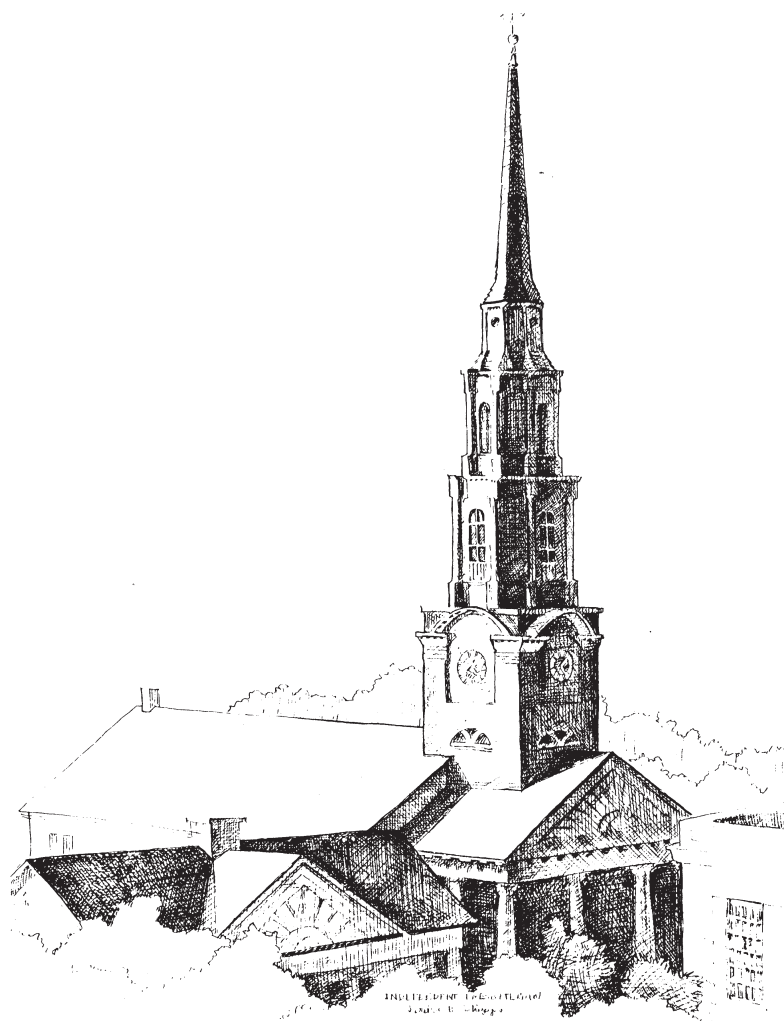


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THE LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP

SANCTUARY ~ TEN O'CLOCK

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

The Prelude - Chorale Prelude on "Rockingham"

C. H. H. Parry

Text:

Trinity Hymnal, #608

The Sounding of the Hour

+ **The Welcome and Announcements**

The Silent Prayer of Preparation

O Lord, we beseech You, absolve Your people from their offenses; that through Your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed; Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Savior. Amen.

The Call to Worship - Psalm 103:1-2

Stuttgart

Text:

O my soul, bless thou Jehovah, all within me bless His name;
Bless Jehovah, and forget not all His mercies to proclaim.
Who forgives all thy transgressions, thy diseases all who heals
Who redeems thee from destruction, who with thee so kindly deals.

— Psalm 103:1-2, version from *The Book of Psalms* (1871)

+* **The Hymnal** - #98 "Now Thank We All Our God"

Nun Danket

* **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**

(Hymnal, #735)

Greatorex

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.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Scripture Reading - Isaiah 31 (37th reading—pew Bible p. 592)

Psalm 9 (pew Bible, p. 451)

The Reception of New Members

The Sacrament of Covenant Baptism

The Hymnal/Psalter - #608 “To God My Earnest Voice I Raise”

(Psalm 142)

Rockingham Old

*** The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Collection

The Anthem - “Search Me, O God”

K. Lee. Scott

Text:

Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any evil in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Where shall I go from your Spirit? And where shall I go from your presence? If I ascend up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there. If I rise on wings of the morning and dwell in lands across the sea, even there will your hand uphold me; and there will your right hand sustain me.

— Psalm 139:23–24, 7–10 (NRSV), alt.

