

THE LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP
NINE AND ELEVEN O'CLOCK
SUNDAY ~ MAY 24, 2020

"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 God the King of glory, who has exalted Your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to Your kingdom in heaven; Grant, we beseech You, that we may also in heart and mind there ascend, and with Him continually dwell, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

The Prelude - "O Gott, du frommer Gott"

Johannes Brahms

+ The Welcome and Announcements

The Call to Worship

+* The Hymnal - #117 "The Spacious Firmament on High" Creation
(music provided)

*** 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)

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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 - Romans 11:17-36 (16th reading)
John 17:11-16

¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word,

and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

- * **The Psalter - Psalm 63:1–8** (music provided) St. Columba

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

- * **The Organ - “O Gott, du frommer Gott”** J. S. Bach

O God, Thou righteous God,
Source of good gifts,
Without whom nothing exists that does exist,
From whom we have everything:
Give me a healthy body
And grant that in such a body
There may dwell an inviolate soul
And a pure conscience.

- * **The Doxology** (Hymnal, #733) Lasst Uns Erfreuen
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** Mr. Johnson

“CHRIST’S HIGH PRIESTLY PRAYER:
PRESERVING BELIEVERS IN THE WORLD”
CVIX. Expositions of the Gospel of John

- * **The Hymnal - #463 “A Debtor to Mercy Alone”** Trewen
(music provided)

- * **The Benediction and Response** (sung by all) Rachie
Fierce may be the conflict, strong may be the foe, but the King’s own army none can overthrow: round His standard ranging, vict’ry is secure; for His truth unchanging makes the triumph sure. Joyfully enlisting by Thy grace divine, we are on the Lord’s side, Savior, we are Thine.
(Trinity Hymnal, #588, last stanza)

- * **The Postlude - “Fugue in G Major”** Bach

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASCENSION DAY

Thursday, May 21, marked the fortieth day after Easter and Christ’s resurrection, the day on which our Lord ascended into Heaven where He is now seated at the right hand of the Father, making intercession for us, ruling and reigning as King of kings and Lord of lords. Ascension Day is one of the five great evangelical festivals of the church year observed by Reformed churches. The others are Good Friday, Easter, Pentecost, and Christmas. (on the meaning of Christ’s ascension, see questions 53 and 54 in the *Westminster Larger Catechism*.)

BIRTH

The red rose in the silver trumpet today is given in honor of the birth of *Howard Grant Pavlo* born Tuesday, May 19, 2020, to *Mr. and Mrs. Howard P. Pavlo (Molly)*. The proud grandparents are *Mr. and Mrs. Timothy M. Ragen (Emmy)*.

* Congregation Standing

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. It will reopen on Tuesday, May 26, at 8:30 a.m.

GRADUATES

Attention all 2020 graduates or parents of graduates. We would like to publish information about high school, college, and post-graduates in the bulletin on May 31. Please email to mtaylor@ipcsav.org the following information by May 26:

- Graduate's full name (first, middle, and last)
- High school or college attended.
- Degree earned and honors conferred
- College attending in the fall, if applicable

BRING YOUR OWN BIBLES

This is always a good idea. The pew Bibles have been removed from our house of worship. If one is to follow along in the first Scripture reading, or if one wishes to check the preacher's Scripture references, it will be necessary to bring one's own Bible (Acts 17:11).

OUR MINISTRY TODAY

A.M. Sunday School

Adult Sunday School taught by Dr. Foster is accessible at SermonAudio.com/ipcsav. (Check your Sunday email for where these links can be accessed.)

Children's Catechism (K-4th grade) with parents with materials provided.

Shorter Catechism (5th-8th grade) taught by Dr. Johnson is accessible at SermonAudio.com/ipcsav. (Check your email for where this link can be accessed.)

W.C.F. (High School) taught by Mr. Rodgers. (Check your Sunday email for where this link can be accessed.)

9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. – Morning Worship. (On-site and live-stream)

5:30 P.M. – Evening Worship. (On-site and live-stream)

LIVE-STREAM PLATFORMS

SermonAudio ipcs.ga/saweboast
YouTube ipcs.ga/YouTube

Facebook ipcs.ga/facebooklive
Periscope ipcs.ga/periscope

ON-LINE THIS WEEK

Adult Meetings: This week the following meetings are planned to take place online:

Tuesday, 7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast (both on site and ZOOM)
Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study (ZOOM)
Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	Garner Bible Study taught by Dr. Tim Foster (ZOOM)
Wednesday, 12:15 p.m.	Mid-week Bible Study (on site and live-stream)
Thursday, noon	Dead Theologians' Society on site and ZOOM

Check your email for where these can be accessed.

