

SERMON NOTES

January 12, 2014

Ephesians 5:1-8
“Walking in Love”

The Reverend Richie Sessions

GRACE GROUP QUESTIONS

Grace Group Questions and the Sermon Outline will be available on our website tomorrow, Monday, January 13.

Please visit www.indepres.org.

WELCOME TO IPC

Visitors are special at IPC. Please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it down the aisle so that we will know you were here. Join us on Wednesday evenings for our Fellowship Dinner at 5:30 p.m., followed by an adult Bible Study, Small Groups, and youth and children's programs at 6:30 p.m.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members* in February. Please contact the Church Office, 901.685.8206, for more information.

A fully-staffed nursery is available during all services.

THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in honor of and in memory of the grandparents of

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Langley.

Mrs. Langley is the former Miss Lizzy Dumas.

OUR CHURCH TODAY

8:30 a.m.....Worship Service
8:30 a.m.....K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grades 1 & 2)
9:45 a.m.....Sunday School
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service
11:00 a.m.....K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grades 1 & 2)
12:15 p.m.....2013 New Member Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
5:00 p.m.....Sr. High Choir Rehearsal

Audio recordings of this morning's sermon are available in the bookstore immediately following the 8:30 worship service, or during the following week on the internet at www.indepres.org.

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY

5:30 p.m.....Dinner, Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m.....Jr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m.....*Through the Wardrobe*, Bookstore
6:00 p.m.....Divorce Care, Room 229
6:30 p.m.....Dr. Bill Hogan, teaching from Hebrews
6:30 p.m.....Grace Groups and Small Groups
6:30 p.m.....Preschool and Children's Choir Rehearsals
6:30 p.m.....C.I.A. (*Christ In Action*), Romper Room
6:30 p.m.....Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups
7:30 p.m.....Adult Choir Rehearsal

A PRAYING LIFE SEMINAR

with Paul Miller, speaker and author of A Praying Life

January 24 - 25, 2014

Friday, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - noon

Cost is \$20/person, and includes dinner, breakfast, booklet, and nursery and children's activities

Note: You must RSVP for childcare at IPC by Tuesday, January 21.

Visit the registration table at IPC,

or register and pay online at www.seejesus.net.

Contact Maureen Odiam, modiam@indepres.org, for more information.

GRACE GROUPS@IPC

Our Grace Groups are back in session, and you are encouraged to participate. Groups meet on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m., in various rooms throughout the church.

You may sign up through your community, or call the Church Office to speak with the pastor of your community:

20s Community - Samuel Husband (shusband@indepres.org)

30s Community - Parker Tenent (ptenent@indepres.org)

40s Community - Jeremy Jones (jjones@indepres.org)

50s Community - Ed Norton (enorton@indepres.org)

60s+ Community - Bill Hogan (bhogan@indepres.org)

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Join Dr. Bill Hogan on Wednesday evenings at 6:30, in the Fellowship Hall, as he continues teaching on the book of Hebrews.

DIVORCE CARE SUPPORT GROUP SESSIONS

Divorce Care Support Group Sessions meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in room 229. For more information, please visit www.indepres.org/divorcecare.

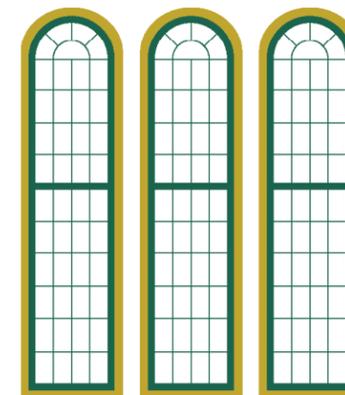
PATHWAY CLASS FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*, February 2, 9, 16 and 23, at 9:45 a.m., during the Sunday School hour, in the 3rd floor conference room. Please contact Gayle Hardee, 901.685.8206, or ghardee@indepres.org, to make your reservation.

IT'S TIME FOR A NEW IPC PICTORAL DIRECTORY

Photo sessions are March 18-22, and April 8-12 (Tuesdays through Saturdays). You may schedule online, www.indepres.org/resources/directory, or contact Jennifer Ellis, jellis@indepres.org.

Please do not bring your coffee or food into the IPC Sanctuary. Thank you.



INDEPENDENT Presbyterian Church

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

THE MISSION OF INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is to make disciples of Jesus Christ in Memphis, calling them into a devoted community of worshiping and maturing believers, and sending them out to be salt of the earth and light in the world,
all to the glory of God.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWELFTH DAY OF JANUARY, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

"Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens! Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His excellent greatness! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!" — Psalm 150:1-2, 6

THE PRELUDE

"A Babe Is Born in Bethlehem" J.S. Bach
Molly Johnson, Organ

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Colossians 3:1-3

The Minister: "If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

The Congregation: Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

The Minister and Congregation: For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God."

*The Reverend Parker Tenent
Assistant Pastor*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision" No. 642

THE INVOCATION AND THE 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 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.*

THE GLORIA PATRI

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

☞ *Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.* ☛

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Hazel Gregory Fiser and Walter Gray Fiser, 8:30 a.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Thomas Price Sykes and Lucy McDonough Sykes, 11:00 a.m.

THE ENSEMBLE

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Courtney
Kristin Bennett, Lindsey Hughes, Kathleen McCallen, and Meredith Olinger

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, You made us in Your image, with a mind to know You, a heart to love You, and a will to serve You. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into Your likeness. In Your tender love, forgive us through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.* — *The Worship Sourcebook*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."
— *Romans 8:1*

THE HYMN OF SUPPLICATION

"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

Words: George Croly, 1854

Music: Frederick C. Atkinson, 18□0



1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
2. Hast Thou not bid us love Thee, God and □ing?
3. Teach me to love Thee as Thine an - gels love,



wean it from earth; through all its puls - es move;
All, all Thine own, soul, heart, and strength and mind.
one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;



stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as Thou art;
I see Thy cross - there teach my heart to cling:
the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed Dove,



and make me love Thee as I ought to love.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!
my heart an al - tar, and Thy love the flame.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1

The Minister: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

The Congregation: That I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

THE OFFERTORY

"Jesu, Word of God Incarnate" Mozart
James A. Brown, Jr., Director

Jesu, word of God incarnate, Of the virgin Mary born;
On the cross Thy sacred body For us men with nails was torn.

Cleanse us by the blood and water Streaming from Thy pierced side,
Feed us with Thy body broken, Now, and in death's agony.

THE SERMON

Ephesians 5:1-8 (*pew Bible, page 978*)
"Walking in Love"
*The Reverend Richie Sessions
Senior Pastor*

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Amazing Grace!" No. 460

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

"Gladly We Adore Him" Lobe den Herren

THE POSTLUDE

"Allegro" from *Symphony VI* Widor

If you would like to pray with someone, please come to the Chapel after the 8:30 or 11:00 service.