

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE ELEVENTH DAY OF JUNE, TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN  
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

## THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE MEDITATION

“This Is My Father’s World” arr. Burkhardt  
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 135

*The Minister:* “Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord, give praise,  
O servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the  
Lord, in the courts of the house of our God!

*The Congregation:* Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name,  
for it is pleasant!

*The Minister:* Your name, O Lord, endures forever, your renown, O  
Lord, throughout all ages. For the Lord will vindicate  
his people and have compassion on his servants.

*The Minister and  
Congregation:*

For I know that the Lord is great, and that our Lord is  
above all gods.” Amen! Let us worship God!

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

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Hallelujah! Praise the Lord’s Name” Psalm 135A  
(tune: Austria)

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord’s name! Praise him, servants of the Lord,  
You that in the Lord’s house serve him, In God’s courtyard standing guard.  
Praise the Lord! How good the Lord is! Sing his name—how sweet its tone!  
For the Lord has chosen Jacob, Israel to be his own.

For I know how great the Lord is; Our Lord is above all gods.  
Yes, the Lord does what he pleases In the skies, earth, seas, and floods.  
He it is who lifts the vapors From the ends of earth and sea,  
Who with lightning brings the rain down, From his store the wind sets free.

He killed all of Egypt’s firstborn; Egypt, he sent signs to you,  
Signs to Pharaoh and his servants. He struck nations, kings he slew;  
Mighty Sihon, Og of Bashan—All of Canaan’s kingdoms fell!  
He their land gave to his people, Willed it all to Israel.

## THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

## THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

“All Creatures of Our God and King” Lasst Uns Erfreuen  
All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,  
O praise him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Wesley Douglas Howle, 8:30 a.m.

## THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

God in heaven, you are good beyond all thought, but I am vile, wretched,  
miserable, and blind. My lips are ready to confess, but my heart is slow to  
feel, and my ways hesitant to improve. I bring my soul to you; break it, wound  
it, bend it, and mold it. Unmask sin’s deformity to me that I may hate it, abhor  
it, and flee from it. Work in me a more profound and abiding repentance. Give  
me the fullness of godly grief that trembles and fears. May I see more clearly  
through tears of repentance the brightness and glories of the saving cross of  
Jesus. In his name, *Amen*.

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Because Jesus Christ died for sinners like us, we do not fear to confess our sins,  
believing that he will reject us or abandon us. Rather, we know Jesus loves us  
despite our faithlessness and failures. God’s Word is true: “Greater love has no  
one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.” Through the cross,  
Jesus proved his abiding friendship towards us and frees us to confess the truth  
about ourselves. Thanks be to God! — *John 15:13*

## THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“O Love that Will Not Let Me Go”

Words: George Matheson, 1882 Music: Christopher Miner



1. O Love that will not let me go, I  
2. O Light that fol-low'st all my way, I  
3. O Joy that seek-est me through pain, I  
4. O Cross that lift-est up my head, I



rest my wea-ry soul in thee; I  
yield my flick'-ring torch to thee; My  
can-not close my heart to thee; I  
dare not ask to fly from thee; I



give thee back the life I owe, that  
heart re-stores its bor-rowed ray, that  
trace the rain-bow through the rain, and  
lay in dust life's glo-ry dead, and



in thine o-cean depths its flow May  
in thy sun-shine's blaze its day May  
feel the prom-ise is not vain, That  
from the ground there blos-soms red Life



rich-er, full-er be.  
bright-er, fair-er be.  
morn shall tear-less be.  
that shall end-less be.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH The Westminster Shorter Catechism  
Q and A 105-106

Question and Answer 105

*The Minister:* What do we pray for in the fifth petition?

*The Congregation:* In the fifth petition, which is, *And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors*, we pray that God, for Christ’s sake, would freely  
pardon all our sins; which we are the rather encouraged to ask, because by  
his grace we are enabled from the heart to forgive others.

Question and Answer 106

*The Minister:* What do we pray for in the sixth petition?

