

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 Isaiah 45:22-23

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

† INTROIT # 457 – *Come Thou Fount*

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 73:18-28
Surely You set them in slippery places;

You cast them down to destruction.
Oh, how they are brought to desolation, as in a moment!

They are utterly consumed with terrors.
As a dream when one awakes,

So, Lord, when You awake, you shall despise their image.
Thus my heart was grieved,

And I was vexed in my mind.
I was so foolish and ignorant;

I was like a beast before You.
Nevertheless I am continually with You;

You hold me by my right hand.
You will guide me with Your counsel,

And afterward receive me to glory.
Whom have I in heaven but You?

And there is none upon earth that I desire besides You.
My flesh and my heart fail;

But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.
For indeed, those who are far from You shall perish;

You have destroyed all those who desert You for harlotry.
But it is good for me to draw near to God;

I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all Your works.

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

† PSALM OF APPROACH Psalm 47a



God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN *(Let those who are able kneel)*
Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:
People: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended

against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to thy promise declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we, being defended from fear of our enemies, may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen!

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Acts 10:42-43

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!

Musical notation for the hymn: Hal-le-lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.

Musical notation for the hymn: Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev-er. Hal-le-lu-jah!

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 Malachi 2:10-16

† SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 7:10-16
Leader: The Word of the Lord—
People: Thanks be to God!

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT Matthew 5:31-32

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *The Difficulty of Divorce*
Pastor Jay Barfield

† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 498 – *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*



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 Psalm 98a (vv. 1-3)
Passing of the Wine Psalm 98a (vv. 4-7)

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 Apostles’ Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Amen!



God Commissions Us

† BENEDICTION

‡ DOXOLOGY

† The congregation will please stand
‡ With hands uplifted

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CHURCH FUNCTIONS

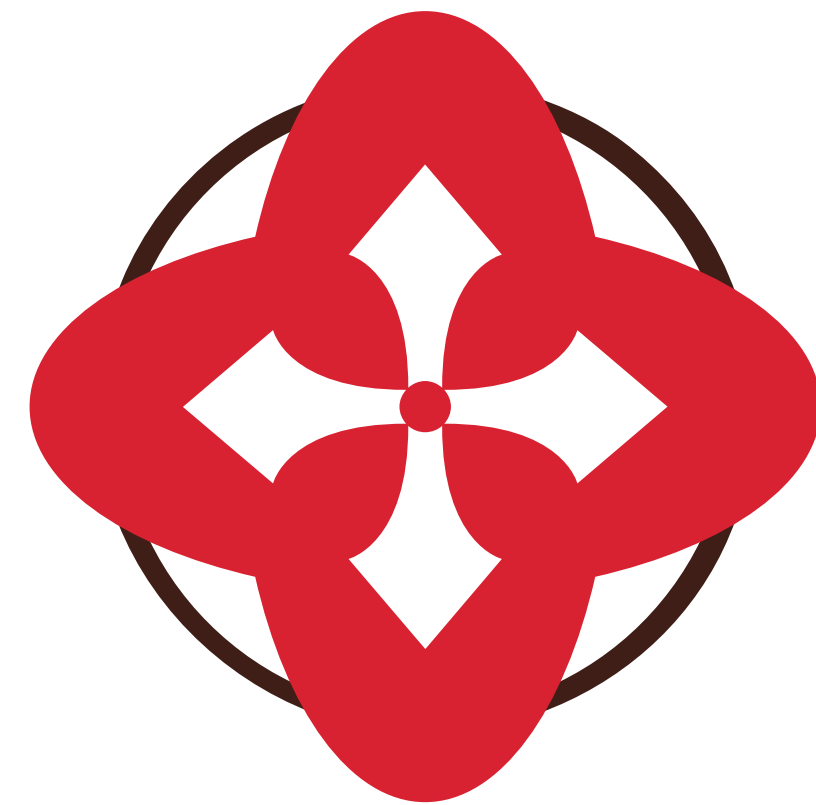
- Wednesday Evening Activities Postponed until Fall. Please use your extra evening to get together for meals, fellowship, prayer, and encouragement not only with folks with whom you are close, but also with those with whom you are not. Invite and include unchurched friends as well.
- Second Sunday Lunch: Today after morning worship

NURSERY WORKERS

- Today
 - Samsels (Sunday School)
 - B. Willoughbys (Worship)
- Next Week
 - Strouds (Sunday School)
 - Hunters (Worship)

GENERAL

- DTS Tuesday, August 16th, 7:30pm at the Quarleses' Home.



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 14, 2016

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 ipccclinton.org. Previous services and events are also available.