

INDEPENDENT

Presbyterian Church

April 18, 2021

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

Today we come to the final cycle in this first book of the Bible, the cycle of Joseph and Judah. In Genesis 37, we are introduced to both of the main actors. Joseph is introduced today as the beloved son of his father, Jacob; Judah as the cruel leader of his brothers. And yet, in all that happens, we see how God governs all his creatures and all their actions all the way down to the details. Even when we know hatred and hostility, we may still have hope because God is with us, guiding our steps, and working out our salvation.

Our service of worship reminds us that our God is the Redeemer, the one who through our sorrows and even our sinning, brings us to himself. Psalm 107 calls us to worship and teaches us that even as we may wander, God is present in his steadfast love to redeem. We confess our sins and hear Psalm 32, calling to mind times when God used physical distress to drive us to confession, repentance, and ultimately relief. And as we sing God's praise, we are reminded that God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform. Even when we don't know the details, God does! Thanks be to God!

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. *Additionally, masks are required.* The Fellowship Hall is also available for overflow from the Sanctuary. The Chapel 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 for Prospective Members*. For more information, please contact Tameria Rackley, trackley@ipcmemphis.org.

As you enter the Sanctuary, please silence your mobile devices.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

April 18, 2021
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

"Now Thank We All Our God"
Emilee Garrett, Organ

arr. Behnke

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 107

The Minister: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble.

The Congregation: Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the great waters; they saw the deeds of the Lord, his wondrous works in the deep.

The Minister: For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea. They mounted up to heaven; they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in the evil plight.

The Congregation: Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.

The Minister: Then they were glad the waters were quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.

All: Let us thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! Let us extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders!

The Reverend Parker Tenent, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)
The Reverend J. Edward Norton, Associate Pastor (11:00 a.m.)

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“O Thank the Lord”

Psalm 107

Fountain

1. O thank the Lord, for he is good; his
 2. To those who go to sea in ships and
 3. *To heav - en mount - ed ships and men, then*
 4. The storm he changed in - to a calm by
 5. Let them give thanks un - to the Lord for

mer - cies still en - dure; thus say the ran - somed
 on great wa - ters trade, the works and won - ders
sank to depths a - gain; their souls were melt - ed
 his com - mand and will, and so the waves which
 all his kind - ness shown. And for his works so

of the Lord, from all their foes se - cure. He
 of the Lord are in the deep dis - played. For
and were faint with fear and trou - ble then. They
 raged be - fore now qui - et were and still. Then
 won - der - ful which he to men makes known. A -

gath - ered them from out the lands from
 his com - mand stirred up the wind that
stag - gered, reeled, like drunk - en men; no
 they were glad, be - cause at rest and
 mong the peo - ple where they meet let

north, south, east, and west. They wan - dered in the
 with a tem - pest blows; it lift - ed wa - ters
skill could they ex - press, in trou - ble to the
 qui - et was the sea. He led them to the
 them ex - alt his name. And where the el - ders

wil - der - ness, no cit - y found to rest.
 of the sea; great roll - ing waves a - rose.
Lord they cried; he save them from dis - tress.
 ha - ven thus where they de - sire to be.
 have their seat let them his praise pro - claim.

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Martin Rinckart, 1636

Nun Danket

1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voice, es,
2. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, en,

The first system of the hymn features a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

who won-drous things hath done, in whom his world re-joice-es;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in high-est heav-en-

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

who from our moth-ers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
the one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heav'n a-dore;

The third system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

The fourth system concludes the hymn with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Walter Preston Battle V (11:00 a.m.)

Jesus loves you, this you know, for the Bible tells you so;
Little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you!

Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells you so.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. Yet we confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us for our arrogant hearts, our misplaced affections, and our love for the world. Raise us from sin, transform our hearts, and strengthen our wills so that the power of Christ's resurrection will make us new people, rejoicing in nothing but the glorious freedom of Christ. We pray in his matchless name, *Amen*.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,' and you forgave the guilt of my sin." — *Psalms 32:4-5*

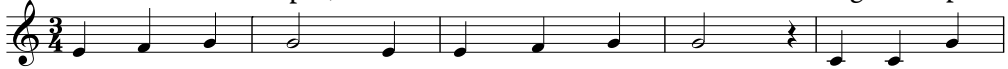
THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“Jesus, I Come”

Janey Fletcher, Guitar Emily McKelroy, Bass

Words: William T. Sleeper, 1887

Music: Greg Thompson



1. Out of my bond - age, sor - row and night, Je - sus, I
2. Out of my shame - ful fail - ure and loss, Je - sus, I
3. Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride, Je - sus, I
4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je - sus, I



come; Je - sus, I come. In - to thy free - dom,
come; Je - sus, I come. In - to the glor - ious
come; Je - sus, I come. In - to thy bless - ed
come; Je - sus, I come. In - to the joy and



glad - ness, and light Je - sus, I come to thee,
gain of thy cross, Je - sus, I come to thee.
will to a - bide, Je - sus, I come to thee.
light of thy home, Je - sus, I come to thee.



Out of my sick - ness, in - to thy health, out of my
Out of earth's sor - rows, in - to thy balm, out of life's
Out of my - self to dwell in thy love, out of des -
Out of the depths of ru - in un - told, in - to the



want - ing and in - to thy wealth, out of my sin and
storms and in - to thy calm, out of dis - tress in - to
pair in - to rap - tures a - bove, up - ward for - ev - er on
peace of thy shel - ter - ing fold, ev - er thy glo - rious



in - to thy - self, Je - sus, I come to thee.
ju - bi - lant psalm, Je - sus, I come to thee.
wings like a dove, Je - sus, I come to thee.
face to be - hold, Je - sus, I come to thee.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

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

"Keep Your Lamps!"

arr. Thomas

Tim Gregory, Djembe

John Chase, Director

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

Children don't get weary 'til your work is done.

Christian journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 37:1-36

¹Jacob lived in the land of his father's sojournings, in the land of Canaan.

²These are the generations of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was pasturing the flock with his brothers. He was a boy with the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives. And Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. ³Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made him a robe of many colors. ⁴But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peacefully to him.

⁵Now Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers they hated him even more. ⁶He said to them, "Hear this dream that I have dreamed: ⁷Behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and behold, my sheaf arose and stood upright. And behold, your sheaves gathered around it and bowed down to my sheaf." ⁸His brothers said to him, "Are you indeed to reign over us? Or are you indeed to rule over us?" So they hated him even more for his dreams and for his words.

⁹Then he dreamed another dream and told it to his brothers and said, "Behold, I have dreamed another dream. Behold, the sun, the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me." ¹⁰But when he told it to his father and to his brothers, his father rebuked him and said to him, "What is this dream that you have dreamed? Shall I and your mother and your brothers indeed come to bow ourselves to the ground before you?" ¹¹And his brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the saying in mind.

¹²Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. ¹³And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." And he said to him, "Here I am." ¹⁴So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock, and bring me word." So he sent him from the Valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. ¹⁵And a man found him wandering in the fields. And the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" ¹⁶"I am seeking my brothers," he said. "Tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." ¹⁷And the man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan.

¹⁸They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. ¹⁹They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits. Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams." ²¹But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." ²²And Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him" — that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father. ²³So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. ²⁴And they took him and threw

him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

²⁵Then they sat down to eat. And looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing gum, balm, and myrrh, on their way to carry it down to Egypt.

²⁶Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood?

²⁷Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers listened to him. ²⁸Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.

²⁹When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes

³⁰and returned to his brothers and said, “The boy is gone, and I, where shall I go?” ³¹Then they took Joseph’s robe and slaughtered a goat and dipped the robe in the blood. ³²And they sent the robe of many colors and brought it to their father and said, “This we have found; please identify whether it is your son’s robe or not.” ³³And he identified it and said, “It is my son’s robe.

