

INDEPENDENT
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

As we continue in our study of Habakkuk, we will hear the prophet's reaction to the news that God was going to deal with Judah's sin by bringing the Babylonians against them. This was surprising news, a dark and frowning providence — and yet, God called upon his people to continue to trust in him, as he said, "The righteous shall live by his faith" (Habakkuk 2:4).

And so, our worship service this morning calls us to continue to trust in God and to believe that "behind a frowning providence, he hides a smiling face." Our call to worship is Psalm 23, which reminds us that the Lord is our shepherd even as we walk through the valley of the shadow of death. Likewise, we are reminded this morning that God's purpose for us is to glorify and enjoy him, even in the midst of difficult times. God himself is the best gift, our solid joy, our lasting treasure. May he draw you to himself this morning!

WELCOME TO INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

As a fellowship of believers, we like to know all who are worshipping with us today, so please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it down the aisle. If you are a visitor, thank you for joining us. Any questions about our church? We encourage you to ask a member on your aisle, an usher, or a minister for help. They can answer your questions or assist you in finding someone who can.

More opportunities for teaching and fellowship at IPC are listed in the back of this bulletin. Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class Weekend for Prospective Members*, February 15-16, 2019. For more information or to register, please contact Tamera Rackley, (901) 685-8206, or trackley@ipcmemphis.org.

Our Sunday morning Worship Services are shown via live stream in the Chapel for families with babies/young children, latecomers, or any other reason you might be more comfortable there. Additionally, a fully-staffed nursery is available during all services.

We also live stream our 8:30 and 11:00 services at ipcmemphis.org. Please note: the link will be active only on Sunday morning. In addition, 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 our website.

Please see an usher if you need a hearing amplification device.

PLEASE ENJOY YOUR COFFEE OUTSIDE OF THE SANCTUARY.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, TWO THOUSAND AND NINETEEN

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

"Dundee"

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Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 23

The Minister: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

The Congregation: He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

The Minister: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

The Congregation: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

The Minister: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen! Let us worship God!

The Reverend J. Edward Norton, Associate Pastor (8:30 a.m.)

The Reverend Jeremy Jones, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"O Father, You Are Sovereign"

No. 75

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

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O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

O Lord, I have a wild heart, and cannot stand before you. How little I love your truth and ways! I neglect prayer, by thinking that I have prayed enough and earnestly, by knowing that you have saved my soul and so I no longer really need you. My mind is all too often empty, with no spiritual understanding, no desire for the Lord's Day, ever learning and never reaching the truth. My conscience is without conviction or contrition, with nothing to repent of. My will is without power of decision or resolution. O Lord, give me a broken heart that can be mended by your power and by your grace. Forgive me my sins in and through Jesus Christ my Lord, *Amen.* — adapted from *The Valley of Vision*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We confess our sins because we trust in the God who forgives and grants righteousness. God's Word tells us, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith." Thanks be to God that the message of the Old Testament and New Testament is the same: God grants righteousness to those who trust in Jesus! — *Romans 1:16-17*

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

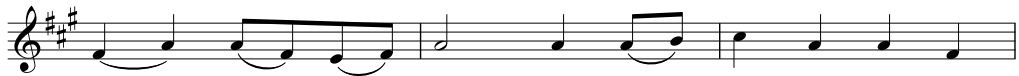
Drew Lucas, Guitar Daniel Strawser, Cello

Sir Henry W. Baker

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1. The King of Love my Shep - herd is whose
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my
3. In death's dark vale, I fear no ill with
4. And so through all the length of days, thy



good - ness fail - eth nev - er. I noth - ing lack if
ran - somed soul he lead - eth, and, where the ver - dant
thee, dear Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my
good - ness fail - eth nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.
sing thy praise with in thy house for - ev - er.

Children (Kindergarten) may be dismissed to their worship leader during the last verse.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q and A 1-2

Question and Answer 1

The Minister: What is the chief end of man?

The Congregation: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Question and Answer 2

The Minister: What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

The Congregation: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

THE COMMISSIONING OF 2019 SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP TO GREECE

THE PRAYER OF INTERCESSION 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, forever. *Amen.*

THE OFFERTORY

"Keep Your Lamps!"
Tim Gregory, Percussion
James A. Brown, Jr., Director

arr. Thomas

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children don't get weary 'til your work is done.
Christian journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.

THE SERMON

Habakkuk 1:12-2:5 (*pew Bible page 785*)
The Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.
The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

"Behind a Frowning Providence"
Dr. Sean Michael Lucas
Senior Pastor

SERMON NOTES

1. What he says (1:12-17)

A. About God

B. About his situation

2. What he does (2:1)

3. What he hears (2:2-5)

A. God's Word

B. God's Way

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“God Moves in a Mysterious Way”

No. 128

THE BENEDICTION

THE RESPONSE

Choir and Congregation

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me:
and in God’s house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

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THE POSTLUDE

“How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou”

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THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

COMMISSIONING SERVICE

*The following are participants in the 2019 short-term mission trip to Athens, Greece,
which is being commissioned this morning:*

Melissa Alexander, Darlene Brewer, Tricee Fuson,
Kathy Garrett, Lexie Johnston (leader), Carole Jones, Hermenia Prather

OUR CHURCH TODAY | JANUARY 13

8:30 a.m.	Worship Service
8:30 a.m.	Children's Church (Kindergarten)
9:30 a.m.	Short-Term Mission Trips Interest Meeting Bride's Room
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
11:00 a.m.	Children's Church (Kindergarten)
4:00 p.m.	Jr. High Small Groups
5:00 p.m.	Sr. High Choir Rehearsal
7:15 p.m.	Sr. High Small Groups



SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45-10:45

Nursery & Preschool –
First floor, rooms divided by age
Kindergarten — *Room 220-222*

1st grade — *Room 216*
2nd grade — *Room 215*
3rd grade — *Room 217*

4th grade — *Room 204*
Junior High — *Room 155*
Senior High — *Room 254*

College | Mr. Zach Hood | *Room 125*

20s Community | Rev. Robert Browning and Teaching Team | *Room 131*

30s Community | Rev. Parker Tenent | *Fellowship Hall South*

40s Community | Rev. Jeremy Jones | *Fellowship Hall North*

50s Community | Rev. Ed Norton | *Chapel*

60s+ Community | Rev. Mike Malone | *Room 237*

The Westminster Class | Mr. Jurey Howard and Dr. Ray Wilson | *Room 233*

Line by Line Class | Mr. Rankin Fowlkes | *Room 132*

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | JANUARY 16

5:30 p.m. Dinner Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m.Jr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:15 p.m.Jr. High Youth Group
6:15 p.m. BLAST! (Building Lives Around Sound Truth) (K - 5 th grade)
6:30 p.m. Teaching with Dr. Sean Lucas: <i>An Overview of the Gospel of John</i> Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.Pre-Elementary Choir
7:10 p.m.Sr. High Youth Group
7:30 p.m.Adult Choir Rehearsal

MENU FOR THIS WEDNESDAY EVENING

Texas-Style Chili and Fixins, Baked Potato Bar,
Crackers and Assorted Breads, Lemon Pie, Cookies
Kids Box: Taco, Chips and Queso



OUTREACH & MINISTRIES

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Begins Tuesday, January 15

10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Details at ipcmemphis.org

IN THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

FOR MEN OF ALL AGES

led by Dr. Sean Lucas

Begins Thursday, January 17

6:30 a.m. | IPC Fellowship Hall

FAITH AND WORK FELLOWSHIP

If you long for mentoring, networking, and fellowship with other Christians in the work place, please join our monthly Faith and Work gathering this Thursday, January 17, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

You'll find new friends and compatriots as we explore how faith and work intersect.

January's topic: *How Do I Know What God Wants Me to Do with My Life?*

GRIEF SHARE

GriefShare is a seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after the death of a loved one. It's led by people who understand your hurt and want to help you find comfort and encouragement. Beginning January 23, IPC's new GriefShare will meet for 13 weeks on Wednesday nights, from 6:00-7:30 p.m., in Room 233.

For more information, contact Dixie Power, jamesmoorep83@bellsouth.net or (901) 652-2030.

50'S COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY
The Chronological Reading of the New Testament
led by Ed Norton
*Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m., beginning January 23,
in the third-floor conference room*

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE
for Kindergarten-5th Grade Girls
February 8, 7:00-9:00 p.m. | IPC Gym | Rockin' Robin DJs
Sweets and snacks served

PATHWAY CLASS WEEKEND FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS | FEBRUARY 15-16

Are you interested in joining IPC?
Would you like to know more about what we believe?
Our next *Pathway Class Weekend for Prospective Members* is
Friday evening, February 15, and Saturday morning, February 16.
To register, or for more information,
contact Tameria Rackley, trackley@ipcmemphis.org, or 901-685-8206.

SR. HIGH SPRING RETREAT

February 15-17
YMCA, Nashville, TN
Final day to sign up is January 16!

SR. HIGH CHOIR TOUR

May 30-June 6
Northeast, U.S.

JR. HIGH THE EDGE

June 22-26
Covenant College, Lookout Mountain
Sign up today!

SR. HIGH RYM TRIP

July 8-13
Laguna Beach Christian Resort
Sign up today!

PRAYER MINISTRY

Men's Prayer Breakfast in Fellowship Hall | Tuesdays | 6:30 a.m.
*Come and join a group of men who meet faithfully for a time of prayer in the Fellowship Hall.
Enjoy a good, hot breakfast for \$3.00.*

Women's Prayer Time | Led by Suzanne Wexler | Bride's Room | Tuesdays | 9:00 a.m.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Women of the Church Bible Study Begins | January 15

In the Word Men's Bible Study Begins | January 17

Faith and Work Fellowship | January 17 | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | Chapel

Sunday Evening Praise Begins | January 20

Church Office and Bookstore closed for Martin Luther King Holiday | January 21

Wednesday Evening Grace Groups Begin | January 23

Grief Share Begins | January 23

IPC Scouts Pinewood Derby | January 26

Souper Supper | January 27 | Following Sunday Evening Praise

Troop and Pack 81 Scout Sunday | February 3

Daddy Daughter Dance (K-5th Grade Girls) | February 8 | 7:00-9:00 p.m. | IPC Gym

Pathway Class Weekend for Prospective Members | February 15-16

Sr. High Spring Retreat | February 15-17 | YMCA Nashville, TN

Missions Conference | February 20-24

Women of the Church Dinner | March 21

Women of the Church Spring Retreat | March 22-23 | The Country Place

Handel's *Messiah* (complete) | April 14 | Sanctuary

Camp Palmer | May 24-29

Sr. High Choir Tour | May 30-June 6 | Northeast, U.S.

Sr. High Choir Homecoming Concert | June 6 | Sanctuary

Vacation Bible School | June 10-14

Jr. High The Edge | June 22-26 | Covenant College, Lookout Mountain

Sr. High RYM Trip | July 8-13 | Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center, Panama City Beach



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