

## 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](http://www.ThirdRVA.org).

## Morning Prayer

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### Deaths

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November 2, 2014  
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall  
Faith Commitment Sunday

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GREETING

### CALL TO WORSHIP Adapted from Isaiah 55:1-3

Leader: Come, all who are thirsty—

**All: Come to the water!**

Leader: You who have no money—

**All: Come, buy and eat!**

Leader: Why spend your money on things that will not satisfy? Listen to God, and eat what is good.

**All: Our souls will delight in the richest of fare!**

Leader: "Give ear and come to me," says the Lord, "Hear me, that your souls will live."

### OPENING PRAYER

### SONGS OF PRAISE

### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### INTRODUCTION TO OFFERING

Pray for Set Free, a ministry which offers hope and healing through the Lord Jesus Christ to all individuals who struggle with sexual sin and its resultant brokenness, through support groups, couples counseling, and education to families, friends and churches dealing with these issues.

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich."  
2 Corinthians 8:9

"I have had many things in my hands that I lost; the things that I placed in the hands of God I still possess."  
Martin Luther

## OFFERTORY

### SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

<sup>6</sup> Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. <sup>7</sup> Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. <sup>9</sup> As it is written: “They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever.” <sup>10</sup> Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup> You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. <sup>12</sup> This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord’s people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. <sup>13</sup> Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. <sup>14</sup> And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. <sup>15</sup> Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### MESSAGE

“Grace and Gratitude”

Corey Widmer

(4th message in series “Blessed by God’s Generosity, Trusting in God’s Faithfulness”)

### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Giving of Faith Commitment Cards

### SONG OF COMMISSION

### BENEDICTION

**Today’s Service Leaders:** Rick Hutton, Beth Nichols, Emily Henley, Camille Foster, Chelsea Olson, Chitra Swygard, Betsy McCray, Craig Truitt, Noah Pollack, Mark Sprinkle, Luke Swygard, Lex Strickland, Kim Taulbee

**Noisy Offering Helpers:** Sierra Hancock and Piper Rogers

**Today we celebrate the birth of** Mary Holland Banta, daughter of Melissa and Robert Banta. Mary was born on October 6, 2014.

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