

INDEPENDENT
Presbyterian Church

July 18, 2021

A NEW PEOPLE. A NEW MEMPHIS.

THE FIRST WORD ON WORSHIP

As we continue in this series on the fruit of the Spirit, we come to the virtue of gentleness. One of the things that is vital to remember with each virtue is that Jesus is the one who embodies it best: if we want to know what the fullness of love, joy, peace, or gentleness looks like, we look to Jesus. And yet, Jesus is not simply our example of gentleness; he is the one who enables us to be gentle with each other because he shows us tenderness and compassion over and over again. Who he is and what he gives enables us to live differently.

Our service this morning reminds us that God is the one who transforms all sorts of people into worshipers who love to praise and love to serve. Our call to worship from Psalm 67 calls upon the nations to clap their hands in praise; our assurance of pardon from Ephesians 2 reminds us that God's mercy and love is what brings us to new life. As we praise the Lord in song and as we pray to him in our corporate prayers, his undeserved favor, his compassion and tenderness, begin to change us. Thanks be to God for the good work of our gentle Savior!

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.

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

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

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

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!”
Nathaniel Efthimiou, Piano

Darwall's 148th/arr. Forrest

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 67

The Minister: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

The Congregation: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

The Minister: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with
equity and guide the nations upon earth.

The Congregation: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

The Minister: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

All: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him! Amen! Let us
worship God!

The Reverend Mike Malone, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)
The Reverend Parker Tenent, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“O God, Give Us Your Blessing”

Psalm 67

Samuel J. Stone, 1866

Aurelia

1. O God, give us your bless - ing, ex - tend to us your grace,
2. O God, let peo - ples praise you; let all the peo - ples praise.
3. O God, let peo - ples praise you; let all the peo - ples praise.

and cause to shine up - on us the ra - diance of your face;
Let na - tions come re - joic - ing, and songs of glad - ness raise;
The earth has brought its boun - ty through - out its har - vest days;

In or - der that your path - ways would through the earth be known,
for you will judge the peo - ples with per - fect eq - ui - ty;
since God, our God, will bless us; yes, God will bless - ing send,

that you to ev - 'ry na - tion would your sal - va - tion show.
you will for all earth's na - tions their guide and lead - er be.
that all the earth may fear him to its re - mot - est end.

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Mit Freuden Zart

All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul he fills, the God who every sorrow stills.
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not his flock, his chosen generation;
he is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand he leads his own, his chosen band.
To God all praise and glory!

Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness;
to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:
Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well.
To God all praise and glory!

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

James Robinson Johnston (8:30 a.m.)

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Father and Creator, may your Spirit speak in me that I may speak to you. I am undeserving, but I look to your tender mercy. I am full of infirmities, wants, sins; you are full of grace. I confess my sin, my frequent sin, my willful sin; all my powers of body and soul are defiled: a fountain of pollution is deep within my nature. Help me in all my doings to put down sin and to humble pride. Save me from the love of the world and the pride of life, from everything that is natural to fallen man. Enable me to never lose sight of the glory of Christ. In his name, *Amen*.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ — by grace you have been saved!" — *Ephesians 2:4-5*

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“Thy Mercy, My God”

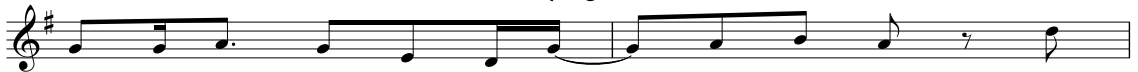
Kelly Turner, Mandolin Tim Keith, Bass

Words: John Stoker

Music: Sandra McCracken



1. Thy mer - cy, my God, is the theme of my song, the
2. With - out thy sweet mer - cy I could not live here;
3. Thy mer - cy is more than a match for my heart, which
4. Great Fa - ther of mer - cies thy good - ness I own and the



joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue. Thy
sin would re - duce me to ut - ter des - pair; but
won - ders to feel its own hard - ness de - part; dis -
cov - e - nant love of thy cru - ci - fied Son; all



free grace a - lone from the first to the last hath
through thy free good - ness my spir - its re - vive and
solved by thy good - ness, I fall to the ground, and
praise to the Spir - it whose whis - per di - vine seals



won my af - fec - tions and bound my soul fast.
he that first made me still keeps me a - live.
weep to the praise of the mer - cy I've found.
mer - cy and par - don and right - eous - ness mine.



All praise to the Spir - it whose whis - per di - vine seals



mer - cy and par - don and right - eous - ness mine!

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

“My God Is So High”

arr. Hogan

Emma Gregory, Soprano (8:30 a.m.)

Elaine Clowers, Soprano (11:00 a.m.)

John Chase, Director

My God is so high you can't get over him,
He's so low you can't get under him,
He's so wide you can't get 'round him,
You must come in by and through the Lamb.

One day as I was a walkin' along the heav'nly road,
My Savior spoke unto me and he filled my heart with his love.

I'll take my gospel trumpet and I'll begin to blow,
And if my Savior helps me I'll blow wherever I'll go.

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

No. 498
(stanzas 1-5)

THE BENEDICTION

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hyfrydol

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find;
he hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine.
Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

THE POSTLUDE

“Antiphon V: How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou”

Jennifer Velázquez, Organist

Dupré



EVENING PRAISE

July 18, 2021

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 117

Minister: Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

Congregation: For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever!

