

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

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

THE PRELUDE

“St. Dunstan’s” Bock/arr. Powell
Abby Powell and Brandon Rushing, Horns
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

He who would valiant be 'gainst all disaster, Let him in constancy follow the Master.
There's no discouragement shall make him once relent His first avowed intent to be a pilgrim.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Daniel 2:20-23

The Minister: “Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might.

The Congregation: He changes times and seasons; He removes kings and sets up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding;

The Minister: He reveals deep and hidden things; He knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with Him.

The Minister and Congregation: To you, O God of our fathers, we give thanks and praise.”

The Reverend Jeremy Jones
Assistant Pastor

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“O Father, You Are Sovereign” No. 75

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, forever. *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

Lucy Claire Zermeno, 8:30 a.m.

THE MEN'S QUARTET

“We're Marching to Zion” Lowry/arr. Reynolds

Randal Rushing, James Brown, Harrison Howle and McCheyne Post

Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord, And thus surround the throne.

*We're marching to Zion, Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We're marching upward to Zion, The beautiful city of God.*

Let those refuse to sing Who never knew our God;
But children of the heav'nly King May speak their joys abroad.

The hill of Zion yields A thousand sacred sweets,
Before we reach the heav'nly fields, Or walk the golden streets.

Then let our songs abound, And ev'ry tear be dry;
We're marching thro' Immanuel's ground, To fairer worlds on high.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in Your loving-kindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence, or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. — *The Worship Sourcebook (based on Psalm 51:10-12)*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear Him. For He knows how we were made; He remembers that we are dust. But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him, and His righteousness to children's children, to those who keep His covenant and remember to do His commandments.”

— *Psalm 103:8, 13-14, 17-18*

THE HYMN OF REPENTANCE

“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's
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

Heidelberg Q and A 127

The Minister: What does the sixth request mean?

The Congregation: “And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one” means, by ourselves we are too weak to hold our own even for a moment. And our sworn enemies — the devil, the world, and our own flesh — never stop attacking us. And so, Lord, uphold us and make us strong with the strength of Your Holy Spirit, so that we may not go down to defeat in this spiritual struggle, but may firmly resist our enemies until we finally win the complete victory.

THE DOXOLOGY

Duke Street

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

“All Creatures of Our God and King” Rutter
James A. Brown, Jr., Director

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, Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,
O praise Him, alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice: O praise Him, Alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear, Make music for thy Lord to hear,
O praise Him, alleluia! Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest man both warmth and light, O praise Him, Alleluia!

And thou, O earth, that day by day Unfoldest blessings on our way,
Alleluia, alleluia! The flow'rs and fruits that in thee grow,
Let them His glory also show: O praise Him, Alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on Him cast your care: O praise Him, Alleluia!

The Congregation and Choir

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!

THE SERMON

Daniel 2:31-45 (*pew Bible pages 738-739*)

Resident Aliens: Living Life As A Colony Of Heaven — Part 4

“Getting Things in Focus”
The Reverend Mike Malone
Assistant Pastor

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” No. 165

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“High King of Heaven” Slane
Choir and Congregation:

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven’s joys,
O bright heav’n’s Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

THE POSTLUDE

“We’re Marching to Zion” arr. Held



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 Grace Groups, Small Groups and teaching in the Fellowship Hall.

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 in loving memory of Robert Forrest Spence by his parents, Brittany and David Spence, and by his siblings, Austin, Miller and Maggie.

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OUR CHURCH TODAY | SEPTEMBER 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)
4:30 p.m..... Jr. High Small Groups
5:00 p.m..... Sr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m..... Sr. High Swim Party

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 14

5:30 p.m..... Dinner — Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m..... Jr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:30 p.m..... Teaching in the Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m..... Grace Groups, Small Groups
6:30 p.m..... Children’s Choir Rehearsals
6:30 p.m..... C.I.A. (Christ in Action) — Romper Room (Grades 2-5)
6:30 p.m..... Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups
7:30 p.m..... Adult Choir Rehearsal

WELCOME LUCY GREEN AS

INTERIM CHILDREN’S MINISTRY DIRECTOR

This week, Tuesday, September 6, we welcomed Lucy Green as the Interim IPC Children’s Ministry Director. We are excited to have Lucy on staff at IPC and are convinced that her many gifts will be a blessing to our Children’s Ministry.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There is a called Annual Congregational Meeting on Wednesday, September 21, at 6:15 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall, for the purpose of reviewing and informing IPC members of the 2016-2017 church budget, in addition to hearing reports from David Dunlap, Clerk of the Session, John Kakales, Chairman of the Diaconate, and John Crews, Treasurer.

FALL FEST | SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

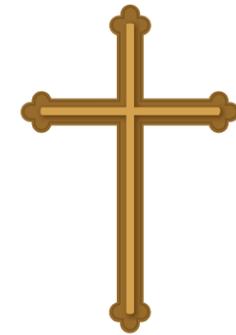
Join us immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, October 2, for a picnic and games on the lawn. We will have food, games, prizes, entertainment and a cake walk.

MEN’S RETREAT | NOVEMBER 11-13

IPC is hosting a Men’s Retreat at The Country Place in Moscow, Tennessee. The retreat is an opportunity for men across various communities to enjoy fellowship with one another, and spend time studying the theme of “Calling: A Christian View of Work.” Sadly, being a Christian can actually complicate the struggle with work. We wonder if our ‘secular’ job has any spiritual value, if our job is what God has called us to do — or if we even have ‘a calling.’ Thankfully, the Bible talks a lot about how to view and do our work, and Christ came to free us that we might work for Him in whatever kind of job we have. We will look at this neglected area of the Christian life at the retreat. Jeremy Jones will explain what scripture teaches regarding how we are to view and do our work, and how Christ came to free us that we might work for Him in whatever kind of job we have.

~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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