

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

CALL TO WORSHIP | PSALM 96:1-2

- › Sing to the LORD a new song;
- » **Sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY"

"HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US"

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

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE

- › May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
banish all darkness from your hearts and minds,
forgive you your sins, grant you the joy of his kingdom,
and raise you to new and everlasting life.
- » **Amen.**

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.**

OFFERTORY | "STAY WITH US" (HOVLAND)

Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us.
Stay with us; it soon is evening.
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us.
It soon is evening, and night is falling.

Jesus Christ, the world's true light!
Shine so the darkness cannot overcome it!
Stay with us, Lord Jesus; it soon is evening.
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, for night is falling.
Let your light pierce the darkness
And fill your church with its glory.

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Stay with us; it soon is evening.
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us.
It soon is evening, and night is falling.

DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING | JOHN 6:16-21

SERMON | "COME AND SEE: THE LORD OF THE SEA" (COREY WIDMER)

"ALWAYS WITH ME"

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.**

"DOXOLOGY"

COMMISSION AND BLESSING | FROM HEBREWS 6:18-20

- › As we go into a world of tempests and storms,
take strong hold of Jesus Christ, our hope.
Do not be afraid.
- » **We have this hope as an anchor for the soul,
firm and secure until the end.**

POSTLUDE

The Ten O'Clock Hour

Join us between our morning services today to grab some coffee or tea downstairs, make a friend, and attend one of the classes listed below.

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 1 John, he wrote about both 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. Then at 10:00 a.m. we have a dedicated Sunday school hour where our kids meet in age-specific classrooms to learn, sing, and read the Bible together.

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.

FOLLOWING THE 8:45 SERVICE

If you are planning to attend Sunday school after the service, your child will be escorted to their assigned classroom. Please notify your teacher on the sign-in sheet that your child will be attending Sunday school!

If you are not attending Sunday school, please pick up your children as soon as the service ends.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 A.M.

All our Sunday school classes take place at 10:00 a.m.

- Infants through fourth grade: check your child in on the first floor and walk them to their room.
- Grades 5–6: meet in the Club 56 room on the first floor.
- Grades 7–12: meet in the main Student Ministry room on the second floor.

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 partner CARITAS as they assist the most vulnerable to overcome crises with dignity, respect and compassion so they can regain their independence and experience long-term success.

FOR OUR CITY

We pray for the coming of God’s realm in metropolitan Richmond: for the enhancement of our common life through the Holy Spirit, and for the resurrection of metropolitan Richmond as a modern metropolitan city of hope for the world.

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

REGENCY PRAYER WALKS IN LENT

Thursdays: 5:30–6:30 p.m., 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!

LAST CALL! MAKE AN OFFICER NOMINATION

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



PARENT AND CHILD COMMUNION CLASS

Sunday, March 26, 10:00 a.m., Room TBD

Is your child ready to take communion? Bring them to this class taught by one of our pastors to explore what it means to participate in this sacrament. Please RSVP by emailing Blair: blairb@thirdrva.org.

For more information and to register for these events, scan the QR codes above or visit thirdrva.org/events to see all upcoming events.

Notes