A fierce animal has devoured him. Joseph is without doubt torn to pieces.” ³⁴Then Jacob tore his garments and put sackcloth on his loins and mourned for his son many days. ³⁵All his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted and said, “No, I shall go

down to Sheol to my son, mourning.” Thus his father wept for him. ³⁶Meanwhile the Midianites had sold him in Egypt to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard.

The Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON

“God in the Details”

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas

Senior Pastor

SERMON NOTES

1. Hatred

A. Favored by Jacob

B. Favored by God

2. Hostility

A. Thoughts

B. Actions

3. Hope

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“God Moves in a Mysterious Way”

No. 128

William Cowper, 1774

Dundee

1. God moves in a mys - te - rious way his
2. Deep in un - fath - om - a - ble mines of
3. Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; the
4. Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, but
5. His pur - pos - es will rip - en fast, un -

won - ders to per - form; he plants his foot - steps
nev - er - fail - ing skill he trea - sures up his
clouds ye so much dread are big with mer - cy,
trust him for his grace; be - hind a frown - ing
fold - ing ev - 'ry hour; the bud may have a

in the sea, and rides up - on the storm.
bright de - signs, and works his sov - ereign will.
and shall break in bless - ings on your head.
prov - i - dence he hides a smil - ing face.
bit - ter taste, but sweet will be the flow'r.

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Dundee

Blind unbelief is sure to err, and scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter, and he will make it plain.

THE POSTLUDE

“Psalm 19”

Benedetto Marcello

EVENING PRAISE

April 18, 2021

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke 15:3-7

Minister: So Jesus told them this parable: “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it?”

Congregation: And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’

Minister: Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.”

INVOCATION

SONG OF PRAISE

“Oh Give Thanks”

Psalm 107

Music: Kimbrough



1. We were wand' - ring in the de - sert with our souls
 2. We were locked out of the gar - den, and our backs
 3. We were fools in our re - bel - lion, with our hun -
 4. We were far out on the o - cean, mak - ing wealth



so starved and weak. We were hun - gry for a home
 bent down with pain. In the shad - ow of death's dark -
 - ger strike of pride. We were sick and grow - ing clos -
 and chas - ing dreams, but the waves of great de - struc -



- land we did not know how to seek. But we lift -
 - ness, we were slaves to sin and blame. Then we cried
 - er to the death we should have died. Then he heard
 - tion brought us tremb' - ling to our knees. Then we cried



- ed up our voic - es to the on - ly One who hears;
 out in our la - bor to the on - ly One who hears,
 of our con - di - tion, and he called us by our names;
 like drunk - en sail - ors to the on - ly One who hears,



and the God of mer - cy came and brought us near.
 and the God of mer - cy wiped a - way our tears.
 and the God of glo - ry took a - way our shame.
 and the God of com - fort took a - way our fears.



Oh give thanks to the Lord for His love

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en - dures for - ev - er! We were wan - der - ing and lost,
and our Fa - ther brought us home, to a safe
dwell - ing place, to a feast of joy and laugh -
- ter. Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

SONG OF PRAISE

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

Words: Charles Wesley, 1742

Music: Kevin Twit



1. A - rise, my soul, a - rise, shake off your guilt - y fears;
 2. He ev - er lives a - bove, for me to in - ter - cede,
 3. Five bleed - ing wounds he bears, re - ceived on Cal - va - ry;
 4. My God is rec - on - ciled his pard'ning voice I hear;



the bleed - ing Sac - ri - fice on my be - half ap - pears;
 his all - re - deem - ing love, his pre - cious blood to plead;
 they pour ef - fec - tual prayers, they strong - ly plead for me.
 he owns me for his child, I can no long - er fear;



be - fore the throne my Sure - ty stands, be - fore the throne
 his blood a - toned for ev - 'ry race, his blood a - toned
 "For - give him, O for - give," they cry, "for - give him, O
 with con - fi - dence I now draw nigh, with con - fi - dence



my Sure - ty stands, my name is writ - ten on his hands.
 for ev - ry race, and sprin - kles now the throne of grace.
 for - give," they cry, "don't let that ran - somed sin - ner die!"
 I now draw nigh and "Fa - ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther!" cry.



