

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 Psalm 33:1-5

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

† INTROIT # 38 – *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 139

O Lord, You have searched me and known me.
You know my sitting down and my rising up;
You understand my thought afar off.
**You comprehend my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.**
For there is not a word on my tongue,
But behold, O Lord, You know it altogether.
You have hedged me behind and before,
And laid Your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
It is high, I cannot attain it.
Where can I go from Your Spirit?

Or where can I flee from Your presence?
If I ascend into heaven, You are there;
If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there.
If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
Even there Your hand shall lead me and Your right hand shall hold me.
If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me,"
Even the night shall be light about me;
Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, but the night shines as the day;
The darkness and the light are both alike to You.
For You formed my inward parts;
You covered me in my mother's womb.
I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
Marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well.
My frame was not hidden from You when I was made in secret,
And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed.
And in Your book they all were written,
The days fashioned for me,

When as yet there were none of them.
How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God!
How great is the sum of them!
If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
When I awake, I am still with You.
Oh, that You would slay the wicked, O God!

Depart from me, therefore, you bloodthirsty men.
For they speak against You wickedly;

Your enemies take Your name in vain.
Do I not hate them, O Lord, who hate You?

And do I not loathe those who rise up against You?
I hate them with perfect hatred;

I count them my enemies.
Search me, O God, and know my heart;

Try me, and know my anxieties;
See if there is any wicked way in me,

And lead me in the way everlasting.

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 # 37 – *All That I Am I Owe to Thee*

God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN (Psalm 51 selected verses)

Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:
**People: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my
sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall
be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the
bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my
sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O
God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from
your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to
me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me by your generous
Spirit. Amen!**

Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Isaiah 55:6-7

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 Psalm 146

† SECOND READING Luke 13:31-35

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXT Matthew 15:29-16:4

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *Reading the Signs of the Times*
Pastor Jay Barfield

† HYMN OF RESPONSE # 705 – *I Know Whom I Have Believed*

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 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

Notes

Announcements

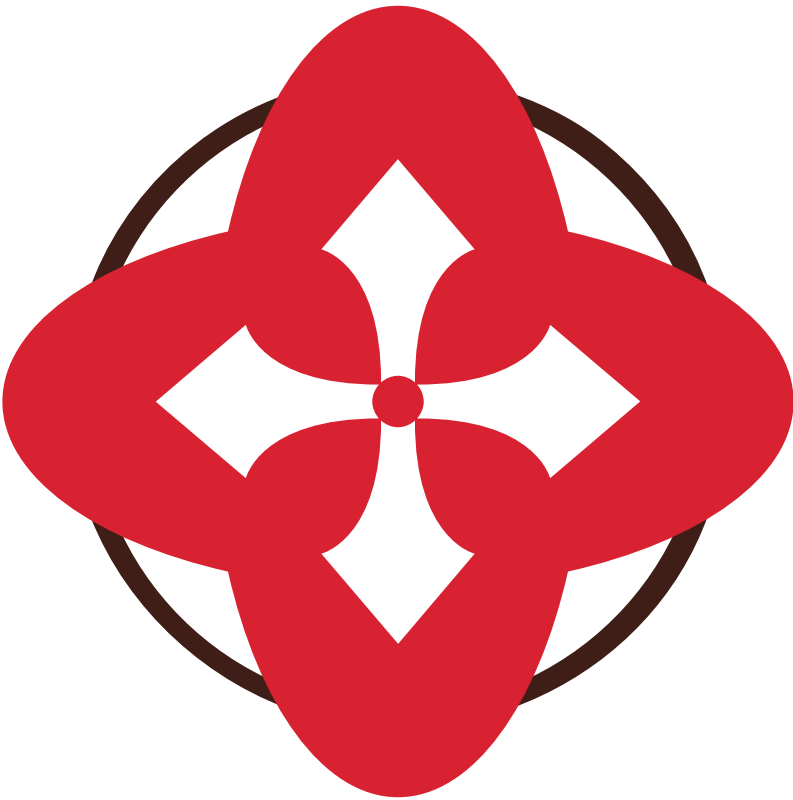
CHURCH FUNCTIONS

- Second Sunday lunch: August 12
- Small Group North – July 22 @ Brantley home
- Small Group South – July 25 @ Weis Home

NURSERY WORKERS

- Today
 - Durhams (Sunday School)
 - Phillippes (Worship)

- Next Week
 - Merediths (Sunday School)
 - Hunters (Worship)



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 15, 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 ipccclinton.org. Previous services and events are also available.