

Therefore, if anyone
is in Christ, he is a
new creation;
old things have
passed away; behold,
all things have
become new.
2 Corinthians 5:17



Sunday, March 8, 2026
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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Thank you for silencing your phone and other electronic devices.

Please complete prayer requests, as legibly as possible, and place them on the offering plate.

WELCOME

Rev. Kerry Bean

Welcome to Third Presbyterian Church this morning. We ask that you please sign the attendance pad at the end of each pew and pass it along to your neighbors.

We welcome the Rev. Kerry Bean to the pulpit this morning.

PRELUDE

“Give Me Jesus”
(African American Spiritual)

Cory Brown, Pianist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Kerry Bean

Leader: The Lord is our shepherd. There is nothing we lack.

People: God's goodness and faithful love will pursue us all the days of our lives. Let us worship God.

***MORNING PRAYER**

All: God Most High, thank you for signs of your power and grace, shown to us even in the wilderness. Give us courage to stand firm in your Word in every time of trial and testing, that we may enter the land of your freedom and receive the salvation you so generously give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

“This Is My Father's World”

#143

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Rev. Kerry Bean

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

People: Gracious God, we do not stand firmly enough with those who are vulnerable, but step back, protecting ourselves. Forgive us, we pray. Keep raising us from the deadliness of sin, and shine upon us with your grace. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Rev. Kerry Bean

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES “Three Apples. Make That One”

Rev. Kerry Bean

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Jesus Is All the World To Me”
(By: Will L Thompson & Lloyd Larson)

Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Kerry Bean

PRAISE SONG

“Always”

Praise Team

(Words & Music by: Chris Tomlin, Daniel Carson, Ben Glover, Jeff Sojka & Jess Cates)

SCRIPTURE LESSON (2 Corinthians 5:16-21)

Rev. Kerry Bean

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

SERMON

“Good Grief”

Rev. Kerry Bean

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Rev. Kerry Bean

Leader: We respond to God's grace by setting aside a portion of our financial resources to do the work of God here and now. Come with your tithes, offerings, and alms.

PRAISE SONG

“The God Who Stays”

Praise Team

(Words & Music by: Matthew West, Jonathan Smith & AJ Pruis)

***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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Rev. Kerry Bean

Leader: Our lives overflow with the goodness of God. Sharing what we have so abundantly received, we now bring our tithes and offerings to God, with gladness and gratitude.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Kerry Bean

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 forever. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

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***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Kerry Bean

***POSTLUDE**

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

Cory Brown, Organist

(By: Horatius Bonar, Lucy Broadwood & Ralph Vaughn Williams)

***Please stand in body or in spirit**

This church welcomes you, no matter who you are, where you are from, or why you are here. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open. If you are passing through Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, please stay; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often. We are so glad you are here!

If you know of anyone who is in hospital and would like visitors or to be placed on the prayer list, please pass this information along to another church member or call the church office at 217-528-0457 as the hospitals can no longer share this.
Thank you.



Below is a list of the ongoing prayer requests for this week. Certainly, God knows each person and each request and simply calls upon us to lift the name in prayer. Call the Church Office, 217-528-0457, to have a name added or removed.



All people experiencing natural disasters and other devastating weather events...may God ease their pain, loss, and feelings of uncertainty as they rebuild their lives and homes, All those experiencing conflict in their homeland...for peace, Citizens of Our Country, State, and City, Third Presbyterian Church and its Members, Ted Bishop, Janet Bottoms, Lucy Collebrusco, Michelle Davidson, Janice Dawson, Linda Farley, Wanda Sue Freeman, Damaris Fritz, The Garst Family, The Guthrie Family, Art Heinold, Marilyn Houston, Lou Jordan, Rachel Krause, Mary Lou Landreth, Bill Lohman, Shirley McConnaughay, Donnie Monroe, The McDevitt Family, The Moss Family, Jo Etta, Jim Rominger, Dorothy Rutherford, Wanda Saccaro, Dequan Stamps and his Mother, Julie Vanderwater, Dagmar West, and Zack.



Please Welcome Rev. Kerry Bean who will be the guest preacher at TPC today, March 8.

Rev. Kerry Bean is originally from Quincy and is a graduate of Monmouth College. He attended Louisville Presbyterian Seminary (where he met and married his wife Cindy Allmen Bean) after completing other graduate studies in Speech Communication and Theatre. Kerry recently retired from 35 years of active ministry in the PCUSA and is now living in Farmington. He has two sons and three grandchildren and serves on the faculty at Parkland College in Champaign. Kerry has written more than two dozen plays, including many, many murder mysteries.

****Janice Dawson is currently at Villas of Hollybrook. Please send her a card to help lift her spirits and speed her recovery.****

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MARCH

- 4 – Donna Gardiner
- 6 – Steve VanHook
- 10 – Patsy Rader
- 16 – Diane Sawyer
- 17 – Debbie Gill; Diana Nevitt
- 19 – Alicia Houston
- 20 - Paula Klickna; Lori Fernandez
- 22 – Robert Suttie

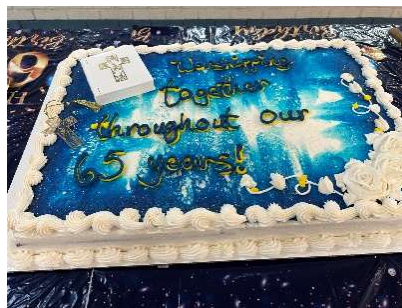


****Did you remember to "Spring Forward" today Sunday, March 8?*****

Trustee's Spring Clean Up Day
Saturday, March 21st, 8:00am

Spring
CLEAN UP

If you are able, please join us.
We are grateful for all help.



Everyone enjoyed fellowship and refreshments as they celebrated members of TPC who are turning 65 this year. Thanks to everyone who made it possible!



Easter Egg Hunt 2026

Candy will be collected for this year's Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for **Saturday, March 28**. Please place your donations in the basket in the Narthex. Thank you



Remember to invite family, friends, and neighbors

11am -2pm

Free entry (optional free will offering) and free lunch—
baked items will be available for sale



Volunteer Opportunities

For bakers: Brownies and Rice Krispie treats are needed to be sold at the Easter Egg Hunt. No need to wrap them. Just drop them off at the church on

Friday, March 27 between 8am-530pm



Other Chances to help: Fill plastic eggs with candy -
Monday, March 23 from 10am to 1pm and 3 to 6pm.

****Thank you for any help you you are able to give****



Calendar/Announcements

Today, Sunday, March 8th

9:00am—Worship Service (Sanctuary)
10:15am—10:15am—Financial Team Meeting (Church Library)
10:15am—Sunday School Class-LLL (Hanahan Room)
Daylight Saving Time Begins

Monday, March 9th

Church Office Closed
4:45pm—After Five CWC Prayer Connection (Church Library)

Tuesday, March 10th

3:00pm—MOCN Parenting Class (Hanahan Room)
5:00pm—After Five CWC-Bible Study (Church Library)
6:00pm—Discipleship Life Committee Meeting (Hanahan Room)

Wednesday, March 11th

5:00pm—MOCN Caregiver Support Group (Fellowship Hall & Hanahan Room)

Thursday, March 12th

1:30pm—Club Compass (Various)
4:00pm—Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
5:00pm—Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Sunday, March 15th

9:00am—Worship Service (Sanctuary)
10:15am—LLL Sunday School Class (Hanahan Room)



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