(men) A - rise! A - rise! A - rise,
 (women) A - rise! A - rise, (all) a - rise, my soul, a -



A - rise! A - rise! A - rise,
 rise. A - rise! A - rise, a - rise, my soul, a -



rise! Shake off your guilt - y fears and rise.

PRAYING FOR GOD'S MISSION IN OUR WORLD

SONG OF PRAISE

"Satisfied"

Words: Clara T. Williams, 1875

Music: Karl Digerness, 1997

1. All my life long I had pant - ed
2. Feed - ing on the filth a - round me,
3. Poor I was, and sought for rich - es,
4. Well of wa - ter, ev - er spring - ing,

s. for a drink from some cold spring,
till my strength was al - most gone.
some - thing that would sat - is - fy,
bread of life so rich and free,

s. that I hoped would quench the burn - ing
Longed my soul for some - thing bet - ter,
but the dust I gath - ered round me
un - told wealth that nev - er fail - eth,

s. of the thirst I felt with - in,
on - ly still to hun - ger on.
on - ly mocked my soul's sad cry.
my Re - deem - er is to me.

s. Hal - le - lu - jah, he has found me,
the One my soul so long has craved.
Je - sus sat - is - fies all my long - ings.
Through his blood I now am saved.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Words: Henry Lyte

Music: Christopher Miner



1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en,
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor
3. Frail as sum - mer's flower we flour - ish,



to his feet your trib - ute bring;
to our fa - thers in dis - tress;
blows the wind and it is gone;



ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
praise him still the same for - ev - er,
but while mor - tals rise and per - ish,



who, like me, his praise should sing?
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
God en - dures un - chang - ing on.



Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,



1. praise the ev - er - last - ing King,
glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness,
praise the high e - ter - nal One,

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SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:1-11

¹Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you.

²Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. ³For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh — ⁴though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith — ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

HOMILY

“The Greatest Treasure Ever Found”

The Reverend Brad Robson

Assistant Pastor

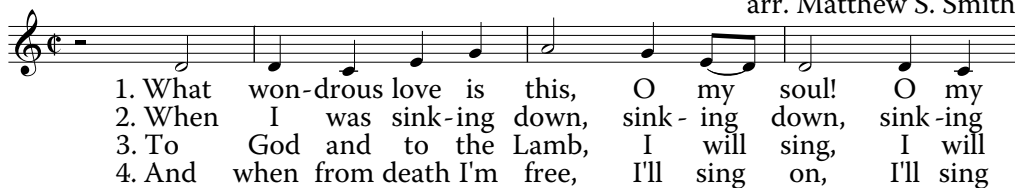
PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

