

SERMON NOTES

July 27, 2014

Jonah 3
“Repentance”

The Reverend Richie Sessions

OUR CHURCH TODAY

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
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service
11:00 a.m.....K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grades 1 & 2)

PATHWAY CLASS FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*, August 3, 10, 17 and 24, at 9:45 a.m., during the Sunday School hour, in the 3rd floor conference room. Please contact Gayle Hardee, 901.685.8206, or gahardee@indepres.org, to make your reservation.

WORSHIP SERVICES DURING BUILDING RENOVATIONS

Our 8:30 and 11:00 Worship Services will be held in the IPC Fellowship Hall, starting **next** Sunday, August 3, for approximately three months.

Our Fellowship Hall has a 700-person capacity, so we are asking that 200 people who normally attend the 11:00 service plan on coming to the 8:30 service instead. **Please sign in on the Friendship Pad and circle your name so we will know that you are willing to change to the 8:30 service for this brief period of time.**

Thank you to those who have already volunteered to move to the earlier service!

SENIOR HIGH CHOIR SKI DAY

The Senior High Choir will have a Ski Day at Pickwick Lake on Saturday, August 9. Contact the Music Office if you would like to participate.

RENOVATION CAMPAIGN COMMITMENT SUNDAY | AUGUST 10

Commitment Sunday is August 10! Please participate in giving to our church. It would be a great help to the business office if each of you would grab a Renovation Campaign envelope and record the amount you gave or are planning to give. Envelopes are located in Friendship Folders in the Sanctuary and on tables in the Rotunda. We appreciate your generosity!

BILL HOGAN’S CELEBRATION DINNER | AUGUST 13

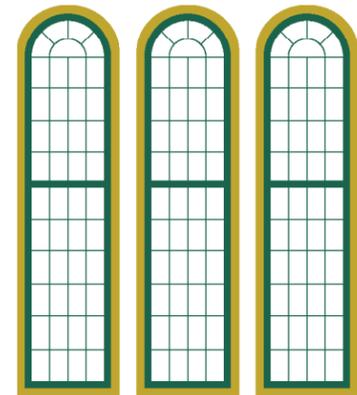
Dr. Bill Hogan will be retiring at the end of August from his current position as full-time Assistant Pastor to become IPC’s first Pastor Emeritus. This year, 2014, marks 60 years in ministry. He and his wife, Jane, have spent 55 of those years as a husband and wife team. Transitioning into the new role will enable him to continue ministry at a different pace. Please join us for dinner and entertainment honoring Jane and Bill Hogan on Wednesday, August 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m., in the IPC Fellowship Hall. \$6/Adult, \$4/Child age 4-10, 3 and under free.

PROMOTION SUNDAY IS AUGUST 17

Join us for Promotion Sunday, August 17. **Teacher volunteers are still needed!** If you have any questions or would like to serve with this ministry as a teacher volunteer, please contact Cindy Wright, cwright@indepres.org, for Nursery/Preschool, or Elizabeth Fowlkes, efowlkes@indepres.org, for Children.

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.

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



INDEPENDENT *Presbyterian Church*

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

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.

If you are interested in joining IPC, you are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*.

For more information, please contact the Church Office, 901.685.8206.

THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by the Burch and Thornton families in loving memory of Bruce and Cora Mae Burch, Bobby and Jerry Barnes, Roger Thornton, and David Taylor Lyons.

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

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

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

“For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”
— 1 Corinthians 3:11

THE PRELUDE

“Come, We That Love the Lord” arr. Larson
Luke Folse, Clarinet Van Kingma, Trumpet
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Jeremiah 2:11, 13; 3:14, 22-23

The Minister: “Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for that which does not profit.

The Congregation: For my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.

The Minister: ‘Return, O faithless children,’ declares the Lord; ‘for I am your master; I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and I will bring you to Zion.’

The Congregation: ‘Return, O faithless sons; I will heal your faithlessness.’
‘Behold, we come to You, for You are the Lord our God.’

The Minister and
Congregation: Truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel.”

The Reverend Parker Tenent
Assistant 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 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Kathryn Samuelle Alexander and John Oscar Alexander V, 8:30 a.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Webb Fletcher Cullum, 11:00 a.m.

THE SOLO

“The Lord Is My Shepherd” Liddle
Beth Rushing, Soprano

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want:
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my soul, He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness, for His Name's sake.
Yea, tho' I walk thro' the valley of the shadow of death
I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me, Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me, in the presence of mine enemies,
Thou anointest my head with oil, my cup runneth over:
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

God of grace, I need to repent of my repentance; I need my tears to be washed; I have no robe to bring to cover my sins, no loom to weave my own righteousness; I am always standing clothed in filthy garments, and by grace am always receiving change of clothing, for You always justify the ungodly; I am always going into the far country, and always returning home as a prodigal, always saying, Father, forgive me, and You are always bringing forth the best robe. Every morning let me wear it, every evening return in it, go out to the day's work in it, be married in it, be wound in death in it, stand before the great white throne in it, and enter heaven in it shining as the sun. *Amen.*

— (Adapted from *The Valley of Vision*)

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.” — *Romans 3:23-24*

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

John Newton ST. PETER



1. How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in
2. It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole, and
3. Dear Name the rock on which I build, my
4. Je - sus, my Shep - herd, Broth - er, Friend, my



a be - liev - er's ear It soothes his sor - rows,
calms the trou - bled breast; tis man - na to the
shield and hid - ing place; my ne - ver - fail - ing
Proph - et, Priest and King, my Lord, my Life, my



heals his wounds, and drives a - way his fear.
hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry rest.
treas - ury filled with bound - less stores of grace.
Way, my End, ac - cept the praise I bring.

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

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

“My Jesus, I Love Thee” arr. Sjolund

Lauren Conley, Violin Harrison Howle, Director

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, My Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

THE SERMON

THE MERCY OF GOD FROM THE STORY OF JONAH

Jonah 3 (*new Bible page 775*)

“Repentance”

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Senior Pastor

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” No. 264

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

“My Gracious Redeemer” Sjolund

THE POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune in F” Brunner

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