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Please use this opportunity to silence all cell phones and other noise-making devices.

\* = Please stand in body or spirit

### Prelude

Lansin Lim Kimler

Sasha Johnson Manning: November (from “A Year At Third”)

*This penultimate movement in Sasha’s musical calendar for Third is based upon Hymn of Affirmation, Thomas Ken’s “Awake, my soul, and with sun / Thy daily stage of duty run.” The music was by François-Hippolyte Barthélémon (1741 – 1808), a French violinist who played a prominent role in the musical theater of 18th century London. He wrote beyond the stage, however, producing symphonies, concertos and solo songs.*

### Introit

Choir

Richard Farrant: Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies’ Sake

*The charming music to this Lenten prayer was written either by John Hilton the Elder (1560 – 1608), Organist at Trinity College, Cambridge, or Richard Farrant (c. 1525 – 1580), a member of the Chapel Royal.*

Lord, for thy tender mercy’s sake lay not our sins to our charge: but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk in an upright heart before thee this day and evermore.

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**Welcome**  
(concluding)

**Sharie Kruger**

Leader: So, we invite you to greet one another either here, or online by reaching out in the Chat or through a text or email. And we will conclude this Welcome in our traditional way with the Doxology.

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ and Doxology #815**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# \*Hymn of Affirmation

Thomas Ken's Awake, My Soul

MORNING HYMN

A - wake, my soul, and with the sun thy dail - y  
Re - deem the mis - spent mo - ments past, And live this  
Let all thy con - verse be sin - cere, Thy con - science  
By in - fluence of the light di - vine, Let thy own

stage of du - ty run; shake off dull sloth, and  
day as if thy last; Im - prove thy tal - ent  
as the noon - day clear: Think how all - see - ing  
light to oth - ers shine, Re - flect all heaven's pro -

joy - ful rise to pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
with due care, For the great day thy - self pre - pare.  
God thy ways And all thy se - cret thoughts sur - veys.  
pi - tious rays, In ar - dent love, and cheer - ful praise.

## Holy Spirit, Living Breath Of God

*A collaboration between the British worship leader, Stuart Townend (b. 1963) and a renowned Baptist hymn writer, Keith Getty (b. 1974), that reminds us that we are best stewards of the Church when we are filled with the Holy Spirit.*

Holy Spirit, living breath of God,  
Breathe new life into my willing soul.  
Let the presence of the risen Lord,  
Come renew my heart and make me whole.  
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;  
Give me faith for what I cannot see,  
Give me passion for Your purity;  
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within,  
May Your joy be seen in all I do.  
Love enough to cover every sin,  
In each thought and deed and attitude.  
Kindness to the greatest and the least,  
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.  
Turn my strivings into works of grace;  
Breath of God show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,  
Giving life to all that God has made,  
Show Your power once again on earth,  
Cause Your church to hunger for your ways.  
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;  
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,  
That in unity the face of Christ  
May be clear for all the world to see.

Offertory Meditation

Brent Johnson

Craig Phillips: Kremser (Four Preludes, 1)

*From a set of Dutch folk song arranged by the Austrian choirmaster Eduard Kremser (1838 – 1914) comes this melody; it is named for him in English language hymnals, and traditionally sung to a verse that begins, “We gather together to ask the Lord’s blessing.” This is clearly a most appropriate way to begin today’s worship and is heard in an arrangement by the Californian organist, Craig Phillips.*

Responsorial Psalm

Rev. Drew Phillips and Youth

Psalm 16:5-11

Leader: Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup;

**People: you make my lot secure.**

Leader: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

**People: surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

Leader: I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;

**People: even at night my heart instructs me.**

Leader: I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

**People: With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

Leader: Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

**People: my body also will rest secure,**

Leader: because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,

**People: nor will you let your faithful one see decay.**

Leader: You make known to me the path of life;

**People: you will fill me with joy in your presence,**

Leader &

**People: with eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

**Mack Wilberg: My God, My Portion, My Love**

*Wilberg (b. 1955) was appointed Music Director of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir in 2009, and for that famed ensemble he has made numerous arrangements, including this re-working of a traditional American hymn tune, "Dunlap's Creek," sung to words by Isaac Watts.*

My God, my Portion, and my Love,  
My Everlasting All,  
I've none but Thee in heav'n above  
Or on this earthly ball.

What empty things are all the skies,  
And this inferior clod!  
There's nothing here deserves my joys,  
There's nothing like my God.

In vain the bright, the burning sun,  
Scatters his feeble light;  
'Tis Thy sweet beams create my noon;  
If Thou withdraw, 'tis night.

Let all that dwell above the sky,  
And air, and earth, and seas,  
Conspire to lift Thy glories high  
And speak Thine endless praise.

The whole creation, join in one,  
To bless the sacred Name,  
Of Him that sits upon the throne,  
And to adore the Lamb!

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## Scripture

Philippians 4:4

Henry Arbini

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice.

**Philippians 4:5**

Kaiya Mooney

Let your gentleness to all. The Lord is near.

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

Dr. Tommy Simons

Embracing God: Embracing God by Embracing Others

## \*Hymn of Invitation & Declaration

#790 We Gather Together

KREMSER

Recognition of Gene Stewart



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**Benediction**

**Dr. Tommy Simons**

**Postlude**

**Lansin Lim Kimler**

**Howard Helvey: We Gather Together**

*Theodore Baker's beloved hymn which we just sang is traditionally sung to the tune "Kremser". This arrangement for piano solo is by Howard Helvey, who was born in 1968 in Columbia (MO). However, for most of his adult life he has lived in Cincinnati (OH), where he studied at the Conservatory of Music, and subsequently joined Calvary Episcopal Church as its Organist and Director of Music.*

## Prayer List

### Nursing care and rehab facilities

J.B. Richman, Holiday Briarcrest Estates, Ballwin, MO

Juanita Wallis, Cape Albeon, Valley Park, MO

Margaret Warman, Delmar Gardens of Chesterfield, Chesterfield, MO

### Prayer Requests

Harold Beasley

Karen Deitte

Robin Dietrich

Jersey Dukes

Nancy Furgerson

Laverne Graham

Alisa Guider

Judith Hawk

Glenn Jefferies

Peggy Hemphill

Rob Lamb

Anna Littlejohn

Erica Littlejohn

Mattie Littlejohn

Shelia McMunn

Bobby Murray

Declan Rutan

Sudha Sanjay

Myrna Shelton and Family

Charita Tyus

Please send updates, addition or edits to this list via email to Sally, Ella or Pastor Tommy (sallyoando@att.net, ebanks@third-baptist.org, tsimons@third-baptist.org)

If you're a visitor today, we want to meet you! Please fill out a visitor card and leave it in the offering plate or use the QR code below to connect with Third Baptist online.



## Calendar for November 17 - 24

### Sunday, November 17

- 9:30 AM Doughnut Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 AM Sunday School, Various
- 11:00 AM Worship, Sanctuary and online via Facebook and YouTube
- 11:00 AM Godly Play
- 12:00 PM Fellowship, Pillsbury Threshold
- 12:00 PM Church Council

### Wednesday, November 20

- 12:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 5:15 PM Dinner / Adult Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

### Sunday, November 24

- 9:30 AM Doughnut Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 AM Sunday School, Various
- 11:00 AM Worship, Sanctuary and online via Facebook and YouTube
- 12:00 PM Fellowship, Pillsbury Threshold

## **Pastoral and Music Staff**

Dr. Tommy Simons, Pastor

Rev. Drew Phillips, Minister to Families

Dr. Philip Barnes, Director of Music

Brent Johnson, Organist

Lansin Lim Kimler, Pianist

