

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF MAY, 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

"Great God, Our Creator" arr. Burkhardt
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118:28-29; Romans 8:32

The Minister: "You are my God, and I will give thanks to You; You are my God; I will exalt You.

The Congregation: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!"

The Minister and

Congregation: "He who did not spare His only Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?"

*The Reverend Samuel Husband
Assistant Pastor*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Though Troubles Assail Us" No. 95

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

Meineke

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 PROFESSION OF FAITH AND SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Joseph David Oglesby, III, 8:30 a.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rose Francesca Paris, 11:00 a.m.

THE ENSEMBLE

"I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath" Courtney
*Members of the Senior High Choir
Pam Brown, Piano*

I'll praise my Maker while I've breath, and when my voice is lost in death,
praise shall employ my nobler pow'rs; My days of praise shall ne'er be past
while life and thought and being last or immortality endures.

The Lord pours eyesight on the blind, The Lord supports the fainting mind;
He helps the stranger in distress, the widow and the fatherless,
He sends the lab'ring conscience peace and grants the pris'ner sweet release.

Happy are they whose hopes rely on Israel's God! He made the sky and earth
and seas, with all their train; His truth forever stands secure, He saves the
oppressed and feeds the poor, And none shall find His promise vain.

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.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious God, You have called us to be a new community in Christ, and yet
we remain divided. Forgive us our fear, anxiety, prejudice, and misunder-
standings. Strengthen our common bonds and deepen our resolve to promote
the unity of Your church. *Amen.* — *The Worship Sourcebook*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved
us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with
Christ — by grace you have been saved." — *Ephesians 2:4-5*

THE HYMN OF SUPPLICATION

"Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire"

Words: Hal Hopson, 19□2

American folk tune



1. Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
2. Though I may give all I pos - sess,
3. Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol,



and have the gift to all in - spire,
and striv - ing so my love pro - fess,
our spi - rits long to be made whole.



and have not love, my words are vain,
but not be giv'n by love with - in,
Let in - ward love guide ev - ery deed;



as sound-ing brass, and hope - less gain.
the pro - fit soon turns strange - ly thin.
by this we wor - ship, and are freed.

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

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

"Honor and Glory" Bach/Ehret
*Lauren Conley, Violin Daniel Stranzer, Cello
James A. Brown, Jr., Director*

Honor and glory be to God in the highest,
Hallelujah, sing praises to His name!

THE SERMON

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (*pen Bible page 968*)
"The Cheerful Giver"
*The Reverend Richie Sessions
Senior Pastor*

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"May the Mind of Christ My Savior" No. 644

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

"All That I Am and Have, Offered to Thee" Lowry

THE POSTLUDE

"In Thee Is Gladness" Dupré

In Thee is gladness, amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By Thee are given the gifts of heaven, Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our souls Thou makest, our bonds Thou breakest;
Who trusts Thee surely hath built securely and stands forever. Alleluia!

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

SERMON NOTES

May 18, 2014

2 Corinthians 9:6-15
“The Cheerful Giver”
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, 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 honor of Jim Power on his 89th birthday, by his family.

OUR CHURCH TODAY

8:30 a.m.....Worship Service
8:30 a.m.....K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grades 1 & 2)
9:30 a.m.....Congregational Meeting
9:45 a.m.....Sunday School
9:45 a.m.....Pathway Class, 3rd Floor Conference Room
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service
11:00 a.m.....K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grades 1 & 2)
3:30 p.m.....Sr. High Ensemble Rehearsal
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
6:00 p.m.....*Through the Wardrobe*, Bookstore
6:30 p.m.....Teaching: Richie Sessions, Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.....“That Thing,” Romper Room
6:30 p.m.....Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups
7:30 p.m.....Adult Choir Rehearsal

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND OFFICER ELECTIONS

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for today, immediately following the 8:30 worship service, for the purpose of voting on the Session’s recommendation to elect new Ruling Elders and Deacons.

The election booths will open at the conclusion of the Congregational Meeting and remain open until 1:00 p.m. They will re-open on Wednesday evening, May 21, from 5:30 to 8:00.

If the congregation fails to elect the desired number of officers on the first ballot, the congregation will vote on a second ballot Sunday morning, June 1, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., in order to achieve the election of its desired number of officers.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ON JUNE 1

On Sunday, June 1, all Adult Sunday School Classes will meet at 9:45 a.m., in the IPC Fellowship Hall, for a presentation on the Renovation Campaign.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

On Sunday, June 8, there will be a Congregational Meeting immediately following the 11:00 Worship Service for the purpose of voting on how to proceed with funding of the IPC Renovation Campaign.

NEW SUMMER SERIES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

In town for the summer? The 20s Community College and Career Ministry invites you to join us for a six-week summer series on, *What Does the Bible Say about Dealing with Difficulty and Doubt?* We’ll meet on Tuesdays at Café Eclectic, 510 Highland St., 7:30 p.m., beginning June 3. Invite your friends! Free coffee and pastries available. For more information visit, www.indepres.org/communities/20s, or contact Samuel Husband at the church.

VBS @ IPC | A KNIGHTLY TALE

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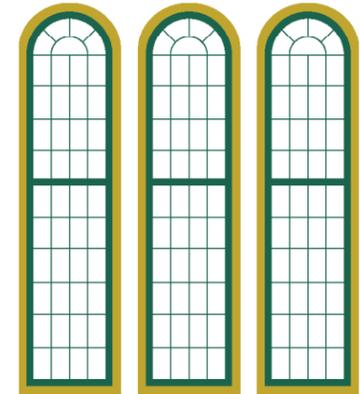
June 9-13, 2014

Children’s registration has begun
for ages 4 (by June) through 5th grade (complete)

Please prayerfully consider signing up to be a teacher this year. We are still in need of 23 teachers! You can sign up online, www.indepres.org, or fill out a form at one of the VBS boxes located throughout the church. Teacher Training Dates: Wednesday, May 21, or Wednesday, May 28, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., in Room 217. (Please choose one.)

Our VBS Outreach Picnic will be Wednesday, June 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m., on the Avon side of IPC. There will also be an obstacle course, bouncy castle, giant slide and a jousting arena!

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



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all to the glory of God.