

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE FOURTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND SIXTEEN  
*Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock*

*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. — John 1:14*

## THE PRELUDE

“He Leadeth Me” arr. Barta  
*Elena and Nathaniel Efthimiou, Violins*  
*Daniel Strawser, Cello*

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Daniel 4:34-35

*The Minister:* “Bless the Most High; praise and honor Him who lives forever.

*The Congregation:* For His dominion is an everlasting dominion, and His kingdom endures from generation to generation.

*The Minister:* All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and He does according to His will among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay His hand or say to Him, “What have you done?”

*The Congregation:* Praise, extol and honor the king of heaven, for all His works are just and right; and those who walk in pride He is able to humble.”

*The Reverend Justin Jones*  
*Assistant Pastor*

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” No. 53

## THE INVOCATION 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 GLORIA PATRI

Nicaea

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy! Holy! Holy! Merciful and Mighty!  
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity! *Amen.*

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

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, we acknowledge that we are unworthy of Your redeeming grace. We have not believed Your promises, nor trusted in our living Lord. We have erected idols in our hearts, and bowed down and served them. We confess that we have been unchaste; instead of setting our minds on the riches that are ours in Christ, we have harbored all kinds of lustful and perverted thoughts. Not only have we sinned in our thinking, but we also confess our intemperance in our seeing, hearing, and speaking. But now in penitence we beg of You, O heavenly Father, that You would have compassion upon us. Have mercy upon us, and graciously forgive us these and all our sins. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and keep us by Your almighty power. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit, so that we may walk in Your ways and live according to Your will, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, our Savior. *Amen.*

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.”  
— *Psalms 130:3-4, 7*

## THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Heidelberg Q and A 26

*The Minister:* What do you believe when you say, “I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth”?

*The Congregation:* That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by His eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ His Son. I trust Him so much that I do not doubt He will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and He will turn to my good whatever adversity He sends me in this sad world. He is able to do this because He is almighty God; He desires to do this because He is a faithful Father.

## THE DOXOLOGY

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one,  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! *Amen.*

## THE OFFERTORY

“Bless the Lord, O My Soul” Ippolitof-Ivanof  
*Harrison Howle, Director*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, blessed art Thou, O Lord;  
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

Who redeemeth thy life from destruction;  
who crowneth thee with loving-kindness.  
He will not always chide; neither will He keep His anger forever.

## THE SERMON

Daniel 1:1-21 (*pew Bible page 737*)

Resident Aliens: Living Life As A Colony Of Heaven — Part 3  
“A Stranger in a Strange Land”  
*The Reverend Mike Malone*  
*Assistant Pastor*

## THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

“The Power of the Cross”

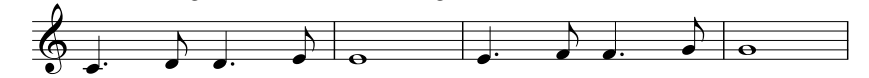
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1. Oh, to see the dawn Of the dark - est day:  
2. Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath  
3. Oh, to see my name Writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.  
Quakes as its Ma - ker bows His head.  
For through Your suff - 'ring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, Torn and beat - en, then  
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  
"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  
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.  
cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

“For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.” — *1 Corinthians 11:26*

## THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” No. 457

## THE BENEDICTION

## THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“Here in the Pow’r of Christ, I’ll Stand!” Getty and Townend  
*Choir and Congregation*

No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow’r of Christ, I’ll stand!

## THE POSTLUDE

“Fugue” from *Sonata VI* Mendelssohn  
*Jennifer Velázquez, Organist*



## WELCOME TO IPC

Visitors are special at IPC. Please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it down the aisle so that we will know you were here. Join us on Wednesday evenings for our Fellowship Dinner at 5:30 p.m., followed by Grace Groups and teaching in the Fellowship Hall.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*, October 2, 9, 16, and 23, at 9:45, during the Sunday School hour, in the third floor conference room. To register, please contact Gayle Hardee, [ghardee@indepres.org](mailto:ghardee@indepres.org).



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



## THE FLOWERS

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God*  
by Kay Hall and family in celebration of  
the September birthday of Holt Hall.

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 the internet at [www.indepres.org](http://www.indepres.org).

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## OUR CHURCH TODAY | SEPTEMBER 4

8:30 a.m.....Worship Service and Communion  
8:30 a.m..... K-Church and Jr. Church (Grade 1)  
9:45 a.m.....Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service and Communion  
11:00 a.m..... K-Church and Jr. Church (Grade 1)

## CHURCH OFFICE AND BOOKSTORE CLOSED

The Church Office and Bookstore will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 5, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

## OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 7

5:30 p.m.....Dinner — Fellowship Hall  
5:30 p.m.....Jr. High Choir  
6:30 p.m.....*The Christian in an Age of Terror* —Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m.....Grace Groups, Small Groups (various locations)  
6:30 p.m.....Children’s Choirs  
6:30 p.m..... C.I.A. (Christ in Action) — Romper Room (Grades 2-5)  
6:30 p.m.....Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups  
7:30 p.m.....Adult Choir Rehearsal

## GRACE GROUPS@IPC

**This Wednesday, September 7**, we will kick-off all regular Wednesday evening activities. Grace Groups, small groups at IPC that are driven through communities, will begin at 6:30 p.m. Contact your community pastor if you are interested in joining a Grace Group, or visit [www.indepres.org](http://www.indepres.org) for more information.

## WEDNESDAY EVENING TEACHING

If you will not be attending a Grace Group, we encourage you to join Ed Norton in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m., for a follow-up to the *Engage* series, *The Christian in an Age of Terror*. We live in an age of constant terror. *The Christian in an Age of Terror*, by Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones, speaks to our current global and geopolitical environment; and, how the Christian is to experience life in a tumultuous environment.

## IPC LIFE

IPC is excited to introduce a new piece of communication, *IPC Life*. *IPC Life* can be found in the main lobby, main church entrances, and Sunday School classrooms. The piece will be printed the 1st of each month and will include information about upcoming events and ministries at IPC. Events and announcements will be designated based on three main areas of our mission — gathering for worship, growing in community, and going out in love.

## IMPROVED OFFICER TRAINING AND ELECTION PROCESS

This fall IPC is introducing an improved officer training process for future Elders and Deacons. This improved Officer Training and Election process was developed by the Leadership Development Committee and recently approved by the Session. The first part of our Officer Training process will be an 11-week Pre-Requisite Course offered for prospective Elders and Deacons, beginning Friday, September 9. This course will provide a rich understanding of the roles of church officers at IPC, and cover crucial aspects of Reformed theology and Presbyterian polity. Please contact your community pastor to inquire about participating, and visit [www.indepres.org](http://www.indepres.org) for more information.

## THE MISSION OF INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

is to make disciples of Jesus by *gathering* for worship,  
*growing* in community, and *going out* in love.

~Please enjoy your coffee outside of the Sanctuary. Thank you.~