



INDEPENDENT
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

As we finish listening to the songs on the Pilgrim's Playlist, we have in Psalms 133-134 two songs for the end of the journey. For me, these two songs have always gone together — and they are fitting for us because they tell us how good it is to worship God, how sweet it is to know unity and community with each other, and how blessed it is to know relationship with the living God himself who blesses us, both today and always. And so, my prayer is that at the end of worship today, you will say “How good, how needed, how sweet it was to be in God's house!”

God himself desires relationship with us, desires to be merciful to us and to protect us, to demonstrate steadfast love and faithfulness to us. You'll notice that Psalm 57 serves to frame our worship — both in the call to worship and in the assurance of pardon, we have these sweet words and the great chorus: “Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!” As we come into God's presence, let us look for him, long for him, desire him, bless him: for he alone is worthy of our worship and our praise!

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 Weekend Class for Prospective Members*, August 9-10. For more information or to register, please contact Tameria Rackley, (901) 685-8206, or 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. 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 TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF JULY, TWO THOUSAND AND NINETEEN

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

“Trumpet Tune in F”

Brunner

Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 57:1-3, 5

The Minister: Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, for in you my soul takes refuge; in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, till the storms of destruction pass by.

The Congregation: I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me.

The Minister: He will send from heaven and save me; he will put to shame him who tramples on me.

The Congregation: God will send out his steadfast love and his faithfulness.

The Minister: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth! 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

“We Are God’s People”

No. 355

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Old Hundredth

Lift up your hands, in prayer draw nigh unto his sanctuary high;
bless ye the Lord, kneel at his feet, and worship him with reverence meet.

Jehovah bless thee from above, from Zion in his boundless love,
our God, who heav'n and earth did frame; blest be his great and holy name.

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. *Amen.*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations. For your steadfast love is great to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. — *Psalms 57:9-10*

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“The Sands of Time Are Sinking”

Leah Hendrick, Violin Jurey Howard, Guitar

Anne R. Cousin, 1857

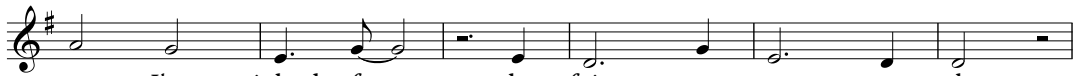
Music: Philip Palmertree



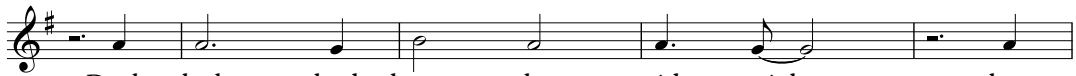
1. The sands of time are sink - ing, the
2. O Christ, he is the foun - tain, the
3. The bride eyes not her gar - ment, but
4. O I am my be - lov - ed's, and



dawn of heav - en breaks, the sum - mer
deep, sweet well of love. The streams on
her dear bride - groom's face. I will not
my be - loved is mine! He brings a



morn I've sighed for, the fair, sweet morn a - wakes.
earth I've tast - ed more deep I'll drink a - bove.
gaze at glo - ry, but on my King of Grace.
poor, vile sin - ner in - to his house of wine.



Dark, dark had been the mid - night, but
There to an o - cean full - ness his
Not at the crown he giv - eth, but
I stand up - on his mer - it, I



day - spring is at hand. And glo - ry,
mer - cy doth ex - - pand. And glo - ry,
on his pierc - ed hand. The Lamb is
know no oth - er stand. Not e'en where



glo - ry dwell - eth in Em - man - uel's land.
glo - ry dwell - eth in Em - man - uel's land.
all the glo - ry of Em - man - uel's land.
glo - ry dwell - eth in Em - man - uel's land.

Children (kindergarten) may be dismissed to their worship leader on the last verse.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q and A 53-56

Question and Answer 53

The Minister: What is the third commandment?

The Congregation: The third commandment is, "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain."

Question and Answer 54

The Minister: What is required in the third commandment?

The Congregation: The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God's names, titles, attributes, ordinances, word, and works.

