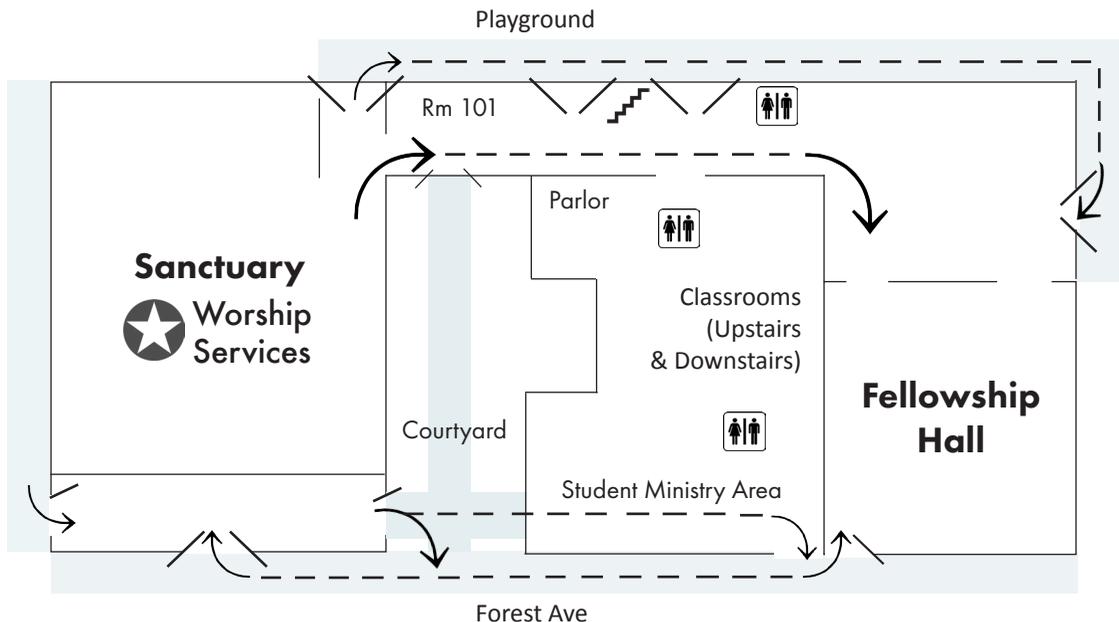
LEARN MORE ABOUT THIRD

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.

- **Visit our website:** thirdrva.org.
- **Sign up for 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

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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