



**INDEPENDENT**  
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

## THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

Not many of us have ever heard a sermon from 2 John. And yet, this short letter has value for us as we consider the question it poses to us, “How much do you love the truth?” We may believe that we love God’s truth with our whole heart, until it is put to the test in some way — whether by opposition of others or our desires, by the contradiction of popular Christianity, or some other way. The Apostle John tried to nerve his congregation to love the truth in a world that no longer believes in the category of truth — and we need the same courage today.

In order to provide this for us, the Sovereign God uses his means of grace as effectual means of our salvation, preparing us to love his Truth and so love the One who is Truth itself. Our call to worship calls us to rejoice in our God because he is our joy and our salvation — with all the means at our disposal, we are to rejoice in him. And yet, we recognize the times we fail to worship him as he deserves, fail to love the truth that he is. Yet God comes back to us with this good word: He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. May God grant us grace to love him with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength!

## 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 Weekend for Prospective Members*, February 7-8, 2020. 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.***

PLEASE ENJOY YOUR COFFEE OUTSIDE OF THE SANCTUARY.

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE TENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND NINETEEN  
*Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock*

## THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE MEDITATION

"How Can I Keep from Singing" arr. Walters  
*Beth Rushing, Soprano Randal Rushing, Tenor*

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 150

*The Minister:* Praise to the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in the mighty heavens!

*The Congregation:* Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

*The Minister:* Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

*The Congregation:* Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

*All:* Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

*The Reverend Jeremy Jones, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)*  
*The Reverend Parker Tenent, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)*

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"We Come, O Christ, to You"

No. 181

## THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

## THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Darwall

All nations of the earth, extol the world's great King;  
with melody and mirth his glorious praises sing;  
for he still reigns, and will bring low the proudest foe that him disdains.

Sing forth Jehovah's praise, you saints, that on him call!  
Him magnify always, his holy churches all!  
In him rejoice, and there proclaim his holy name with sounding voice.

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

## THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

O gracious and loving Father, your majesty is beyond full description, your glory more than our sinful eyes could withstand to see, and your holiness fills the heavens. Yet, your mercy pursues us in dark and guilty places, your grace unveils our faces, and your holiness reaches down to where we are, transforming us into instruments of your redeeming love. Grant that we would be bold and broken. Forgive us, Lord, our sins, which are many. Melt the icy casualness with which we approach you. Purge the love of our favorite sins. Fan the flame of passion for your glory in our lives. Create a deep hunger within us, and satisfy that longing with more of your Son, the only Savior we need, Jesus Christ, *Amen*.

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’” — *John 14:6*

# THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Andrew Olinger, Guitar James Brown, Bass

Words: Charles Wesley, 1740

Music: Greg Thompson



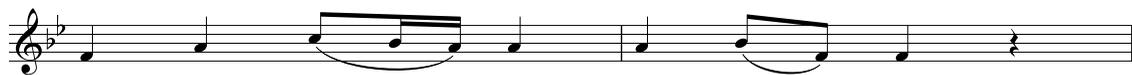
1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me  
2. Oth - er re - fuge have I none, hangs my  
3. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to



to thy bos - om fly, while the near - er  
help - less soul on thee; leave, ah! leave me  
cov - er all my sin; let the heal - ing



wa - ters roll, while the tem - pest still is high:  
not a - lone, still sup - port and com - fort me!  
streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with - in;



hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide,  
All my trust on thee is stayed,  
thou of life the foun - tain art,



'til the storm is past. Safe in - to the  
help from thee I bring; cov - er my de -  
let me take of thee; spring thou up with -



hav - en guide, re - ceive my soul at last.  
fense - less head in the shad - ow of thy wing.  
in my heart, to all e - ter - ni - ty.

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

## THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q and A 91-93

### Question and Answer 91

*The Minister:* How do the sacraments become effectual means of salvation?

*The Congregation:* The sacraments become effectual means of salvation, not from any virtue in them, or in him that doth administer them; but only by the blessing of Christ, and the working of his Spirit in them that by faith receive them.

### Question and Answer 92

*The Minister:* What is a sacrament?

*The Congregation:* A sacrament is a holy ordinance instituted by Christ, wherein, by sensible signs, Christ, and the benefits of the new covenant, are represented, sealed, and applied to believers.

### Question and Answer 93

*The Minister:* Which are the sacraments of the New Testament?

