

Historic
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of Savannah



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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 - Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin / In Peace and Joy I Now Depart, BuxWV 76 Dietrich Buxtehude

Text:

In peace and joy I now depart at God's disposing;

For full of comfort is my heart, soft reposing.

So the Lord hath promised me, and death is but a slumber.

— Martin Luther, after Luke 2:29–32 (1524); tr. Leonard Bacon (1884), alt.

The Sounding of the Hour

+ The Welcome and Announcements

The Silent Prayer of Preparation

O God, who knows we are set in the midst of many and great temptations and dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; that, being faithful to You, rendering to all their due, and doing that which is good, we may be graciously accepted by You; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Call to Worship - Psalm 100:5

Old Hundredth

Text:

Sing, for the Lord our God is good,

His mercy is forever sure:

His truth at all times firmly stood

And shall from age to age endure.

— Psalm 100:5; version from the *Scottish Psalter* (1650), alt.

+* The Hymnal - #38 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Joanna

* 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, #283)

Ebenezer

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 Pastoral Prayer

The Scripture Reading - Isaiah 37:21–38 (44th reading—pew Bible pp. 597–598)
Psalm 104:1–9 (pew Bible pp. 502–503)

The Recognition of Memorization

* **The Psalter - Psalm 8** (*Psalter*, page 5) Amsterdam

* **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Collection

The Anthem - “By Gracious Powers” arr. John Ferguson

Text:

By gracious powers so wonderfully sheltered,
And confidently waiting come what may;
We know that God is with us night and morning,
And never fails to greet us each new day.

Yet is this heart by its old foe tormented,
Still evil days bring burdens hard to bear;
Oh, give our frightened souls the sure salvation,
For which, O Lord, you taught us to prepare.

And when the cup you give is filled to brimming
With bitter suffering, hard to understand,
We take it thankfully and without trembling
Out of so good and so beloved a hand.

Yet when again, in this same world you give us
The joy we had, the brightness of your sun,
We shall remember all the days we lived through
And our whole life shall then be yours alone.

By gracious powers so faithfully protected,
So quietly, so wonderfully near.
I'll live each day in hope, with you beside me,
And go with you through every coming year.
— Dietrich Bonhoeffer, tr. Fred Pratt Green

* **The Doxology and Dismissal** Old 100th

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;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

The Sermon Mr. Johnson

“THE WORKS OF GOD – 2”

Creation – 2

XX. Psalms For All of Life

* **The Hymnal - #479 “Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling”** Thompson

* **The Benediction and Response** (sung by all) Germany

Be Thou, O God, exalted high!
And, as Thy glory fills the sky,
So be it o'er the earth displayed,
And Thou, as there, be here obeyed.

— *Trinity Psalter*, Psalm 57:11

The Postlude - Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin /
In Peace and Joy I Now Depart, BWV 616 J. S. Bach

Text:

See Prelude text

* Congregation Standing
+ Latecomers may be seated

** Children's Church: Kirstie Brodmann and Jennifer Immel
Assisting: Mr. Shaw
Organist and Choirmaster: Jacob H. Fuhrman

GREETERS-ELDERS:

FRONT DOOR Elder & Mrs. W. Milling
NORTH SIDE W. Brodmann, Jr.
SOUTH SIDE R. Mullinix

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER:

Elder: S. Jackson, Jr.

GREETERS-USHERS/ DEACONS:

FRONT DOOR: P. McLean
BAPTISMAL FONT: J. Tomlinson

THE LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 - Communion hymns

+ *Announcements*

Praise

Call to Worship and Prayer of Praise

+ * *Hymnal* - #529 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Beecher

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

* *Psalter* - Psalm 145:1–10 (*Psalter*, page 122)

Duke Street

* *Prayer of Illumination*

Scripture and Sermon - Genesis 1:29–30 (pew Bible pp. 1–2)

Mr. Shaw

"I HAVE GIVEN YOU... FOOD"

X. *Genesis*

Prayer of Intercession

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Hymnal - #254 "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed"

