

INDEPENDENT

Presbyterian Church

April 25, 2021

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

Why is Genesis 38 in our Bibles? On first reading, this chapter feels PG-13, if not rated-R; as one commentator observed, it is a horrible, sordid story whose inclusion in the Bible is hard to justify. But is it hard to justify? Because, of course, every single one of us have sinned in thoughts, words, and deeds that, if fully known, would be as horrible and sordid as what we find here. And that's the point: we are unlikely candidates for grace — which is what makes God's grace amazing.

Our service this morning reminds us of these very truths and shapes us into grace-loving people. The King of Glory, the Lord Jesus Christ, comes into the doors of his holy temple to receive honor and glory. And yet, as we stand before him, we are forced to confess all the horrible and sordid ways we have failed him over and over again. Yet, his Word reminds us that he is not only the King of Glory, but also our advocate before the Father. He pleads his wounds, received on Calvary, received out of great love for us. And he sends his Spirit to call us and transform us into his own people. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saves wretches like us! May God grant you his amazing grace this day!

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 25, 2021
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

"I Will Arise and Go to Jesus"
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

arr. Hustad

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 24:7-10

The Minister: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory?

The Congregation: The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

The Minister: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory?

The Congregation: The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!

The Minister: Amen! Let us worship God!

The Reverend Robert O. Browning, Associate Pastor (8:30 a.m.)

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

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power”

No. 300

Horatius Bonar, 1866

O Quanta Qualia

1. Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow - er,
2. Sound - eth the heav'n of the heav'ns with his name;
3. Ev - er as - cend - eth the song and the joy;
4. Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb;

wis - dom and rich - es and strength ev - er - more
ring - eth the earth with his glo - ry and fame;
ev - er de - scend - eth the love from on high;
take we the robe and the harp and the palm;

give ye to him who our bat - tle hath won,
o - ceans and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flow - er
bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise
sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,

whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne.
ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow - er.
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
dy - ing in weak - ness, but ris - ing to reign.

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”

Edward Perronet, 1779

Coronation

1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall,
3. Let ev' - ry kin - dred, ev' - ry tribe, on this ter - res - trial ball,

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all;

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The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed between the staves. The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next three lines. The third system contains the final three lines. The music concludes with a double bar line.

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy Lord, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief. I have failed to find your mind in your Word and neglected to seek you in my daily life. My transgressions and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I bless you that they will not stand against me for all have been laid on Christ. Go on with your patient work. Purge me from every false desire, every base aspiration, everything contrary to your rule. And grant me continued grace to take up the cross, to die daily, and to rise to follow you. In Jesus' name, *Amen*.

— from *The Valley of Vision*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.” — 1 John 1:9-2:1

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“And Can It Be?”

Lauren Griffin, Violin Kelly Turner, Mandolin James Brown, Guitar

Words: Charles Wesley

Music: Scott Roley



1. And can it be that I should gain an in - terest in the Sav-
2. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove so free, (so in - fin - ite
3. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay, fast bound in sin and na -
4. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and all in him



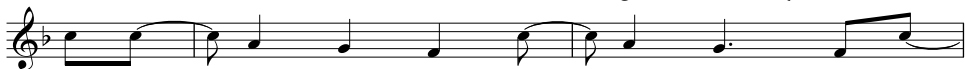
- ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me,
his grace!), Emp - tied him - self of all but love, and bled
- ture's night; thine eye dif - fused a quick - ening ray; I woke,
is mine; a - live in him, my liv - ing Head, and clothed



who him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love! How can
for A - dam's help - less race: 'tis mer - cy all, im - mense
the dun - geon flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart
in right - eous - ness di - vine, bold I ap - proach the eter -



it be, that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
and free, for O my God, it found out me!
was free, I rose, went forth, and fol - lowed thee.
nal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.



A - maz - ing love! How can it be, that thou,



my God, shouldst die for me? A - maz - ing love! How can



it be, that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

The New City Catechism, Q and A 8

The Minister: What is the law of God stated in the Ten Commandments?

The Congregation: You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below — you shall not bow down to them or worship them. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony. You shall not covet.

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

“Now Let Us All Praise and Sing”

Young

James A. Brown, Jr. Director

Now let us all praise God and sing Our great Redeemer’s praise;

That we may all with one accord Our joyful voices raise.

Sing Alleluia!

All ye servants of the Lord, Praise him forever,

Sing Jehovah’s mighty pow’r, Praise him forever.

Sing of his righteousness, Praise him forever.

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 38:1-30

¹It happened at that time that Judah went down from his brothers and turned aside to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah. ²There Judah saw the daughter of a certain Canaanite whose name was Shua. He took her and went in to her, ³and she conceived and bore a son, and he called his name Er. ⁴She conceived again and bore a son, and she called his name Onan. ⁵Yet again she bore a son, and she called his name Shelah. Judah was in Chezib when she bore him.

