

INDEPENDENT
Presbyterian Church

July 11, 2021

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

I remember being told to go pack. My family was taking a trip — to where, I don't remember. But I remember this was one of the first times I was being entrusted with the responsibility of putting together what I needed for the journey. So I grabbed my designated little suitcase and went to work. I wanted to make sure I didn't forget all the things I believed I needed for a successful trip. By the end of my packing I was pretty sure I had everything I would need. I then remembered my mom asking questions such as, "Did you pack your toothbrush?" I had not. "Did you pack socks?" Again, "No." She then asked about several other items, and I had packed none of them. Though a lot was packed (many items which I believed were vital), it turns out I missed out on the essentials. I was less than faithful in my responsibilities, and my enthusiastic activity was not up to the required task at hand.

If one were to put together a list of "items" necessary for faithfulness, in the end it might look like my first attempt at packing. In other words, one might throw in a lot of things that seem necessary, but find the essentials are left out. True biblical faithfulness is a work of the Holy Spirit in the life of a Christian; unfortunately, what is often passed off as faithfulness is anything but. Let's pray that God would move us to a fullness of faith as we come to worship him today.

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 member on your aisle. Our Welcome Center greeters are also eager to assist you or answer your questions. Please see an usher if you need a hearing amplification device.

More opportunities for teaching and fellowship at IPC are listed in the back of this bulletin. Visitors interested in joining IPC are invited to attend our next *Pathway Class for Prospective Members*. For more information or to register, please contact Tamera Rackley, (901) 685-8206, or trackley@ipcmemphis.org.

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

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.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

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

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

“Festive Trumpet Tune” German
Ric Browning, Trumpet Arron Powell, Violin
Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 10:19-25

The Minister: Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus,

The Congregation: By the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is through his flesh,

The Minister: And since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith,

The Congregation: With our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water,

The Minister: And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together as is the habit of some,

All: But encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

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

The Reverend Jeremy Jones, Associate Pastor (11:00 a.m.)

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“For All the Saints”

No. 358

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided — Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided — Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided — Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Loving and gracious Father, the more I delve into the depths of my sin, the uglier and more heinous it becomes. If I promise to do better, I am a liar. If I try to clean myself up, I am a fraud. If I give because I feel guilty, I am a schemer. If I serve to feel good about myself, I am self-righteous. If I pray only to get what I want, I am self-serving. If I read your Word so you will be pleased with me, I am a manipulator. The selfish motivations of even my best actions are un-holy, un-pleasing, and un-like the One in whose image I am created. Give me a total reliance upon, and utter amazement at the life-saving, life-changing, life-giving nature of your grace and mercy through Your Son Jesus Christ, in whose name I pray. *Amen.*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.” — *Hebrews 9:12-14*

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“Whate’er My God Ordains Is Right”

James Brown, Guitar Tim Keith, Bass Tim Gregory, Djembe

Words: Samuel Rodigast

Music: David Braud



1. What - e'er my God or - dains is right:
2. What - e'er my God or - dains is right:
3. What - e'er my God or - dains is right:
4. What - e'er my God or - dains is right:



ho - ly his will a - bid - eth;
he nev - er will de - ceive me;
though now this cup in drink - ing,
here shall my stand be tak - en;



I will be still what - e'er he does,
he leads me by the prop - er path;
may bit - ter seem to my faint heart,
though sor - row, need, or death be mine,



and fol - low where he guid - eth.
I know he will not leave me.
I take it all un - shrink - ing,
yet I am not for - sak - en.



He is my God;
I take, con - tent,
My God is true;
My Fa - ther's care



though dark my road,
what he hath sent;
each morn a - new
is round me there;



he holds me that I shall not fall:
 his hand can turn my griefs a way,
 sweet com-fort yet shall fill my heart,
 he holds me that I shall not fall:



where - fore to him I leave it all.
 and pa - tient - ly I wait his day.
 and pain and sor - row shall de - part.
 and so to him I leave it all.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

The New City Catechism, Q and A 21-23

The Minister: What sort of Redeemer is needed to bring us back to God?

The Congregation: One who is truly human and also truly God.

The Minister: Why must the Redeemer be truly human?

