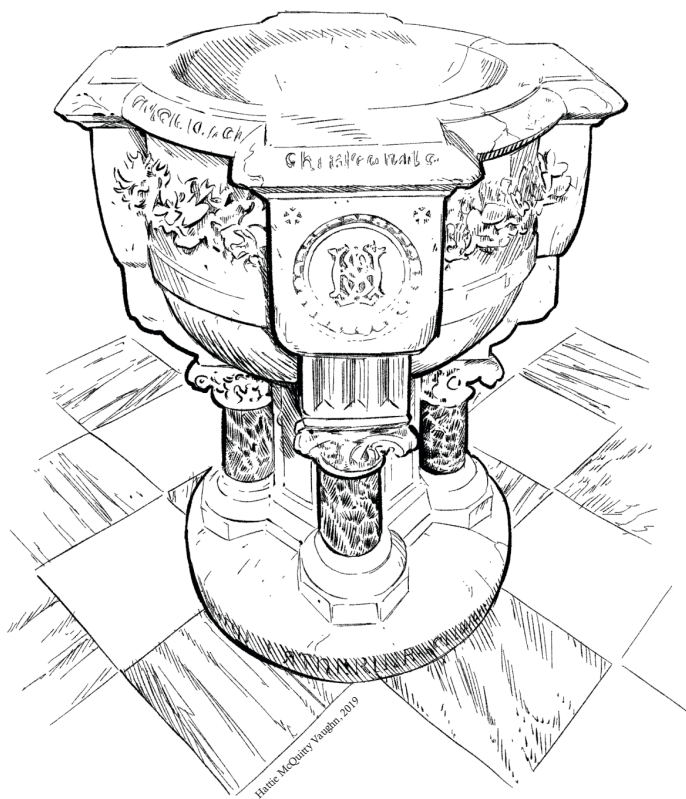


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THE LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP

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 - Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland / Savior of the Nations, Come, BWV 659

J. S. Bach

Text:

Savior of the nations, come;
Virgin's son, make here your home.
Marvel now, O heaven and earth
That the Lord chose such a birth.

— Martin Luther (1524), after Ambrose of Milan (4th c.)

The Sounding of the Hour

+ The Welcome and Announcements

The Silent Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious Majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and ever. Amen.

The Call to Worship - Psalm 103:21–22

Stuttgart

Text:

Bless and magnify Jehovah, all ye hosts that do His will;
Ye His servants, ever ready all His pleasure to fulfill.
Bless Jehovah, all His creatures ever under His control,
All throughout His vast dominion; bless Jehovah, O my soul.

— Psalm 103:21–22, version from *The Book of Psalms* (1871)

+* The Hymnal - #515 “How Lovely Shines the Morning Star!”

Wie Schön Leuchtet Der Morgenstern

* 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 - Isaiah 33 (39th reading—pew Bible pp. 593–594)
Psalm 136 (pew Bible, p. 520–521)

The Sacrament of Covenant Baptism

The Hymnal/Psalter - #486 “God, Be Merciful to Me”
(Psalm 51) Redhead

*** The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Collection

The Anthem - “E’en So, Lord Jesus” Paul Manz

Text:

Peace be to you, and grace from Him who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed His blood that we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come; Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein; rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming soon!

E’en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;
They need no light, nor lamp, nor sun, for Christ shall be their all.
— from Rev. 22, adapted by Ruth Manz

*** The Doxology and Dismissal** Puer Nobis

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

All praise, Eternal Son, to Thee,
Whose advent sets Thy people free;
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost forevermore.
Amen.

The Sermon Mr. Johnson

“THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD – 8”

Steadfast Love

XV. Psalms for All of Life

*** The Hymnal** - #194 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Veni Emmanuel

*** The Benediction and Response** (sung by all) Nun Danket

All praise and thanks to God,
The Father, now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God
Whom earth and heav’n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

— *Trinity Hymnal*, #98 (last stanza)

The Postlude - Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland / Savior of the
Nations, Come, BWV 661 J. S. Bach

Text:

See Prelude Text

* Congregation Standing
+ Latecomers may be seated

** Children’s Church: Lucy Biemiller and Sharon Robinson
Assisting: Alex Sutherland
Organist and Choirmaster: Jacob H. Fuhrman

GREETERS–ELDERS:

FRONT DOOR Elder & Mrs. David Gross
NORTH SIDE S. Jackson
SOUTH SIDE J. Breckenridge

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* - #217 "All My Heart This Night Rejoices"

Warum Sollt' Ich Mich Denn Gramen

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 I
(based on the *Shorter Catechism*)

I believe man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever;

I believe that the word of God, contained in the Scriptures of the Old
and New Testaments, is the only rule given to direct us, how to
glorify and enjoy God.