*The Congregation:* The sacraments of the New Testament are baptism and the Lord's Supper.

## THE COMMISSIONING OF IPC LOCAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

### 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

"I Believe This Is Jesus"  
*Harrison Howle, Director*

Moore

I believe this is Jesus; come and see, come and see;  
I believe this is Jesus; come and see, come and see.

The Light of God shines in his face, oh, come and see, come and see.  
He offers all his pard'ning grace; come and see, come and see.

Oh, I believe this is Jesus; come and see, come and see;  
Yes, I believe this is Jesus; come and see, oh, my Lord.

## THE SERMON

2 John 1-13 (*pew Bible page 1025*)

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

*The Congregation:* Thanks be to God!

Questions for Assurance: Studies in John's Letters

"How Much Do You Love the Truth?"

*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*

*Senior Pastor*

## SERMON NOTES

Do you love the truth...

1. Enough to love others who love truth? (1-3)

2. Enough to walk in truth? (4-6)

3. Enough to be vigilant for truth? (7-9)

4. Enough to reject those who deny truth? (10-11)

## THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Jesus, with Thy Church Abide”

Words: Thomas Pollock, 1871

Music: Christopher Miner



1. Je - sus, with thy church a - bide;      be her Sav - ior,  
2. Keep her life and doc - trine pure;      grant her pa - tience  
3. May she one in doc - trine be,      one in truth and  
4. May she guide the poor and blind,      seek the lost un -



Lord, and Guide,      while on earth her faith is tried:  
to en - dure,      trust - ing in thy prom - ise sure:  
char - i - ty,      win - ning all to faith in thee:  
til she find      and the bro - ken - heart - ed bind:



We be - seech thee, hear us.      We be - seech thee, hear us.

## THE BENEDICTION

### THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Redhead

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me: I myself would truthful be;  
and with wisdom kind and clear let thy life in mine appear;  
ever by a mighty hope pressing on and bearing up.

## THE POSTLUDE

“Mighty Spirit, Dwell with Me”

K. Lee Scott

*Jennifer Velázquez, Organist*



# EVENING PRAISE

THE TENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND NINETEEN  
*Six O' clock*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Zephaniah 3:14-17

*Minister:* Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!

*Congregation:* The Lord has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies.

*Minister:* The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

*Congregation:* Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak. The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;

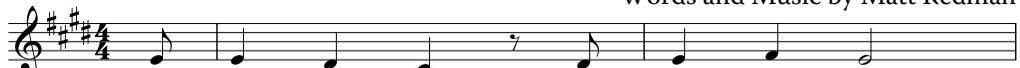
*All:* He will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

## INVOCATION

# SONG OF PRAISE

## “Better Is One Day”

Words and Music by Matt Redman



1. How love - ly is your dwell - ing place,



O Lord Al - might - y, my soul longs and



e - ven faints for you. For here my heart is  
thing I ask and



sat - is - fied with - in your pres - ence. I  
I would seek; to see your beau - ty, to



sing be - neath the shad - ow of your wings.  
find you in the place your glo - ry dwells.



Bet - ter is one day in your courts, bet - ter is



one day in your house, bet - ter is one day in your courts than thou - sands



else - where. Bet - ter is one day in your courts, bet - ter is



one day in your house bet - ter is one day in your courts than thou - sands

1. else- where. (Than thou- sands else- where.

2. One else - where.

My flesh and heart cry out

for you, the liv- ing God. Your Word is wa- ter to my

soul. I've tast- ed and I've seen,

come once a- gain to me. I will draw near to you,

I will draw near to you.

Bet- ter is one day, bet- ter is

one day, bet- ter is one day than thou- sands else-

1. where. Bet - ter is

2. where, than thou- sands else - where.

