



**INDEPENDENT**  
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

## THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

Our text this morning begins a series of conversations — arguments, really — that the various religious leaders will have with Jesus, conversations that they believe will justify their arrest, condemnation, and crucifixion of Jesus at the end of this holiest of weeks. Today, we will see how the Pharisees and Sadducees will try to trap Jesus, discrediting him with his own words. Next week, we will see how the scribes interact with Jesus and how they fail to give to God all that they are and all that they have.

But as we come this morning, we need to remember that we are the ones who belong to God, who have his image upon us, who he will raise up on the last day — because he is the God of the living. We are his beloved children, bought with the precious blood of his beloved Son, Jesus. We must remember and respond — but coming to worship, awakening the dawn with our praise! We confess our sins, confident that God deals with us not as enemies, but as his children upon whom he has compassion. We affirm the great truths of our adoption — that by Jesus' propitiation, enemies and rebels have now become God's own sons and daughters. What good news! What grace! What joy! Let us worship!

## WELCOME TO INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

As a fellowship of believers, we like to know all who are worshipping with us today, so please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it down the aisle. If you are a visitor, thank you for joining us. Any questions about our church? We encourage you to ask a member on your aisle, an usher, or a minister for help. They can answer your questions or assist you in finding someone who can.

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.

Please see an usher if you need a hearing amplification device.

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

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

## THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE MEDITATION

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" St. Margaret/arr. Courtney  
*Daniel Strawser, Cello*

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95:1-7

*The Minister:* Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

*The Congregation:* Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

*The Minister:* For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

*The Congregation:* In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

*The Minister:* Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

*The Congregation:* For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Amen! Let us worship God!

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

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

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

No. 302

## THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

## THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Joyful Song

Praise him! praise him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
Sing, O earth, his wonderful love proclaim!  
Hail him! hail him! highest archangels in glory;  
Strength and honor give to his holy name!  
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard his children,  
In his arms he carries them all day long:  
Praise him! praise him! tell of his excellent greatness;  
Praise him! praise him! ever in joyful song!  
*Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.*

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Barry Walker Maynard (8:30 a.m.)*

## THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Our father in heaven, you are our covenant-keeping God. And yet, we confess that we have often been covenant breakers, faithless ones who have transgressed your law, faulty ones who have doubted your wisdom, power, goodness, and love. We have not taken up our cross to follow you, but instead have chosen the way of ease, comfort, and security. According to your mercy, forgive our cold, apathetic, selfish hearts. Pour out your grace upon us that we might live lives worthy of the calling we have received. Preserve us by your grace that we might persevere to the end and so know the joy of your presence forever. In Jesus' name, *Amen*.

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We confess our sins not as orphans or unloved children, but as those who are God's adopted and beloved children. God's Word says, "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are!" Thanks be to God for his love for us as his blood-bought children. — *1 John 3:1*

# THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

*Jurey Howard, Guitar*

Words: Habershon and Merker

Music: Merker



1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me  
2. Those he saves are his de - light, Christ will hold me  
3. For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me



fast. When the tempt - er would pre - vail,  
fast. Pre - cious in his ho - ly sight,  
fast. Jus - tice has been sat - is - fied,



he will hold me fast. I could nev - er keep my  
he will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be  
he will hold me fast. Raised with him to end - less



hold through life's fear - ful path;  
lost his prom - is - es shall last;  
life, he will hold me fast;



for my love is of - ten cold, he must hold me  
bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me  
till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at



fast. He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast.  
fast.  
last.



For my Sav - ior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

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

## THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 12

We believe that all those that are justified, God vouchsafes, in and for his only Son Jesus Christ, to make partakers of the grace of adoption, by which they are taken into the number, and enjoy the liberties and privileges of the children of God; have his name put upon them; receive the Spirit of adoption; have access to the throne of grace with boldness; are enabled to cry, "Abba, Father"; are pitied, protected, provided for, and chastened by him, as by a father: yet never cast off, but sealed to the day of redemption; and inherit the promises, as heirs of everlasting salvation.

## THE PRAYER OF INTERCESSION 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, forever. *Amen.*

## THE OFFERTORY

"Be Still My Soul"

arr. Courtney

*James A. Brown, Jr. Director*

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to your God to order and provide;  
In every change God faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
To guide the future as in ages past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord,  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

## THE SERMON

Mark 12:13-27 (*pew Bible page 848*)

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

*The Congregation:* Thanks be to God!