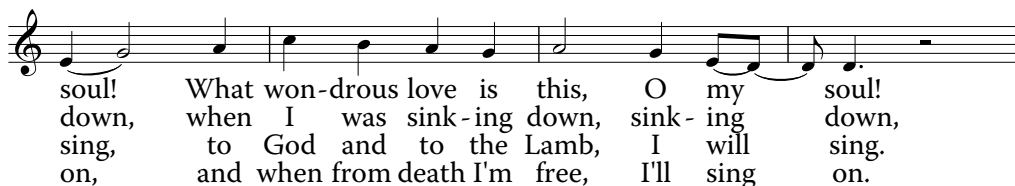
American Folk Hymn

Music: Southern Harmony, 1835

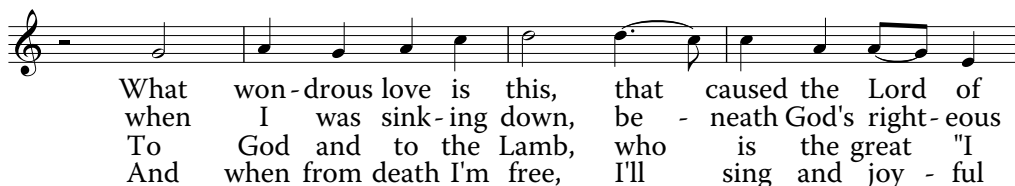
arr. Matthew S. Smith



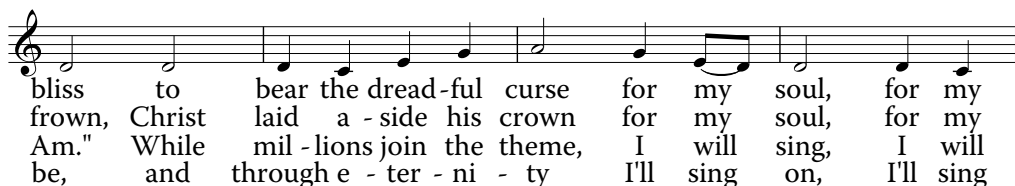
1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul! O my
2. When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing
3. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will
4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



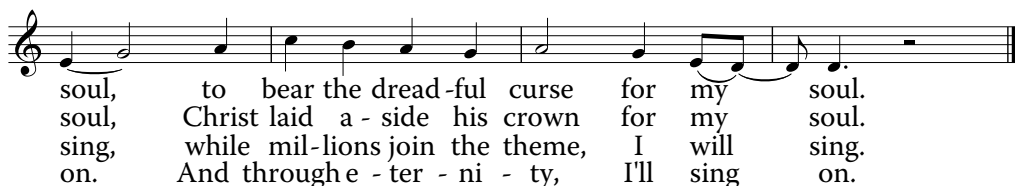
soul! What won-drous love is this, O my soul!
down, when I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down,
sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing.
on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.



What won-drous love is this, that caused the Lord of
when I was sink-ing down, be - neath God's right-eous
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my
frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my
Am." While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul.
soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
on. And through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on.

DURING THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SUPPER

“Speak, O Lord”

Getty and Townend

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re -
2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; help us

ceive the food of your Ho - ly Word.
rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty;
grasp the heights of your plans for us.

Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes in the
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time that will

fash - ion us in your like - ness, that the
ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty. Cause our
ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by

light of Christ might be seen to - day in our
faith to rise; cause our eyes to see your ma -
grace we'll stand on your prom - is - es, and by

acts of love and our deeds of faith.
jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
faith we'll walk as you walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us all your
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail, let their
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the

pur - pos - es for your glo - ry.
truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
earth is filled with your glo - ry.

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



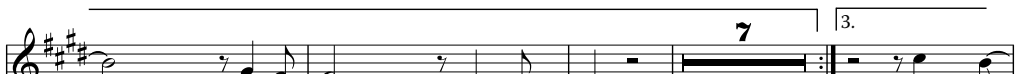
more love, O Christ, to thee; more love



more love more love to thee, more love



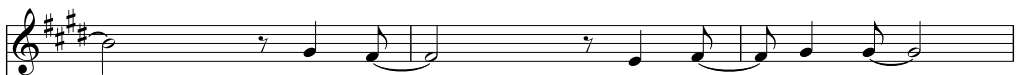
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more love to thee! More love,



more love, more love to thee!



more love, move love to thee,



More love, move love, more love to thee,

more love, more love, to thee!

more love, more love to thee!

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BENEDICTION



IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in honor of the 70th birthday of Reverend Mike Malone,
with love and appreciation by the Foundations Sunday School Class.*

IN THE NARTHEX TODAY

*The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Beverly Adams by her family.*

DEATH

We extend our sympathy to
Harry Adams and Blakely and Dan Fletcher on the death
of Harry's wife and Blakely's mother, Beverly Adams, on April 9.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

College | Zach Hood | Room 131
Young Adults | Robert Browning | Room 222/220
Mid 30s-40s | Parker Tenent | Fellowship Hall South
Mid 40s-50s | Jeremy Jones | Fellowship Hall North
Mid 50s-60s | Ed Norton | Chapel
Line by Line Class | Rankin Fowlkes | Room 132
Westminster Class | Jurey Howard and Ray Wilson | Room 233
60s+ | Mike Malone | Room 237

YOUNG ADULTS BROWNING COMMUNITY

As I Have Loved You: Learning to Love as Jesus Loves
Sunday mornings | 9:45 a.m. | Beginning Today

NORTON COMMUNITY

Global Pandemic: Lessons Learned and Moving Forward

Sunday mornings | 9:45 a.m.

