

August 10, 2025 (Year C, Ninth Sunday of Pentecost)

Service of the Word

Prelude "Aberystwyth" David Terry

Welcome

Introit "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in this Place" Doris Akers

Unison Call to Worship (Psalm 50:1,5)

One: God, the LORD God, has spoken

**Many: God's call covers all the earth
like the sun from its rising to its setting:**

One: "Gather to me, my faithful ones!"

All: We gather to worship you, O God.

***Passing the Peace**

***Hymn** "We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer" #68

***Gathering Prayer**

Lord, Grant to us the spirit to think and do those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

***Gloria Patri** #813

Scripture Lessons: Luke 12:32-40 Pg. 847

One: The Word of God for the people of God. | **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Finding the Kingdom of God Rev. Dr. Daniel Schlorff

Moment of Silence

Service of the Table

***Response** "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" #352

Joys and Concerns

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, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Affirmation "In the Name of the Lord" (seated, no repeat) #299

There is strength in the name of the Lord.

There is pow'r in the name of the Lord.

There is hope in the name of the Lord.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Offering

Invitation

Offertory "How Great Thou Art" Lina Vior

Doxology #815

Dedication

Announcements

***Hymn** "May We Be That City upon a Hill" (front of hymnal)

***Benediction**

Postlude "I Danced in the Morning" Sydney Carter

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

Welcoming Deacons: Alex Gorecki and Chriss Tessman

Reading Deacon: Lindsey Joy

Ushers: Bonnie Palmer and Jane Palmer

Flowers: Phyllis and Dave DeMerchant in honor of their 64th
Wedding Anniversary

All are warmly invited to enjoy fellowship after the service.

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:

Sue Paul

Betty Shaw

Linda Brown

Bryan Joy, son of Ken and Nancy; father to Lindsey

Bill Wilson

Dianna Dixey

Ann, friend of Corrine Sternberg

Austin, Cousin's son of Corrine Sternberg

Cory, friend of Third Church

Dan DeMerchant

Sue Clark

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.

8/10 Troop 16 Meeting 4:00 pm

8/12 HSS Meeting 6:00 pm

8/13 Bible Study 10:00 am
Narcotics Anonymous 5:45 pm

8/14 Choir Practice 6:00 pm

8/15 Champions for Diversity & Equity in Healthcare (St. of CT) 3:00 - 7:00 pm

8/16 Bible Study 10:00 am

Birthdays: D. Keathley 8/10,
A. Hoyt 8/16

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.

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"Finding the Kingdom of God"

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