All: Praise the Lord!

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

“Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah”

Words: William Kirkpatrick

Music: Darwin Jordan



1. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -
 2. Hap - py is the man that choos - es, Is - rael's God to
 3. Food he dai - ly gives the hun - gry, sets the mourn - ing
 4. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -



ho - vah praise; I will sing the glo - ri - ous prais - es,
 be his aid; he is blest whose hope of bless - ing
 pris - 'ner free, rais - es those bowed down with an - guish,
 ho - vah praise; I will sing the glo - ri - ous prais - es,



of my God through all my days. Put no con - fi -
 on the Lord his God is stayed. Heav'n and earth the
 makes the sight - less eyes to see. Well Je - ho - vah
 of my God through all my days. O - ver all God



dence in princ - es, nor for help on man de - pend;
 Lord cre - a - ted, seas and all that they con - tain;
 loves the righ - teous, and the strang - er he be - friends,
 reigns for - ev - er, through all ag - es he is King;



he shall die, to dust re - turn - ing,
 he de - liv - ers from op - pres - sion,
 helps the fa - ther - less and wid - ow,
 un - to him, thy God, O Zi - on,



and his pur - pos - es shall end.
 righ - teous - ness he will main - tain.
 judg - ment on the wick - ed sends.
 joy - ful hal - le - lu - jahs sing.

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

“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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2.

praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
 praise the High E - ter - nal One.

4. Fatherlike he tends and spares us;
 well our feeble frame he knows.
 In his hands he gently bears us,
 rescues us from all our foes.
 Praise him, praise him,
 praise him, praise him,
 widely as his mercy goes.
 Praise him, praise him,
 praise him, praise him,
 widely as his mercy goes.

5. Angels help us to adore him;
 ye behold him face to face;
 sun and moon, bow down before him,
 dwellers all in time and space.
 Praise him, praise him,
 praise him, praise him,
 praise with us the God of grace.
 Praise him, praise him,
 praise him, praise him,
 praise with us the God of grace.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

Words: Ernest W. Shurtleff

Music: Jeff Pardo

Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the
 on, O King e - ter - nal, till
 on, O King e - ter - nal, we

day of march has come; hence -
 sin's fierce war shall cease, and
 fol - low, not with fears, for

forth in fields of con - quest, thy tents shall be our home.
 ho - li - ness shall whis - per, the sweet a - men of peace.
 glad - ness breaks like morn - ing, where - e'er thy face ap - pears.

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion, thy
 For not with swords loud clash - ing, nor
 Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us, we

grace has made us strong; and now, O King e - ter -
 roll of stir - ring drums, with deeds of love and mer -
 jour - ney in its light; the crown a - waits the con -

nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 cy, the heav - en - ly king - dom comes.
 quest; lead on, O God of might.

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1. 2.3.

2. Lead So lead on, O King;

lead on, O King; lead on, O King,

1. 2. 2.

lead on! 3. Lead *repeat refrain*

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 117 (*pew Bible page 511*)

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

HOMILY

“The Shortest Gospel Song”

Dr. Sean Michael Lucas

Senior Pastor

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

“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.

DURING THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SUPPER

“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.

SONG OF PRAISE

“O Church, Arise”

Getty/Townend



1. O church, a - rise and put your ar - mor on; hear the
 2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, but to
 3. Come, see the cross where love and mer - cy meet, as the
 4. So Spir - it, come, put strength in ev' - ry stride, give



call of Christ our cap - tain; for now the weak can say that
 rage a - gainst the cap - tor; and with the sword that makes the
 Son of God is strick - en; then see his foes lie crushed be -
 grace for ev' - ry hur - dle, that we may run with faith to



they are strong in the strength that God has giv - en. With shield of
 wound - ed whole we will fight with faith and val - or. When faced with
 neath his feet, for the Con - quer - or has ris - en! And as the
 win the prize of a ser - vant good and faith - ful. As saints of



faith and belt of truth we'll stand a - gainst the dev - il's
 trials on ev' - ry side, we know the out - come is se -
 stone is rolled a - way, and Christ e - merg - es from the
 old still line the way, re - tell - ing tri - umphs of his



lies; an ar - my bold whose bat - tle
 cure, and Christ will have the prize for
 grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues
 grace, we hear their calls and hun - ger



cry is "Love!" reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
 which he died, an in - her - i - tance of na - tions.
 till the day ev' - ry eye and heart shall see him.
 for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY

The arrangement in the Sanctuary is presented to the glory of God.

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BIRTH

Congratulations to

Rachel and Jason Weatherly on the birth of their son,
William Michael Weatherly, on July 11.

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DEATH

We extend our sympathy to

Trina and John Crosby on the death of his mother,
Ann Ford, on July 11.

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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

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SUMMER EVENING PRAISE AND COMMUNION

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.

IPC KNITTING MINISTRY

The Knitting Ministry will meet Thursday, July 22, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Room 233.

All knitters and crocheters are invited to participate. Come for the whole two hours, or just drop in — whatever meets your schedule. We have lots of good conversation and laughs while serving our church and Memphis at large.

For more information, contact Susan Strong, (901) 756-5356.

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.

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.

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.*

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

A Night in Paris

SK-6th Grade Girls

with the Rockin’ Robin DJs

Friday, August 13

7:00-9:00 p.m. | IPC Gym

Sweets and snacks served

No charge to attend — reservations not required



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