



**INDEPENDENT**  
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

This morning's text, Mark 7:1-23, begins a transition in Mark's Gospel. In the next two chapters, Jesus will re-engage with the Pharisees, a re-engagement that will eventually take him to Jerusalem by Mark 11. We will see how Jesus puts his finger on the "heart of the problem" — because, of course, the real problem that we all face is the problem of the heart. We sometimes lull ourselves into believing that it is performing and pretending that is enough. And even when we cast away God's standard — the moral law, summarized in the Ten Commandments — we still try to perform up to our own standard. Yet over and again, we see how our hearts are the problem.

The good news is that Jesus is the answer to our very real problem. We cannot deliver ourselves, we cannot improve ourselves, we cannot satisfy God's holy law with our best performance. None of us can merit God's favor nor stand before him on the last day. Only in and through Jesus, the Messiah, the Son of God, is it possible to deal with our messy, messy hearts.

Our worship service today will present this good news to us once again. In our call to worship, we invite God to search our hearts. When we do, we see how in the light of God's Law, we all stand condemned; if God were to mark iniquities, none of us could stand. However, there is cleansing for a look at the Savior; as we turn our eyes upon Jesus, we find that he makes us clean, he gives us a new heart, he sets us free. May God meet you in Jesus 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 *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*. For more information or to register, please contact the Church office, (901) 685-8206.

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](http://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.

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE THIRD DAY OF JUNE, TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN  
*Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock*

## THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION      "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"      Townend/arr. Powell  
*Leah Hendrick, Violin   Daniel Strawser, Cello*  
*Jennifer Velázquez, Organist*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP      Psalm 139:23-24

*The Minister:* Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts!  
And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way  
everlasting! Amen! Let us worship God!

*The Reverend Mike Malone, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)*  
*The Reverend Brad Robson, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN      "All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"      No. 4 (*stanzas 1-5*)

## THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE      No. 4 (*stanza 6*)

Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness;  
To your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:  
Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well.  
To God all praise and glory!

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

## THE CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

- The Minister:* Sin is any lack of conformity unto or transgression of the law of God. So, I ask you: what is God's law? The first commandment is, "You shall have no other gods before me."
- The Congregation:* The second commandment is, "You shall not make for yourself a carved image."
- The Minister:* The third commandment is, "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain."
- The Congregation:* The fourth commandment is, "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy."
- The Minister:* The fifth commandment is, "Honor your father and your mother."
- The Congregation:* The sixth commandment is, "You shall not murder."
- The Minister:* The seventh commandment is, "You shall not commit adultery."
- The Congregation:* The eighth commandment is, "You shall not steal."
- The Minister:* The ninth commandment is, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."
- The Congregation:* The tenth commandment is, "You shall not covet your neighbor's house . . . or anything that is your neighbor's."

## THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, we consider ourselves in the light of your law, and we are undone. Even this past week, we see how we have violated your holy commandments and so rebelled against you and your holy character. We confess that we have transgressed your law, but we have done so because our hearts are deceitful above all else and desperately wicked. Have mercy on us, O God! Look upon us in and through Jesus! See his blood, which cleanses from sin; see his righteousness, which covers my unrighteousness. Set me free from my love of sinning so that I might delight in you and in your law. For Jesus' sake, *Amen*.

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The good news is though our hearts are wicked, yet God in Jesus promises to forgive our sins and make us clean. God's Word says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Thanks be to God for the full forgiveness that comes through Jesus our Advocate!

## THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

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. *Amen.*

*Children (Kindergarten) may be dismissed to their worship leader.*

## 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 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

"Idyll of Praise"

Courtney

*Harrison Howle, Director*

This is my Father's world, And to my list'ning ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees,  
Of skies and seas — his hand the wonders wrought.  
This is my Father's world.

This is my Father's world, The birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair;  
In rustling grass I hear him pass, I hear him everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me not forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: The battle is not done;  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, And earth and heav'n be one.

## THE SERMON

Mark 7:1-23 (*pew Bible pages 842-843*)  
*The Minister:* This is the Word of the Lord.  
*The Congregation:* Thanks be to God!

