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 praver, 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

(The confession of sin has been rotated this week. Please take notice.)

God Calls Us

Hebrews 10:22-25

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

† INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

110 – Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah

[†] PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 119:129-136 Your testimonies are wonderful; Therefore my soul keeps them. The entrance of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple. I opened my mouth and panted, For I longed for Your commandments. Look upon me and be merciful to me, As Your custom is toward those who love Your name. Direct my steps by Your word, And let no iniquity have dominion over me. Redeem me from the oppression of man, That I may keep Your precepts. Make Your face shine upon Your servant, And teach me Your statutes. Rivers of water run down from my eyes, Because men do not keep Your law. Leader: O Lord, give ear to our prayers.

People: Light the darkness of our hearts, Christ Jesus!

† HYMN OF APPROACH

357 – Let Our Choir New Anthems Raise

God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN (Let those who are able kneel)

- Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God. 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

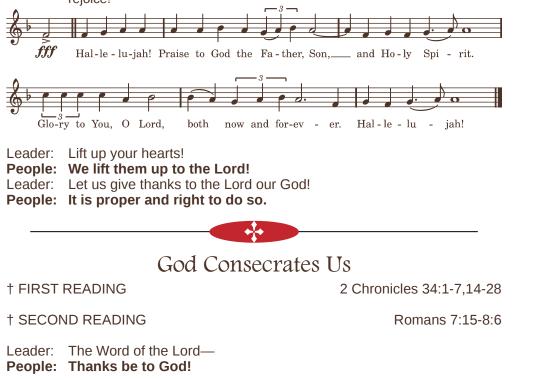
and ask You to incline our hearts to holiness. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen!

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 3:16-17

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



† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 493 – We Have Not Known Thee As We Ought

† BENEDICTION

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

IPC Youth Chorus

Psalm 122 I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord."

Our feet have been standing Within your gates, O Jerusalem! Jerusalem is built as a city that is compact together, Where the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, To the Testimony of Israel,

‡ With hands uplifted

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT

SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Biblical Self-Examination, Part 2 Pastor Jay Barfield

‡ DOXOLOGY

To give thanks to the name of the Lord. For thrones are set there for judgment, The thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, Prosperity within your palaces." For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say, "Peace be within you."

Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek your good.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S TABLE

Passing of the Bread # 246 – Man of Sorrows! What a Name Passing of the Wine # 535 – O the Deep, Deep Love of 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

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† CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism (Q. 1)

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: That I am not my own, but belong-body and soul, in life and in death— to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

God Commissions Us

Notes

Announcements

CHURCH FUNCTIONS

- Wednesday evening activities: Supper at 5:45, followed by choir and prayer meeting.
- Second Sunday lunch: January 14

NURSERY WORKERS

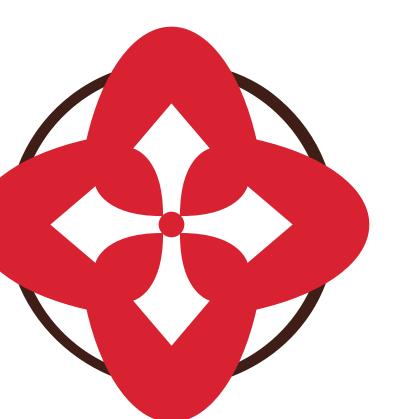
- Today
 - Libby Grete (Sunday School)
 - B. Willoughbys (Worship) 0
- Next Week
 - Charlotte Oswalt (Sunday School)
 - S. Quarleses (Worship) 0

GENERAL

- A ladies' Sunday School class will begin next Sunday, January 14th and will cover the book, Learning Contentment by Nancy Wilson. See Beth Durham for books that can be purchased from the church for today.
- A ladies' planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 18tCh at 7:00 at the Durham home. Please let Beth know if you're coming. Also, let Beth know if you are not able to come but would like to place your name under one of the events or ministries.
- The Mid-South Men's Rally is scheduled for Friday, January 26, 2018 at FPC.
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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.



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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY **JANUARY 7, 2018**

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