



**INDEPENDENT**  
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

## THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

The next song on the Pilgrim's Playlist comes from Psalm 123. Having felt the sting of injustice and exile and made their way to the Holy City on pilgrimage, God's people have one great desire: they look for and long for mercy. That mercy comes to us from the hand of our Lord and God, won at a great price through the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As we embrace Jesus freely offered to us in the Gospel, we find him to be all the mercy we need.

That's why we come again to worship this God who has come to us in Jesus. We rejoice in him because he calls us to himself and gives us robes of righteousness. We rejoice in him because God did not spare his own Son, but delivered him up for us all. We rejoice in him because he remembers his covenant promises to us and our children after us. We rejoice in him because over and over he uses his means of salvation — Word, sacrament, and prayer — to sustain us as we continue on pilgrimage to the heavenly Jerusalem. Oh, People of God! Rejoice in your God and Savior this day!

## WELCOME TO INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

If you are a visitor, thank you for joining us. Please be sure to stop by our Visitor Welcome Center in the Rotunda, where we will have a gift for you. Any questions about our church? We encourage you to ask an usher or member on your aisle. Our Welcome Center greeters are also eager to assist you or answer your questions. Please see an usher if you need a hearing amplification device.

More opportunities for teaching and fellowship at IPC are listed in the back of this bulletin. Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*. For more information or to register, please contact Tamera Rackley, (901) 685-8206, or [trackley@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:trackley@ipcmemphis.org).

Our Sunday morning Worship Services are shown via live stream in the Chapel for families with babies/young children, latecomers, or any other reason you might be more comfortable there. Additionally, a fully-staffed nursery is available during all services.

We also live stream our 8:30 and 11:00 services at [ipcmemphis.org](http://ipcmemphis.org). 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.

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please silence your mobile devices.*

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE NINETEENTH DAY OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND AND NINETEEN

*Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock*

## THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE MEDITATION

"Rigaudon"

Campra

*Jennifer Velázquez, Organist*

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 64:10; Isaiah 61:10

*The Minister:* Let the righteous one rejoice in the Lord and take refuge in him! Let all the upright in heart exult!

*The Congregation:* Let us greatly rejoice in the Lord; for he has clothed us with the garments of salvation; he has covered us with the robe of righteousness.

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

*The Reverend Mike Malone, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)*

*The Reverend Brad Robson, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)*

### THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"

No. 3

### THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

## THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Darwall

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Fox Matthew Butler (8:30 a.m.)*

*Mary Parker Powell (11:00 a.m.)*

## THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you and to one another that we have sinned against you by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts, and by wandering from your ways. Forgive us, we pray you, most merciful Father; and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, *Amen.*

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We confess our sins knowing that God graciously gives us all that is needed for life now and eternally. God's Word says, "He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?" Thanks be to God for the full salvation given to us in and through Jesus Christ! — *Romans 8:32*

# THE HYMN OF SUPPLICATION

“Tender Mercy”

*Leah Hendrick, Violin James Brown, Guitar*

Words and Music: Roley and Pitts



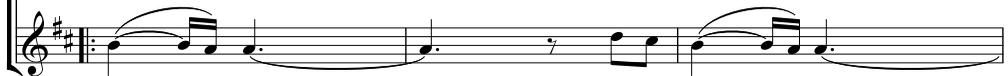
1. Hear my cry for mer - cy as I call to you,  
2. In your ten - der mer - cy brought by grace through faith,



as I lift my hands in Spir - it and in Truth, we cry  
I will lift my heart toward your most ho - ly place,



In the name of the Fa - ther most Ho - ly, in the name of the Son



mer - cy. We cry mer - cy.  
mer - cy. You are mer - cy.



who was slain, in the name of the Spir - it in dwell - ing,



Lord have mer - - - cy, ten - der  
Lord have mer - - - cy, ten - der



mer - cy Lord



mer - cy Lord You are  
mer - cy

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2. go to verse 2 3.

Lord. Lord We cry mer - cy.

We cry mer - cy. Lord, have

mer - - cy, ten - der mer - cy,

Lord, ten - der mer - cy Lord.

*Children (Kindergarten) may be dismissed to their worship leader during the last verse.*

## THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q and A 31-32

### Question and Answer 31

*The Minister:* What is effectual calling?

*The Congregation:* Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit, whereby, convincing us of our sin and misery, enlightening our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and renewing our wills, he persuades and enables us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the gospel.

### Question and Answer 32

*The Minister:* What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life?

*The Congregation:* They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, and sanctification, and the several benefits which in this life do either accompany or flow from them.

## THE PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

## THE OFFERTORY

“O Clap Your Hands”

Rutter

*Harrison Howle, Director*

O clap your hands together all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of melody.  
For the Lord is high and to be fear'd: He is the great King upon all the earth.

He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet.  
He shall choose out an heritage for us: even the worship of Jacob whom he loved.

God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the sound of the trump.

O sing praises unto our God: O sing praises unto our King.  
For God is the King of all the earth: Sing ye praises with understanding.

# THE SERMON

Psalm 123 (*pew Bible page 517*)

*The Minister:* This is the Word of the Lord.

*The Congregation:* Thanks be to God!