Martyrdom

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

You may partake of the elements as you receive them

Thanksgiving and Blessing

* *Hymnal* - #520 "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

Germany

* *Benediction*

OUR CHURCH TODAY

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes for all ages (Nurseries available for children through the age of 3 on the 2nd Floor, Axson Bldg.)
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service, sanctuary
3:45 p.m. Chatham Transitional Ministry Bible Study, Rev. Alex Sutherland
4:15 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal (6th-12th Grade), Choir Room
5:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service, sanctuary
6:30 p.m. **Care Group #10 (W. Brodmann, Jr.) (Deacons: E. Reid, and J. Scharer)** 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 (1st-5th 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 MR. ANDREW BECHAM

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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS & WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the wedding of *Mr. and Mrs. JoAnn and Terrell Wesley Clayton, Jr.* who were united in marriage by Rev. Terry Johnson on Saturday, January 31, 2026 in the sanctuary of Independent Presbyterian Church.

MEMORIZATION ACHIEVEMENT

During this morning's worship service we will recognize *Jeffrey Dean Blevins, Salem James Gear, Josiah Jackson Robison, Levi Joseph Robison, Annalyn Olivia Stone, Edward James Whitten, and Perry David Whitten* for completing Level One of the Memorization Program. They recited, word perfect, the Ten Commandments, The Lord's Prayer, and the Apostles' Creed. Please take a moment to congratulate them.

BIRTH

The red rose in the silver trumpet vase today is given in honor of the birth of *Monroe Elizabeth Mullinix*, born Tuesday, January 27, 2026, the daughter of *Mr. and Mrs. Matthew M. Mullinix (Madeline)*.

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated tonight. Because of the exceptional blessing we have in this sacrament and the danger of eating and drinking unworthily, it is necessary that we come to it with knowledge, faith, repentance, love, hungering and thirsting after Christ and His benefits. The congregation is encouraged to use all appointed means, public and private, to prepare to come to the Lord's Table, depending upon God according to His promise (John 6:37).

2026 WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE

Our annual 2026 World Missions Conference will be held February 26–March 1, at IPC's downtown location. On Thursday and Friday evenings a free catered dinner will be provided at 5:45 p.m., prior to the mission presentation. We will only be asking for reservations if you plan to attend the Men's Prayer Breakfast (held on Saturday at 8:00 a.m. in Telfair Hall) or the Women's Brunch (held on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall). You may register and pay using the QR code. Both of these events will cost \$6 per person/\$20 for family of four. The conference will conclude on Sunday evening with a service and free catered meal.



The Pastoral & Educational Staff

Terry L. Johnson	Senior Minister
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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

Tues, Feb. 3	6:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
	8:00 a.m.	Women Gather to Pray at Miss Sophie's Marketplace, 175 Bourne Ave., (inside Mighty 8 th Air Force Museum)
	8:30 a.m.	Church Staff Meeting, Admin. Building, upstairs
	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study, Telfair Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Pastoral Staff Meeting, Administration Building
	6:30 p.m.	ESL Classes, Whitaker Street Bldg., 1 st Floor
	7:00 p.m.	iPRIMES Bible Study (older adults) (via ZOOM only), contact Matthew Burt for information (mburt@ipsav.org)
Wed, Feb. 4	7:00 p.m.	College Bible Study, The Parlor at 18 W. Hull Street
	11:45 a.m.	Noon Luncheon/Bible Study, Telfair Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
	6:30 p.m.	Womens' Evening Bible Study, The Parlor, 18 W. Hull Street
	6:30 p.m.	High School Dinner, Fellowship Hall
Thurs, Feb. 5	7:15 p.m.	High School Fellowship, Hull Street Bldg., 2 nd Floor
	7:00 p.m.	Careers, Telfair Hall

Coming Events

Feb. 8	Heritage Sunday
Feb. 9	Session/Diaconate meetings
Feb. 12	Thursday Morning Circle meeting at Dottie Mitchell's home, 10:30 a.m.
Feb. 13–15	Youth Retreat at Camp Westminster, Conyers. GA
Feb. 22	Annual Meeting at 9:00 a.m.
Feb. 26–Mar. 1	World Missions Conference

The Record of Our Faithfulness

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