

THE LORD’S DAY WORSHIP

THE TWENTIETH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O’clock

*Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts!
Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth! — Psalm 96:8-9*

THE PRELUDE

“Air” and “Hornpipe” from *Water Music* Handel
Lauren Griffin, Violin Daniel Stravser, Cello Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 66:1-5

The Minister: “Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!

The Congregation: Say to God, ‘How awesome are Your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You.

The Minister: All the earth worships You and sings praises to You; they sing praises to Your name.’

The Minister and Congregation: Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.”

Dr. Murray Garrott, Associate Pastor

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds” No. 364

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, for ever. *Amen.*

THE GLORIA PATRI

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O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow’r thro’out the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee:
how great Thou art, how great Thou art!

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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Joel Isaac Raby, 8:30 a.m.

THE ENSEMBLE

“Abide with Me” Justin Smith/arr. Powell

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth did’st smile;
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee,
On to the close, Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter’s power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness.
Where is thy sting, death? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heav’n’s morning breaks, and earth’s vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Father of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, You tell us in Your word that without faith it is impossible to please You. Our lives this week have been absent of the faith You so desire. We have neither acknowledged nor believed Your promises to us in Christ, and thus our lives are nothing more than a hedonistic experiment. Cause us to be sad for this reality and strengthen our faith as we come before You, pleading for Your mercy and resting in Your grace. *Amen.*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us — for it is written, ‘Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree’ — so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.” — *Galatians 3:13-14*

THE HYMN OF ASPIRATION

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

Words: Ray Palmer, 1830

Olivet



1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2. May Thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,



Sav - ior di - vine: now hear me while I pray,
my zeal in - spire; as Thou hast died for me,



take all my guilt a - way, O let me
O may my love to Thee, pure, warm, and



from this day be whol - ly Thine.
change - less be, a liv - ing fire.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

The grace of faith, by which the elect are enabled to believe to the saving of their souls, is the work of the Spirit of Christ in their hearts, and is ordinarily produced through the ministry of the Word. This faith is increased and strengthened by the same means, and also by the administration of the sacraments and prayer. By this faith, a Christian believes to be true whatever is revealed in the Word, because of the authority of God Himself speaking in it. He also responds differently to what each particular passage contains — obeying the commands, trembling at the threatenings, and embracing the promises of God for this life and that which is to come. But the principal acts of saving faith are accepting, receiving, and resting upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life, by the virtue of the covenant of grace. This faith varies in degrees. It may be weak or strong. It may often, and in many ways, be assailed and weakened, but it gains the victory. It matures in many the attainment of a full assurance through Christ, who is both the author and perfecter of our faith.

— *Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 14*

THE DOXOLOGY

Trinity

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore.

His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore. *Amen.*

THE OFFERTORY

“Honor and Glory”
Harrison Howle, Director

Bach/Ehret

Honor and glory be to God in the highest,
Hallelujah, sing praises to His name!

THE SERMON

Genesis 12:1-3 (*pew Bible pages 8-9*)
“God’s Synopsis”

The Reverend Parker Tenent, Assistant Pastor

THE INSTALLATION OF

MR. STEVE ATKINS, RULING ELDER-ELECT OF
INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMISSION OF IPC
Dr. Murray Garrott, Teaching Elder

THE QUESTIONS OF INSTALLATION

Dr. Murray Garrott

THE PRAYER OF INSTALLATION (11:00 a.m.)

Dr. Steve Fuson, Ruling Elder

THE DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION (11:00 a.m.)

Dr. Murray Garrott

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

No. 580

THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

“Lead On, O God of Might!”

Larson

THE POSTLUDE

“Grand Triumphal Chorus”

Guilmant

THE COMMISSION OF INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. Murray Garrott, Teaching Elder
The Reverend Parker Tenent, Teaching Elder
Dr. Steve Fuson, Ruling Elder
Mr. Jack Stokes, Ruling Elder
Mr. Rob Thompson, Ruling Elder



SERMON NOTES

September 20, 2015

Genesis 12:1-3
“God’s Synopsis”
The Reverend Parker Tenent

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. Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 5:30, in the Fellowship Hall, for dinner, followed by teaching at 6:30.

Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*, November 8-December 13, at 9:45, during the Sunday School hour. For more information, or to register, please contact the Church Office, 901.685.8206.

A fully-staffed nursery is available during all services.

THE FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
in honor of Barbara Collins for her faithfulness to Christ and His church,
by her loving family, especially her eight grandchildren
who celebrate her retirement.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our newly-installed Ruling Elder, Steve Atkins.

OUR CHURCH TODAY | SEPTEMBER 20

8:30 a.m..... Worship Service
8:30 a.m..... K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grades 1 & 2)
9:45 a.m..... Sunday School
11:00 a.m..... Worship Service
11:00 a.m..... K-Church (Kindergarten) and Jr. Church (Grade 1)
4:30 p.m. Jr. High Small Groups
5:00 p.m. Sr. High Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Sr. High Small Groups

GRACE GROUPS NOTES AVAILABLE ONLINE

You can now download a QR Code Scanner app on your phone, and use it to scan the code below to view this week’s Grace Group questions:



OUR CHURCH WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 23

5:30 p.m..... Dinner, Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m..... Jr. High Choir Rehearsal (Grades 6-8)
6:00 p.m..... Divorce Care (Room 233)
6:30 p.m..... *The Gospel of Mark*, Fellowship Hall/Mike Malone
6:30 p.m..... Grace Groups, Small Groups
6:30 p.m..... Preschool and Children’s Choirs Rehearsals
6:30 p.m..... Christ in Action (C.I.A.) — Romper Room
6:30 p.m..... Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups
7:30 p.m..... Adult Choir Rehearsal

IPC FAMILY CAMP

September 25-27, 2015

Camp of the Rising Son, French Camp, MS

For more information or to register, visit www.indepres.org,
or pick up a brochure in the lobby.

IPC BLOOD DRIVE

Our next Blood Drive will be Wednesday, September 30, 4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

To sign up to give, or for more information, please visit our website,
www.indepres.org.

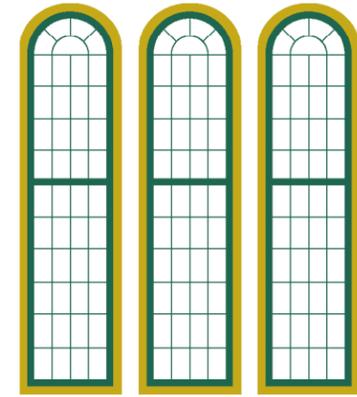
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | OCTOBER 4

The Session has called for a Congregational Meeting to take place on Sunday, October 4, 2015, at 9:45 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall, for the purpose of electing a Pulpit Search Committee. All Adult, Senior High, and Junior High Sunday School classes will be cancelled so that communing members may attend. The Session will present its recommendation for the Pulpit Search Committee at the meeting. All communing members are encouraged to attend and vote.

CHANGE OF DATES FOR THE PATHWAY CLASS

The dates for our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members* have changed. The new dates are Sundays, November 8, 15, 22, 29 and December 6, 13. We will still meet at 9:45 a.m., in the third floor conference room. Please email Gayle Hardee, ghardee@indepres.org, if you would like to register.

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



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THE MISSION OF INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
is to make disciples of Jesus Christ in Memphis,
calling them into a devoted community of worshiping
and maturing believers, and sending them out to be
salt of the earth and light in the world,
all to the glory of God.