



INDEPENDENT
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

This past Sunday, we began our fall study through the letters of John. As we noted, John wrote this first letter for two reasons: first, he wanted to help those who were following the apostles' teaching and who were trusting in Jesus the Messiah as their Savior to gain "blessed assurance." But second, he was challenging those who were straying doctrinally, morally, and socially, raising significant questions about whether they were genuine followers of Jesus.

Those questions will provide the structure for our survey of 1 John. Today, the question is, "Do you walk in darkness?" As those who claim fellowship with God, we trust that the Holy Spirit is forming us so that we reflect God's character: God is light; those who follow him cannot walk in darkness, but also desire to walk in the light. The problem, of course, is even when we do not desire to walk in darkness, we feel the darkness — our remaining sin — inside us. It is for sinners like us that the Gospel found in 1 John 1:9 and 2:1-2 becomes precious. May the Gospel of God's Son grant you hope and joy, power and holiness, as you have fellowship with him and one another!

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 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 ELEVENTH DAY OF AUGUST, TWO THOUSAND AND NINETEEN

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

"How Great the Love"

Beall/arr. Brown

The Men's Ensemble

How great the love that held him there upon a cruel, lonely tree.
How great the gift! How great the love—that he would die for even me.

How great the pain he had to bear, the bitter cup, the agony.
How great the pain, how great the love—that he would die for even me.

How great the debt of love I owe for sins forgiven, soul set free.
How great the debt of love I owe for now and all eternity.

How great the love that held him there! How great the cost of victory!
How great the gift! How great the love—that he would die, would gladly die for even me.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 117

The Minister: Praise the Lord all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord! Let us worship him!

The Reverend J. Edward Norton, Associate Pastor (8:30 a.m.)

The Reverend Jeremy Jones, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

No. 1

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Laudes Domini

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this th' eternal song, through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Ruth Cameron Knight (8:30 a.m.)

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH AND SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baylor Ellis Hutchens (11:00 a.m.)

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all who call upon you, hear us as we come to you. We humbly confess our sins and transgressions, and we implore you for mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our thoughts, words, and deeds, as well as by the sinful affections of our hearts. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Grant that we may hereafter serve and please you as we walk in the newness of life, through Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, *Amen*.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. — *1 John 1:9*

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“The Power of the Cross”

arr. Powell

James Brown, Guitar

Words and music by
Getty/Townend



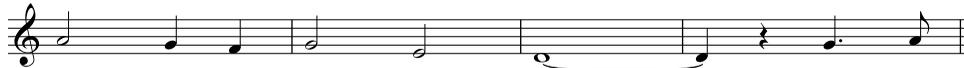
1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day:
2. Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on your face,
3. Now the day - light flees; now the ground be - neath
4. Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin.
quakes as its Mak - er bows his head.
for through your suf - fring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en, then
Ev' - ry bit - ter thought, ev' - ry e - vil deed
Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live,



nailed to a cross of wood. This, the
crown - ing your blood - stained brow. This, the
"Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry. This, the
won through your self - less love! This, the



pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came
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pow'r of the cross: Son of God,



sin for us; took the blame, bore the
sin for us; took the blame, bore the
sin for us; took the blame, bore the
slain for us; what a love! What a



wrath - we stand for - giv - en at the cross.
wrath - we stand for - giv - en at the cross.
wrath - we stand for - giv - en at the cross.
cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

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

Question and Answer 57

The Minister: What is the fourth commandment?

The Congregation: The fourth commandment is, “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore, the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.”

Question and Answer 58

The Minister: What is required in the fourth commandment?

The Congregation: The fourth commandment requires the keeping holy to God such set times as he has appointed in his Word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy sabbath to himself.

Question and Answer 59

The Minister: Which day of the seven has God appointed to be the weekly sabbath?

The Congregation: From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly sabbath; and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian sabbath.

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

“Gloria in Excelsis” from *12th Mass*

Mozart

Julia Howle, Soprano Elaine Clowers, Alto Clint Early, Tenor Tom Horner, Baritone
James A. Brown, Jr., Director

Glorious is thy name, Almighty Lord,
All the angels stand round about thy throne;
Let all nations bow before thee, and declare thy wondrous works.

We praise thee, we give thanks to thee, we adore thee, we glorify thee.
Lord, we adore thee, we bless thee; Lord, we thank thee for thy great glory.

Heav'n is thy throne, and earth is thy footstool.
Thou art King over all the world. Glorious is thy name, O Lord.
Blessing and honor be to God, for ever and evermore.

THE SERMON

1 John 1:5-2:2 (*pew Bible page 1021*)

The Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Questions for Assurance: Studies in John's Letters

“Do You Walk in Darkness?”

