

# WELCOME!

## WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

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### PRELUDE | "FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL" (LYNN TRAPP)

#### CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 47

- › Clap your hands, all peoples!  
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
- » **For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,  
a great king over all the earth.**
- › God has gone up with a shout,  
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
- » **Sing praises to God, sing praises!  
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!**

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

"YESU AZALI AWA (JESUS IS WITH US)"

"THE EVERLASTING"

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- › Let us come with humble and repentant hearts to the Lord.
- » **We all, like sheep, have gone astray.  
Each of us has turned to our own way;  
and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

#### SILENT CONFESSION

“WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS” (MARTIN) | 11:00 SERVICE

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ my God!  
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e’er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!

WORDS OF COMFORT

- › Christ is our peace;  
those who are divided  
he has made one.
- » **He has broken down the barriers of separation  
by his death and has built us up  
into one body, with God.**
- › To all who repent and believe  
he has promised reconciliation.  
So live as people reconciled.
- » **Love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all!**

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.**

INTERVIEW WITH MISSION PARTNER RICHARD HANEY

DOXOLOGY

INTERVIEW WITH BETH SPRINKLE | “INTENTIONAL DISCIPLESHIP”

SCRIPTURE READING | MARK 1:35–39

SERMON | “THE SOLITARY PLACE” (COREY WIDMER)

THE 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.**

“JUST A CLOSER WALK” 661

COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION | EPHESIANS 3:17–21

- › I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.
- » **Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.**

POSTLUDE | “THE GOD OF ABRAHAM PRAISE” (MICHAEL BURKHARDT)

# THE TEN O'CLOCK HOUR

Visit the **Quiet Room** (226) or **Prayer Room** (200), where there will be someone to pray with you. Or grab coffee at our **Outdoor Commons** by the playground, or check out one of the classes listed below. Have kids? Bring them to one of the classrooms listed on the following page.

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## **The Patterns & Pathways of Discipleship**

Are you looking for your next step of faith or desiring a deeper understanding of Jesus? Whether you're a new believer or steadfast saint, come explore the meaning of the unending practice of discipleship.

**CHOIR ROOM | DREW CLEVELAND**

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## **Exploring Jonah**

Do you long for encouragement and time in the Word? Looking for a place to explore Scripture with others? All are welcome to participate in this accessible and energetic class as we engage the book of Jonah as a community.

**ROOM 217 | ELISABETH HAYES**

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## **Metamorphosis: A Book Study on *To Be Made Well* by Amy Julia Becker**

How do I trust God's healing and hope in the face of personal and social brokenness? Come join this safe, authentic community as we read Amy Julia Becker's *To Be Made Well* and stories of Jesus' healing encounters in Mark 5.

**MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 500 FOREST AVE | MARY DAMON**

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## **Psalms: Wisdom of God for Everyday Life**

Come study selected Psalms in a search for the ways of wisdom as taught by God. We hope that this study provides us with scriptural wisdom, knowledge, and understanding that can we can apply to our everyday lives.

**ROOM 213/215 | DAVID CARROLL, DAVID SKOVE**

# CHILDCARE 8:45 AND 11:00 A.M.

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

Infants (up to 12 months or steady walkers) . . . . .	102
Toddlers . . . . .	107
2-year-olds. . . . .	103
3-year-olds (as of 9/30/22) – Kindergarten. . . . .	223

**Following the 8:45 service:** If you plan to attend Sunday school after the service, your child can be escorted to their assigned classroom but please notify your teacher on the sign-in sheet that they will be attending Sunday school. Otherwise, please pick up your children immediately after the 8:45 service ends.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 A.M.

During the ten o'clock hour, we have a dedicated Sunday school hour where our kids meet in age-specific classrooms to learn, sing, and read the Bible together.

Infants (up to 12 months or steady walkers) . . . . .	102
Toddlers (12–24 months) . . . . .	107
2-year-olds (as of 9/30/22): Little Lambs. . . . .	103
3-year-olds (as of 9/30/22): Little Lions. . . . .	223
4-year-olds and Pre-K: Little Eagles . . . . .	202
Kindergarten . . . . .	220
First grade. . . . .	201
Second grade . . . . .	207
Third grade. . . . .	218
Fourth grade. . . . .	227
Club 56 (5th and 6th grades). . . . .	Basement
7th–12th grades. . . . .	Student Ministry Area

**Following Sunday school:** If your child attends Sunday school and you plan to attend the 11:00 a.m. service, they can be escorted by their teacher to Room 223. Please let your teacher know on the sign-in sheet when you'll be picking up your child!

# PRAYER NEEDS

## FOR OUR MISSION PARTNERS

Please be praying for our mission partner CrossOver Ministry as they operate a charitable healthcare clinic to low-income, uninsured residents, including refugees in the greater Richmond area.

## FOR OUR CITY

Please be praying for the schools and educational institutions of metropolitan Richmond: for healthy relationships between parents, teachers, and students; for cooperation between superintendents and administrators of public and private schools throughout this metropolitan city.