⁶And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, and her name was Tamar. ⁷But Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord put him to death. ⁸Then Judah said to Onan, "Go in to your brother's wife and perform the duty of a brother-in-law to her, and raise up offspring for your brother." ⁹But Onan knew that the offspring would not be his. So whenever he went in to his brother's wife he would waste the semen on the ground, so as not to give offspring to his brother. ¹⁰And what he did was wicked in the sight of the Lord, and he put him to death also. ¹¹Then Judah said to Tamar his daughter-in-law, "Remain a widow in your father's house, till Shelah my son grows up" — for he feared that he would die, like his brothers. So Tamar went and remained in her father's house.

¹²In the course of time the wife of Judah, Shua's daughter, died. When Judah was comforted, he went up to Timnah to his sheepshearers, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite. ¹³And when Tamar was told, "Your father-in-law is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep," ¹⁴she took off her widow's garments and covered herself with a veil, wrapping herself up, and sat at the entrance to Enaim, which is on the road to Timnah. For she saw that Shelah was grown up, and she had not been given to him in marriage. ¹⁵When Judah saw her, he thought she was a prostitute, for she had covered her face. ¹⁶He turned to her at the roadside and said, "Come, let me come in to you," for he did not know that she was his daughter-in-law. She said, "What will you give me, that you may come in to me?" ¹⁷He answered, "I will send you a young goat from the flock." And she said, "If you give me a pledge, until you send it — " ¹⁸He said, "What pledge shall I give you?" She replied, "Your signet and your cord and your staff that is in your hand." So he gave them to her and went in to her, and she conceived by him. ¹⁹Then she arose and went away, and taking off her veil she put on the garments of her widowhood.

²⁰When Judah sent the young goat by his friend the Adullamite to take back the pledge from the woman's hand, he did not find her. ²¹And he asked the men of the place, "Where is the cult prostitute who was at Enaim at the roadside?" And they said, "No cult prostitute has been here." ²²So he returned to Judah and said, "I have not found her. Also, the men of the place said, 'No cult prostitute has been here.'" ²³And Judah replied, "Let her keep the things as her own, or we shall be laughed at. You see, I sent this young goat, and you did not find her."

²⁴About three months later Judah was told, "Tamar your daughter-in-law has been immoral. Moreover, she is pregnant by immorality." And Judah said, "Bring her out, and let her be burned."

²⁵As she was being brought out, she sent word to her father-in-law, “By the man to whom these belong, I am pregnant.” And she said, “Please identify whose these are, the signet and the cord and the staff.” ²⁶Then Judah identified them and said, “She is more righteous than I, since I did not give her to my son Shelah.” And he did not know her again.

²⁷When the time of her labor came, there were twins in her womb. ²⁸And when she was in labor, one put out a hand, and the midwife took and tied a scarlet thread on his hand, saying, “This one came out first.” ²⁹But as he drew back his hand, behold, his brother came out. And she said, “What a breach you have made for yourself!” Therefore his name was called Perez. ³⁰Afterward his brother came out with the scarlet thread on his hand, and his name was called Zerah.

The Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON

“God’s Unlikely Grace”
Dr. Sean Michael Lucas
Senior Pastor

SERMON NOTES

1. Unlikely candidate

A. Sensual

B. Senseless

2. Unlikely circumstance

A. Wicked

B. Wayward

3. Unlikely consequence

A. Repentance

B. Redemption

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Amazing Grace!”

No. 460

John Newton, 1779

Amazing Grace

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next three lines. The third system contains the next three lines. The fourth system contains the next three lines. The fifth system contains the final three lines of the hymn. The music features various note values, rests, and phrasing slurs.

1. A - maz - ing grace! — how sweet the sound — that
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3. Thro' man - y dan - gers, toils and snares, I
saved a wretch like me! I
grace my fears re - lieved; how
have al - read - y come; 'tis
once was lost, but now am
pre - cious did that grace ap -
grace has brought me safe thus
found, was blind, but now I see.
pear, the hour I first be - lieved!
far, and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me,
his Word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.

5. And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace.

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

Coronation

THE POSTLUDE

“Voluntary in G”

Heron



EVENING PRAISE

April 25, 2021

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 144:1-2, 15 (NIV)

Minister: Praise be to the Lord my Rock.

Congregation: He is my loving God and my fortress, my stronghold and my deliverer, my shield, in whom I take refuge.

Minister: Blessed is the people of whom this is true; blessed is the people whose God is the Lord.

