

INDEPENDENT
Presbyterian Church

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

A dear friend recently gave me a copy of M. Craig Barnes' book, *Diary of a Pastor's Soul*. While reflecting on "The Blessing of Old Faith," he comments on the beauty found in the Lord's Supper:

"Perhaps an American analogy is the annual Thanksgiving dinner. A family that has a history of love and hurt gathers at a table to essentially say, 'Yup, this our family.' There are no Thanksgiving parties, presents, or carols. There is typically at least some level of family stress, and it's probably going to show up at the meal, but that's the liturgy the family has repeated for years. Still, it is easier to find equilibrium in a flawed family than in the illusion that we can survive for so long as prodigals with no memory of home.

Far more profound than this is the celebration of Holy Communion. No one is ever surprised by the sacrament. We're not supposed to be. As hard as this is for most Americans today, if we could see that our marred congregational family has been coming to the Lord's Table for two thousand years, we would see that the strength of the gathering is found in its modesty, which quietly proclaims, 'Remember, this is us. We're a people who need a Savior.' But we may, even if only in fleeting moments, also see the overwhelming comfort of such rehearsed identity. When the winds are blowing hard and the branches are falling, it helps to know that this is not the first storm and that the family tree is deeply rooted."

At the initiation of our Savior, we've gathered for our family meal. Let's "say the blessing" and express our gratitude through our worship.

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 one of our greeters. Please see an usher if you need a hearing amplification device.

The Sanctuary, Balcony, and Fellowship Hall are open to anyone, while we continue social distancing and still strongly recommend wearing a mask. The Fellowship Hall is also available for overflow from the Sanctuary. The Chapel, where masks are now required, is reserved for people who may be at higher risk due to medications or underlying health conditions (and their families). Both morning Worship Services are shown via livestream in the Fellowship Hall and the Chapel.

We also livestream our 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. 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 the following week on our website. More opportunities for teaching can be found on our YouTube channel. Go to YouTube, and search for Independent Presbyterian Church Memphis.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class Weekend for Prospective Members*, August 14-15. For more information, please contact Tameria Rackley, (901) 685-8206, or trackley@ipcmemphis.org.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWELFTH DAY OF JULY, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

"I Will Arise"

arr. Hustad

Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 4:13-16

The Minister: Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight.

The Congregation: Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

The Minister: Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

The Congregation: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are – yet was without sin.

The Minister: Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

The Congregation: Amen! Let us worship God!

The Reverend Brad Robson, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)

The Reverend Mike Malone, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

No. 53

Based on Psalm 103

Lobe Den Herren

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. *Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -*
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

A CRY FOR MERCY

“Tender Mercy”

Words and Music: Roley and Pitts



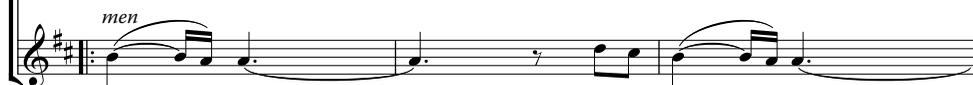
1. Hear my cry for mer - cy as I call to you,
2. In your ten - der mer - cy brought by grace through faith,



as I lift my hands in Spir - it and in Truth, we cry
I will lift my heart toward your most ho - ly place,



In the name of the Fa - ther most Ho - ly, in the name of the Son



mer - cy. We cry mer - cy.
mer - cy. You are mer - cy.



who was slain, in the name of the Spir - it in dwell - ing,



Lord have mer - - - cy, ten - der
Lord have mer - - - cy, ten - der



mer - cy Lord



mer - cy Lord You are
mer - cy

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2. go to verse 2 4.

Lord. Lord We cry mer - cy.

We cry mer - cy. Lord, have

mer - - cy, ten - der mer - cy,

Lord, ten - der mer - cy Lord.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Most Holy Lord, not one day of my life has passed that has not proved me guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart; my best acts are but filthy rags. Though my sins rise to heaven your merit soars above them. All things in me call for my rejection; all things in you plead for my acceptance. I appeal from the throne of perfect justice to your throne of boundless grace. Grant me to hear your voice assuring me: that by your stripes I am healed, that you were bruised for my iniquities, that you have been made sin for me that I might be righteous in you, that my grievous sins, my many sins, are all forgiven. I am guilty, but pardoned, lost, but saved, wandering, yet found, sinning, but cleansed. Give me perpetual broken-heartedness, and by your grace, keep me always clinging to your cross.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great high priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.” — *Hebrews 10:19-22*

THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

The Minister: How does the holy supper remind and assure you that you share in Christ's one sacrifice on the cross and in all his benefits?