The Congregation: That in human nature he might on our behalf perfectly obey the whole law and suffer the punishment for human sin; and also that he might sympathize with our weaknesses.

The Minister: Why must the Redeemer be truly God?

The Congregation: That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective; and also that he would be able to bear the righteous anger of God against sin and yet overcome death.

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

“It Is a Precious Thing”

Dickinson

Elaine Clowers and Emma Gregory, Duet

James A. Brown, Jr., Director

It is a precious thing when the heart is fixed and trusteth in God;
Through the mercy of God and our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

It is a precious thing when the heart is fixed and trusteth in God,
Through the mercy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

My heart is resting, O my Saviour, In thy loving care,

My trust is ever stayed on thee;

O hear my earnest prayer That ever faithful I may be,

And ever do thy will;

O grant this in thy mercy still, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SERMON

Galatians 5:16-25 (*pew Bible page 975*)

The Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

“Fullness of Faith”

The Reverend Robert O. Browning

Associate Pastor

SERMON NOTES

I. When it doesn't look faithful but is (Mark 2:23-28 and 3:1-6; John 2:13-17)

II. When it doesn't look unfaithful but is (Galatians 2:11-14)

III. Confession / Question / Conviction

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“It Is Well with My Soul”

No. 691

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hands have provided,
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

THE POSTLUDE

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

arr. Powell



The instrumental parts for the hymns this morning were composed by Arron Powell.

EVENING PRAISE

July 11, 2021

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matthew 11:28-29

Minister: “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

INVOCATION

SONG OF PRAISE

"Jesus, I Come"

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.

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 the shad - ow of thy wing.
 sin I am, thou full of truth and grace.
 in my heart, to all e - ter - ni - ty.

PASSING THE PEACE

Minister: Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." And so, the peace of Christ always be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Let us offer one another a word of peace.

Please greet one another, saying "Peace be with you."

SONG OF PRAISE

"Before the Throne"

Charitie Bancroft and Vikki Cook

Vikki Cook



1. Be - fore the Throne of God a - bove, I have a
 2. When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair, and tells me
 3. Be - hold him there, the ris - en Lamb! My per - fect,



strong and per - fect plea; a great High Priest whose name is
 of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look and see him
 spot - less right - eous - ness. The great un - change - a - ble I



Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is
 there, who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the
 Am, the King of Glor - y and of Grace. One with him -



grav - en on his hands. My name is writ - ten on his
 sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed
 self, I can - not die. My soul is pur - chased by his



heart. I know that while in heav'n he
 free. For God, the Just, is sat - is -
 blood. My life is hid with Christ on



stands, no tongue can bid me thence de -
 - fied, to look on him and par - don
 high, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my



part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 me, to look on him and par - don me.
 God, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

SONG OF PRAISE

“How Great Is Our God”

Words and Music by Chris Tomlin



1. The splen-dor of a King clothed in ma - jes - ty,
2. Age to age he stands and time is in his hands;



let all the earth re - joice, all the earth re - joice.
Be - gin - ning and The End, Be - gin - ning and The End,



He wraps him self in light and
The God - head, Three in One,



dark - ness tries to hide and trem - bles at his voice,
Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son, The Li - on and The Lamb,



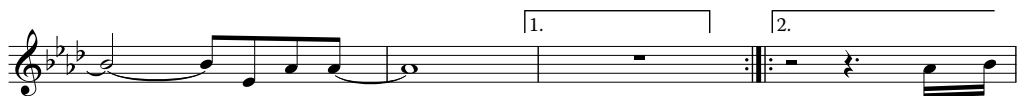
trem - bles at his voice. How great
The Li - on and The Lamb.



