Welcome!

We're glad you're here.

Stop by the Welcome Desk downstairs to learn more about Third Church, find ways to connect to our community, and ask any questions that you may have.

PRELUDE

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP | "SING AND NOT BE SILENT" (MCDONALD)

Sing to the Lord and be not silent. Sing to the Lord and glorify! Sing to the Lord, all ye his children. Sing to the Lord O Most High!

Sing to the Lord! Sing to the Lord on high!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME"

"CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART, O GOD"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | PSALM 51:1-2

» Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

SILENT CONFESSION

Sing together:

» Lord, by your hands we are fearfully, wonderfully made.

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE

- Open our lips, Lord, and our mouths will declare your praise.
 Sisters and brothers, hear the good news: in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
- » Thanks be to God!

GREETING OF PEACE

OUR OFFERINGS | FROM 1 CHRONICLES 29:14

- > Lord, who are we that we are able to give so generously?
- » For all things come from you and what we now offer is already yours.

MISSION PARTNER INTERVIEW | KAREN CARR

DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING | JOHN 5:1-15

SERMON | "COME AND SEE: THE HEALER" (COREY WIDMER)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Respond together:

- > Lord, in your mercy,
- » Hear our prayer.
- » 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 for ever. Amen.

"YOUR KINGDOM KNOWS NO END"

COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION | EPHESIANS 2:8-10

- For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.
- » For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

POSTLUDE

The Ten O'Clock Hour

Today we're gathering at 10:00 a.m. for a big pancake breakfast together, but next week we'll be back for our Sunday school classes. Plan to join us **next Sunday**, **February 26**, as we kick off these classes for the next six weeks:

How to Pray: Learning to Live Your Life with God

Led by a variety of teachers

Prayer is not just about our words; it's about living a life of communion with God. Hearing and responding to God's voice define the Christian life. So why is it so hard to pray? And why do we often avoid it? Using Pete Grieg's book *How to Pray* as a guide, come learn about prayer as a way of life. Together, we'll practice living in closer communion with the triune God.

CLASSROOM H (UPPER LEFT, NEXT TO SANCTUARY)

Letters of John 1-3

Led by Dave Skove and David Carroll

John, the disciple whom Jesus loved, wrote 5 books of the Bible. In his letter called I John, he wrote both about recognizing false teaching and giving believers assurance of their salvation. Join us as we explore how these timeless themes apply to you in 2023!

CLASSROOM B

Six Impacts of Faith on Your Work

Led by Roxanne Crosby and Jeremy Woltz, mission partners with Needle's Eye Ministries

Do you ever wonder how your faith impacts your work life or vice versa? Join us as we explore the realities of our faith in the workplace and get practical tools and encouragement for how to move more deeply into your God-given purpose, identity, influence and mission at work.

CLASSROOM G

Men's Fellowship Hour

Led by the men of Third Church

Join other men from Third as we enjoy each other's good company and share our questions, struggles and earned wisdom on how to be faithful, ambitious, humble, strong, vulnerable friends and followers of the way of Jesus.

CLASSROOM I

Third Kids

Each Sunday we offer childcare during the services for infants through kindergarten; older kids worship with their parents.

CHILDCARE

8:45 AND 11:00 A.M.

During our worship services, childcare is available for children *kindergarten and younger*. Please check them in and drop them off before the service.

- Infants through 2-year-olds will be in their dedicated spaces.
- 3-year-olds through Kindergarten will be in the 3-year-olds' room.

Come back next week as we resume our Sunday school hour at 10:00 a.m. where our kids meet in age-specific classrooms to learn, sing, and read the Bible together.

WIGGLE ROOM

There are lots of wiggle areas around our Regency space. At the back of the Sanctuary there are comfortable areas to hang with an infant or if you need to step out for any other reason. You'll still be able to hear worship, but may be just out of eyesight.

If you need more privacy, we have a Family Room on the first floor in the dedicated children's area. This is a good option for nursing mothers who are looking for a quiet space to nurse.

Prayer Needs

FOR OUR MISSION PARTNERS

Please be praying for our mission partners Andrew and Jessie Foster as they church plant in Granada, Spain. Pray as they face the most significant barriers in Spain: spiritual apathy and distrust. Pray that as they share about Christ, people would move from distrust to trust, from apathy to openness, from openness to seeking Jesus, from seeking Jesus to ultimately following Jesus.

FOR OUR CITY

We pray for the coming of God's realm in metropolitan Richmond: for redemption of the divisions, prejudices, pettiness, despair, and discrimination of the past.

FOR HEALTH

Geof Stiff, Amber Anthony, Drew Cleveland, Elizabeth Conner, Diane Atkinson, Ross Little, Beth Marriott, Holly Kinard, Donna Davis, Kathryn Keller, Keith Byers, Barbara Satterfield, Lauren Earley, Addy Allen, Susan Drumwright, Elaine Metcalf, Stan Smith, Mary Ann Hancock, Al Foster, Jerry Dearmon, Evi Burgin, Susan Higgins, Elaine Turner, Stephanie Brooks

FOR THOSE GRIEVING LOSS

Bob McCray and Caroline Hutton (wife and mother, Billie, 2/2); Elizabeth Massie (husband, Jimmie, 1/25); Kevin Geraty (wife, Christie, 1/21); Leslie Brewer (mother, 1/5); Missy DeRegibus (father, 1/3); Leah Hochstetler (grandfather, 12/28); Gina Maio (grandmother, 12/31); Elizabeth Conner (mother, 12/7); Betty Olson (mother, 11/14)

BIRTHS & ADOPTIONS

Elizabeth Sophia Nix 2/4
Owen Immanuel Porter 1/27
Halle Joanne Eiswerth 11/27
Lillian "Lily" Beth O'Keefe 11/14
Josephine "Josie" Beverly Wright. 11/5

DEATHS

Billie McCray	2/2
Dorothy Jones	1/30
Jimmie Massie	1/25
Christie Geraty	1/21
Doug Kinney	1/15

News & Events

ASH WEDNESDAY: IMPOSITION OF ASHES AND SERVICE

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Quiet prayer and imposition of ashes; Sanctuary7:30 p.m., Service of repentance and worship; SanctuaryMark the beginning of Lent this week with Ash Wednesday on February 22.

REGENCY PRAYER WALKS IN LENT

Thursdays: 5:30–6:30 p.m., February 23, March 9, March 23 Saturdays: 9:00–10:00 a.m., March 4, March 18, April 1 Start a new habit of prayer in Lent by joining our prayer walks at Regency. All are invited!

MAKE AN OFFICER NOMINATION TODAY

Our nominations are now open for the roles of deacon, parish elder, governing elder, and trustee. Read about the roles and nominate a covenant partner today.

TODAY! MEET OUR MISSION PARTNER: KAREN CARR

12:15 p.m., First Floor Gathering Space

Karen serves in many different countries and across many cultures to provide pastoral care and training for God's global servants. Learn more about Karen online or at this lunch. No RSVP needed!

MAKE A FAITH COMMITMENT

Making annual financial commitments is greatly helpful for us as we wisely steward our resources, but it is also an important spiritual practice for each of us personally as we trust God's provision in our lives.

If you would like to make a commitment, you can fill out a card (available at the church) and drop in the offering plate during a service, or make a commitment online at thirdrva.org/give.







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