Today: “What Is the Science of the Covid-19 Vaccine?” (Dr. Tim Folse)

April 25: “The Global Pandemic Offers to Us a New Perspective for Life and Living”

WESTMINSTER CLASS

The Book of Ephesians | Sunday mornings, beginning April 25 | 9:45 a.m. | Room 233

Second only to the Book of Romans as a carefully written presentation of Christian theology, the Book of Ephesians, one of Paul’s “Prison Epistles,” bears witness to the riches we have in Christ from which we may draw upon to live our lives. Join Ray Wilson and Jurey Howard as they lead the class through this wonderful apostolic letter. Open to all ages, couples and singles.

OUTDOORS TONIGHT: SUNDAY EVENING PRAISE AND COMMUNION

Jesus Is Our Joy: Studies in Philippians

Weather permitting, Sunday Evening Praise will be held outdoors in the north parking lot tonight at 6:00 p.m. Bring your own chairs and your families, and join us as we praise our God, hear his Word, and celebrate the Lord’s Supper. Children will head to Four Corners mid-service, and the Reverend Brad Robson will continue our homily series: *Jesus Is Our Joy: Studies in Philippians*. Come worship with us on what should be a beautiful spring evening!

A SIMPLE GESTURE: COOL GREEN BAG MINISTRY

Help relieve hunger in Memphis by stocking the Mid-South Food Bank.

Grab a Cool Green Bag in the Rotunda today! When you go shopping, buy one or more non-perishable food items to store in your Cool Green Bag. Drop your bag off in the Rotunda on May 9, and take another bag home to fill again.

Pick up dates are the second Sunday of every other month:

May 9, July 11, September 12, November 14, January 9, March 13

Suggested items: tuna, vegetables, fruit, soup, beans, chili, juices, tomato sauce, peanut butter, pasta sauces, jelly, cereal, oatmeal, macaroni and cheese, pasta, rice, sugar, flour

IPC CHOIRS

Adult Choir Rehearsal — Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

Senior High Choir Rehearsal — Sundays, 5:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Junior High Choir Rehearsal — Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. | Sanctuary

**IN THE WORD:
MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

led by Dr. Sean Lucas

Thursdays | 6:30 a.m.

Can't make it every Thursday? Weekly lessons are recorded and available to view on YouTube, so it's easy to catch up.

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THE INDEPENDENT CUP | APRIL 21, 24

Building Intergenerational Relationships Through Men's Ministry and Competition

Golf • Cycling • Pickleball • Meat Cookoff • Sporting Clays • Running • Trivia

Men of IPC, mark your calendars for *The Independent Cup*, our upcoming Men's Ministry and Competition. Wednesday, April 21, is kickoff evening with refreshments, fellowship, and announcing teams. Saturday, April 24, is morning and afternoon events, then dinner, trivia, trophy presentation, and closing. Registration is now open at ipcmemphis.org.

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
THAT OLYMPIC THING**

June 21-25

PreK-K

9:30-11:30 a.m. | Run with Joshua

1st-4th

9:30-12:30 p.m. | Olympic Sports Camp

12:30 p.m. | Lunch

1:00-3:00 p.m. | Run with Joshua

Elementary-school children may attend both Olympic Sports Camp and Run with Joshua, or either one. Registration begins Saturday, May 1.

Run with Joshua, pursuing wholehearted obedience to God!

Go, Go, Go, Joseph! VBS is postponed until 2022.



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