

## April 13, 2025 (Year C, Palm Sunday)

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### Service of the Word

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**Prelude** "Songs Without Words" Mendelssohn

**Welcome**

**Introit** "Abide With Me"

**Call to Worship** (Inspired by Psalm 118)

One: This is the day the Lord has made,

**Many:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Many:** Together we lift our branches to celebrate Jesus!

One: Together we come to give thanks to God

**Many:** God's steadfast love endures forever!

**\*Passing the Peace**

**\*Opening Hymn** All Glory, Laud, and Honor" #300

**\*Gathering Prayer**

"Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." Today we joyfully acclaim Jesus as our Messiah and King. May we reach one day the happiness of the new and everlasting Jerusalem by faithfully following him who lives and reigns for ever and ever. "Hosanna in the highest!"

**\*Gloria Patri** #813

**Gospel Lesson: John 12:12-19**

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon** "Save Us!" Rev. Dr. Daniel Schlorff

**Moment of Silence**

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### Service of the Table

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**\*Hymn of Response** "All Hail King Jesus" (x2) #103

**Joys and Concerns** After concerns are spoken, the leader says, "God in your mercy," and the church responds, "Hear our prayers."

**Song** "Cares Chorus" (seated) #627  
*I cast all my cares upon you. I lay all of my burdens down at your feet. And anytime that I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

**Affirmation** "I Worship You Almighty God" (seated; 1x) #146  
*I worship you almighty God. There is none like you. I worship you, O Prince of Peace. That is what I want to do. I give you praise... for you are my righteousness. I worship you almighty God. There is none like you.*

**Offering**

**Invitation**

**Offertory** "God, So Loved the World"

**Doxology** #815

**Dedication**

**Announcements**

**Closing Hymn** "May We Be That City upon a Hill" (hymnal cover)

**\*Benediction**

**+Postlude**

**\* Please rise in body or spirit.**

**+ All are warmly invited to enjoy fellowship after the service.**

**Welcoming Deacons:** Lenny Brown and Collin Kennedy

**Reading Deacon:** Jane DiMauro

**Ushers:** Bonnie Palmer and Jane Palmer

**Flowers:** Given by the Czesak children in honor of their mother, Cheri Czesak

## Prayers

All prayer concerns will be listed for four weeks. After that time, let us know if you want your request to remain on our list.

\*Please pray for:

**Austin**, Cousin's son of Corrine Sternberg

**Ruth Fetter**

**John Potter**, friend of Jane and Paul DiMauro

**Theresa and James Reeves**

**Nancy Seladka**, Sister-in-law of Linda Bonneau.

**Don Keathley**

**Cory**, friend of Third Church

**WELCOME:** Third Church welcomes you to worship on this Sunday morning. If you are visiting with us, please fill out an information card and place it in the offering plate. Please join us for Coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall.

**Don't forget the outreach box. Bring a can of food to church each Sunday. Our collection goes to help meet the needs of the food shelves of Amazing Grace. We are also collecting cans of gravy for the Middletown Thanksgiving Project.**

- 4/13** Palm Sunday  
History of Christianity 8:30 am  
Troop 16 Meeting 4:00 pm
- 4/15** Girl Scouts 5:30 pm  
Bylaws Meeting 7:00 pm
- 4/16** Bible Study 10:00 am  
Narcotics Anonymous 5:45 pm  
Choir Practice 6:00pm
- 4/1** Maundy Thursday service 7:30 pm
- 4/18** Tai Chi 10:00 am  
Good Friday service 7:30 pm
- 4/19** Bible Study 10:00 am

**Birthdays:** C. Tessman 4/13, J. Cummings 4/14, T. Brown 4/15

### Congregational Care

If you know of any concern or a member or friend who needs a visit, please contact the office via email or note.

If you would like special prayers for anyone, please contact Lori Albert.

*Prayer shawls can be like hugs from God from all the prayers that go with them as they are knitted, with a blessing added by the pastor when completed. If you would like a shawl or know anyone who would like one, please reach out to a deacon or Pastor Daniel. Recipients need not be a member of Third Church to receive this token of love.*

**Remember our shut-ins with prayer:** Sara Pawlow, Lynda Andrew, Don Keathley, Janet Manthay.

# Third Congregational Church

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"Save Us!"

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