# SONG OF PRAISE

## “How Great Is Our God”

Words and Music by Chris Tomlin

1. The splen-dor of a King clothed in ma - jes - ty,  
2. Age to age he stands and time is in his hands;

let all the earth re - joice, all the earth re - joice.  
Be - gin-ning and The End, Be - gin-ning and The End,

He wraps him self in light and  
The God - head, Three in One,

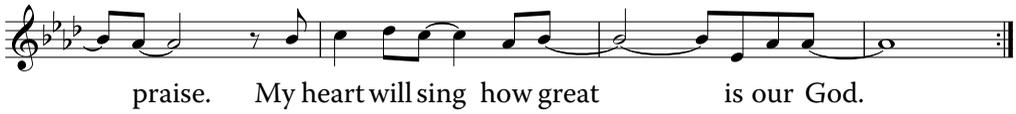
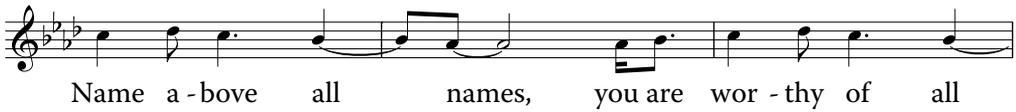
dark - ness tries to hide and trem-bles at his voice,  
Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son, The Li - on and The Lamb,

trem-bles at his voice. How great  
The Li - on and The Lamb.

is our God, sing with me how

great is our God, and all will see, how great, how great

is our God. You're the



### PASSING THE PEACE

*Minister:* Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." And so, the peace of Christ always be with you.

*Congregation:* And also with you.

*Minister:* Let us offer one another a word of peace.

*Please greet one another, saying "Peace be with you."*





still speaks with power, "All her debts



were cast on me, and she must and shall go free."



She must and shall go free.



<sup>2</sup>  
All her debts were cast on me,



and she must and shall go free. All her debts



were cast on me, and she must



1. and shall go free. 2. All her debts free.



And she must and shall go free.



And she must and shall go free."

SONG OF PRAISE

“By Thy Mercy”

Words: Cummins

Music: Thompson



1. Je - sus, Lord of life and glo - ry,  
 3. When temp - ta - tion sore - ly press - es,  
 5. In the wear - y hours of sick - ness,



bend from heav'n thy gra - cious ear; while our wait - ing  
 in the day of Sa - tan's pow'r, in our times of  
 in the times of grief and pain, when we feel our



souls a - dore thee, friend of help - less sin - ners, hear.  
 deep dis - tress - es, in each dark and try - ing hour.  
 mor - tal weak - ness, when all hu - man help is vain.



2. From the depth of na - ture's blind - ness, from the hard - ning  
 4. When the world a - round is smil - ing, in the time of  
 6. In the sol - emn hour of dy - ing, in the aw - ful



pow'r of sin, from all mal - ice and un - kind - ness  
 wealth and ease, earth - ly joys our hearts be - guil - ing,  
 judg - ment day, may our souls, on thee re - ly - ing,



from the pride that lurks with - in.  
 in the day of health and peace.  
 find thee still our Rock and Stay.



By thy mer - cy, O de - liv - er us, good Lord;

by thy mer-cy, O de-liv-er us, good  
 Lord, good Lord. By thy  
 mer-cy, O de-liv-er us, good  
 Lord; by thy mer-cy, O de-  
 liv-er us, good Lord, good Lord.

GRACE MOMENT

*Mr. Drake Bassett  
 President and CEO, Palmer Home for Children*

SONG OF PREPARATION

“Lord, I Need You”

Carson, Maher, Nickels,  
Reeves, Stanfill

1. Lord, I come, I con- fess, bow- ing here I find my  
rest. And with- out you I fall a - part, you're the  
*CHORUS*  
one that guides my heart. Lord, I  
need you, oh, I need you. Ev - 'ry hour I  
need you. My one de - fense, my right - eous - ness, oh  
*BRIDGE*  
God, how I need you. (v. 2) So

2. Where sin runs deep your grace is more.

Where grace is found is where you are

and where you are, Lord, I am free.

Holiness is Christ in me. (Chorus)

teach my song to rise to you when temp-tation comes my

way. And when I can-not stand, I'll fall on you.

Je - sus, you're my hope and stay. CHORUS (Lord, I)

*Children (K-5<sup>th</sup>) may be dismissed to Four Corners during the last verse.*

## SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 20:16 (*pew Bible page 61*)

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

*Congregation:* Thanks be to God!

## HOMILY

The Way of Life: The 10 Commandments for Today  
 “Love, Grace, and the Ninth Commandment”

*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*

*Senior Pastor*

SONG OF PRAISE

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

Words: Elizabeth Prentiss

Music: Kevin Twit

1. More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!  
 2. Once earth-ly joy I craved, sought peace and rest;  
 3. Then shall my lat - est breath whis - per thy praise;

Hear thou the prayer I make on bend-  
 now thee a - lone I seek, give what  
 this be the part - ing cry my heart

- ed knee. This is my ear - nest plea,  
 is best. This all my prayer shall be  
 shall raise; this still its prayer shall be

more love, O Christ, to thee; more love

more love more love to thee, more love

More love, more love, more love to thee,

more love to thee! More love,

more love, more love to thee!

more love, more love to thee,

More love, more love, more love to thee,

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more love, more love, to thee!

more love, more love to thee!