“Arguing with Jesus, Part 1”

*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*

*Senior Pastor*

## SERMON NOTES

### 1. Pharisees

A. Deception

B. Devotion

### 2. Sadducees

A. Trick question

B. True hope

## THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

Words: George Matheson, 1882

Music: Christopher Miner



1. O Love that will not let me go, I  
2. O Light that fol - low'st all my way, I  
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I  
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I



rest my wear - y soul in thee; I give thee back the  
yield my flick' - ring torch to thee; my heart re - stores its  
can - not close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow  
dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's



life I owe, that in thine o - cean  
bor - rowed ray, that in thy sun - shine's  
through the rain, and feel the prom - ise  
glo - ry dead, and from the ground there



depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.  
blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.  
is not vain, that morn shall tear - less be.  
blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

## THE BENEDICTION

## THE CHORAL RESPONSE

“Threefold Amen”

Danish

## THE POSTLUDE

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

arr. Manz

*Jennifer Velázquez, Organist*



# EVENING PRAISE

THE ELEVENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN

*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

## "Let Your Kingdom Come"

Based on The Valley of Vision prayer  
"God's Cause"

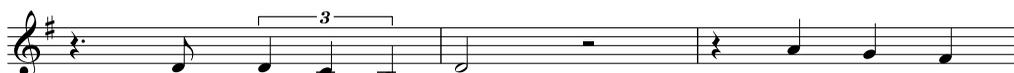
Music and Words: Bob Kauflin



1. Your glo - rious cause, O God, en - gag - es our  
2. Give us your strength, O God, and cour - age to



hearts. May Je - sus Christ be known  
speak. Per - form your won - drous deeds



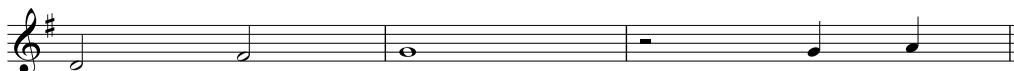
wher - ev - er we are. We ask not  
through those who are weak. Lord, use us



for our - selves, but for your re - nown.  
as you want, what - ev - er the test.



The cross has saved us so we pray, "Your  
By grace we'll preach your gos - pel till our



king - dom come." Let your  
dy - ing breath.



king - dom come, let your will be done



so that ev - ery - one might know your Name.



Let your song be heard

ev - ery - where on earth till your  
sove - reign work on earth is done.  
Let your king - dom come.

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Detailed description: The image shows a musical score for three lines of lyrics. The music is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first line of music corresponds to the lyrics 'ev - ery - where on earth till your'. The second line corresponds to 'sove - reign work on earth is done.'. The third line corresponds to 'Let your king - dom come.'. The third line of music ends with a double bar line and a fermata, with a '3' above it indicating a triplet. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

Words: Ernest W. Shurtleff

Music: Jeff Pardo

Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the  
 on, O King e - ter - nal, till  
 on, O King e - ter - nal, we

day of march has come; hence -  
 sin's fierce war shall cease, and  
 fol - low, not with fears, for

forth in fields of con - quest, thy tents shall be our home.  
 ho - li - ness shall whis - per, the sweet a - men of peace.  
 glad - ness breaks like morn - ing, where - e'er thy face ap - pears.

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion, thy  
 For not with swords loud clash - ing, nor  
 Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us, we

grace has made us strong; and now, O King e - ter -  
 roll of stir - ring drums, with deeds of love and mer -  
 jour - ney in its light; the crown a - waits the con -

nal, we lift our bat - tle song.  
 cy, the heaven - ly king - dom comes.  
 quest; lead on, O God of might.

1. 2.3.

2. Lead So lead on, O King;

lead on, O King; lead on, O King,

1. 2. 2.

lead on! 3. Lead repeat refrain

Detailed description: The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music on a single staff. The first system has two measures with first and second endings. The second system has four measures with lyrics. The third system has six measures, including a double bar line and a repeat sign, with first and second endings. The lyrics are: '2. Lead So lead on, O King; lead on, O King; lead on, O King, lead on! 3. Lead repeat refrain'.

## 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."*

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,



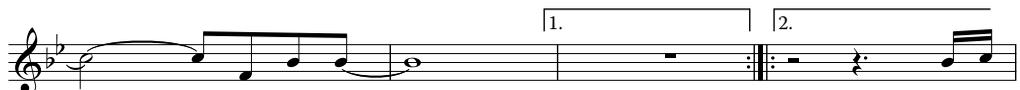
trem - bles at his voice. How great  
The Li - on and The Lamb.



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



Name a -bove all names, you are wor - thy of all



praise. My heart will sing how great is our God.

*chorus*



How great is our God, sing with me, how great is our God



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



by thy mer-cy, O de-liv-er us, good  
 Lord, good Lord. <sup>1.2.</sup> Lord. <sup>3.</sup> 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. Matt Buyer*  
*Member of the Short-Term Mission Team to Tanzania*

SONG OF PREPARATION

“O Church, Arise”

Getty/Townend



1. O church, a - rise and put your ar - mor on; hear the  
 2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, but to  
 3. Come, see the cross where love and mer - cy meet, as the  
 4. So Spir - it, come, put strength in ev' - ry stride, give



call of Christ our cap - tain; for now the weak can say that  
 rage a - gainst the cap - tor; and with the sword that makes the  
 Son of God is strick - en; then see his foes lie crushed be -  
 grace for ev' - ry hur - dle, that we may run with faith to



they are strong in the strength that God has giv - en. With shield of  
 wound-ed whole we will fight with faith and val - or. When faced with  
 neath his feet, for the Con - quer - or has ris - en! And as the  
 win the prize of a ser - vant good and faith - ful. As saints of



faith and belt of truth we'll stand a - gainst the dev - il's  
 trials on ev' - ry side, we know the out - come is se -  
 stone is rolled a - way, and Christ e - merg - es from the  
 old still line the way, re - tell - ing tri - umphs of his



lies; an ar - my bold whose bat - tle  
 cure, and Christ will have the prize for  
 grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues  
 grace, we hear their calls and hun - ger



cry is "Love!" reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.  
 which he died, an in - her - i - tance of na - tions.  
 till the day ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see him.  
 for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

## SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:9-11 (*pew Bible page 811*)

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

*Congregation:* Thanks be to God!