I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable,
in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth;

I believe there is but one true and living God;
that there are three persons in the Godhead: the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and that these three are one
God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory;

I believe God's purpose is eternal, having foreordained
whatever comes to pass; that God made all things of nothing,
by the word of His power, in the space of six days, and all very
good; and that God preserves and governs all His creatures
and all their actions.

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Collection

Provision for Life and Growth

Scripture Reading - Revelation 10 (12th reading—pew Bible pp. 1033–1034)

Prayer of Intercession

* *Psalter* - Psalm 67 (*Psalter*, page 54)

Missionary Hymn

* *Prayer of Illumination*

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

Mr. Shaw

"CONDITIONS FOR MEANING, PT. 2:
WHAT OF THE PLURALITY"

II. Genesis

Thanksgiving and Blessing

* *Hymnal* - #196 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Hyfrydol

* *Benediction*

OUR CHURCH TODAY

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Classes for all ages
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 (6 th -12 th Grade)
5:30 p.m.	Evening Worship Service, sanctuary
6:45 p.m.	No Fellowship Supper tonight
7:00 p.m.	No Children's Choir rehearsal tonight
7:00 p.m.	No Middle School Emmaus Road tonight
7:00 p.m.	No High School Small Groups tonight

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. 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.

BAPTISMS

The sacrament of covenant baptism will be administered during this morning's worship service by Mr. Johnson to *James William McIntire, IV*, son of *Mr. and Mrs. James W. "Jimmy" McIntire, III (Lianna)*; and to *Margaret Scott Brodmann*, daughter of *Mr. and Mrs. Scott T. Brodmann (Caroline)*.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

IPC has been participating in a Baby Bottle Campaign to support Savannah Care Center for the month of November. All bottles need to be returned today to the collection box in the Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Amy Orellana or Jane Boatright (see Realm for contact information).

BABY SHOWER

Join us Monday, December 1, at 7:00 p.m. for a baby shower in honor of Mary Elizabeth Lay being held at the home of Caroline Johnson. Please R.S.V.P. to Dede Roberts if you plan to come. (Call the church office if you need address or phone number.) Mary Elizabeth is registered at babylist.com.

GREENING OF THE CHURCH

Everyone is invited to participate in the annual greening of the church on Friday, December 12. We will meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. to begin decorating the church for Christmas. We will be placing poinsettias, hanging the garland, preparing bows, and decorating the courtyard. Any men that could help with some of the heavy lifting would be appreciated. Please remember to bring work gloves and clippers. All other materials will be supplied. For more information, contact Carol Scott or Winn Morgan (see Realm for contact information).

PRIMES' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The PRIMES' Christmas Luncheon will be held on Friday, December 5, 11:30 a.m., at the Savannah Golf Club (1661 E. President Street). The festivities will include delightful fellowship, delicious food, and a performance by the Veritas drama students from Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. The cost will be \$24.00 per person (make checks payable to IPC noting "PRIMES' Christmas Luncheon" on the memo line). The deadline for reservations is Monday, December 1.

-----Tear off-----

PRIMES' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

- ☐ Yes, I/we wish to attend the PRIMES' Christmas Luncheon on December 5.
Enclosed is a check for \$ _____. (\$24 per person)

Name: _____

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

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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 ipcsav.org/webcast.
- All sermons can be accessed from the church website at www.ipcsav.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, Dec. 1	7:00 p.m.	Baby Shower for Mary Elizabeth Lay at the home of Caroline Johnson
Tues, Dec. 2	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.	No Women's Bible Study
	11:30 a.m.	Pastoral Staff Meeting, Administration Building
	7:00 p.m.	iPRIMES Bible Study (older adults) (via ZOOM only), contact Matthew Burt for information (mburt@ipcsav.org)
	7:00 p.m.	College Bible Study, The Parlor, 18 W. Hull Street
	7:00 p.m.	ESL Classes, Whitaker Street Bldg., 1 st Floor
Wed, Dec. 3	11:45 a.m.	Noon Luncheon/Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
	6:30 p.m.	No Women's Evening Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	High School Dinner, Fellowship Hall
	7:15 p.m.	High School Fellowship, Hull St. Building, 2 nd Floor
Thur, Dec. 4	12:00 p.m.	Dead Theologians' Society, Administration Building
	7:00 p.m.	Careers, Telfair Hall
Fri, Dec. 5	11:30 a.m.	Primes' Christmas Luncheon, Savannah Golf Club (1661 E. President Street)
Sat, Dec. 6	10:00 a.m.	Youth deliver Shut-in Baskets

Coming Events

Dec. 7	Officers' Installation Service, AM; The Lord's Supper, PM
Dec. 8	Session/Diaconate Meetings (Oyster Roast at Point Pleasant)
Dec. 13	Baby Shower for Madeline Mullinix
Dec. 19	Youth Christmas Party, Telfair Hall

The Record of Our Faithfulness

No Wednesday Noon Service 11/26/25

November 23, 2025

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