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## BENEDICTION



## THE FLOWERS

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God*  
by Joan and Dudley Schaefer in loving memory of their son, Paul.

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### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*We are happy to welcome the following new members:*

Charlotte and Wayne Eastlack

Kara and Tom Preston

Melissa and Jonathan Sherrod

Tiffani and John Stemmler

Emily and Tyler Upchurch

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### OUR CHURCH TODAY | NOVEMBER 10

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)
4:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal
4:30 p.m.	Cross-Cultural Book Club   Room 124
4:30 p.m.	Sunday Evening Praise Rehearsal
4:30 p.m.	IDK (Middle School) Small Groups
5:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:00 p.m.	Sr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Praise   Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Children migrate to Four Corners from Sunday Evening Praise
7:15 p.m.	Seniorhigh Small Groups

### COMMISSIONING SERVICE TODAY

During today's morning worship, members of IPC  
will be commissioned for their service in various local ministries.



## 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/5th grade — Room 201  
IDK (Middle School) — Room 155  
Seniorhigh — Room 254

### YOUNG ADULTS

College (Zach Hood) | Room 131  
Browning Community (20s-30s) | Room 220-222

### MIDDLE ADULTS

Tenent Community (30s-40s) | Fellowship Hall South  
Jones Community (40s-50s) | Fellowship Hall North

### MATURE ADULTS

Norton Community (50s-60s ) | Chapel  
Malone Community (60s+) | Room 237  
The Westminster Class (Jurey Howard and Ray Wilson) | Room 233  
Line by Line Class (Rankin Fowlkes) | Room 132

## OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | NOVEMBER 13

5:30 p.m. ....	Dinner   Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. ....	Jr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. ....	DivorceCare   Room 233
6:00 p.m. ....	Early Childhood Music
6:15 p.m. ....	BLAST!   Romper Room (K - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade)
6:15 p.m. ....	IPC IDK (Middle School) Youth Group   Middle School Room
6:15 p.m. ....	Grace Groups: <i>Reframe</i>
6:30 p.m. ....	Cross-Cultural Book Club   Room 124
6:30 p.m. ....	Pre-Elementary Choir
6:30 p.m. ....	Large Group Study – <i>A Survey of the New Testament</i>   Chapel
7:10 p.m. ....	Seniorhigh Youth Group   Seniorhigh Room
7:30 p.m. ....	Adult Choir Rehearsal

### MENU FOR THIS WEDNESDAY EVENING

Slow-Cooked Pot Roast, Company Mashed Potatoes, Steamed Green Peas and Carrots,  
Rolls, Apple Cobbler with Ice Cream, Chocolate Cake, Cookies  
Kid’s Menu: Chicken Tenders and Waffles, Apples, Milk



## OUTREACH & MINISTRIES

### CHURCH-WIDE POTLUCK

November 17 | After the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service | Fellowship Hall  
Gather with your church family for an old-fashioned potluck lunch!  
Enjoy good food and friends in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 17,  
following the 11:00 a.m. service.

*First letter of your last name determines what type of dish you should bring:*

*A-G dessert, H-P main dish, Q-Z side dish.*

Save the date, select your food, and plan to join us!

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### CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR | CHAPEL

*Friday, December 6, 6:30-8:30 p.m., and Saturday, December 7, 8:30 a.m.-noon\**

In this seminar taught by Dr. Sean Lucas, we'll study the biblical elements of Christian leadership to equip male and female members of IPC to serve in a variety of leadership roles: as parents, professionals, citizens, and church members.

*To register, please visit our website, [ipcmemphis.org](http://ipcmemphis.org),  
or contact Gayle Hardee, [ghardee@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:ghardee@ipcmemphis.org).*

*Note:* This seminar also serves as our Fall 2019 Officer Pre-Requisite Class for those male members of IPC interested in serving as a new elder or deacon at IPC in the future. Please contact Sean Lucas for details regarding course requirements, [slucas@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:slucas@ipcmemphis.org).

\*A continental breakfast will be provided on Saturday morning.



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