*** The Doxology and Dismissal**

(Hymnal #283)

Ebenezer

Children ages 4 & 5 may leave for a separate service as we sing

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Glory be to God on high;

Alleluia to the Savior,

Who has won the victory;

Alleluia to the Spirit,

Fount of love and sanctity;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

To the Triune Majesty. Amen.

The Sermon

Mr. Johnson

“THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD – 6”

Righteous and Just

XIII. Psalms for All of Life

*** The Hymnal - #588 “Who Is on the Lord’s Side?”**

Rachie

*** The Benediction and Response**

(sung by all)

Blaenwern

Bless the LORD, all you His servants,

Hosts that know and do His will,

Who forever wait upon Him,

All His pleasure to fulfill.

Bless the LORD, all you His creatures,

All His works with one accord

In all parts of His dominion.

O my soul, bless thou the LORD.

— *Trinity Psalter*, Psalm 103:21–22

The Postlude - Trio Sonata in C major, BWV 529: i. Allegro

* Congregation Standing

+ Latecomers may be seated

** Children’s Church: Rosemary Taylor and Fun Gobel

Assisting: Tim Shaw

Organist and Choirmaster: Jacob H. Fuhrman

GREETERS–ELDERS:

FRONT DOOR Elder & Mrs. Marc Biemiller, Sr.

NORTH SIDE S. Jackson

SOUTH SIDE R. Thompson

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER:

Elder: D. Gross

GREETERS–USHERS/DEACONS:

FRONT DOOR: B. Johnson

BAPTISMAL FONT: J. Tomlinson

THE LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

SANCTUARY ~ 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 - #715 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

(*Hymn of the Month*)

St. George's, Windsor

* *Announcements*

Praise

Call to Worship and Prayer of Praise

+* *Hymnal - #116 "For The Beauty of the Earth"*

Dix

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 Westminster Creed, Part IV
(based on the *Shorter Catechism*)

I believe we are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ,
by the effectual application of it to us by His Holy Spirit;

I believe God requires of us faith in Jesus Christ, and
repentance unto life to escape the wrath and curse of God
due to us for sin;

I believe we are effectually called, justified, and sanctified by His
free grace, and gathered into the visible church, out of
which there is no ordinary possibility of salvation.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Collection

Provision for Life and Growth

Scripture Reading - Revelation 9 (11th reading—pew Bible p. 1033)

Prayer of Intercession

* *Psalter* - Psalm 42:1–5 (*Psalter* page 34)

St. Agnes

* *Prayer of Illumination*

Sermon - Genesis 1:1 (pew Bible p.1)

Mr. Shaw

"WHY NOT TO BE CYNICAL?"

I. Genesis

Thanksgiving and Blessing

* *Psalter* - Psalm 65:6–13 (*Psalter*, page 52)

Webb

* *Benediction*

OUR CHURCH TODAY

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Classes for all ages
10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Service, sanctuary
11:30 a.m.	New Members luncheon, Fellowship Hall
11:30 a.m.	College luncheon, 18 W. Hull Street, The Parlor
3:45 p.m.	Chatham Transitional Ministry Bible Study, Mr. Andrew Becham
4:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal (6 th -12 th Grade)
5:30 p.m.	Evening Worship Service, sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Care Group #2 (K. Crowe) (Deacons: J. D. Blevins, J. Shields and W. Black) Set up/Clean up for supper
6:45 p.m.	Fellowship Supper tonight, Fellowship Hall \$8.00 Adult, \$5.00 Children (Middle School and younger), \$30.00 maximum per family
6:45 p.m.	Telfair Hall is available for additional eating space
7:00 p.m.	Children's Choir rehearsal (1 st -5 th grades), Choir Room
7:00 p.m.	Middle School Emmaus Road, 18 W. Hull Street, The Parlor
7:00 p.m.	High School Small Groups, various locations

WEDNESDAY LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY

TELFAIR HALL ~ LUNCH AT 11:45 A.M.

BIBLE STUDY 12:15 P.M.

MESSAGE BY REV. ALEX SUTHERLAND

WELCOME TO INDEPENDENT

Our Church extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us today. Visitors 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 10:00 a.m. and ends sometime after eleven o'clock.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of *William S. Hitch* by his wife, Lucy McIntire Hitch.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

During this morning's worship service, we will be receiving new members. We are delighted to have them join our congregation. Please extend to them your hand of greeting and fellowship.