The Congregation: In this way: Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat this broken bread and to drink this cup in remembrance of him. With this command come these promises: First, as surely as I see with my eyes the bread of the Lord broken for me and the cup shared with me, so surely his body was offered and broken for me and his blood poured out for me on the cross. Second, as surely as I receive from the hand of the one who serves, and taste with my mouth the bread and cup of the Lord, given me as sure signs of Christ's body and blood, so surely he nourishes and refreshes my soul for eternal life with his crucified body and poured-out blood.

The Minister: What does it mean to eat the crucified body of Christ and to drink his poured-out blood?

The Congregation: It means to accept with a believing heart the entire suffering and death of Christ and thereby to receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life. But it means more. Through the Holy Spirit, who lives both in Christ and in us, we are united more and more to Christ's blessed body. And so, although he is in heaven and we are on earth, we are flesh of his flesh and bone of his bone. And we forever live on and are governed by one Spirit, as the members of our body are by one soul.

The Minister: Where does Christ promise to nourish and refresh believers with his body and blood as surely as they eat this broken bread and drink this cup?

The Congregation: In the institution of the Lord's Supper: "The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." This promise is repeated by Paul in these words: "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."

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 ANTHEM

“Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

arr. Young

James A. Brown, Jr., Director

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, Full of pity, love, and pow'r:
He is able, he is willing, doubt no more.

Let not conscience make you linger, Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness he requireth Is to feel your need of him.
This he gives you; 'Tis the Spirit's glimmering beam.

Saints and angels, joined in concert, Sing the praises of the Lamb;
While the blissful seats of heaven Sweetly echo with his name:
Hallelujah! Sinners here may do the same.

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18:9-14

⁹He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

The Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON

“Not THAT Guy!”
The Reverend Robert O. Browning
Associate Pastor

SERMON NOTES

1. Pharisee — THAT guy thankful he wasn't THAT guy
2. Tax Collector — THAT guy distraught over the fact he wasn't THAT guy
3. Christian — THE guy who is thankful that Jesus became THAT guy in his/her place

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

“In Christ Alone”

Emily Edwards, Flute Drew Lucas, Guitar James Brown, Bass

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



1. In Christ a-lone my hope is found, he is my
2. In Christ a-lone! who took on flesh, full-ness of
3. There in the ground his bod-y lay, Light of the
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the



light, my strength, my song; this Cor-ner-
God in help-less Babe! This Gift of
world by dark-ness slain; then burst-ing
pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first



stone, this sol-id ground, firm through the
love and right-eous-ness, scorned by the
forth in glo-rious day, up from the
cry to fi-nal breath, Je-sus com-



fierc-est drought and storm. What heights of
ones he came to save. 'Til on that
grave he rose a-gain! And as he
mands my des-ti-ny. No pow'r of



love, what depths of peace when fears are
cross as Je-sus died, the wrath of
stands in vic-to-ry, sin's curse has
hell, no scheme of man, can ev-er



stilled, when striv-ings cease. My com-fort-er, my all in
God was sat-is-fied. For ev-'ry sin on him was
lost its grip on me; for I am his and he is
pluck me from his hand; 'til he re-returns or calls me



all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
mine, bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.
home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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

"Lord, like the Publican I Stand"

Thomas Raffles, 1831

Azmon

1. Lord, like the pub - li - can I stand, and
2. I smite up - on my anx - ious breast, o'er -
3. My guilt, my shame, I all con - fess, I
4. Here at thy cross I still would wait, nor

lift my heart to thee; thy par - d'ning grace, O
whelmed with ag - o - ny; O save my soul by
have no hope nor plea but Je - sus' blood and
from its shel - ter flee, till thou, O God, in

God, com - mand, be mer - ci - ful to me.
sin op - pressed, be mer - ci - ful to me.
righ - teous - ness; be mer - ci - ful to me.
mer - cy great, art mer - ci - ful to me.

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Charles Wesley, 1739

Azmon

1. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, that
2. He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, he

bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the
sets the pris - 'ner free; his blood can make the

sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
foul - est clean, his blood a - vailed for me.

THE POSTLUDE

“God of Grace”

arr. Manz



IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Mr. and Mrs. William Allen Klinke in honor of their parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lee Greene, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. John Preston Klinke, Jr.
Mrs. Klinke is the former Miss Dorothy Caroline Greene.

DEATHS

We extend our sympathy to
Melanie and Phillip Griffin on the death of her mother, June Meeks, on July 1.

We extend our sympathy to
Lil and Lee Rudd on the death of her mother, Gloria Nobles, on July 4.

