

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

“Deep River” arr. Larson
*Nathaniel Efthimiou, Violin Luke Folse, Clarinet
Daniel Strawser, Cello*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 76

The Minister: “In Judah, God is known; his name is great in Israel.
His abode has been established in Salem, his dwelling
place in Zion.

The Congregation: Glorious are you, more majestic than the mountains
full of prey!

The Minister: But you, you are to be feared! Who can stand before
you when once your anger is aroused?

The Congregation: From the heavens you uttered judgment; the earth feared
and was still, when God arose to establish judgment,
to save all the humble of the earth.”

The Minister: Amen! Let us worship God!

*The Reverend Jeremy Jones, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)
The Reverend J. Edward Norton, Associate Pastor (11:00 a.m.)*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“God Is Known among His People” No. 66

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” Joanna
Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

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

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

Elaine West Vining, 8:30 a.m.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of
sin and death and proved your matchless sovereignty. Yet we confess that
we often remain captive to our mistrust and fear. In our suffering, we have not
believed your promises or rested in your holiness. We have complained in our
hearts about our family, about our friends, about our health, about our occupations,
about your church, and about our trials. We have doubted your perfect reign,
infinite wisdom, fatherly goodness and eternal love. We have sought our security
in things that perish, rather than in you, the Everlasting God. Help us to humble

ourselves and trust in your power. Even if we do not understand your ways,
give us grace to trust your heart. Conquer, cleanse, and forgive us, through our
Savior Jesus Christ, who always lives to make intercession for us. *Amen.*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We confess our sins, not to a cruel tyrant, but to a God who delights in us.
God's Word says, “You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall
no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and
your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and
as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.”
Thanks be to God that he loves with a love that brings him to rejoicing over
us! — *Isaiah 62:4-5*

THE HYMN OF SUPPLICATION

“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

James Brown, Tom Horner, Harrison Howle, and Van Oliver, Quartet

Getty and Townend



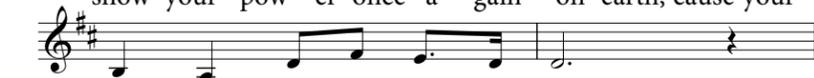
Quartet 1. Ho - ly Spir - it, liv - ing breath of God, breathe new
Quartet 2. Ho - ly Spir - it, come a - bide with - in, may your
All 3. Ho - ly Spir - it, from cre - a - tion's birth, giv - ing



life in - to my will - ing soul.
joy be seen in all I do.
life to all that God has made,



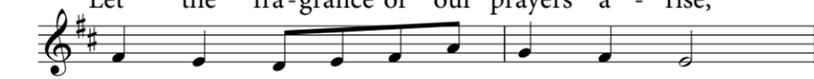
Let the pres - ence of the ris - en Lord, come re -
Love e - nough to cov - er ev - 'ry sin, in each
show your pow - er once a - gain on earth, cause your



new my heart and make me whole.
thought and deed and at - ti - tude.
church to hun - ger for your ways.



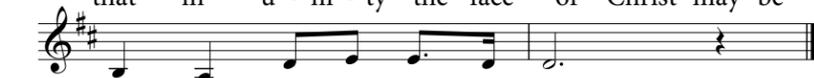
Cause Your Word to come a - live in me;
Kind - ness to the great - est and the least,
Let the fra - grance of our prayers a - rise;



give me faith for what I can - not see,
gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace.
lead us on the road of sac - ri - fice,



give me pas - sion for your pu - ri - ty; Ho - ly
Turn my striv - ings in - to works of grace; Breath of
that in u - ni - ty the face of Christ may be



Spir - it, breathe new life in me.
God show Christ in all I do.
clear for all the world to see.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH Heidelberg Catechism Q and A 108-109

Question and Answer 108

The Minister: What does the seventh commandment teach us?

The Congregation: That God condemns all unchastity, and that therefore
we should thoroughly detest it and live decent and chaste lives, within or
outside of the holy state of marriage.

Question and Answer 109

The Minister: Does God, in this commandment, forbid only such
scandalous sins as adultery?

The Congregation: We are temples of the Holy Spirit, body and soul, and
God wants both to be kept clean and holy. That is why God forbids unchaste
actions, looks, talk, thoughts, or desires, and whatever may incite someone
to them.

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

“Hallelujah!” from *Christ on the Mount of Olives* Beethoven
Nathaniel Efthimiou, Director

Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son.
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.
Man, proclaim his grace and glory.

THE SERMON

Proverbs 5:1-23 (*pew Bible page 530*)
“True Wisdom about Sex”
*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas
Senior Pastor*

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“More Love to Thee, O Christ” No. 649

THE BENEDICTION

THE RESPONSE

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” Trentham
Choir and Congregation

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

THE POSTLUDE

“Air” from *Water Music* Handel
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist



SERMON NOTES

May 21, 2017

Proverbs 5:1-23

“True Wisdom about Sex”

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas

1. Character
 - A. Smooth words (5:3-4)
 - B. Thoughtless actions (5:6)
 - C. Lack of discipline (5:12, 23)
2. Consequences
 - Lose your honor (5:9)
 - Lose your money (5:10)
 - Lose your physical vitality (5:11)
 - Lose your self-respect (5:12-13)
 - Lose your spiritual standing (5:14)
3. Counsel
 - A. Keep a path far away (5:8)
 - B. Enjoy your own spouse (5:15-19)
 - C. Remember that God sees (5:21)

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 Bible Study.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our *Pathway Class Weekend for Prospective Members*, August 25-26. For more information or to register, please contact Maureen Odiam, modiam@ipcmemphis.org, or (901) 685-8206.

Our sermons are now available on Sunday mornings via Live Stream. Visit ipcmemphis.org for the link. 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 enjoy your coffee outside of the Sanctuary. Thank you.~

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

THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and with love to the glory and honor of Jesus of Nazareth, the Lord of all creation, by Wess Bramlitt in grateful, loving memory of his parents, Eddie and Bonnie Bramlitt, and his brother Walter, all children of God.

OUR CHURCH TODAY | MAY 21

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
8:30 a.m. K-Church and Jr. Church (Grade 1)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
11:00 a.m. K-Church and Jr. Church (Grade 1)
4:00 p.m. Sr. High Ensemble Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Sr. High Choir Rehearsal

RULING ELDER ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to all of the following men for being elected on May 14, 2017, to the office of Ruling Elder, class of 2023:

Mr. Will Chase
Mr. Ralph DelBove
Dr. Hugh Francis III
Dr. Chuck Halford
Mr. Bryan Hawkins
Dr. Bo Mitchum
Mr. Rob Mitchum
Mr. David Neubert
Dr. Mel Payne

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | MAY 24

5:30 p.m. Dinner — Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. *Parenting: I Feel Like I'm Taking Crazy Pills!* — Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. “That Thing” (K-5th)
6:30 p.m. Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY EVENING PARENTING SERIES

Join us this Wednesday evening, May 24, 6:30-7:30, in the Fellowship Hall, as we conclude our parenting series entitled *Parenting: I Feel Like I'm Taking Crazy Pills!* This week we will hear from a panel of parents and grandparents in our church who are on this hard, joyous, and yet fulfilling journey with their children and grandchildren.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | JUNE 12-16

IPC Vacation Bible School is just around the corner! Join us June 12-June 16, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., for *Treasure Island* — discovering the real treasure, Jesus Christ. Pick up a registration form in the lobby, fill it out, and drop it in the box at the VBS table in the lobby, or you can register online at www.ipcmemphis.org/vbs. We are also in need of volunteers! You may sign up online, or contact the Church Office.



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