

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 45:18-20a

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

† INTROIT # 110 – *Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah*

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 15
Lord, who may abide in Your tabernacle?
Who may dwell in Your holy hill?
He who walks uprightly, and works righteousness,
And speaks the truth in his heart;
He who does not backbite with his tongue, Nor does evil to his neighbor,
Nor does he take up a reproach against his friend;
In whose eyes a vile person is despised,
But he honors those who fear the Lord;
He who swears to his own hurt and does not change;
He who does not put out his money at usury,
Nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
He who does these things shall never be moved.

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 # 9 – *All You That Fear Jehovah’s Name*



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 Colossians 1:12-14

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 Deuteronomy 6:10-19

† SECOND READING Matthew 26:57-64
Leader: The Word of the Lord—
People: **Thanks be to God!**

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT Matthew 5:31-32

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *Christians and Oaths*
Pastor Jay Barfield

† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 66 – *God Is Known Among His People*



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 23b
Passing of the Wine # 679 – *‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

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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- 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: September 11

- Today
 - Strouds (Sunday School)
 - Hunters (Worship)
- Next Week
 - M. Willoughbys (Sunday School)
 - Elise & Sarah Grete (Worship)



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.