

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY

THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF APRIL, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. . . . and He shall speak peace to the nations; His rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.” — Zechariah 9:9-10

THE PRELUDE

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” arr. Wood
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CHORAL INTROIT (11:00 A.M.)

“We Praise You for the Sun” Mahnke
*The First Grade Choir, directed by Susan Ervin
Emilee Garrett, Piano*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118:22-26

The Minister: “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

The Congregation: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

The Minister: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The Congregation: Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

The Minister

and Congregation: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We bless you from the house of the Lord.”

*The Reverend Parker Tenent
Assistant Pastor*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” No. 235

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

Nicaea

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! *Amen.*

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

THE RECOGNITION OF THE CLASS OF 2014 (11:00 a.m.)

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Miller Grace Martin, 11:00 a.m.

THE SOLO

“The Shepherd Became a Lamb” Hayes
Janell Gill, Mezzo-Soprano

Where were the ones who knew Him when they fashioned a crown of thorns?
Where was His flock of believers when they beat Him with scourges and scorns?
Where were His faithful disciples when they struck Him with their hands?
Where were they when the Shepherd became a Lamb?

Gentle guide, tender shepherd, caring for His sheep,
Now a cross upon His back, He stumbles through the street.
Perfect love and sacrifice shown by the Son of Man,
When the Shepherd became a Lamb.

Where were Jesus' foll'wers when they led Him through the street?
Where were the ones who loved Him when they pierced His hands and feet?
Nailed to a tree of rejection, He died on Calvary.
Yet on the cross He showed love, “Forgive them,” His dying plea.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord, we confess our hands are not clean, our hearts are not pure. Forgive our fickle discipleship and keep our faith constant, O Lord. Lead us always to a deeper experience of Your love. Enliven us by the familiar but always new story of shame and triumph, suffering and hope, that this week reveals. Mold us to the ways of the Servant whose life we honor this morning. In the name of Christ, our Lord, *Amen.* — *The Worship Sourcebook*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned — every one — to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.” — *Isaiah 53:6*

THE HYMN OF FAITH

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

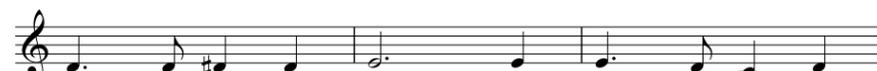
Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1822 St. Christopher



1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my
2. Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eye at times can



stand, the shad - ow of a might - y Rock with -
see the ver - y dy - ing form of One Who



in a wea - ry land; a home with - in the
suf - fered there for me: and from my strick - en



wil - der-ness, a rest up-on the way, from the burn - ing of the
heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess: the won - ders of re -



noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.
deem - ing love and my un - wor - thi - ness.

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

Hyfrydol

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior, who has won the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity.
Alleluia! Alleluia to the Triune Majesty. *Amen.*

THE OFFERTORY

“The King of Kings” from *Light Eternal* Talbot/Perkins
James A. Brown, Jr., Director

Let Him be crowned the King of Kings; The Prince of Peace for all
The earth; The Faithful Counselor of love. And He shall reign forever.
Who is this King of glory? The Lord our God almighty.
Who is the King of glory? He shall be called Emmanuel.

Lift your heads up high, ye gates and let this King come in.
And life will come to you, And love will grow in you,
and peace will flow like a river.

O Lord, Your kindness reaches to heaven,
Your faithfulness extends to the sky.
Eternal Light, the Living Water, the Savior, Lord of all!

In Your life we see the light of the world breaking forth with the Son,
For You are the fountain, bringing life, living fountain.

For us a Child is born, A Son is given.

THE SERMON

Psalm 139 (*new Bible pages 521-522*)
“God Only Knows”
*The Reverend Richie Sessions
Senior Pastor*

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“It Is Well with My Soul” No. 691

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

“O Father, You Are Sovereign” St. Theodulph

THE POSTLUDE

“Fugue in G Minor” Buxtehude

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

SERMON NOTES

April 13, 2014

Psalm 139

“God Only Knows”

The Reverend Richie Sessions

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

LIGHT ETERNAL

Tonight at 6:00 p.m., the IPC Choir, soloists and orchestra will present *Light Eternal* by John Michael Talbot and Phil Perkins. Composed in 1982, this musical service is a reverent, reflective and joyful celebration of the incarnation, mission, passion, resurrection and exaltation of our Lord, Jesus Christ. The music features full orchestra with classical guitar and includes folk, Celtic and popular styles. *Light Eternal* is divided into two major sections, “The Incarnation” and “The Lamb of God.” Come let us worship the One who is called the Word, Lamb of God, King of Glory, Light, Son of David, Son of God, Bread of Life, Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace, King of kings and Lord of lords.

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY

There will be no Wednesday Evening Activities on April 16.

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

April 17, 6:00 p.m.

IPC Sanctuary ~Nursery available

IPC'S 5TH ANNUAL EASTER EVE CONCERT

Saturday, April 19, 6:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend this free concert at the historic Levitt Shell, located in Overton Park in mid-town Memphis. Invite family and friends to enjoy a beautiful spring evening, with live music by Memphis' own talented singer/song-writer Myla Smith. She and her band will be performing songs from her solo albums, including her newest album, *Hiding Places*. An acoustic portion of the performance will also include songs from The Outliers' *Amid the Flood* album. The unique outdoor venue offered by the Shell allows you to bring your own chairs, blanket, a picnic dinner, etc. Please visit www.levittshell.org for more information on what is allowed. Free popcorn will be available, as well.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PHOTOS

Sign up today in the IPC Rotunda! You may also schedule online, www.indepres.org or contact Jennifer Ellis, jellis@indepres.org. Make-up days are now available in May — please don't miss this opportunity!

PATHWAY CLASS

Our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members* will be each Sunday in May, 2014, at 9:45 a.m., in the third floor Conference Room. If you are interested in joining IPC, please email Gayle Hardee, ghardee@indepres.org, to make your reservation.

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



INDEPENDENT *Presbyterian Church*

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

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, Grace Groups, 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 in celebration of the baptism of Miller Grace Martin.

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.

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