## FOR HEALTH

Carolyn Oakley, Vickie O'Dell, Mollie Heyman, Susan Drumwright, Elaine Metcalf, Cat Ramsey, Betty Fisher, Joe Slay, Stan Smith, Mary Ann Hancock, Gretchen Gravely, Al Foster, Jerry Dearmon, Beatrice White, Evi Burgin, Linda Ludlow, Susan Higgins, Elaine Turner, Stephanie Brooks, Christie Geraty

## FOR THOSE GRIEVING LOSS

Alex Bruce (grandmother, 9/3); Will Hayes (grandfather, 8/24); Greg Brewer (father, 7/25); David Perry (grandfather, 8/23); Amber Anthony (grandmother, 7/8); Ron Klipp (brother, 6/27); George Adams (father, 5/22); Patrick Wallace (brother, 5/21)

## BIRTHS & ADOPTIONS

Mary Windsor Walker . . . . . 9/18  
Daniel Wilson Hogan . . . . . 8/19  
Mabel Anne "Mae" Essex . . . . . 8/18  
Cyrus Riggsbee Henson . . . . . 8/17  
Mollie Katherine Heyman . . . . . 8/13  
Greta Louise Regrut . . . . . 8/12  
Deck Thomas Dieringer . . . . . 7/27

## DEATHS

Betty Thomas . . . . . 4/5  
Loma Shafer . . . . . 3/14  
Liam Geraty . . . . . 2/24  
Taylor Frazier . . . . . 2/13  
Garry Buttner . . . . . 2/3  
Jinny Bartlett . . . . . 1/8

We rejoice in the birth of **Mary Windsor Walker**, born to Gray and Emily Walker and big brother Brooks on September 18, 2022.

Please keep this family in your prayers.

# NEWS & EVENTS

## TODAY! MEET OUR MISSION PARTNER: RICHARD HANEY

*10:00 a.m. in the Parlor*

Our Theologian and Missiologist in Residence Richard Haney with Frontier Fellowship will be sharing with us about his work connecting the Western church with the world's least-reached people and places.

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## SERVE ON A TEAM

Serving—whether it's on Sunday mornings or throughout the week—continues to be one of the very best ways to be a part of our church family. Find your place to serve at [thirdrva.org/serve-here](http://thirdrva.org/serve-here).

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## SERVE WITH URBAN HOPE

*Saturday, October 1, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.*

Come and volunteer with different projects like landscaping, fence repair, and painting at Urban Hope's affordable rental units, while learning about their amazing vision for the East End.

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## "CHURCH AS REFUGE" CONFERENCE WITH DR. DIANE LANGBERG

*Saturday, October 1, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Stony Point Church*

A seminar with author and abuse expert Dr. Diane Langberg on how to help the church understand the nature of abuse and respond to it with truth and grace. In partnership with other Richmond churches.

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## GRIEF CARE GROUP

*Tuesdays, October 11 – November 15, 7:00 p.m., Parlor*

Have you lost a loved one? Are you looking for a safe space to reflect on your grief with a caring community? Consider joining this new group, beginning October 11.

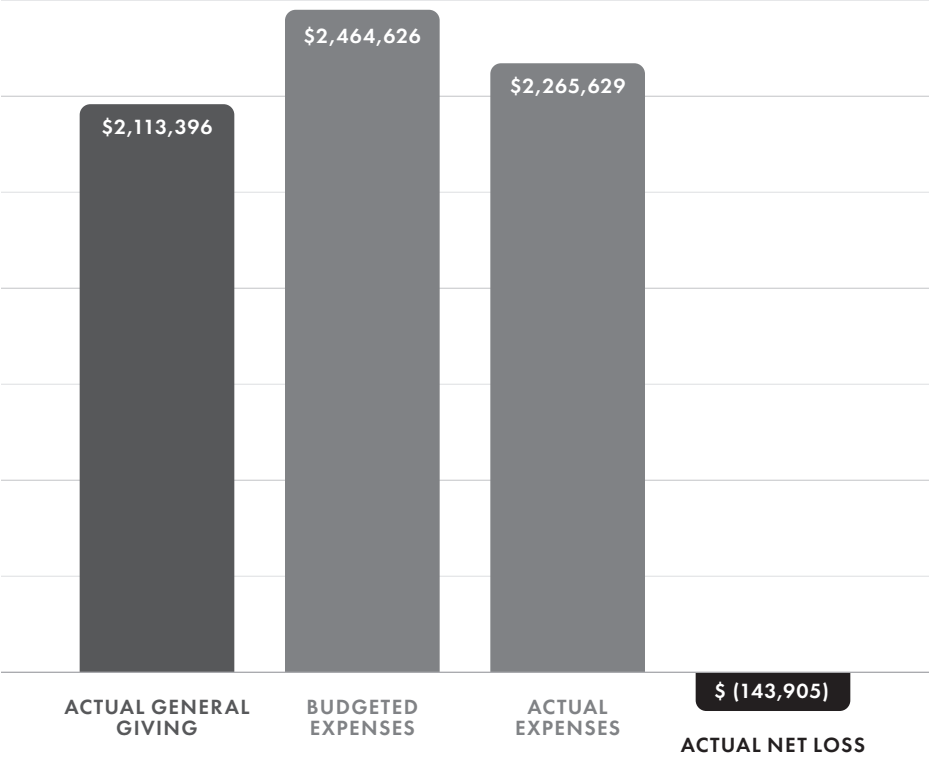
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# BUDGET UPDATE

We will regularly share in our bulletin a look at our year-to-date budget and giving. We strive to be transparent with you, our congregation, in our finances and want to keep you fully informed on how the year is going.

## THIRD CHURCH 2022 YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIALS



Just a reminder that our budget this year is an **expense budget**, and it is higher than the amount of total giving that came in last year. Therefore, we are trusting God and encourage you to continue to give generously and sacrificially!