

OUR CHURCH TODAY

9:30 a.m.

Sunday School Classes for all ages.

10:10 a.m.

Cherub/Seraph Choir (Grades 1-2)

11:00 a.m.

Morning Worship Service, sanctuary

3:45 p.m.

Coastal Jail Ministry Transitional Program Bible Study, Rev. Ronald Parrish

4:00 p.m.

Youth Choir Rehearsal (6th-12th Grade), Choir Room

5:30 p.m.

Bluffton Worship Service, Bluffton United Methodist, 101 Calhoun Street, Bluffton, SC, Pastor Ron Gleason

5:30 p.m.

Evening Worship Service, sanctuary

6:30 p.m.

Care Group #4 (D. Gobel) (Deacons: T. MacMillan, R. Moody, & N. Cope) Set up/Clean up for supper

6:45 p.m.

Fellowship Supper tonight, Fellowship Hall

\$4.00 Adult, \$2.00 Children (2 years old to 8th Grade), \$3.00 High School and College; \$15.00 maximum per family

7:00 p.m.

Chapel Choir Rehearsal (2nd-5th Grade), Choir Room

7:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening Read-A-Loud,

7:00 p.m.

Middle School Emmaus Road, 210 Whiaker Bldg., 4th Floor

7:00 p.m.

High School Small Groups, 210 Whitaker St. Bldg., 3rd Floor

WEDNESDAY LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY

Telfair Hall ~ Lunch at 11:45 a.m.

Bible Study 12:20 p.m.

Message by Mr. Tim Shaw

WELCOME TO INDEPENDENT

Our Church extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us today. Visitors receive a gold-foil badge and are asked to complete a Friendship Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Both visitors and members are encouraged to use the back of the card to request information, make comments, or write prayer needs. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord’s Day. The bulletin is your guide to the service. A more thorough explanation of our “Order of Service” is available at the front doors. Our service begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends sometime after noon.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, *Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanna*, by *Linda Erwin*.

FALL INQUIRERS’ CLASS

The Fall Inquirers’ Class will continue through November 27, during the Sunday School hour (9:30 a.m.), in the Administration Bldg., 2nd Fl. The objective of this class is to introduce interested persons to the history, doctrine, practices, and people of our church. All are welcome. Nursery will be provided.

STEWARDSHIP SEASON

Our Stewardship Season has been changed to October 23 and 30, due to the events of Hurricane Matthew. You should receive a letter from the Stewardship Committee with a commitment card in the mail next week stating commitment Sunday is October 16. Please use the commitment card and place it in the offering plate on October 30. Commitment cards will also be available on Sunday morning October 30 in the bulletin.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Independent Presbyterian Church extends congratulations to *Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brodmann, Sr. (Patty)* on the birth of their granddaughter, *Lillian Paige Brodmann*, born October 3, 2016, in Auburn, IN. The proud parents are *Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Brodmann (Natalie)*.

CHURCH IN BEREAVEMENT

The congregation of Independent Presbyterian Church extends sincere sympathy to *Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McDougall (Julie)* and family on the death of Julie’s sister-in-law, *Gina Rock*, who passed away on Monday, October 3, 2016, in Greenville, PA.

MINISTERIAL UPDATE

Mr. Johnson will be speaking at the Reformation Worship Conference at Midway Presbyterian Church, Powder Springs, GA, on October 20-22.

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Worship at I.P.C.

• Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.

• Please leave any food or drink outside of the Sanctuary.

• Those arriving late are asked to take their place either during the first hymn or the Psalm.

• The Audio Ministry provides CDs of previous sermons in the Narthex. All sermons preached by our ministers can be accessed from the church website at www.ipsav.org, or at www.SermonAudio.com/ipsav

• If able, please make room in your pews for others. This helps the ushers as they seat people.

• Sound amplification devices are available in the back of the Sanctuary.

• I.P.C. uses the *Trinity Hymnal* and the *Trinity Psalter*.

• Nurseries for children to the age of three provided on the second floor of the Axson Memorial Building. Children ages 4 and 5 are dismissed for a separate service following the collection.

For Prayer & Participation This Week

Tues, Oct. 18

6:30 a.m.

Men’s Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall, Axson Bldg.

8:30 a.m.

Savannah River Presbytery, I.P.C.

10:00 a.m.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 210 Whitaker Bldg., 3rd Fl.

10:00 a.m.

Tuesday Morning Connections Bible Study, 210 Whitaker Bldg., 4th Fl.

10:30 a.m.

Tuesday Morning Circle at the home of Mrs. Ernest Mitchell, 133 East 50th Street, 232-1323

7:30 p.m.

Garmer Bible Study at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mitchell, 133 East 50th Street, 232-1323

Wed, Oct. 19

10:45 a.m.

Women’s Intercessor Group meet in Wilson-Axson Parlor

11:45 a.m.

Lunch & Bible Study, Fellowship Hall (Bible study begins at 12:20 p.m.)

6:30 p.m.

High School Dinner & Fellowship (9th–12th Grade), 210 Whitaker Bldg., 3rd Fl. (ends at 8:30 p.m.)

Thurs, Oct. 20

6:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

10:30 a.m.

Thursday Morning Islands Circle, at the home of Mrs. Fef Nolen, 102 Paxton Dr.

