

Service of Worship

Preparing for worship—For our spiritual edification and for the benefit of one another, let us spend the time before worship in silent preparation, meditation, and prayer, reading Scripture and familiarizing ourselves with today's Scripture readings, prayers, and hymns.

Leader: The Lord be with you!
People: **The Lord bless you!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS



God Calls Us

CALL TO WORSHIP 1 Chronicles 16:8-10

Leader: Let us rise and worship God! In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen!**

† INTROIT # 310 – *Rejoice the Lord is King*

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 120

In my distress I called to the Lord,
And he answered me.

Deliver me, O Lord,
From lying lips, and from a deceitful tongue.

What shall be given to you,
And what more shall be done to you, you deceitful tongue?

A warrior's sharp arrows,
With glowing coals of the broom tree!

Woe to me, that I sojourn in Meshech,
That I dwell among the tents of Kedar!

Too long have I had my dwelling among those who hate peace.
I am for peace, but when I speak, they are for war!

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call upon Him in Truth
People: **He will hear their cry and save them!**

† HYMN OF APPROACH # 411 – *Shine Thou upon Us, Lord*



God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN
Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God.
(Let those who are able kneel)

Leader: Almighty and Most Merciful God:
People: **We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves; and there is nothing good in us. We are guilty of pride, envy, sinful anger, and selfishness. We have been unchaste, sinfully anxious, and slothful in matters temporal and eternal. We deserve eternal punishment rather than Your grace in Christ Jesus. We are sorry; we humbly repent and ask You to incline our hearts to holiness. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us that we**

may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen!

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 John 1:5-9

Leader: Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ and His victory over the grave. Believe this, and rejoice!



Leader: Lift up your hearts!
People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!
People: **It is proper and right to do so.**



God Consecrates Us

† FIRST READING Matthew 23:1-26

† SECOND READING Hebrews 4:1-13

Leader: The Word of the Lord—
People: **Thanks be to God!**

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT Matthew 11:28-30

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *Rest for the Burdened*
Pastor Jay Barfield

† HYMN OF RESPONSE *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* (reverse)



God Communes With Us

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!
People: **And His mercy endures forever!**

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S TABLE
Passing of the Bread # 254 – *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*
Passing of the Wine # 252 – *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Leader: The Body and Blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith until life everlasting, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen!**

† GLORIA PATRI # 735

† CONFESSION OF FAITH *The Nicene Creed*
We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the 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 men 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 sits on the right hand of God the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick 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 the 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!



God Commissions Us

† BENEDICTION

‡ DOXOLOGY

† The congregation will please stand
‡ With hands uplifted

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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1. I heard the voice of Je-sus say, "Come un - to Me and rest;
2. I heard the voice of Je-sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3. I heard the voice of Je-sus say, "I am this dark world's Light;

lay down, you wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on My breast!"
the liv - ing wa - ter; thirs - ty one, stoop down, and drink, and live!"
look un - to Me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright!"

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry worn and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun;

I found in Him a rest - ing place, and He has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in Him.
and in that Light of life I'll walk, 'til all my jour - ney's done.

Horatius Bonar (1846)
Alt. 1990, mod.

KINGSFOLD C.M.D.
English Traditional; English Country Songs (1893)

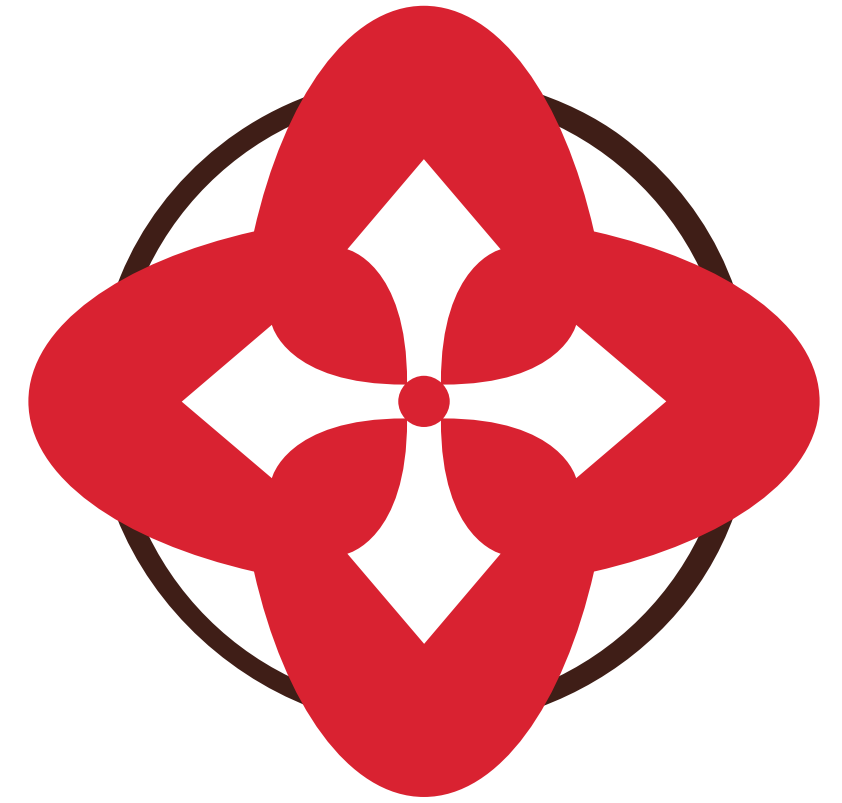
Announcements

CHURCH FUNCTIONS

- Wednesday evening activities: Supper at 5:45, followed by choir and prayer meeting.
- Second Sunday lunch: March 11

NURSERY WORKERS

- Today
 - Strouds (Sunday School)
 - Weises (Worship)
- Next Week
 - Brantleys (Sunday School)
 - Libby Grete (Worship)



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 18, 2018

9:00 AM Sunday School and 10:30 AM Worship

*Recordings of this morning's service may be downloaded
from the church's website located at ipcclinton.org.
Previous services and events are also available.*