

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF AUGUST, TWO THOUSAND AND SIXTEEN

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

THE PRELUDE

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" arr. Burkhardt
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

 Psalm 47:1-2; 93:1; Hebrews 4:14, 16

The Minister: "Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy!"

The Congregation: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

The Minister: The Lord is king, He is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, He is girded with strength.

The Congregation: He has established the world; it shall never be moved."

The Minister: "Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

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

*The Reverend Parker Tenent
Assistant Pastor*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" No. 76

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

Nicaea

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy! Holy! Holy! Merciful and Mighty!
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity! *Amen.*

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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Jack Edward Easley, 8:30 a.m.

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Paul McKenzie Clowers, 11:00 a.m.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

O gracious and gentle God, God of peace, Father of mercy: we confess to you the evil of our hearts. We are inclined towards anger, jealousy, and revenge, towards ambition and a terrible pride that gives rise to discord and bitter feelings between each other. Too often have we fallen into these sins, offending You and grieving Your Holy Spirit. O long-suffering and gracious Father, forgive us! Free us in Jesus to become peacemakers, who shall be called the children of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.* — based on *The Worship Sourcebook*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him." — *John 3:16-17*

THE HYMN OF SUPPLICATION

"Speak, O Lord" Getty and Townend

Ladies Ensemble:

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your Holy Word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

All 3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us
grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time That will
ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by
grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es, And by
faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the
earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

"Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature, and He upholds the universe by the word of His power. After making purification for sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high." — *Hebrews 1:1-3*

THE DOXOLOGY

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

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! *Amen.*

THE OFFERTORY

"A Jubilant Song" arr. Pote
Harrison Howle, Director

Sing to the Lord a jubilant song.
Rejoice and sing and let earth be glad,
Let the heavens be filled with joy.

Sing alleluia to the Lord, alleluia.
Tell of His salvation from day to day.
Shout His marv'ulous works among the people.
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

Lord, You have been our refuge from one generation to another.
Before the mountains were made, or the land and the sea were born,
From age to age You are God,
And we pray for the coming of Your kingdom.
We shall rejoice, we shall be glad all the days of our lives.

THE SERMON

Matthew 8:18, 23-27 (*pew Bible page 813*)

"The Eye of the Storm"
*The Reverend Jeremy Jones
Assistant Pastor*

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Be Still, My Soul" No. 689

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"A Firm Foundation" Foundation

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

THE POSTLUDE

"Lauda Anima" arr. Allen

SERMON NOTES

August 28, 2016

Matthew 8:18, 23-27
“The Eye of the Storm”
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. Join us on Wednesday evenings for our Fellowship Dinner at 5:30 p.m., followed by our *Engage* Series in August.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*, October 2, 9, 16, and 23, at 9:45, during the Sunday School hour, in the third floor conference room. To register, please contact Gayle Hardee, ghardee@indepres.org.



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 and in loving memory of Stephen Ray Parker by Cheryl Parker, on the occasion of his third year Home.

“I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live.” — *John 11:25*

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

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.

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OUR CHURCH TODAY | AUGUST 28

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)

IMPROVED OFFICER TRAINING AND ELECTION PROCESS

This fall IPC is introducing an improved officer training process for future Elders and Deacons. Ruling Elder, Will Chase, will be sharing more about this process today during the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services.

This improved Officer Training and Election process was developed by the Leadership Development Committee and recently approved by the Session. The first part of our Officer Training process will be an 11-week Pre-Requisite Course offered for prospective Elders and Deacons, beginning Friday, September 9. This course will provide a rich understanding of the roles of church officers at IPC, and cover crucial aspects of Reformed theology and Presbyterian polity. Please contact your community pastor to inquire about participating, and visit www.indepres.org for a more information.

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 31

5:30 p.m. Dinner — Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. *Engage* Series: Reverend Scott Sauls
6:30 p.m. “That Thing” — Romper Room (K-Grade 5)
6:30 p.m. Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

ENGAGE 2016

This Wednesday evening, August 31, join us for the final week of the *Engage* series with Reverend Scott Sauls, who will teach *Following Jesus Outside the Lines*. Whether the issue of the day on Twitter, Facebook, or cable news is our sexuality, political divides, or the perceived conflict between faith and science, today's media pushes each one of us into a frustrating clash between two opposing sides. Join us at 6:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

COMMUNION

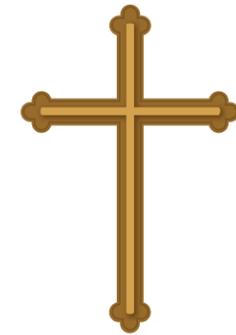
The Lord's Supper will be observed next Sunday, September 4, at both the 8:30 and 11:00 Worship Services.

GRACE GROUPS AND WEDNESDAY EVENING TEACHING

Grace Groups at IPC, sermon-based small groups that are driven through communities, will reconvene Wednesday, September 7, at 6:30 p.m. Visit www.indepres.org, or contact your community pastor to join a group.

If you are not involved in a Grace Group, we encourage you to attend Wednesday evening teaching in the Fellowship Hall. This fall, Ed Norton will teach *The Christian in the Age of Terror*.

We live in an age of constant terror. *The Christian in the Age of Terror* speaks to our current global and geopolitical environment and how the Christian is to experience life in a tumultuous environment. We will answer questions such as, “As a Christian, how do we view terror?” “As a child of the living God, what is my reaction to this terror?” Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m., to learn more.



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