

SERMON NOTES

November 17, 2013

“One Church, Many Gifts”

Ephesians 4:7-16

The Reverend Richie Sessions

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 an adult Bible Study, Small Groups, and youth and children’s programs at 6:30 p.m.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our Pathway Class for Prospective Members. Please contact the Church Office, 901.685.8206, for more information.

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. John Robert Pitts in honor of

Mr. and Mrs. James Ryan Barnes.

Mrs. Barnes is the former Miss Jennings Morgan Pitts.

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
9:45 a.m..... Pathway Class, 3rd Floor Conference Room
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service
11:00 a.m.....K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grades 1 & 2)
4:00 p.m..... Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal
4:30 p.m..... Jr. High Small Groups
5:00 p.m.....Sr. High Choir Rehearsal
Various timesSr. High Small Groups

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY

- 5:30 p.m..... Dinner, Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m..... Jr. High Choir Rehearsal
5:30 p.m..... Adult Handbell Rehearsal
6:00 p.m..... Through the Wardrobe, Bookstore
6:15 p.m..... Divorce Care, Room 229
6:30 p.m..... Dr. Bill Hogan, Faith and Feelings, Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m..... Grace Groups and Small Groups
6:30 p.m..... Preschool and Children’s Choir Rehearsals
6:30 p.m..... C.I.A.(Christ In Action), Romper Room
6:30 p.m..... Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups
7:30 p.m..... Adult Choir Rehearsal

LOOKING AHEAD: NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2013

- Jr. High Buffalo Retreat..... Friday, 11/22 - Sunday, 11/24
Sr. High Turkey Bowl Wednesday, 11/27, 10:00 a.m. - noon
NO Wednesday Night Dinner or Bible Study Wednesday, 11/27
Thanksgiving Day Service Thursday, 11/28, 10:00 a.m.
Church Offices and Bookstore Closed Thursday, 11/28 and Friday, 11/29
Pre-school and Kindergarten Choirs Program..... Wednesday, 12/4 - 6:15 p.m.
25th Annual Services of Lessons and Carols Sunday, 12/8 - 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.
Elementary, Jr. High and Sr. High Choirs Program Wednesday, 12/11 - 6:30 p.m.
Christmas Food Basket Assembly and Delivery Saturday, 12/21 - 9:00 a.m.
Christmas Eve Services Tuesday, 12/24 - 4:00, 5:30 and 11:00 p.m.
Holiday Gathering (NO Sunday School) Sunday, 12/29 - 9:45 a.m.

GRACE GROUP QUESTIONS

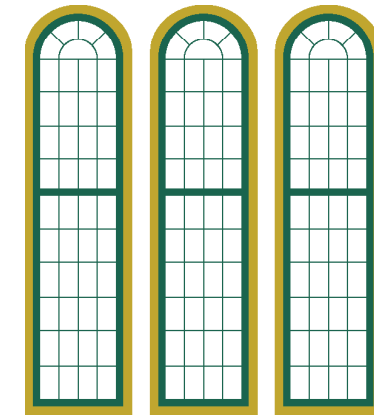
Grace Group Questions and the Sermon Outline will be available on our website tomorrow, Monday, November 18. Please visit www.indepres.org.

WEEKEND PASTORAL EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a pastoral emergency over the weekend, please contact the Minister on Call, 901.268.3004.

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

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 SEVENTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN
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

"Be Thou My Vision/
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Adams
Luke Folse, Clarinet

THE CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 68

The Minister: "Awesome is God in His sanctuary! He gives power and strength to His people.

The Congregation: Father of the fatherless and protector of widows, God settles the lonely in a home.

The Minister: Ascribe power to God! Lift up a song to Him who rides through the deserts.

The Congregation: His name is the Lord; let us exult before Him!"

*The Reverend Jeremy Jones
Assistant Pastor*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"My God, How Wonderful Thou Art" No. 35
(Tune: Dundee)

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 Regent Square

Glory be to God the Father, and to Christ His only Son;
praise we too the Holy Spirit, binding all the church in one:
as it was in the beginning, is for now and ever more. *Amen.*

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

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

Suzanna Christian Ginn, 11:00 a.m.

THE SOLO

"In Bright Mansions Above" arr. K. Lee Scott
Tom Horner, Baritone

In bright mansions above, in bright mansions above,
Lord, I want to live up yonder in bright mansions above.

My mother's gone to Glory; I want to go there, too.
Lord, I want to live up yonder in bright mansions above.

My father's gone to Glory; I want to go there, too.
Lord, I want to live up yonder in bright mansions above.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age You have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to Your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful. Have mercy on us, Your faithless servants. Keep before us faithful people for us to follow so that, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, we may grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to the praise of Your holy name. *Amen.* — *The Worship Sourcebook*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." — *Romans 5:1*

THE HYMN OF ASPIRATION

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Words: Ray Palmer, 183

Olivet



1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2. May Thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,



Sav - ior di - vine: now hear me while I pray,
my □ eal in - spire; as Thou hast died for me,



take all my guilt a - way, O let me
O may my love to Thee, pure, warm, and



from this day be whol - ly Thine.
change - less be, a liv - ing fire.

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

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

"Irish Shepherd's Song" arr. K. Lee Scott
James A. Brown, Jr., Director

The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth,
And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may we sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever.

THE SERMON

Ephesians 4:7-16 (*Pew Bible, pages 977-978*)

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THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Take My Life, and Let It Be" No. 585

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

"So Shall His Work Be Done" Brahms

THE POSTLUDE

"Prelude and Fugue in F Major" J.S. Bach
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist



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