“The Heart of Our Problem”  
*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*  
*Senior Pastor*

## SERMON NOTES

1. Religion of our hearts
  - A. Performing
  
  
  - B. Pretending
  
2. Reality of our hearts
  - A. Sinful
  
  
  - B. Sinning
  
3. Renewal for our hearts

## THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

No. 481

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

### THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

“For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.” — *1 Corinthians 11:26*

# THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"The Power of the Cross"  
*Jurey Howard, Guitar*

Words and music by  
Getty/Townend



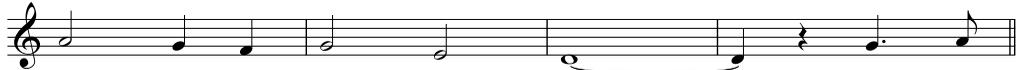
1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day:  
2. Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on your face,  
3. Now the day - light flees; now the ground be - neath  
4. Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.  
bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin.  
quakes as its Ma - ker bows his head.  
for through your suff - 'ring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en, then  
Ev' - ry bit - ter thought, ev' - ry e - vil deed  
Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life;  
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live,



nailed to a cross of wood. This, the  
crown - ing your blood - stained brow. This, the  
"Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry. This, the  
won through your self - less love! This, the



pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came  
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pow'r of the cross: Son of God,



sin for us; took the blame, bore the  
sin for us; took the blame, bore the  
sin for us; took the blame, bore the  
slain for us; what a love! What a



wrath - we stand for - giv - en at the cross.  
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cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

## THE BENEDICTION

## THE RESPONSE

Amazing Grace

*Choir and Congregation*

Amazing grace! — how sweet the sound — that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

## THE POSTLUDE

“His Wounds Have Paid Our Ransom”

arr. Powell



### RECEPTION FOR THE HUSBAND FAMILY

Please join us for a reception *today* immediately following the 11:00 worship service to honor The Reverend Samuel Husband, his wife, Sara Tyson, and their children, Sam and Luke, and to celebrate their call to plant New City Fellowship Memphis.

## THE FLOWERS

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God*  
by Mr. and Mrs. David Boyd in honor of the marriage  
of Mr. and Mrs. William Fowlkes Walker.  
Mrs. Walker is the former Miss Allison Catherine Boyd.

IPC'S NEW DIRECTOR OF COLLEGE MINISTRY

The Session of Independent Presbyterian Church has approved the hiring of a Director of College Ministry. Mr. Zach Hood, who has been with IPC as a Student Ministry intern, assumed this new role effective June 1, 2018.

Please pray for Zach and this ministry, as well as taking a moment to congratulate him.

OUR CHURCH TODAY | JUNE 3

- 8:30 a.m. .... Worship Service and Communion
8:30 a.m. .... Children's Church (Kindergarten)
9:45 a.m. .... Sunday School
11:00 a.m. .... Worship Service and Communion
11:00 a.m. .... Children's Church (Kindergarten)
12:00 p.m. .... Reception for the Husband Family | Rotunda



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 201

5th grade - Room 204
Junior High - Room 155
Senior High - Room 254

College | Teaching Team | Room 125

Line by Line | Rankin Fowlkes | Room 132

The Westminster Class | Jurey Howard and Ray Wilson | Room 233

COMBINED SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR JUNE AND JULY

Did Jesus Really Mean That? Difficult Passages in Luke

Fellowship Hall | 9:45 a.m.

20s (career), 30s, 40s, 50s (Ed Norton's class - June only), and 60s+ Communities

## OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | JUNE 6

6:00 p.m. ....Adult Choir Rehearsal



### OUTREACH & MINISTRIES

#### SR. HIGH CHOIR HOMECOMING CONCERT | JUNE 8 | 6:30 P.M.

Our Sr. High Choir is on tour this week, travelling and performing in the states of OK, NM, AZ, CO, KS, and TN. Please pray for them, and join us in the Sanctuary this Friday for their Homecoming Concert.

#### IPC VBS | JUNE 11-15, 2018

##### *I Spy*

Grab your spy glass and flashlight, and join us on a spectacular investigation of discovering who Jesus Christ is!

**We still need teachers who can lead our detectives to uncover the truth!**

**Volunteers, sign up online at <http://www.ipcmemphis.org/vbs>.**

**There will be another adult training today, June 3, 9:45 a.m., in Room 205.**

VBS Prep Week is this week, June 4-7, 9:00 a.m.-noon, or 1:00-4:00 p.m.

*Nursery provided by reservation from 9:00 a.m.-noon.*

*Contact Lucy Green, [lgreen@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:lgreen@ipcmemphis.org), to make reservations.*

#### SUMMER 2018 RUF IN MEMPHIS

Our Memphis RUF campus ministers, John Crosby and John Craft, have organized Summer RUF in Memphis. Starting Tuesday, June 5, we'll gather at Redeemer Presbyterian Church, 651 Cooper Street, at 7:00 p.m. to hear from Ro Taylor (Delta State), Mike Ford (Arkansas), Elliott Everett (Mississippi State), and Brian Sorgenfrei (Ole Miss), as well as John Crosby (Memphis) and John Craft (Rhodes).

If you have questions, contact John Crosby at [john.crosby@ruf.org](mailto:john.crosby@ruf.org).