“Looking for Mercy”

*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*

*Senior Pastor*

## SERMON NOTES

1. Where to look

2. How to look

A. Not performing

B. But trusting

3. Why we look

A. Filled with contempt

B. Fill with mercy

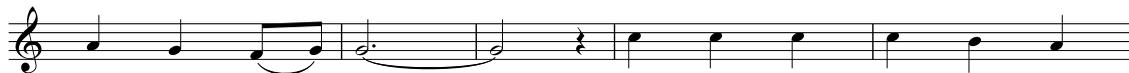
# THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

Rodgers and Wyse



1. Won - der - ful, mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, Pre - cious Re -  
2. Coun - se - lor, Com - fort - er, Keep - er Spir - it we  
3. Al - might - y, in - fin - ite Fa - ther faith - ful - ly



deem - er and Friend; who would have thought that a  
long to em - brace; you of - fer hope when our  
lov - ing your own; here in our weak - ness you



Lamb could res - cue the souls of men.  
hearts have hope - less - ly lost the way.  
find us fall - ing be - fore your throne.



Oh, you res - cue the souls of men.  
Oh, we hope - less - ly lost the way.  
Oh, we're fall - ing be - fore your throne.



You are the one that we praise, you are the one we a - dore.



You give the heal - ing and grace our hearts al - ways hun - ger



for, Oh, our hearts al - ways hun - ger for.

# THE BENEDICTION

## THE RESPONSE

Darwall

*Choir and Congregation*

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,  
And take his servants up to their eternal home.

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

## THE POSTLUDE

“Allegro Maestoso” from *Sonata II*

Mendelssohn



### TONIGHT: EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE AT PALMER HOME HERNANDO

Join us this evening at Palmer Home for Children — Hernando campus!

We are looking forward to enjoying food, fellowship, and worship together with  
Palmer Home. Worship will begin at 5:00 p.m, followed by a cookout.

*The Hernando campus is located at 800 Baldwin Road South, Lake Cormorant, MS, 38641.*

## THE FLOWERS

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

by Bille Jean Graham and Margaret and Sam Graham in memory of  
Dr. Joseph William Graham, Sr., beloved husband, father, and grandfather.

## OUR CHURCH TODAY | MAY 19

8:30 a.m. ....	Worship Service
8:30 a.m. ....	Children’s Church (Kindergarten)
9:45 a.m. ....	Sunday School
9:45 a.m. ....	Pathway Class for Prospective New Members   Third Floor Conference Room
9:45 a.m. ....	VBS Teacher Training   Room 205
11:00 a.m. ....	Worship Service
11:00 a.m. ....	Children’s Church (Kindergarten)
3:30 p.m. ....	Sr. High Ensemble Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. ....	Evening Worship at Palmer Home (Hernando) and Cookout
5:00 p.m. ....	Sr. High Choir Rehearsal



## SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45-10:45

Nursery & Preschool –  
*First floor, rooms divided by age*  
Kindergarten — *Room 220-222*

1st grade — *Room 216*  
2nd grade — *Room 215*  
3rd grade — *Room 217*

4th grade/5th grade — *Room 201*  
Junior High — *Room 155*  
Senior High — *Room 254*

College | Mr. Zach Hood | *Room 125*

20s Community | Rev. Robert Browning and Teaching Team | *Room 131*

30s Community | Rev. Parker Tenent | *Fellowship Hall South*

40s Community | Rev. Jeremy Jones | *Fellowship Hall North*

50s Community | Rev. Ed Norton | *Chapel*

60s+ Community | Rev. Mike Malone | *Room 237*

The Westminster Class | Mr. Jurey Howard and Dr. Ray Wilson | *Room 233*

Line by Line Class | Mr. Rankin Fowlkes | *Room 132*

## OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | MAY 22

7:00 p.m. .... Adult Choir Rehearsal



## OUTREACH & MINISTRIES

**JOIN THE JUNGLE JAMBOREE!**

**Vacation Bible School | June 10-14 | 9:00 a.m.–noon**

Our Children’s Ministry needs classroom leaders for VBS! We use easy, scripted lessons and fun activities to share our love for Jesus, so leaders do not need teaching experience.

If you prefer to team teach, sign up with a friend or let us find you a partner.

Classrooms also have teen helpers to assist with crafts.

***Teacher training is today, 9:45 a.m., in room 205.***

If you can’t make it today, we’ll work it out;

contact Lucy (lgreen@ipcmemphis.org) or Rachel (rwukasch@ipcmemphis.org).

*To sign up to volunteer or register your child, visit ipcmemphis.org.*

## WOMEN'S SUMMER 2019 BIBLE STUDY

Our Women's Ministry summer Bible study will be Tuesdays, June 18–July 30 (no meeting July 2), mornings 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. or evenings 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

We'll read Lysa TerKeurst's book *It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered*. Nursery and child care (up to 5th grade) are available for the morning study. Register for Bible study and child care by emailing [lturner@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:lturner@ipcmemphis.org), or completing a registration card, available in the Rotunda at church.

The book can be purchased at Covenanters' Corner Bookstore.

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## PICKLEBALL@IPC

Pickleball, an easy-to-learn mix of tennis and ping-pong played on a badminton-size court, is the fastest growing sport in America. But with players filling courts across the city (including Tuesday and Thursday nights at IPC), it can be difficult for beginners to have a place where they feel comfortable learning. Now, on Fridays at 2:00 p.m., IPC courts will be reserved for ladies of all ages wanting to learn the game. No need to RSVP—just show up. Use IPC equipment or bring your own. For more information, email Lisa Turner, [lturner@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:lturner@ipcmemphis.org) or Heather Andersen, [heathergandersen@gmail.com](mailto:heathergandersen@gmail.com).

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## CARE BAG MERCY MINISTRY

IPC's Mercy Committee has assembled care bags that members can keep in their cars to give to our city's displaced and homeless people. The bags, which include items such as granola bars, socks, toothpaste/brush, soap, and the hope-giving message of the Gospel, are stored in the lower middle doors of the large china cabinet in the Rotunda.

Please take as many as you would like.

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## COVENANTERS' CORNER SUMMER HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

*The Bookstore will be closed on Fridays from Memorial Day to Labor Day.*



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