## HOMILY

“Pray for God’s Rule”

*Dr. Sean Michael Lucas*

*Senior Pastor*

# SONG OF PRAISE

## “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-ta-tion 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)

## BENEDICTION



## THE FLOWERS

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

by Mr. and Mrs. Van Oliver in honor of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Brent Rooker, Jr.  
Mrs. Rooker is the former Miss Allison Blair Oliver.

## NEW MEMBERS

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

Zach Fisher, Maddie Jiongo, Alexandra Vaughan

NEXT SUNDAY: CHURCH-WIDE POTLUCK IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

*following the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service*

Bring food according to the first letter of your last name:

A-G side dish | H-P dessert | Q-Z main dish

Invite a friend!

## OUR CHURCH TODAY | NOVEMBER 11

|            |       |   |
|------------|-------|---|
| 8:30 a.m.  | ..... | Worship Service   |
| 8:30 a.m.  | ..... | Children's Church (Kindergarten)                            |
| 9:45 a.m.  | ..... | Pathway Class   Third Floor Conference Room                 |
| 9:45 a.m.  | ..... | Sunday School   |
| 11:00 a.m. | ..... | Worship Service   |
| 11:00 a.m. | ..... | Children's Church (Kindergarten)                            |
| 3:00 p.m.  | ..... | Sunday Evening Praise Rehearsal                             |
| 4:00 p.m.  | ..... | Adult Choir <i>Lessons and Carols</i> Rehearsal             |
| 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.  | ..... | Sr. High Small Groups                                       |



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 — *Room 204*  
Junior High — *Room 155*  
Senior High — *Room 254*

College | Mr. Zach Hood | *Room 125*  
 20s Community | Dr. Sean Lucas 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 | NOVEMBER 14

5:30 p.m. .... Dinner | Fellowship Hall  
 5:30 p.m. .... Jr. High Choir Rehearsal  
 6:00 p.m. .... DivorceCare | Room 233  
 6:15 p.m. .... Jr. High Youth Group  
 6:15 p.m. .... BLAST! | (K - 5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
 6:30 p.m. .... Wednesday Night Large Study Group | Chapel  
 6:30 p.m. .... Grace Groups  
 6:30 p.m. .... Pre-Elementary Choir  
 7:10 p.m. .... Sr. High Youth Group  
 7:30 p.m. .... Adult Choir Rehearsal



## OUTREACH & MINISTRIES

### CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR | CHAPEL

*Friday, November 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m., and Saturday, November 17, 8:30 a.m.-noon\**

**OR**

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

*Please RSVP to Gayle Hardee, [ghardee@ipcmemphis.org](mailto:ghardee@ipcmemphis.org), indicate which session you would like to attend, if you will need nursery, and the age(s) of your child(ren).*

*Note:* This seminar also serves as our Fall 2018 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.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Covenanters' Corner Bookstore Open House | November 13, 14, 15

Faith and Work Fellowship: *Why You Can't Do This Alone* | November 15 | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | Chapel

Christian Leadership Seminar | November 16-17 | Chapel

Jr. High Buffalo Retreat | November 16-18

Church-Wide Potluck following 11:00 a.m. Worship Service | November 18

Thanksgiving Day Worship Service | November 22 | 10:00 a.m. | Sanctuary

Jr. High and Sr. High Turkey Bowl | November 25 | 2:00-4:00 p.m. | MUS

Pre-Elementary Music Nativity Program | November 28 | 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Bingo | November 28 | 6:30 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Annual Service of Lessons and Carols | December 2 | 6:00 p.m.

Graded Choirs Christmas Program | December 5 | 6:30 p.m.

99 Balloons rEcess | December 7\*

Christian Leadership Seminar | December 7-8 | Chapel

Jr. High Christmas Party | December 9 | 12:30-2:00 p.m.

Family Christmas Carol Sing | December 9 | 6:00 p.m.

Food Basket Setup and Assembly | December 14-15

*Messiah* Sing-Along | December 16 | 6:00 p.m.

Sr. High Christmas Party Camp Out | December 19 | Mallard's Croft

Christmas Eve Family Service | December 24 | 4:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Christmas Eve Communion Service | December 24 | 5:30 p.m. | Sanctuary

*\*(Parents-Night-Out for Families with children ages 12 and under who have special needs)*



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