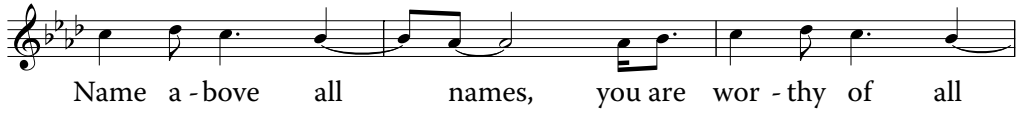
is our God, sing with me how



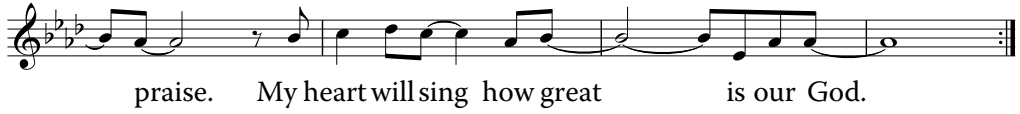
great is our God, and all will see, how great, how great



is our God. You're the



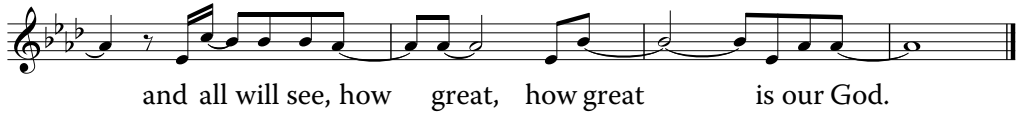
Name a -bove all names, you are wor - thy of all



praise. My heart will sing how great is our God.



How great is our God, sing with me, how great is our God



and all will see, how great, how great is our God.

SONG OF PREPARATION "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"

Words and Music by Getty,
Boswell, Kauflin, Merker, Papa



1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a -
calm the trou - bled soul? God is
grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, He



lone, Christ a - lone. What is our on - ly con - fi -
good, God is good. Where is his grace and good - ness
lives; Christ, He lives!" And what re - ward will heav - en



dence? That our souls to him be - long. Who holds our
known? In our great Re - deem - er's blood. Who holds our
bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with him. There we will



days with - in his hand? What comes, a - part from his com -
faith when fears a - rise? Who stands a - bove the storm - y
rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be de -



mand? And what will keep us to the end? The love of
trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Un - to the
stroyed, And we will feast in end - less joy, When Christ is



Christ, in which we stand. O
shore, the rock of Christ?
ours for - ev - er - more.

sing hal - le - lu - jah! Our hope springs e - ter - nal; O
 sing hal - le - lu - jah! Now and ev - er we con -
 fess Christ our hope in life and death.
 2. What truth can death. Now and
 3. Un - to the
 ev - er we con-fess Christ our hope in life and death.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 116 (*pew Bible pages 510-511*)

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

HOMILY

Because God Has Dealt Bountifully with You,
 You Can Now Give Up Your Life

Mr. Clarke Norton

MTW Missionary/Covenant Presbytery Candidate and Intern

SONG OF PRAISE

"He Will Hold Me Fast"

Words: Habershon and Merker

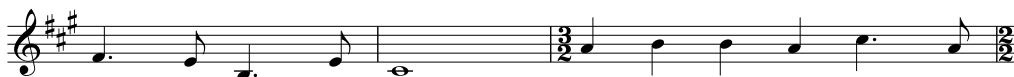
Music: Merker



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.

BENEDICTION

IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Jennifer and José Velázquez in loving memory of Judy Shamburger.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome the following new members to our church:
Grace and Timothy Nabholz

DEATHS

We extend our sympathy to
the family of retired long-time IPC nursery employee
Rose Buoni on her death on June 22.

We extend our sympathy to
Wanda and Charlie Fee on the death of his sister,
Roberta Gray, on June 30.

We extend our sympathy to
Dr. Tom Elkin on the death of his wife,
Mary Elkin, on July 6.

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

SUMMER EVENING PRAISE

Songs of the Passover Lamb
Tonight | 6:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall
Nursery will be available; older children are encouraged
to attend the service with their parents.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | AUGUST 15

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, August 15, 10:00 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall, for the purposes of electing officers and hearing ministry reports.

We will have two separate elections on August 15: the session is recommending that the congregation elect Reverend Parker Tenent as associate pastor; and the congregation will have an opportunity to elect ruling elders for the class of 2027. The men who have been certified to stand for election as Elder are: Matt Buyer, Sam Graham, Lee Greene, Hollis Halford, Jurey Howard, Matt Kennedy, George Leavell, Matt Olson, Jack Stokes, and Peter Winterburn. ***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.

