

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 WORSHIPPsalm 67

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

† INTROIT#598 – Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

† PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen!

† RESPONSIVE PSALMPsalm 53
The fool has said in his heart, “There is no God.”
They are corrupt, and have done abominable iniquity; there is none who does good.
God looks down from heaven upon the children of men,
to see if there are any who understand, who seek God.
Every one of them has turned aside;
They have together become corrupt;
There is none who does good,
No, not one.
Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge,
Who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call upon God?
There they are in great fear where no fear was,
For God has scattered the bones of him who encamps against you;
You have put them to shame,
Because God has despised them.
Oh, that the salvation of Israel would come out of Zion!
When God brings back the captivity of His people, let Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.

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

† HYMN OF APPROACHPsalm 9A

God Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN(kneeling, if able)
Leader: Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God:
Leader: Most holy and merciful Father,
People: We acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature - prone to evil and slothful in good - and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, and in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son.
O most holy and loving Father, purify our hearts by your Spirit, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!
Leader: Arise, and hear the good news!

ASSURANCE OF PARDONIsaiah 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!



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

Old Testament LessonJoshua 14:6-15

New Testament LessonActs 14

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

† SERMON TEXTMark 6:1-29

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMONThey Took Offense at Him
Wesley Presnall

† HYMN OF RESPONSEPsalm 9 – Wholehearted Thanksgiving (reverse)

God Communes With Us

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S TABLE
Passing of the Bread#98 – Now Thank We All Our God
Passing of the Wine#100 – Holy, Holy, Holy

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
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end! Amen, Amen

† CONFESSION OF FAITHHeidelberg Catechism Qs. 62 - 64
Leader: Why can't our good works be our righteousness before God, or at least a part of our righteousness?
People: Because the righteousness which can be approved of before the tribunal of God must be entirely perfect and must in every way measure up to the divine law. But even our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.

Leader: How can our good works be said to merit nothing when God promises to reward them in this life and the next?
People: This reward is not earned by merit; it is a gift of grace.

Leader: But doesn't this teaching make people indifferent and wicked?
People: No. It is impossible for those grafted into Christ through true faith not to produce fruits of gratitude.

God Commissions Us

†¹ BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY(with hands uplifted)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen!

¹ † The congregation will please stand

9B Wholehearted Thanksgiving

1. Whole - heart - ed thanks - giv - ing to thee will I bring,
2. Thou, Lord, art a ref - uge for all the op - pressed;
3. Give praise to Je - ho - vah, the might - y deeds tell
4. Be - hold my af - flic - tion, thy mer - cy ac - cord,

in praise of thy mar - vel - ous deeds I will sing;
all trust thee who know thee, and trust - ing are blest;
of him who has chos - en in Zi - on to dwell,
and back from death's por - tals re - store me, O Lord,

in thee I will joy and ex - ult - ing - ly cry,
for nev - er, O Lord, did thy mer - cy for - sake
of him to whom jus - tice and ven - geance be - long,
that I in the gates of thy Zi - on may raise

thy name I will praise, O Je - ho - vah Most High.
the soul that has sought of thy grace to par - take.
who vis - its the low - ly and o - ver - throws wrong.
my song of sal - va - tion and show forth thy praise.

Refrain
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice!

O come to Je - ho - vah, de - clare ye his fame,

and give him all hon - or, for just is his name.

Announcements

CHURCH FUNCTIONS

- Spring Gathering at the Hunters - This Saturday - March 16th
- Second Sunday lunch - Today following Worship

NURSERY WORKERS

- Today - Jerry & Elieen Bailey
- Next Week - Raychel & Kenny Bozich

SERMON OUTLINE

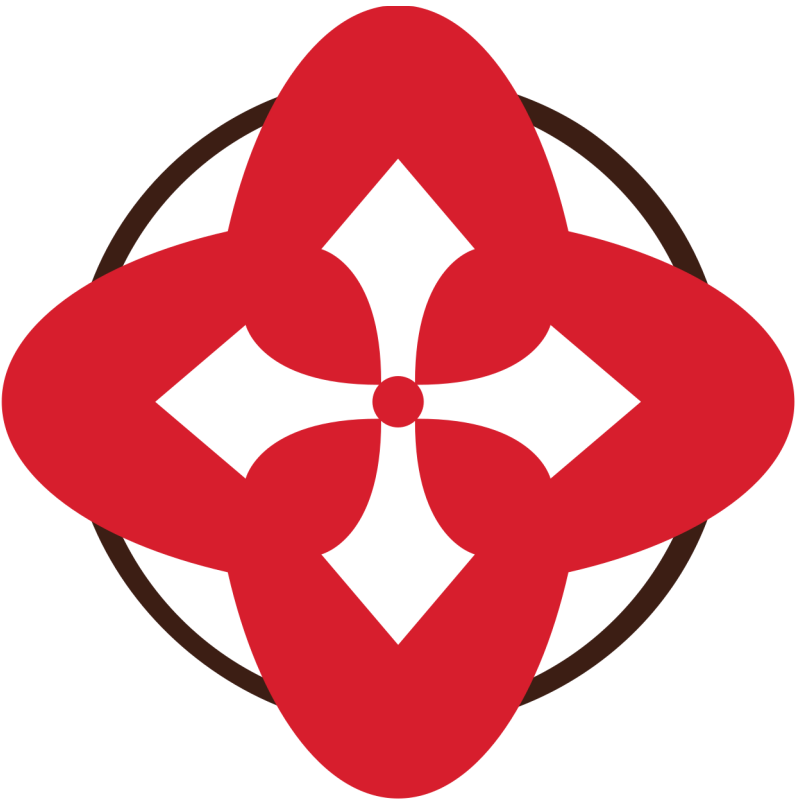
They Took Offense at Him

Mark 6:1-29

1. A Scandal at Home

2. An Invitation to Live

3. A Dance to Die For



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



4th Sunday of Lent
March 10, 2024

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.