

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF JULY, TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

"I was glad when they said to me, Let us go to the house of the Lord!" — Psalm 122:1

THE PRELUDE

"Voluntary on 'Hymn to Joy'" Burkhardt
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 4:14, 16

The Minister: "Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,

The Congregation: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

The Reverend J. Edward Norton
Associate Pastor

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"We Come, O Christ, to You" No. 181

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

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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 DUET

"How Great the Love" Beall/arr. Brown
Harrison Ervin and Luke Folse, Baritone

How great the love that held Him there upon a cruel, lonely tree.
How great the gift! How great the love—that He would die for even me.

How great the pain He had to bear, the bitter cup, the agony.
How great the pain, How great the love—that He would die for even me.

How great the debt of love I owe for sins forgiven, soul set free.

How great the debt of love I owe for now and all eternity.

How great the love that held Him there. How great the cost of victory!
How great the gift! How great the love—that He would die for even me.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, You created us in Your image, with a mind to know You, a heart to love You, and a will to serve You. Yet, because of our sin, our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Forgive the ways we resist and turn away from growing into Your likeness. Lead us to rejoice anew in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our good Savior, and to follow Him into new obedience. *Amen.*

Silence for private confession

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"We are being transformed into His likeness, with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." — 2 Corinthians 3:18

THE HYMN OF SUPPLICATION

"God Be Merciful to Me"

The Psalter, 1912

Miner



1. God, be mer-ci - ful to me, On Thy grace I
2. Gra - cious God, my heart re - new, Make my spir - it
3. Sin - ners then shall learn from me, And re - turn, O



rest my plea; Plen - teous in com - pas - sion Thou,
right and true. Cast me not a - way from Thee,
God, to Thee. Sav - ior all my guilt re - move,



Blot out my trans - gres - sions now; Wash me, make me
Let Thy Spir - it dwell in me; Thy sal - va - tion
And my tongue shall sing Thy love; Touch my si - lent



pure with - in, Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
joy im - part, Stead - fast make my will - ing heart.
lips, O Lord, And my mouth shall praise ac - cord.

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 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.*

THE OFFERTORY

"Come, Thou Fount" arr. Courtney
Harrison Howle, Director

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

Mr. Rankin Fowlkes

THE SERMON

SERMON SERIES — *The Pursuit of Unity: Four Key Components*

Acts 1:1-14 (*new Bible page 909*)

"The Church United in Mission"

The Reverend Jeremy Jones
Assistant Pastor

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Lift High the Cross" No. 263

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

"Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost" Rhosymedre

THE POSTLUDE

"Allegretto" from *Water Music* Handel



SERMON NOTES

July 26, 2015

Acts 1:1-14

“The Church United in Mission”

The Reverend Jeremy Jones

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. Please join us on

Wednesday evenings at 5:30, in the Fellowship Hall, for dinner, followed by teaching at 6:30, beginning on August 5.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*. To register or for more information, please call 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

by Mr. and Mrs. Scott Schaumann Adams.

Mrs. Adams is the former Miss Ashley Browning Edge.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ELECTIVES

Today is the final day for our summer Sunday School Electives. Beginning next Sunday, August 2, we will return to our regular Sunday School classrooms.

OUR CHURCH TODAY | JULY 26

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 Electives
9:45 a.m..... Pathway Class
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service
11:00 a.m..... K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grade 1)

SALT AND LIGHT OPPORTUNITIES



IPC Leadership encourages you to get to know your neighbors and reach out to your community this July.

You can do this in many ways. For example, host a dinner party (or a block party) for your neighbors and get to know them through the ministry of hospitality. What better way to be salt of the earth and light of the world than to welcome your neighbors into your home and share a meal with them!

Another way to express love for our neighbors is by caring for and seeking to serve the city in which we live together. Also, consider visiting one or more of our IPC homebound members.

If you desire to serve and lead in one or more these events, please contact your community pastor.

UPCOMING WEDNESDAY EVENINGS@IPC

Ministry for Memphis: A Loving Church

August 5 — *The Centrality of the Gospel*

August 12 — *The Worth of the Individual*

August 19 — *The Importance of the Church*

August 26 — *The Renewal of the City*

WOMEN'S MINISTRY "IN SUMMER"

Getting together with all ages and stages, serving together and having fellowship with one another

Ladies, join us on Tuesdays through July 28, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Nursery is provided by reservation only. Please contact Cindy Wright, cwright@indepres.org, to register your child(ren). K-Kids through 5th Grade can attend 2Fun Tuesdays (see the Children's Summer Activities brochure).

July 28 — *Cooking for Palmer Home cottages* | Lili Jones, Lynn Schaefer | Kitchen
Every Tuesday — *Prayer Time* | 10:00-11:30 a.m. | Bride's Room.

For more information contact Suzanne Wexler, swexler1@bellsouth.net.

If you have questions about the above events, please contact Barbara Collins, bcollins@indepres.org.

COMMUNION

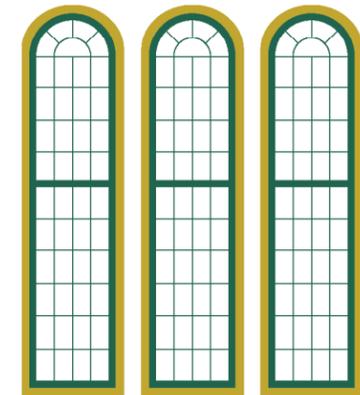
The Lord's Supper will be observed next Sunday, August 2, at both the 8:30 and 11:00 Worship Services.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS AND TEACHERS NEEDED

Our Children's Ministry is in need of Sunday School and Jr. Church Teachers, as well as C.I.A volunteers, for 2015-2016. There are weekly, bimonthly or monthly opportunities for service. Please sign up in the church Lobby today!

PROMOTION SUNDAY

Mark your calendars! Promotion Sunday for the Nursery and Children's Ministries will be August 16.



INDEPENDENT Presbyterian Church

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

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