Question and Answer 55

The Minister: What is forbidden in the third commandment?

The Congregation: The third commandment forbids all profaning or abusing of any thing whereby God makes himself known.

Question and Answer 56

The Minister: What is the reason annexed to the third commandment?

The Congregation: The reason annexed to the third commandment is, that however the breakers of this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not suffer them to escape his righteous judgment.

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

“Welcome Table” from *Songs of the Soul*

arr. McGlohon

Elaine Clowers, Soprano

Harrison Howle, Director

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! I’m gonna sit at the welcome table,
I’m gonna sit at the welcome table some of these days.

I’m gonna drink of the healing waters, Yes, Lord!
I’m gonna drink of the healing waters some of these days, Hallelujah!

Lord, I’m gonna drink and never get thirsty,
I’m gonna drink and never get thirsty some of these days, Hallelujah!

I’m gonna go and live with my Jesus,
I’m gonna go and live with my Jesus some of these days, Hallelujah!

THE SERMON

Psalms 133-134 (*pew Bible page 519*)

The Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

“Songs for the End of Our Journey”

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas

Senior Pastor

SERMON NOTES

1. So good
 - A. Unity

 - B. Community

2. So needed
 - A. Bless God

 - B. Bless Us

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place”

No. 469

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

St. Columba

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

THE POSTLUDE

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

arr. Manz



THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of William Richard Evans by Sally Evans,
Christina and Heather Evans, Stephanie Taylor, Noah and Simon McIndoo,
and Ben and Liam Taylor.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | AUGUST 18

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, August 18, 10:00 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall, for the purposes of revising the IPC by-laws, electing ruling elders for the class of 2025, and hearing ministry reports. The men who have been certified to stand for election as ruling elder are: Cannon Allen, David Caldwell, Richard Carter, Rankin Fowlkes, Stephen Guenther, Holt Hall, Ralph Janikowsky, William Martin, Dan McEwan, Rick Powell, and Scott Suddoth. ***You must be present at the meeting to vote.*** Communing members may vote for as few or as many of these men as they wish; in order to be elected, a candidate must receive fifty percent of the total eligible ballots cast.

OUR CHURCH TODAY | JULY 28

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
8:30 a.m. Children's Church (Kindergarten)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
11:00 a.m. Children's Church (Kindergarten)



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*
Jr. High/Sr. 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*



OUTREACH & MINISTRIES

MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US FOR OUR 2019 CHRISTIAN LIFE CONFERENCE!

In addition to guest speakers on the four Wednesday nights in August, we are thrilled to be hosting a seminar Friday night and Saturday morning, August 16-17, led by Dr. Steven Garber. Director of the Leadership, Theology, and Society program at Regent College in Vancouver, Dr. Garber is also an eloquent speaker, award-winning author, and consultant to a wide range of businesses, foundations, and educational institutions.

\$25 seminar cost covers meals and a copy of Dr. Garber's acclaimed book, *Visions of Vocation: Common Grace for the Common Good*. **To register for the seminar with Dr. Garber, or for more information on the August Christian Life Conference Wednesday night speakers, go to ipcmemphis.org.**

A CALL FOR TEACHERS

Promotion Sunday is August 4 for Preschool-5th Grade, and we have a GREAT NEED for classroom leaders to teach our Covenant Children in the 2019-2020 church year.

