

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF AUGUST, TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN  
*Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock*

## THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE MEDITATION

“Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying” arr. Manz  
*Jennifer Velázquez, Organist*

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 138

*The Minister:* “I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise.

*The Congregation:* I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness.

*The Minister:* On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

*The Congregation:* All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth, and they shall sing the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.”

*The Minister:* Amen! Let us worship our God!

*The Reverend Samuel Husband, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)*

*The Reverend Jeremy Jones, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)*

### THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“This Is My Father’s World” No. 111

### THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

### THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

“The Mighty God, the Lord” Diademata

The mighty God, the Lord, hath spoken unto all;  
From rising to the setting sun, he unto earth doth call.  
From Zion, his own hill, where perfect beauty dwells,  
Jehovah hath his glory shown, in brightness that excels.

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

### THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the Church, his body. In his name we pray, *Amen*.

### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We know that we do not deserve forgiveness; it is God’s mercy that motivates his pardon and sets us free. God’s Word says, “If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared. O Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.” Thanks be to God for his full forgiveness and free redemption in Jesus Christ our Lord! — *Psalm 130:4-5, 7-8*

### THE HYMN OF SUPPLICATION

“Jesus, with Thy Church Abide”

Thomas Pollock, 1871

Christopher Miner



1. Je - sus, with thy church a - bid;  
2. Keep her life and doc - trine pure;  
3. Arm her sol - diers with the cross,  
4. May she ho - ly tri - umphs win,



be her Sav - ior, Lord, and Guide,  
grant her pa - tience to en - dure,  
brave to suf - fer toil or loss,  
ov - er - throw the hosts of sin,



while on earth her faith is tried:  
trust - ing in thy prom - ise sure:  
count - ing earth - ly gain but dross:  
gath - er all the na - tions in:



We be - seech thee, hear us.

### THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q and A 51-52

*The Minister:* How does this glory of Christ our head benefit us?

*The Congregation:* First, through his Holy Spirit he pours out gifts from heaven upon his members. Second, by his power he defends us and keeps us safe from all enemies.

*The Minister:* How does Christ’s return “to judge the living and the dead” comfort you?

*The Congregation:* In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head, I confidently await the very judge who has already offered himself to the judgment of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me. Christ will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but will take me and all his chosen ones to himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

### 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

“Welcome Table” arr. McGlohon  
*Beth Rushing, Soprano*  
*James A. Brown, Jr., Director*

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! I’m gonna sit at the welcome table,  
I’m gonna sit at the welcome table some of these days.

I’m gonna drink of the healing waters, Yes, Lord!  
I’m gonna drink of the healing waters some of these days, Hallelujah!

Lord, I’m gonna drink and never get thirsty,  
I’m gonna drink and never get thirsty some of these days, Hallelujah!

I’m gonna go and live with my Jesus,  
I’m gonna go and live with my Jesus some of these days, Hallelujah!

### THE SERMON

Revelation 6:1-17 (*pew Bible page 1031*)

“Jesus Opens the Seals”

*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*

*Senior Pastor*

### THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“We Rest on Thee” No. 449  
(stanzas 1-3)

### THE BENEDICTION

### THE RESPONSE

“We Rest on Thee” No. 449  
*Choir and Congregation* (stanza 4)

### THE POSTLUDE

“Passacalles de primer tono” 17<sup>th</sup> Century Spanish



## SERMON NOTES

August 27, 2017

Revelation 6:1-17  
“Jesus Opens the Seals”  
Dr. Sean Michael Lucas

1. Crises (1-8)
  - War
  
  - Violence
  
  - Famine
  
  - Death
2. Cries (9-17)
  - A. How long? (9-11)
  
  - B. Who can stand? (12-17)
3. Christ

## 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 at 5:30, in the Fellowship Hall, for dinner, followed by teaching at 6:30.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*. 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.

*Please see an usher if you are in need of a hearing amplification device.*

*Our services 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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## THE FLOWERS

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God*  
by Robert (Bob) Jinkins in memory of his dear friend, Clint Early, Sr.

### OUR CHURCH TODAY | AUGUST 27

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)  
12:15 p.m..... Reception for Cindy Wright

### RECEPTION FOR CINDY WRIGHT | TODAY

Join us in the Rotunda immediately following the 11:00 Worship Service for a reception honoring Cindy Wright. After 18 years of faithful service to the IPC Nursery Ministry, Cindy is retiring. Please make plans to come by and say thank you to Cindy for all that she has done for IPC and our children.

### OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 30

5:30 p.m..... Dinner — Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m.... *Celebrate the Legacy of the Reformation:* Dr. Sean Michael Lucas  
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 EVENINGS IN AUGUST

*Come Celebrate the Legacy of the Reformation — 500 Years and Beyond!*

***This Wednesday, August 30***, at 6:30 p.m., we continue our celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation with Dr. Sean Michael Lucas, Senior Pastor of Independent Presbyterian Church, as our teacher. Dr. Lucas will teach on the fifth of the Five Solas, Soli Deo Gloria (To God's Glory Alone). Please make plans to join us in the Fellowship Hall.

### COMMUNION | SEPTEMBER 3

The Lord's Supper will be observed on Sunday, September 3, at both the 8:30 and 11:00 morning Worship Services.

### SUNDAY EVENING PRAISE

***Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m., beginning September 10***

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas will preach on Song of Songs.

*Hymns and acoustic instruments | Families and friends welcome!*

***Please note:*** The first service will be in the Fellowship Hall, followed by an ice cream social. Subsequent services will be in the Sanctuary.

*Nursery is provided for children Junior Kindergarten and under.  
Children K-5th grade will migrate mid-service to Four Corners,  
a fun time of learning about God's mission to his world.*

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY 2017-2018

Our Women's Ministry activities will resume in September. Join us for brunch and a “welcome game” with Sara and Sean Lucas, Tuesday, September 12, at 10:00 a.m. Bible Study starts Tuesday, September 19, with groups meeting at 10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. For more information on study book and group selections, registration, and child care, email Sandy Martin at [smartin@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:smartin@ipcmemphis.org).

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



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### THE MISSION OF INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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