

THE LORD’S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN
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

“Now Thank We All Our God” arr. Allen
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 1:1–3; Psalm 2:12

The Minister: “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.

The Congregation: 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.

The Minister: After making purification for sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.”

The Minister and Congregation: “Blessed are all who take refuge in Him.”

*The Reverend Justin Jones
Assistant Pastor*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King” No. 101

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 MEN’S ENSEMBLE

“Like a River Glorious” Mountain, arr. Reynolds

Like a river glorious Is God’s perfect peace, Over all victorious In its bright increase;
Perfect, yet it floweth Fuller ev’ry day; Perfect, yet it groweth Deeper all the way.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, Hearts are fully blest;
Finding, as He promised, Perfect peace and rest.*

Hidden in the hollow Of His blessed hand, Never foe can follow, Never traitor stand;
Not a surge of worry, Not a shade of care, Not a blast of hurry Touch the spirit there.

Ev’ry joy or trial Falleth from above, Trac’d upon our dial By the Sun of Love;
We may trust Him fully All for us to do, They who trust Him wholly Find Him wholly true.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord, You have called us to worship You. We gladly gather! As we praise You, though, our own inadequacy reminds us of how we have broken our relationship with You. Because we have sinned against You, even our worship fails to be what it could. We often treat it as a show. We simply go through motions, failing to recognize that You want to engage us deeply. Renew us, we pray, according to Your steadfast love. Remind us of Your covenant faithfulness and have mercy on us in the name of Jesus Christ. *Amen.* — *The Worship Sourcebook*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

— from Romans 3:22, NIV;
Heidelberg Catechism, Q and A 21

The Minister: “Righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.”

The Congregation: “By faith I have a deep-rooted assurance, created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel, that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.”

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

John Newton, 1□□□ 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. Weak is the ef - fort of my heart, and
□. Till then I would Thy love pro - claim with



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 nev - er - fail - ing
cold my warm - est thought; but when I see Thee
ev - ery fleet - ing breath; and may the mu - sic



heals his wounds, and drives a - way his fear.
hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry rest.
trea - s□ry filled with bound - less stores of grace.
as Thou art, □ll praise Thee as I ought.
of Thy name re - fresh my soul in death.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead; I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

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

“Antiphon”

Vaughan Williams

James A. Brown, Jr., Director

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.
The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly:
The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.

The Church with Psalms must shout, No door can keep them out:
But above all, the heart Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.

THE SERMON

Luke 4:31-44 (*pew Bible page 860*)

“The Power and Authority of Jesus”

*The Reverend Richie Sessions
Senior Pastor*

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

No. 164

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“The Pow’r of Christ in Me” Getty and Townend

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand!

THE POSTLUDE

“Toccata in Seven”

Rutter

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

SERMON NOTES

November 23, 2014

Luke 4:31-44

“The Power and Authority of Jesus”

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. Visitors interested in joining

IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*.

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

A fully staffed nursery is available during all services.

THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

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)
4:00 p.m.....Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal
5:00 p.m.....Sr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:15 p.m.....Sr. High Small Groups

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY

There will be no Wednesday Evening Fellowship Dinner or activities this week.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

Our Thanksgiving Day Service will be on Thursday, November 27, at 10:00 a.m., in the IPC Sanctuary. The Reverend Mike Malone will be preaching. Nursery is provided.

CHURCH OFFICE AND BOOKSTORE CLOSED

The Church Office and Bookstore will be closed Thursday, November 27, and Friday, November 28.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

IPC assembles and delivers food baskets to families in need each Christmas season. Streets Ministries allows Independent to acquire names of families who are not equipped for the holidays. Each basket is estimated to feed a family for a week. The value of one basket is \$50. If you would like to give a basket in honor or memory of someone, honorarium or memorial cards will be available in the Rotunda, November 23 - December 20.

Volunteers are needed to help unload delivery trucks on Friday, December 19, 2 – 5 p.m., and to assemble and deliver baskets on Saturday, December 20, beginning at 9:00 a.m. You may choose to assemble or deliver baskets, but not both.

Nursery will be available for assembly from 9:00 a.m.-noon. Parents must stay on campus in order to leave their children in nursery care.

To sign up for volunteer opportunities, please contact Sam Olson, 901.849.3695, or mattsamolson@gmail.com.

MUSIC OF CHRISTMAS

A Christmas Nativity

Preschool and Kindergarten Choirs

Wednesday, December 3, 6:15 p.m. | IPC Fellowship Hall

26th Annual Service of Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 7 | IPC Sanctuary

4:30 p.m. — Adult and Children's Choirs with
Members of the Memphis Symphony Orchestra

7:00 p.m. — Adult, Junior and Senior High Choirs with
Members of the Memphis Symphony Orchestra

Peace on Earth

Elementary, Junior and Senior High Choirs

Wednesday, December 10, 6:30 p.m. | IPC Sanctuary

WOMEN'S MINISTRY@IPC

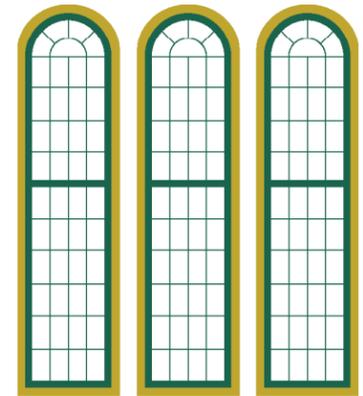
Ladies, join us on Thursday, December 4, at 9:00 a.m., as we assemble wreaths, decorate the church, and enjoy lunch together afterwards.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Wednesday, December 24 | IPC Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. — Family Service

5:30 p.m. — Candlelight Communion Service



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is to make disciples of Jesus Christ in Memphis,
calling them into a devoted community of worshiping
and maturing believers, and sending them out to be
salt of the earth and light in the world,
all to the glory of God.