INVOCATION

SONG OF PRAISE

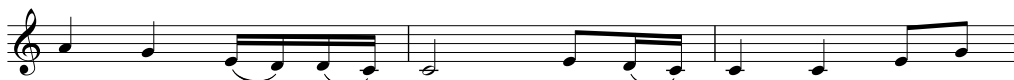
"Come, Thou Fount"

Words: Robert Robinson, 1758

Nettleton



1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



heart to sing thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er
 by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good
 I'm con - strained to be; let that grace now, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me
 plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus
 fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee. Prone to



some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
 sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring
 wan - der Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove; praise the mount! I'm fixed up -
 from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
 leave the God I love: here's my heart, O take and



on it, Mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Words: Charles Wesley, 1740

Music: Greg Thompson



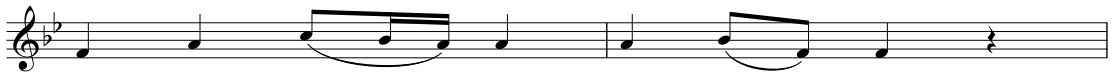
1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me
2. Oth - er re - fuge have I none, hangs my
3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than
4. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to



to thy bos - om fly, while the near - er
help - less. soul on thee; leave, ah! leave me
all in thee I find; raise the fall - en,
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!
cheer the faint, heal the sick and lead the blind.
streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with - in;



hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide,
All my trust on thee is stayed,
Just and ho - ly is thy name;
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 -
I am all un - right - eous - ness; false and full of
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.
sin I am, thou full of truth and grace.
in my heart, to all e - ter - ni - ty.

SONG OF PRAISE

“From Depths of Woe”

Words: Martin Luther, 1523

Music: Christopher Miner



1. From depths of woe I raise to thee the voice
 2. To wash a - way the crim - son stain, grace, grace
 3. *There - fore my trust is in the Lord, and not*
 4. What though I wait the live - long night, and 'til
 5. Though great our sins and sore our woes his grace



of la - men - ta - tion; Lord, turn a gra - cious ear
 a - lone a - vail - eth; our works, a - las! are all
in mine own mer - it; on him my soul shall rest
 the dawn ap - pear - eth; my heart still trust - eth in
 much more a - bound - eth; his help - ing love no lim -



to me and hear my sup - pli - ca - tion; if
 in vain; in much the best life fail - eth; no
his word up - holds my faint - ing spir - it; his
 his might; it doubt - eth not nor fear - eth; do
 - it knows, our ut - most need it sound - eth. Our



thou in - i - qui - ties dost mark, our sec - ret sins and mis -
 man can glo - ry in thy sight, all must a - like con - fess
prom - ised mer - cy is my fort, my com - fort and my sweet
 thus, O ye of Is - rael's seed, ye of the Spir - it born
 shep - herd, good and true is he, who will at last his Is -



- deeds dark,
 thy might,
sup - port:
 in - deed;
 - rael free

O who shall stand be - fore
 And live a - lone by mer -
I wait for it with pa -
 And wait till God ap - pear -
 From all their sin and sor -

Who shall stand be - fore thee?
 Live a - lone by mer - cy.
 Wait for it with pa - tience.
 Wait till God ap - pear - eth,
 All their sin and sor - row,

thee?
 - cy.
 - tience.
 - eth
 - row,

O who shall
 and live a -
 I wait for
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SONG OF PRAISE

"He Will Hold Me Fast"

Words: Habershon and Merker

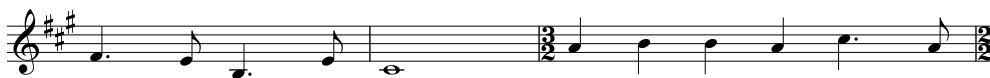
Music: Merker



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.

GRACE MOMENT

Mr. Howard Graham
Executive Director, The Center, Memphis

SONG OF PREPARATION

"We Will Feast"

Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore



We will feast in the house of Zi - on, we will sing with our



hearts re - stored. "He has done great things," we will say to - geth - er.



We will feast and weep no more.



1. We will not be burned by the fire; he
2. In the dark of night, be - fore the dawn, my
3. Ev - ery vow we've bro - ken and be - trayed. You



is the Lord our God. We are not con -
soul, be not a - fraid; for the prom - ised
are the Faith - ful one; and from the



sumed, by the flood, up -
morn - - ing. Oh, how long! O,
gar - - den to the grave bind



held, pro - tect - ed, gath - ered up.
God of Ja - cob, be my strength.
us to - geth - er, bring sha - lom.

Children (K-5th) may be dismissed to Four Corners during the last verse.

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:12-21

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. ¹⁶Only let us hold true to what we have attained.

¹⁷Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

HOMILY

“Pressing On to Make It My Own”

The Reverend J. Edward Norton

Associate Pastor

SONG OF PRAISE

“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.

BENEDICTION



IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Susan Ervin's faithfulness to the Music Ministry for 30 years.
"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being."
— *Psalm 104:33*

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.

NORTON COMMUNITY

Global Pandemic: Lessons Learned and Moving Forward
Sunday mornings | 9:45 a.m.
Today: "The Global Pandemic Offers to Us a New Perspective for Life and Living"

WESTMINSTER CLASS

The Book of Ephesians | Sunday mornings, beginning today | 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.

SUNDAY EVENING PRAISE

Jesus Is Our Joy: Studies in Philippians

Sunday Evening Praise continues tonight at 6:00 p.m. Join Reverend Ed Norton in the Sanctuary as he teaches on Philippians 3:12-21. Nursery is available, and Four Corners for children ages K-5th will meet.

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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

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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

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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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Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.

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 HOURS

Sunday — Open between services

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday — Closed

901-763-3932

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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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