SUMMER THINGS FOR KIDS

Water fun, outings, games, crafts, and bowling are just some of the exciting things in June and July that IPC has planned for kids who've completed K-4th grade.

For a full schedule, pick up a copy of the 2021 *Children's Summer Things* booklet at church. Parents must fill out a Liability Release Form for each child participating in Dive-Ins and other water days.

FALL YOUTH SOCCER

Our Recreation Ministry is registering youth for fall soccer and will continue through July 15. There are boys' teams and girls' teams for ages 4-13. Playing divisions are determined by age. IPC teams play through the East Shelby Church Recreation Association (ESCRA). Practices begin in August; games are on Saturdays starting in September.

For more details and registration links, go to ipcmemphis.org.

Please email Rob Howard, rhoward@ipcmemphis.org, if you have any questions.

TWRA HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency will offer a two-day Hunter Education Course in the IPC Gym Friday, July 30, 6:00-9:00 p.m., and Saturday, July 31, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. This is the TWRA certified classroom course required to purchase your Tennessee hunting license. Breaks will be offered throughout each day, including a lunch hour on Saturday. The class is free. Go to ipcmemphis.org to register. For more details, email IPC Director of Recreation Ministries Rob Howard, rhoward@ipcmemphis.org.

JOYFUL MELODIES MUSIC AND MOVEMENT CAMP

Calling all PreK-5th graders! Joyful Melodies is a week of instrumental instruction, movement, theory, and worshipping the Lord through music. Coordinated by beloved IPC musicians Emilee Garrett and Molly Pennington, camp will meet in the Romper Room, Monday–Friday, August 2–6, 9:00 a.m. until noon. Activities will be determined by age; the week will conclude with a special performance and treat on Friday at 11:00 a.m.

For more information and scholarship inquiries, please contact Emilee at egarrett@ipcmemphis.org. Cost is \$125 (take \$25 off each sibling registration by using promo code SIBLING). *To register, visit ipcmemphis.org.*

2021 CHRISTIAN LIFE CONFERENCE

Knowing God: The Doctrine of God for the Christian Life

Wednesday Nights in August | IPC Fellowship Hall

Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by our speaker at 6:30 p.m.

August 4 — Dr. Michael Allen: “Knowing the Triune God”

August 11 — Dr. Ligon Duncan: “Knowing the Covenant God”

August 18 — Dr. Ray Ortlund: “Knowing the Holy and Loving God”

August 25 — Dr. Richard Pratt: “Knowing the Just God”

Nursery and children’s activities are provided. Reservations are not required.

PASTORAL STAFF

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

MINISTRY STAFF

Alison Barger	<i>Director, Communications</i>
James A. Brown, Jr.	<i>Director, Worship & Music Ministries</i>
Pam Brown	<i>Assistant Director, Worship & Music Ministries</i>
Gwen Carpenter	<i>Food Services Manager</i>
Ben Ervin	<i>Audio Visual Coordinator</i>
Mary Virginia Felker	<i>Assistant Director, Senior High Ministry</i>
Stephen Felker	<i>Student Ministry Associate</i>
Leigh Fox	<i>Hospitality Consultant</i>
Emilee Garrett	<i>Children's Choirs Coordinator</i>
Andrew Ginn	<i>Director, Covenanters' Corner Bookstore</i>
Lucy Green	<i>Director, Children's Ministry</i>
Paul Halford, Sr.	<i>Director, Operations</i>
Cindy Hammons	<i>Assistant Director, Children's Ministry</i>
Rachel Himebook	<i>Director, IPC Ballet</i>
Zach Hood	<i>Director, College Ministry</i>
Rob Howard	<i>Director, Recreation Ministries</i>
Harrison Howle	<i>Choral Assistant</i>
Rebekah Johnson	<i>Assistant Director, Children's Ministry</i>
Maryanna Story	<i>Assistant Director, Student Ministry</i>
Lisa Turner	<i>Director, Women's Ministry</i>
Jennifer Velázquez	<i>Associate Director, Worship & Music Ministries Organist</i>
Scott Walker	<i>Worship Assistant</i>
Suellen Warren	<i>Business Administrator</i>

IPC OFFICE HOURS

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

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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