BAPTISM

The sacrament of covenant baptism will be administered during this morning's worship service by Mr. Johnson to *Mrs. Kristi Ann Tyger Christopher*.

NEW MEMBERS' LUNCHEON

New members are invited to attend a luncheon in their honor immediately following the morning service. Please meet in the Fellowship Hall.

SESSION/DIACONATE MEETING

The Session will meet Monday evening, November 17, in the Axson Building, Choir Room at 5:30 p.m. The Diaconate will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. The joint meeting will be held in the Telfair Hall at 7:00 p.m.

WOMEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study will not meet from November 25 through January 6. It will resume on January 13.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Our annual Thanksgiving Service will be observed next Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m. The Thanksgiving theme will be emphasized in our regular evening service and will be followed by a free Thanksgiving meal. Let's remember together the blessings of God that we have received as families, as a church, and as a nation.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child boxes are due back to the church Fellowship Hall no later than today. Call Denice Jefferson for information (phone information in Realm or call the church office).

The Pastoral & Educational Staff

Terry L. Johnson	Senior Minister
Timothy D. Shaw	Associate Minister
Evan J. Gear	Associate Minister
Alexander B. Sutherland	Assistant Minister
Andrew P. Becham	Pastoral Intern
Joshua M. Espinosa	Director of Administration
Lucy B. Biemiller	Children's S.S. and Program Coordinator
	Women of the Church Coordinator
Jane H. Boatright	Nursery Coordinator
Matthew L. Burt	Director of Pastoral Care
Kenneth C. Crowe	Director of Camps
Jacob H. Fuhrman	Director of Music

Church Office

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Worship at IPC

- Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service or placing them on "airplane mode."
- 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.
- Our Sunday services are available as a Live Webcast for those who are unable to attend. The service may be joined at ipsav.org/webcast.
- All sermons can be accessed from the church website at www.ipsav.org.
- If able, please make room in your pews for others. This helps the ushers as they seat people.
- Sound amplification devices are available by asking a deacon at the front doors.
- Experience sermons in your native language with our real-time translation feature! Powered by Microsoft Translator, it brings worship services to life in any language. Simply scan the QR code in the pew rack, grab the app from your app store, launch it, and choose your language. A deacon or usher can assist.
- IPC uses the *Trinity Hymnal*, *Trinity Psalter* and *Trinity Psalter Hymnal*.
- Nurseries for children through the age of three are provided on the second floor of the Axson Memorial Building, during the morning and evening services. In the morning service, children ages 4 through Kindergarten may be dismissed for a separate program following the Collection and the Anthem.

For Prayer & Participation This Week

Mon, Nov. 17	5:30 p.m.	Session Meeting, Music Room
	6:00 p.m.	Diaconate Meeting, Fellowship Hall (meet jointly at 7:00 p.m. in Telfair Hall); Officer Examinations
Tues, Nov. 18	6:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
	8:00 a.m.	Women Gather to Pray at Three Tree Coffee, 215 W. Collins Street, Pooler
	8:30 a.m.	Church Staff Meeting, Admin. Building, upstairs
	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study, Telfair Hall
	11:30 a.m.	Pastoral Staff Meeting, Administration Building
	7:00 p.m.	No iPRIMES Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	College Bible Study, The Parlor, 18 W. Hull Street
Wed, Nov. 19	7:00 p.m.	ESL Classes, Whitaker Street Bldg., 1 st Floor
	11:45 a.m.	Noon Luncheon/Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Evening Bible Study, The Parlor, 18 W. Hull Street
	6:30 p.m.	High School Dinner, Fellowship Hall
Thur, Nov. 20	7:15 p.m.	High School Fellowship, Hull St. Building, 2 nd Floor
	7:00 p.m.	Careers, Telfair Hall

Coming Events

Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Service – P.M.
Nov. 26	No Noon Service
Nov. 27-28	Church Office Closed in observance of Thanksgiving
Nov. 30	Officer Elections, Annual Congregational Meeting;
	No Sunday Evening Meal
Dec. 1	Baby Shower for Mary Elizabeth Lay, 7:00 p.m.

The Record of Our Faithfulness

Wednesday Noon Service 11/12/25 – 45

November 9, 2025

S. S. – 338 AM – 573 PM – 400