7:00 p.m.

Careers, Axson Bldg., Telfair Hall

Sat, Oct. 22

Middle School Madness at Get Air, 3609 Ogeechee Road

Coming Events

Oct. 18

Savannah River Presbytery, I.P.C. Savannah

Oct. 23 & 30

Stewardship Sundays

Oct. 30

Reformation Sunday

Oct. 31

Fall Family Night at I.P.C., 6:00–8:00 p.m.

The Record of Our Faithfulness

Wednesday Noon Service - 9/28/16 – 37; 10/05/16 – 27

Bluffton Service 10/2/16 - 22

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SS – 271

AM – 504

PM – 241

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THE LORD’S DAY MORNING WORSHIP
ELEVEN O’CLOCK

“Let us show gratitude, by which we may offer
to God an acceptable service, with reverence and awe.”
Hebrews 12:28

The Silent Prayer Upon Entering the Sanctuary

O Almighty and most merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech You, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that You would have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prelude - Variations on “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”
Johann Walther

+ The Welcome and Announcements

The Call to Worship

Fountain of neverceasing grace, Your saints’ exhaustless theme, great object of immortal praise, essentially supreme, we bless You for the glorious fruits Your incarnation gives, the righteousness which grace imutes, and faith alone receives. (*Trinity Hymnal* #519, stanza 1)

+*The Hymnal - #4 “All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”
Mit Freuden Zart

* The Invocation and 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* 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 Ghost, 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church;**
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.
* this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment.
** “catholic” means “universal” church, the true church in all times and places.

* The Gloria Patri
Regent Square
All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son; evermore your voices raising to th’eternal Three in One: One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Scripture Reading - Psalm 118 (pew Bible pp. 511–512);
Psalm 46 (pew Bible pp. 471–472)

* The Hymnal - #689 “Be Still, My Soul”
Finlandia

* The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Collection

The Anthem - “Thou Who Wast God”
arr. Katherine K. Davis
Genevan Psalm 124

Sanctuary Choir

Thou who wast God before the world began,
“Ere thou did’st fashion sun and moon and man,
Thou who did’st shine before the dawn of day,
Shine in our hearts with thy redeeming ray,
Shine in our hearts with thy redeeming ray.

Thou dwell’st forever in the holy height,
Known to our hearts, but hidden from our sight.
Thou art the Lord to whom our vows are giv’n,
Who by thy love dost lift us up to Heav’n,
Who by thy love dost lift us up to Heav’n.

Thou art our God, our Lord for evermore.
Here at thy feet we worship and adore.
All men and nations lift their hearts to sing
Praise to the Lord, our great and glorious King,
Praise to the Lord, our great and glorious King.
Amen.

* The Doxology & Dismissal (Hymnal, #733) Lasst Uns Erfreuen
Children ages 4 & 5 may leave for a separate service as we sing
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Sermon
“THE CITY OF GOD”
Mr. Johnson

* The Hymnal/Psalter - #40 “God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength”
Bethlehem

* The Benediction and Response (sung by all) Dundee
The Lord shall keep thee from all ill; He shall preserve thy soul. The Lord as thou shalt go and come forever keeps thee whole. (Psalter, Psalm 121:7, 8)

The Postlude - “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”
Johann Walther
Variation #7

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| * Congregation Standing | | ** Children’s Church: Kim and Ashley Lanier | |
| + Latecomers may be seated | | | |
| GREETERS–ELDERS: | | SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: | |
| FRONT DOOR | Elder & Mrs. J. Lanier | ELDER: | C. Martin |
| NORTH SIDE | C. Martin | GREETERS–USHERS/DEACONS: | |
| CENTER AISLE | J. Garnett | FRONT DOOR | C. Nolen |
| SOUTH SIDE | D. Gross | INNER DOOR | N. Cope |
| WOC GREETER: | M. Breer | | |

THE LORD’S DAY EVENING WORSHIP
FIVE THIRTY O’CLOCK

“God is spirit, and those who worship Him must
worship in spirit and truth.” John 4:24

Preparation (5:15-5:30 p.m.)
Hymn Sing - Psalm 124 (Psalm of the Month) Old 124th
Announcements

Praise
Call to Worship and Prayer of Praise
* Hymnal - #271 “Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem”
Lyngham

Confession of Sin, Pardon, and Thanksgiving
* Reading of the Law of God (see back panel of hymnal)
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Affirmation of Faith - The Heidelberg Catechism (1563) – Lord’s Day 1
What is your only comfort in life and in death?
That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that all things must work together for my salvation. Wherefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Collection

Provision for Life and Growth
Scripture Reading - 1 Chronicles 15:1–16, 25–29
(7th reading—pew Bible pp.345–346)

Intercessory Prayer
* Psalter - Psalm 115:1–11 (Psalter, Page 98) Dix
* Prayer of Illumination
Scripture & Sermon - Romans 8:5, 6 (pew Bible p. 944) Mr. Johnson

“THE SPIRITUALITY OF GOD” – 6
Spiritual–Mindedness
LXIII. The Identity and Attributes of God

Thanksgiving and Blessing
* Hymnal - #334 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”
Trentham
* Benediction

* Congregation Standing