

WELCOME!

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

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PRELUDE | "HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION" (ARR. DONALD HUSTAD),
"PASTORALE ON 'FOREST GREEN'" (ARR. RICHARD PURVIS)

CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 24

- › Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors,
- » **That the King of glory may come in.**
- › Who is this King of glory?
- » **The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"O WORSHIP THE KING" 2

"JESUS, CAST A LOOK"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- › We praise you, Holy God, for your steadfast love given to us in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Hold us by your grace, even as we have sinned against it and marred our relationship with you and our neighbor. We repent of our sins and long for you to restore us.
- » **In your great love come, cleanse, heal and help us, that we may live out our days to the praise of your grace and to the glory of your holy Name.**
Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

“KNOW MY HEART” (HARLAN)

Lord, you have searched me; you know everything I do.
When I rise, when I lie down, you are with me.
Before I speak, you hear me;
Your presence follows day by day.
O know my heart, O God.

If I ascend into heaven, you are there on the wings of the morning
Or in my deepest despair.
His hand shall lead me, his right hand will guide me,
Though darkness should cover me, light shall surround me.
And I will praise the Lord, I will praise the Lord,
I will praise him with my whole heart!

Lord, you have searched me; you know everything I do.
When I rise, when I lie down, you are with me.
Before I speak, you hear me;
Your presence follows day by day.
O know my heart, O God.

WORDS OF COMFORT | FROM PSALM 103:11-13

- › 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.
- » **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 | ANDREW FULLER

DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING | MICAH 6:1–8

SERMON | “THE WAY OF TOV: WALKING HUMBLY WITH GOD” (COREY WIDMER)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

- › 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.**

“HOW GREAT THOU ART” 553

COMMISSION AND BLESSING | FROM ROMANS 10

- › This is what the Lord says: Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength or the rich boast of their riches,
- » **But let the one who boasts boast about this: that they understand and know the Lord, who exercises mercy, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these the Lord delights.**

POSTLUDE | “FESTIVE TRUMPET TUNE” (DAVID GERMAN)

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.

Discipleship Pathways: Community & Mission

Together, we'll explore the God who is community and sends us into communities of practice, which can include parishes, acts of service, pursuits of justice, and sharing the gospel.

FELLOWSHIP HALL | DREW CLEVELAND, LJ JAWORSKI, ELISABETH HAYES, JASON SNOOK

Households of Faith: Marriage

Join us as we talk about 6 gospel principles that will strengthen a marriage, based on Paul Tripp's book, *Marriage: 6 Gospel Commitments Every Couple Needs to Make*.

CHOIR ROOM | KATHIE AND ROB COX

Exploring Philippians

All are welcome to participate in this accessible and energetic class as it engages the letter to the Philippians as a community.

ROOM 217 | ADRIENNE WRIGHT

To Be Made Well Book Study

Join this safe and authentic community as we study Amy Julia Becker's recent book, *To Be Made Well*.

MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 500 FOREST AVE | MARY DAMON

Psalms: Wisdom of God for Everyday Life

Join us for expository Bible teaching as we study selected Psalms in a search for the ways of wisdom as taught by God throughout the Bible.

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.

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!

Note: Next week, November 27, parents are invited to bring their children (three years old to fourth grade) to the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. for our annual Family Advent Celebration!

PRAYER NEEDS

FOR OUR MISSION PARTNERS

Please be praying for Linda Lemon with Cru. Her ministry is focused on offering “member care” to a national staff located in the different cities where Agapé France has workers. Linda comes alongside those who may be struggling with a variety of issues, such as burnout, bereavement, conflict, or culture shock. She also serves as a consultant to the French national leadership with regard to more sensitive personnel situations.

FOR OUR CITY

Please be praying for the families of metropolitan Richmond: for an end to child abuse; for healthy relationships between children and their caregivers; for the care and protection of infants, children, and youth; and for the intimate knowledge that each one is a beloved child of God.

FOR HEALTH

David Lynch, Randee Massey, Lauren Earley, Addy Allen, Susan Jenkins, Carrie Henaghan, Carolyn Oakley, Mollie Heyman, Susan Drumwright, Elaine Metcalf, Cat Ramsey, Joe Slay, Stan Smith, Mary Ann Hancock, Al Foster, Jerry Dearmon, Beatrice White, Evi Burgin, Linda Ludlow, Susan Higgins, Elaine Turner, Stephanie Brooks, Christie Geraty

FOR THOSE GRIEVING LOSS

William Muangala (grandmother); Joy Orteza (father, 10/31); Jane Fields (husband, Jim, 10/7); Russell and Richard Brooks (mother, wife, 9/30); Sarah Hale (father, 9/10); Chipper Via (grandfather, 8/31); Alex Bruce (grandmother, 9/3)