We extend our sympathy to
C. O. Turner on the death of his brother, Ray Turner, on July 7.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | AUGUST 16

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, August 16, 10:00 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall, for the purposes of electing Deacons for the class of 2026 and hearing ministry reports. The men who have been certified to stand for election as Deacon are: John Dorrill, Hugh Francis IV, Odie "Corky" Jones, Jeff Payne, Dudley Schaefer, Rick Smith, and Chris Thornton. ***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.

IPC WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Summer Bible Study: *Ruth* by Kathleen B. Nielson
Tuesdays in July | 10:00-11:30 a.m. or 6:00-7:30 p.m.
For study details and online registration, visit ipcmemphis.org.
Questions? Email Beth Clark, bclark@ipcmemphis.org.
Please note: there will be no nursery or childcare.

CHRISTIAN LIFE CONFERENCE | AUGUST 2020

Parenting and Grandparenting by God's Grace for God's Glory
Visit ipcmemphis.org for more information.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Tuesdays | 6:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall | \$3.00*

**For those who want to eat, breakfast is served cafeteria-style, with social distancing in place, both in line and in seating.*

Disposable masks will be available, if needed.

CURRENT COMMUNITY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND EVENTS

IDK (Jr. High) and Seniorhigh

Sunday Summer Testimonies series

Posted Sunday mornings on YouTube and Instagram TV

Young Adults College

Thursday evenings | 6:30 p.m. | Room 131

Contact Zach Hood, zhood@ipcmemphis.org, for more details.

Young Adults Browning Community (20s-30s)

Summer Study: The Stories of Jesus

Sunday evenings | 7:30 p.m. | via Zoom

Email Robert Browning, rbrowning@ipcmemphis.org, for Zoom link

Middle Adults Tenent Community (30s-40s)

Book of Acts, as well as interviewing people

Instagram live feed | Sunday evenings | 8:00 p.m.

Email Willa Badolato, wbadolato@ipcmemphis.org, for more information.

Mature Adults Norton Community (50s-60s)

Wednesday evenings in July | 6:30 | Fellowship Hall

You must RSVP each week to attend (50 max)

Bring your own dinner; socially distanced seating provided,

or join via Zoom or the IPC YouTube channel.

Mature Adults Malone Community (60s+)

Video prepared and posted on the IPC YouTube channel by Wednesday afternoons.

The link to the video is included in Mike's weekly letter to the entire 60s+ community.

Email Willa Badolato, wbadolato@ipcmemphis.org, for more information.

CURRENT COMMUNITY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND EVENTS (CONT.)

The Westminster Class

Email Jurey Howard, jureyh@gmail.com or and Ray Wilson, rayewilson84@gmail.com, with questions or for details.

Line by Line Class

Thursday evening | 7/23 | 6:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

You must RSVP to attend.

Email Rankin Fowlkes, rankin.fowlkes@musowls.org, for more information.

CHURCH GIVING

During this challenging time, please remember that much of IPC's support comes from giving during Sunday morning offerings. Please place your financial gift in one of the boxes marked "Tithes and Offerings" in the Lobby or in the Narthex. In addition, the church offices are open. During the week, members may drop off their financial gifts at the front desk, place them in one of the boxes, or continue to give in one of the following ways:

- Mailing to:
Independent Presbyterian Church
Attention: Kerrie O'Brien
4738 Walnut Grove Road
Memphis, TN 38117
- Using our online giving link
 - Using the IPC app
- Using your bank's bill pay service to send money electronically to IPC.

Questions? Please email Kerrie O'Brien, kobrien@ipcmemphis.org.

TEACHING ELDERS

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

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Mr. Cannon F. Allen
Mr. Matthew G. Buyer
Mr. David Caldwell
Mr. Richard M. Carter
Mr. William J. Chase Jr.
Mr. Ralph S. DelBove
Mr. Rankin Fowlkes
Dr. Hugh Francis III
Mr. Samuel N. Graham II
Mr. J. Lee Greene Jr.
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Mr. William R. Mitchum Jr.
Mr. David R. Neubert
Mr. Matthew J. Olson
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Mr. Richard Luther Powell Sr.
Mr. John W. Stokes III
Mr. Scott Suddoth
Mr. Terry Michael Washburn

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Mr. David Butler
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Mr. Chris Thornton
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Mr. Jim Wilder
Mr. Joseph Womack

IPC SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.
Church's Main Office 901-685-8206
Music Office 901-685-9707
Recreation Office 901-763-3857

COVENANTERS' CORNER BOOKSTORE SUMMER HOURS

Sunday — Open between services
Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday — Closed
901-763-3932

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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