#### 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.*

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Women's Prayer Time | Bride's Room | Tuesdays | 10:00 a.m.

## EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE AT PALMER HOME HERNANDO

Join us on Sunday evening, June 17, at Palmer Home for Children — Hernando campus!

We are looking forward to enjoying food, fellowship, and worship together with Palmer Home and Christ Covenant PCA. Activities will begin at 5:00 p.m. with a cookout; we will have a time of worship after dinner together. Opportunities will also be given

to find out more about the Hernando campus, including the new

Dr. Hugh Francis Wellness Center planned for the campus.

*The Hernando campus is located at 800 Baldwin Road South, Lake Cormorant, MS, 38641.*



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Promotion Sunday for Students Entering Jr. and Sr. High | June 3**

**Jr. High Fellowship Bible Studies | June 5, 19, 26; July 17, 31 | 10:00 a.m.-noon | IPC**

**Sr. High Fellowship Bible Studies | June 7, 21, 28; July 19, 31 | 10:00 a.m.-noon | IPC**

**Sr. High Tennessee Safari Park | June 5 | 1:00-5:00 p.m. | \$20 (Freshmen lunch before)**

**Summer 2018 RUF in Memphis Begins | June 5**

**Jr. High Pool Party | June 7 | 2:00-4:00 p.m | Free**

**Senior High Choir Homecoming Concert | June 8 | Sanctuary | 6:30 p.m.**

**Vacation Bible School | June 11-15**

**6th Grade Lunch and Games | June 12 | noon-2:00 p.m.**

**Sr. High VBS Teen Helper Pool Party | June 14 | noon-2:00 p.m.**

**Evening Worship Service at Palmer Home Hernando | Sunday, June 17**

**Women's Summer Bible Study Begins | June 19**

**Sr. High Downtown Night and Sonic Drive-In | June 19 | 7:30-11:00 p.m. | Free**

**Summer Wednesday Evening at IPC | June 20**

**Jr. High Main Event | June 21 | noon-2:00 p.m. | \$15**

**Jr. High The Edge Summer Conference | June 23-27 | Covenant College**

**Sr. High RYM Summer Conference | July 9-14 | Panama City Beach, FL**

**Summer Wednesday Evening at IPC | July 18**

**Jr. High and Sr. High Service Over Self (SOS) | July 22-28 | Memphis**

**Joint Evening Worship Service with Esperanza | Sunday, July 29**

**Regular Wednesday Evenings Resume | August 1**

**Evangelism Conference 2018 | August 1, 8, 15, 22, 23, 25, 26, 29**

## PASTORAL STAFF

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas  
*Senior Pastor*  
Rev. Edward Norton  
*Associate Pastor*  
Rev. Jeremy Jones  
*Assistant Pastor*  
Rev. Mike Malone  
*Assistant Pastor*  
Rev. Brad Robson  
*Pastor of Student Ministries*  
Rev. Parker Tenent  
*Assistant Pastor*  
Rev. Ford S. Williams, Jr.  
*Pastoral Associate*  
Rev. John P. Sartelle, Sr.  
*Senior Pastor Emeritus*  
Rev. Bill Hogan  
*Assistant Pastor Emeritus*

## MINISTRY STAFF

James A. Brown, Jr.  
*Director of Music and Worship*  
Pam Brown  
*Director of Children's Choirs*  
Hannah Callaway  
*Assistant Director of Junior High Ministry*  
Gwen Carpenter  
*Food Services Manager*  
Ben Ervin  
*Audio Visual Coordinator*  
Mary Virginia Felker  
*Assistant Director of Senior High Ministry*  
Stephen Felker  
*Student Ministry Associate*  
Leigh Fox  
*Hospitality Consultant*  
Lucy Green  
*Director of Children's Ministry*  
Paul Halford, Sr.  
*Director of Operations*  
Zach Hood  
*Director of College Ministry*  
Rob Howard  
*Director of Recreation Ministries*  
Debbie McCallen  
*Covenanters' Corner Bookstore*  
Lisa Turner  
*Director of Women's Ministry*  
Jennifer Velázquez  
*Music Ministry Associate | Organist*  
Suellen Warren  
*Business Administrator*  
Rachel Wukasch  
*Assistant Director of Children's Ministry*

## IPC OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.  
8:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m. Friday

Church's Main Office	901-685-8206
Music Office	901-685-9707
Recreation Office	901-763-3857

## COVENANTERS' CORNER BOOKSTORE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:30 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.  
901-763-3932

*\*The Bookstore will be closed on Fridays  
until after Labor Day.*

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Independent Presbyterian Church  
is to make disciples of Jesus by gathering for worship,  
growing in community, and going out in love.



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