*The Congregation:* In the sixth petition, which is, *And lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil*, we pray that God would either keep us  
from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

## 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

“Awake, My Heart” Marshall  
Harrison Howle, Director

Awake, my heart, and render To God thy sure defender,  
Thy Maker, thy preserver, A song of love and fervor.  
Confirm my deeds and guide me: My day, with thee beside me,  
Beginning, middle, ending, Will all be upward tending.  
My heart shall be thy dwelling, With joy and gladness swelling;  
Thy word my nurture, giv'n To bring me on toward heaven.

## THE SERMON

Proverbs 17:17 (*pew Bible page 540*)  
“True Wisdom about Friendship”  
Dr. Sean Michael Lucas  
Senior Pastor

## THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!” No. 498

## THE BENEDICTION

## THE RESPONSE

“This Our Hymn of Grateful Praise” Dix  
Choir and Congregation

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,  
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

## THE POSTLUDE

“At the Name of Jesus” arr. Cherwien

## SERMON NOTES

June 11, 2017

Proverbs 17:17

“True Wisdom about Friendship”

*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*

1. Nature
  - A. False (14:20; 19:4)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - B. True (17:17)
  
2. Practices
  - A. Foolish (11:12-13; 14:21; 16:28; 17:9; 26:18-19; 27:14; 29:5)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - B. Wise (22:11; 27:6; 28:23; 27:17)
  
3. Picture (18:24; John 15:13)

## 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.

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](mailto:modiam@ipcmemphis.org), or (901) 685-8206.

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.*

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*We are happy to welcome into the membership of our church the following new members:*

Mr. Tom Avery

Mr. and Mrs. Berl Garey, Jr. (Marilyn)

*Our sermons are now available on Sunday mornings via Live Stream. Visit [ipcmemphis.org](http://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.*

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## OUR CHURCH TODAY | JUNE 11

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)

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | JUNE 12-16

### IPC Vacation Bible School begins this week!

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 [ipcmemphis.org](http://ipcmemphis.org).

## OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | JUNE 14

There will be no Wednesday evening dinner or activities this Wednesday, June 14. However, the Adult Choir will rehearse at 7:00 p.m.

## TESTIMONIES OF GRACE | WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, JUNE 21 AND 28

The Bible is full of examples of personal testimonies of God's faithfulness, as well as commands to collectively praise the Lord for his wonderful works. Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, June 21 and 28, at 6:30 p.m., as we follow this pattern in Scripture and hear testimonies from some of our own IPC members. Come and be encouraged together as we hear their stories of God's grace.

## IPC SUMMER COLLEGE SERIES

Join us on Wednesday evenings as we study

*Jesus' Playlist: The Psalms of Ascent*

June 14, 21, 28 and July 12, 19 | 7:30 p.m.

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For more information visit [ipcmemphis.org](http://ipcmemphis.org).

## TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY | SUMMER 2017

*Calm My Anxious Heart* by Linda Dillow

June 20-August 1, 10:00-11:30 a.m. or 6:00-7:30 p.m.

To register, please contact Sandy Martin, [smartin@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:smartin@ipcmemphis.org).

Purchase your copy of *Calm My Anxious Heart* at Covenanters' Corner.

*Note: The morning Bible Study has nursery available and activities for children K-5th grade. For nursery reservations, contact [cwright@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:cwright@ipcmemphis.org).*

## MATTHEW SMITH CONCERT | SUNDAY, JULY 16

IPC is bringing Matthew Smith of Indelible Grace to Memphis for a concert in the Sanctuary on Sunday, July 16, at 6:00 p.m. The Nashville-based singer-songwriter is best known for writing new folk melodies to centuries-old hymn texts. His music originally became popular in college ministries and now is sung in churches around the world. The concert is an IPC outreach, and *admission is free*. Join us for this special evening, and be sure to bring your friends!

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



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is to make disciples of Jesus by *gathering* for worship,  
*growing* in community, and *going out* in love.