

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF MARCH, TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

*Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock*

*"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'"* — Psalm 122:1

## THE PRELUDE

"Festive Trumpet Tune" German  
*Jennifer Velázquez, Organist*

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

— Psalm 47:1-2; 93:1; Hebrews 4:14, 16

*The Minister:* "Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

*The Congregation:* For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

*The Minister:* The Lord is king, He is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, He is girded with strength.

*The Congregation:* He has established the world; it shall never be moved."

*The Minister:* "Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

*The Minister and Congregation:* Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to find help in time of need."

*The Reverend Parker Tenent  
Assistant Pastor*

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"God, the Lord, a King Remaineth" No. 64

## 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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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 Saviour God, to Thee:  
how great Thou art, how great Thou art!

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

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Emerson Matthew Hollis, 8:30 a.m.*

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*John Garrett Cousar, 11:00 a.m.*

## THE SOLO

"I Have Chosen the Way of Truth" Courtney  
*Dawn Scott, Soprano*

I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on Your laws.  
I hold fast to Your statutes, O Lord, my God; let me not be put to shame.  
I run in the path of Your commands, for You have set my heart free.  
Teach me to follow Your decrees, O Lord, and I shall keep them to the end.

Turn my heart to Your decrees away from worthless gain.  
Preserve my life according to Your Word.  
I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on Your laws.  
Lead me in the path of Your commands, for there will I find delight.

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Righteous God, You have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before Him and are slow to acknowledge His rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In Your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim Him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.* — *The Worship Sourcebook*

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast."  
— *Ephesians 2:8-9*

## THE HYMN OF ADORATION

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

M<sup>n</sup>ster Gesangbuch, 1677

Crusader's Hymn



1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all na - ture,  
2. Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior! Lord of the na - tions!



Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cher - ish,  
Robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring; Je - sus is fair - er,  
Son of God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or,



Thee will I hon - or, Thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.  
Je - sus is pur - er, Who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.  
praise, ad - o - ra - tion, Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine.

## THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead; I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

## THE DOXOLOGY

Trinity

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore.  
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,  
and to eternity love and adore. *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

Luke 7:1-17 (*pew Bible page 863*)  
"Trusting Jesus"  
*The Reverend Richie Sessions  
Senior Pastor*

## THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" No. 521

## THE BENEDICTION

## THE CHORAL RESPONSE

"Jesus, Jesus, How I Trust Him!" Kirkpatrick

## THE POSTLUDE

"Hornpipe" from *Water Music* Handel



## SERMON NOTES

March 15, 2015  
Luke 7:1-17  
“Trusting Jesus”  
*The Reverend Richie Sessions*

### 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*. For more information, please contact the Church Office, 901.685.8206.

A fully staffed nursery is available during all services.

### THE FLOWERS

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God*  
by Mr. and Mrs. Drew Hardin in loving memory of  
Mr. Kenneth Anderson, Grandfather of the Bride,  
Mr. and Mrs. Gayneill Loftin, Grandparents of the Groom, and  
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Winn Hardin, Grandparents of the Groom.  
Mrs. Hardin is the former Miss Lindsay Nicole Botwinick.

### SANCTUARY SOUND

We are continuing to work to improve pulpit speech intelligibility each Sunday morning during worship services in our Sanctuary. Our staff is listening from various locations in the Sanctuary to determine problem areas and to make helpful technical adjustments. Thank you for your patience during this process.

*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](http://www.indepres.org).*

## OUR CHURCH TODAY | MARCH 15

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)  
4:00 p.m.....Adult Choir Palm Sunday Rehearsal  
4:00 p.m.....Sr. High Ensemble Rehearsal  
4:30 p.m.....Jr. High Small Groups  
5:00 p.m.....Sr. High Choir Rehearsal  
6:15 p.m.....Sr. High Small Groups

## OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | MARCH 18

5:30 p.m.....Dinner, Fellowship Hall  
5:30 p.m.....Jr. High Choir Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m.....Teaching by Mike Malone, Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m.....Grace Groups, 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

### 2015 OFFICER NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Officer Elections are scheduled for Sunday, May 10, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 13, 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 17, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Nomination submissions for Deacons and Elders have begun, and will continue through today. Nomination forms and deposit boxes will be located in the Narthex and the Rotunda.

You will find a list of active Deacons and Ruling Elders attached to each deposit box. Those scheduled to rotate off this year are highlighted in yellow. Please note these men are eligible to be nominated for another four-year term.

### PALMER HOME WORK PLAY DAY

Join with Palmer Home on Saturday, March 21, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Hernando Campus. Sign-up sheets are available in the main lobby. Please contact Matt Olson at [matt@noblesolson.com](mailto:matt@noblesolson.com) for more information.

### “SING TO THE LORD”

*Adult Choir Palm Sunday Program  
March 29, 6:00 p.m.*

Join us for this celebration of great church music throughout the ages. The congregation will join the choir in singing powerful settings of well-known hymns of our faith accompanied by brass, organ, and an orchestra that includes members of the Memphis Symphony Orchestra.

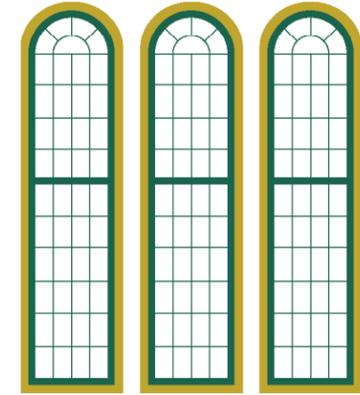
### EASTER EVE CONCERT

Mark your calendars for our annual Easter Eve Concert on Saturday, April 4, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Join us at the Levitt Shell for a family-friendly event as we enjoy the music and talent of the Visible Music College of Memphis. Don’t forget to bring your lawn chairs or blanket and your picnic basket.

### COVENANTER’S CORNER

Covenanter’s Corner Bookstore will be closing its downstairs location Monday, April 6, and will reopen upstairs in its new location, Sunday April 26.

*~Please enjoy your coffee outside of the Sanctuary. Thank you.~*



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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.*