BIRTHS & ADOPTIONS

Lillian “Lily” Beth O’Keefe 11/14
Josephine “Josie” Beverly Wright . . 11/5
Owen Patrick Cherry 10/31
Robert Rhodes Gardiner 10/5
John Watson Henderson 9/26
Wren Carter Blackwell 9/24
Jane Crosby Kochard 9/19

DEATHS

Jim Fields 10/7
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 **Lillian “Lily” Beth O’Keefe** on November 14, 2022 to Kenan and Jen O’Keefe and siblings, Kenny and Virginia (Northwest parish). Please join in is in praying for this family!

NEWS & EVENTS

TODAY! WELCOME COFFEE

10:00 a.m., Parlor

New to Third? Come to our Welcome Coffee this morning to meet some new friends and learn more about our community.

STEP CHRISTMAS STORE: NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS!

Donate new, unwrapped children's items to our mission partner STEP's Christmas Store, where families in Gilpin Court can buy gifts at a discount. Donation bins by Fellowship Hall and in church office.



LESSONS & CAROLS: ANNUAL ADVENT SERVICE

Sunday, December 4, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Mark the beginning of Advent and prepare your hearts to welcome our Savior with this special Lessons & Carols service in our Sanctuary.



WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS DINNER

Tuesday, December 6, 6:30 p.m.

Join the women of Third for this cherished gathering as we share a meal, worship together, and usher in the Advent season. RSVP online.



CELEBRATE JEFF HUMMEL

Sunday, December 4, 10:00 a.m., Parlor

Thank our organist, Jeff Hummel, for his leadership at Third and express well wishes for his retirement, happening after Christmas! Coffee and refreshments provided.

ORDER POINSETTIAS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Order a red poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one to grace our Sanctuary this Advent season. Contact Rebecca Hatton by December 1 to order (\$15.00/ea): 804-282-4645 or rebeccah@thirdrva.org.

EGYPT MISSION TRIP: APPLICATIONS DUE SOON

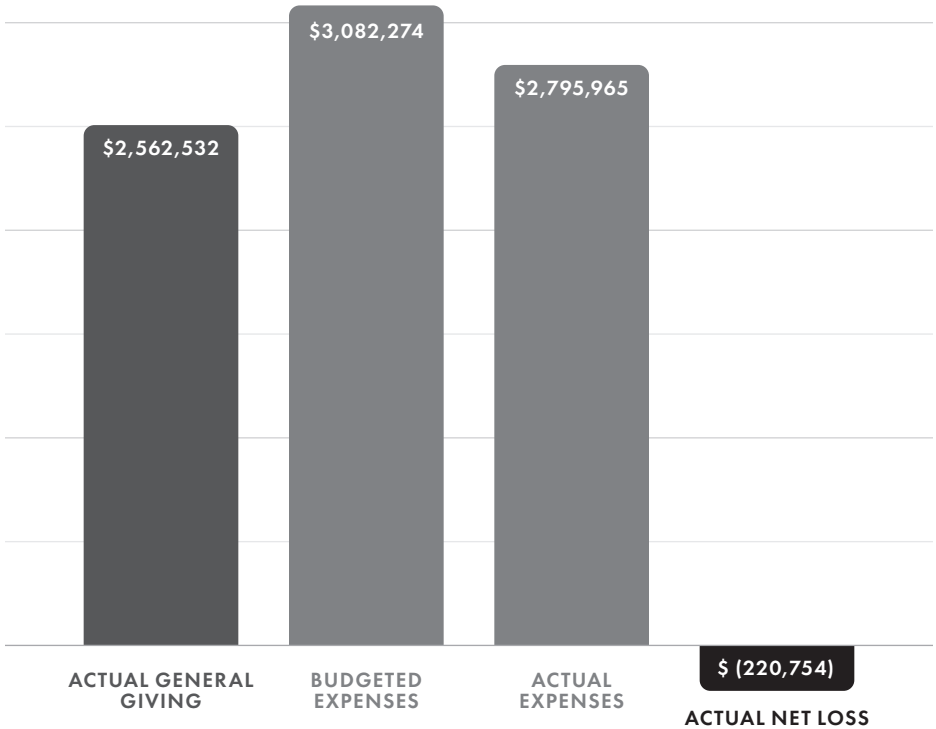
Applications due November 30 for this short-term mission trip to Egypt from March 29 – April 7, 2023. Email Rebecca to learn more and apply: rebeccah@thirdrva.org.



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!