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas

Senior Pastor

SERMON NOTES

1. Heart of the message (1:5)

A. What God Is

B. What God Expects

2. Hypocrisy of our hearts (1:6-10)

A. Persistent Sin (6-7)

B. Perfected Saints (8-10)

3. Hope for sinners (2:1-2)

A. Advocate

B. Atonement

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“The Light of the World Is Jesus”

No. 476

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

Grise

THE POSTLUDE

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

arr. Powell

Abby Powell and Brandon Rushing, Horns

Arron Powell and Rachel Schnackel, Violins

Josh Muzzi, Viola Daniel Strawser, Cello

Peter Winterburn, Bassoon Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in gratitude to the Lord for our daughter, Ruth Cameron, on her baptism day, by Cameron and Trevor Knight.

THE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

The instrumental music this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of John David Grise on the occasion of his August birthday and in memory of Betty Lunati Grise, beloved IPC organist, who passed away March 11, 2019.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house. They are ever praising you. —Psalm 84:4

OUR CHURCH TODAY | AUGUST 11

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)

NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome the following new members:

Monte Brown
Anne Overton and Matt Earwood
Baylor Hutchens
Clare McCreery
Lenox and Matthew Warren



SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45-10:45

Nursery & Preschool –
First floor, rooms divided by age
Kindergarten — Room 209

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 220-222*
 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*

NEXT SUNDAY: CONGREGATIONAL MEETING*

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for next 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. Those who wish to see the by-laws with the proposed revisions may pick up a hard copy at the reception desk, or contact Gayle Hardee via email, ghardee@ipcmemphis.org.

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.

**Please note: There will be no Adult Sunday School.*

OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 14

5:30 p.m. Dinner | Fellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. August 2019 Christian Life Conference *with* Dr. Steven Garber | Fellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. That Thing | Romper Room (K - 5th grade)
 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

MENU FOR THIS WEDNESDAY EVENING

Fried Chicken or Baked Chicken Breast, Company Mashed Potatoes,
 Steamed Green Beans, Apple Crisp with Ice Cream
 Kid's Menu: Chicken Leg and Tots,
 Celery and Carrots with Ranch Dressing, Fresh Fruit Cup

SUNDAY EVENING PRAISE AND FOUR CORNERS RESUME | AUGUST 18

Our Sunday Evening Praise resumes August 18 at 6:00
in the Sanctuary. Communion will be served.
Additionally, Four Corners for ages K-5th will resume at 6:30.



OUTREACH & MINISTRIES

COMMON GRACE FOR THE COMMON GOOD

August 2019 Christian Life Conference

Our August Christian Life Conference continues this **Wednesday, August 14**,
with **Dr. Steven Garber** as our speaker for the evening.

Join us for dinner at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall, then plan to stay and
hear Dr. Garber discuss *Singing Songs the Whole World Can Hear*.

Future Speakers and Topics:

Beth Winterburn, Hillary and David Butler | August 21 | *Art for the Common Good*

Dr. Luke Bobo | August 28 | *Living Life Vocationally: What the Church Must Do*

In addition to guest speakers on 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.**

LOCAL MINISTRY PARTNERS FAIR | AUGUST 21

IPC is hosting a Ministry Fair for our local ministry partners.

Stop by during the evening of Wednesday, August 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m., in the rotunda, and take a few moments to learn more about what these ministries do for our community, as well as explore volunteer opportunities and other ways in which you can help.

WOC LUNCHEON

Tuesday, August 27 | 11:30 a.m. | \$7

Dr. Mary Willson, Guest Speaker

For lunch and nursery reservations, register online at ipcmemphis.org.

IN THE WORD:

BIBLE STUDY FOR MEN OF ALL AGES

led by Dr. Sean Lucas

Beginning Thursday, August 29

6:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall

BLAST!

Building Lives Around Sound Truth
Grades K-5 | Wednesday Nights at IPC
Beginning September 4
Register at ipcmemphis.org.

PRE-ELEMENTARY CHOIR

Beginning Wednesday, September 4
Register at ipcmemphis.org.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT GRACE GROUPS

Beginning September 4

Sign up with the pastor of your community.

Questions? Contact Parker Tenent,

ptenent@ipcmemphis.org.

DIVORCECARE

Find help. Discover hope. Experience healing.
Wednesdays, beginning September 4
6:00-7:30 p.m. | Room 233

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Tuesday, September 10
10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Details at ipcmemphis.org

PRAYER MINISTRY

Men's Prayer Breakfast in Fellowship Hall | Tuesdays | 6:30 a.m.

Come and join a group of men who meet faithfully for a time of prayer in the Fellowship Hall.

Enjoy a good, hot breakfast for \$3.00.

Women's Prayer Time | Room 237 | Tuesdays | 10:00 a.m.



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