Currently, teachers are needed in the Nursery, Kindergarten Children's Church (8:30 or 11:00 a.m.), and 1st Grade Sunday School. Reservations about doing it alone? No worries! You can team teach with someone you know or a partner we find for you, and the teaching materials are provided. Contact Lucy Green, lgreen@ipcmemphis.org.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Senior High Pool Party** | Today | 12:30-2:30 p.m. | Pizza provided
- Junior High Water Buffalo (Pool Party)** | July 29 | 4:00-6:00 p.m. | Pizza provided
- Women's Summer Bible Study Concludes** | July 30 | 10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.
- K-4th Grades (completed) "Too Fun Tuesdays" Conclude** | July 30 | 10:00-11:30 a.m.
- College Flapjack Freshman Fridays** | August 2, 15 | 10 a.m.-noon
- Promotion Sunday for Nursery-4th Grade** | August 4
- Christian Life Conference** | *Common Grace for the Common Good* | August 7, 14, 21, 28
- Pathway Class for Prospective Members** | August 9-10
- Usher and Greeter Training Session** | August 10 | 9:00-11:30 a.m. | Chapel
- Senior High Choir Ski Day** | August 10 | Pickwick Lake
- Visions of Vocation Seminar** | August 16-17 | Fellowship Hall
- Congregational Meeting and Officer Elections** | August 18 | 10:00 a.m. | Fellowship Hall
- Sunday Evening Praise and Four Corners Resume** | August 18
- 99 Balloons rEcess New Volunteer Training** | August 25 | 9:45 a.m. | Bride's Room
- Women's Luncheon** | August 27 | 11:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall
- In the Word Men's Bible Study Resumes** | August 29 | 6:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall
- Labor Day Holiday** | September 2 | Church Office and Bookstore Closed
- Junior High Choir Ski Day** | September 7 | Horseshoe Lake
- Wednesday Evenings @ IPC Resume** | Wednesday, September 4 | Large Group Study, Grace Groups, BLAST!, Choirs, DivorceCare, Youth Groups, Scouts
- 99 Balloons rEcess Resumes** | Friday, September 6
- WOC Simply Tuesday Bible Study Resumes** | September 10 | 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- Fall Festival and Church Picnic** | Sunday, September 29

PASTORAL STAFF

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas	<i>Senior Pastor</i>
Rev. Robert Browning	<i>Associate Pastor</i>
Rev. Edward Norton	<i>Associate Pastor</i>
Rev. Jeremy Jones	<i>Assistant Pastor</i>
Rev. Mike Malone	<i>Assistant Pastor</i>
Rev. Brad Robson	<i>Pastor, Student Ministries</i>
Rev. Parker Tenent	<i>Assistant Pastor</i>
Rev. Ford S. Williams, Jr.	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>
Rev. John P. Sartelle, Sr.	<i>Senior Pastor Emeritus</i>
Rev. Bill Hogan	<i>Assistant Pastor Emeritus</i>

MINISTRY STAFF

Alison Barger	<i>Director, Communications</i>
James A. Brown, Jr.	<i>Director, Worship & Music Ministries</i>
Pam Brown	<i>Assistant Director, Worship & Music Ministries</i>
Gwen Carpenter	<i>Food Services Manager</i>
Ben Ervin	<i>Audio Visual Coordinator</i>
Mary Virginia Felker	<i>Assistant Director, Senior High Ministry</i>
Stephen Felker	<i>Student Ministry Associate</i>
Leigh Fox	<i>Hospitality Consultant</i>
Emilee Garrett	<i>Children's Choirs Coordinator</i>
Lucy Green	<i>Director, Children's Ministry</i>
Paul Halford, Sr.	<i>Director, Operations</i>
Zach Hood	<i>Director, College Ministry</i>
Rob Howard	<i>Director, Recreation Ministries</i>
Harrison Howle	<i>Choral Assistant</i>
Debbie McCallen	<i>Covenanters' Corner Bookstore</i>
Taylor Peaster	<i>Assistant Director, Women's Ministry</i>
Maryanna Story	<i>Assistant Director, Student Ministry</i>
Lisa Turner	<i>Director, Women's Ministry</i>
Jennifer Velázquez	<i>Associate Director, Worship & Music Ministries Organist</i>
Scott Walker	<i>Worship Assistant</i>
Suellen Warren	<i>Business Administrator</i>
Rachel Wukasch	<i>Assistant Director, Children's Ministry</i>

IPC OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m. Friday

Church's Main Office	901-685-8206
Music Office	901-685-9707
Recreation Office	901-763-3857

COVENANTERS' CORNER BOOKSTORE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:30 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.
901-763-3932

*The Bookstore will be closed
on Fridays through Labor Day.*

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Independent Presbyterian Church
is to make disciples of Jesus by gathering for worship,
growing in community, and going out in love.

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