Youth Ministry events during the week:

- Wednesday nights at 7:30 Paul is hosting a ZOOM meeting. See the Student Weekly Ministry News for information. All are welcome to join us.
- Weekly a link to a video regarding the *Westminster Confession of Faith* is being emailed. High School students should watch the link to continue our Sunday School series this year.
- On Sunday nights, High School Small Groups will take place via the app ZOOM at 7:30 p.m. Look for an invite from your small group leaders.

College students interested in hearing a weekly devotion on the Lord's Prayer are

ON-SITE THIS WEEK

Men's Tuesday Morning Prayer Breakfast will meet at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and also via ZOOM meeting.

Wednesday Noon Service at noon in sanctuary (lunch will not be served) and also live-stream with Rev. Timothy Foster, "God's Approval" (1 Cor. 4:1-5).

Thursday, noon – Dead Theologians' Society, Admin. Bldg., 2nd Floor

New Covenant Meeting on Thursday Nights under the Pavilion at Pt. Pleasant, 441 Suncrest Blvd., 7:00 p.m

The Spacious Firmament on High

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
Ps. 19:1

1. The spa - cious fir - ma - ment on high, with all the blue e -
 2. Soon as the eve - ning shades pre - vail, the moon takes up the
 3. What though in sol - emn si - lence all move round this dark ter -

the - real sky, and span - gled heav'ns, a shin - ing frame, their great O -
 won - drous tale, and night - ly to the lis - t'ning earth re - peats the
 res - trial ball? What though no re - al voice nor sound a - midst their

rig - i - nal pro - claim. Th'un - wea - ried sun, from day to day,
 sto - ry of her birth; whilst all the stars that round her burn,
 ra - diant orbs be found? In rea - son's ear they all re - joice,

does his Cre - a - tor's pow'r dis - play, and pub - lish - es to
 and all the plan - ets in their turn, con - firm the tid - ings
 and ut - ter forth a glo - rious voice; for - ev - er sing - ing

ev - 'ry land the work of an al - might - y hand.
 as they roll, and spread the truth from pole to pole.
 as they shine, "The hand that made us is di - vine."

Psalm 63

verses 1-8

1..God, Thee, my God, I'll ear - ly seek; My
2..Thus have I looked for Thee be - fore With -
3..Be - cause Thy grace is more than life My
4..My soul with rich, a - bun - dant food Shall
5..And when I turn my thought to Thee Up -
6..Thou art my help; I sing for joy In -

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soul's a - thirst for Thee. On dry land, wea - ry,
in Thy Ho - ly place That there I might be -
lips Thee praise shall give; I in Thy name will
be well sat - is - fied; With shouts of joy up -
on my bed at night, As watch - es pass I
shad - ow of Thy wings. For Thy right hand has

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wat - er - less, My flesh has longed for Thee.
hold Thy strength And glo - ry of Thy face.
lift my hands And bless Thee while I live.
on my lips My mouth shall praise pro - vide.
med - i - tate On Thee with great de - light.
held me fast; To Thee my spir - it clings.

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A Debtor to Mercy Alone

He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Phil. 1:6

1. A debt - or to mer - cy a - lone, of cov - e - nant mer - cy I sing;
 2. The work which his good - ness be - gan, the arm of his strength will com - plete;
 3. My name from the palms of his hands e - ter - ni - ty will not e - raise;

nor fear, with your righ - teous - ness on, my per - son and of - f'ring to bring.
 his prom - ise is yea and a - men, and nev - er was for - feit - ed yet.
 im - pressed on his heart it re - mains, in marks of in - del - i - ble grace.

The ter - rors of law and of God with me can have noth - ing to do;
 Things fu - ture, nor things that are now, nor all things be - low or a - bove,
 Yes, I to the end shall en - dure, as sure as the ear - nest is giv'n;

my Sav - ior's o - be - dience and blood hide all my trans - gres - sions from view.
 can make him his pur - pose for - go, or sev - er my soul from his love.
 more hap - py, but not more se - cure, the glo - ri - fied spir - its in heav'n.