

THE LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP
NINE AND ELEVEN O'CLOCK
MISSIONS CONFERENCE ~ FEBRUARY 28, 2021

"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

Almighty God, who sees that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; and as we have received how we ought to walk and please You, so may we abound more and more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prelude - Chorale Prelude on "Abide With Me" C. H. H. Parry

+ **The Welcome and Announcements**

The Call to Worship

+* **The Hymnal - #441 "Jesus Shall Reign"** Duke Street

* **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 - Matthew 23 (29th reading)
John 4:1-15

¹ Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John ²(although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), ³ he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. ⁴ And he had to pass through Samaria.

⁵ So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that

Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷ A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸ (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹² Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

* **The Psalter - Psalm 67** Missionary Hymn

* **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

* **The Doxology** (*Hymnal*, #731) Old 100th
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 Rev. Dan Naulty
"A PURSUIT THAT KILLS THE SOUL"

* **The Hymnal - #575 "Soldiers of Christ, Arise"** Diademata

* **The Benediction and Response** (sung by all) St. Columba
We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace. (*Trinity Hymnal*, #469, last stanza)

The Postlude - "Vater Unser Im Himmelreich/Our Father in Heaven"
Johann Pachelbel

Jesus Shall Reign

He will rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. Ps. 72:8

1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -
 2. To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner
 5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from shore to
 throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per - fume, shall
 • love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es shall pro -
 leaps to lose his chains, the wea - ry find e - ter - nal
 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with songs a -

shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 • claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 rest, and all the sons of want are blest.
 gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Based on Psalm 72
 Isaac Watts, 1719

DUKE STREET L.M.
 John Hatton, 1793

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

The congregation of Independent Presbyterian Church extends congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alec Melville, who were united in marriage on Sunday, February 14, 2021, at Red Gate Farm, Savannah, GA. Mrs. Melville is the former Miss Landry Dayries Rushing.

In Memoriam

Mathew L. Thomas

Entered the Lord's presence Tuesday, February 23, 2021

"Blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord."

Revelation 14:13

Psalm 67

1. ¹O God, to us show mer - cy, and bless us in Thy grace;
2. ³O God, let peo-ples praise Thee; let all the peo-ple sing;
3. ⁵O God, let peo-ples praise Thee; let all the peo-ple sing;

cause Thou to shine up - on us the bright-ness of Thy face;
⁴let na-tions now be joy - ful; let songs of glad-ness ring;
⁶for earth in rich a - bun - dance to us her fruit will bring.

²that so Thy way most ho - ly on earth may soon be known,
for Thou wilt judge the peo - ples in truth and right-eous - ness;
God, our own God, will bless us; yea, God will bles - sing send;

and un - to ev' - ry peo - ple Thy sav - ing grace be shown.
and o'er the earth shall na - tions Thy lea - der - ship con - fess.
and all the earth shall fear Him to its re - mot - est end.

Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God.
Eph. 6:10, 11

1. Sol - diers of Christ, a - rise, and put your ar - mor on,
2. Stand then in his great might, with all his strength en - dued;
3. To keep your ar - mor bright, at - tend with con - stant care;

strong in the strength which God sup - plies through his e - ter - nal Son.
but take, to arm you for the fight, the pan - o - ply of God.
still walk - ing in your Cap - tain's sight, and watch - ing un - to prayer.

Strong in the Lord of Hosts, and in his might - y pow'r,
Leave no un - guard - ed place, no weak - ness of the soul;
From strength to strength go on; wres - tle and fight and pray;

who in the strength of Je - sus trusts is more than con - quer - or.
take ev - 'ry vir - tue, ev - 'ry grace, and for - ti - fy the whole.
tread all the pow'rs of dark - ness down, and win the well - fought day.

Charles Wesley, 1749

DIADEMATA S.M.D.
George J. Elvey, 1868

COMING EVENTS

- March 2-3 Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study on *1 Peter* begins, 10:00 a.m., Telfair Hall and Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study, 6:40 p.m., Telfair Hall
- March 7 The Lord's Supper, PM service
- March 14 Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 a.m.
- March 22 Session/Diaconate Meeting
- March 28 Service of Lessons and Psalms
- April 1 Maundy Thursday/Lord's Supper Service
- April 3 Breakfast and egg hunt, Pt. Pleasant, 9:00 a.m.

ON-LINE FRIENDSHIP CARD

We extend a warm welcome and express our delight that you have chosen to visit the historic Independent Presbyterian Church. In order to have a record of your visit and to become better acquainted with you, we would ask you to use the QR code attached to fill out our on-line friendship card.

With your smartphone, open the camera app and point it at the QR image. If you are viewing via live webcast you may use this link:
<https://ipcs.ga/friendship>.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR MINISTRY TODAY

A.M. Sunday School

Adult Sunday School taught by Mr. Foster is accessible at SermonAudio.com/ipcsav. The title of the class is *Encounters With Jesus*. This week we will study "The Greatest Commandment" (Mark 12:28-34).

Children (Pre-K – 5th Grade) – Sunday School materials provided to parents.

Middle School & High School are encouraged to participate in the Adult Sunday School taught by Mr. Foster.

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

4:00 P.M. – Handbell Choir rehearsal.

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

6:30 P.M. – Care Group #11 (J. Breckenridge/D. Gross) (Deacons: S. Thompson/J. Robinson) and **Care Group #12 (T. Barrett)** (Deacons: C. Gibson/B. Fennell) Set up/Clean up for supper.

6:45 P.M. – Fellowship Supper tonight, Fellowship Hall

7:00 P.M. – Chapel Choir Rehearsal (2nd-5th Grade), Choir Room.

7:00 P.M. – No Middle School/High School Activities (Youth eat in the Fellowship Hall).

Nursery – (infants through 3-year-olds) will be available at the 9:00 a.m. service and 5:30 p.m. service.

2021 WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE

It has been, and continues to be, our pleasure to have with us over this extended weekend home and foreign missionaries whom we have supported with our prayers and gifts over the years. They have come to bring us up-to-date on their respective ministries and to motivate us in our various mission endeavors. They are here to receive our encouragement and our promise of future support. We welcome **Rev. and Mrs. Dan Naulty (Cassandra)** (Faith Presbyterian Church, Jenison, MI) as well as **Rev. and Mrs. Jim Talarico (Rita)** (Equipping Leaders International—Project Director for West Bengal India), and **Miss Anna Liebinger** (Headmaster, Rafiki PreK-12 school in Malawi, Africa, beginning late summer).

LIVE-STREAM PLATFORMS

SermonAudio ipcs.ga/sawebcast

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 on-line:

Tuesday, 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 12:20 p.m.

Men's Prayer Group (both on-site and ZOOM)

Women's Bible Study (both on-site and ZOOM)

iPrimes Bible Study (older adults) (via ZOOM only)

Wednesday Noon Bible Study (both on-site and ZOOM)

ON-SITE THIS WEEK

Men's Tuesday Morning Prayer Breakfast – 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and also via ZOOM meeting. The breakfast meal will resume March 2.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study – Begins March 2 at 10:00 a.m. in the Telfair Hall. *1 Peter: A Living Hope In Christ* taught by Mrs. Barbara Rustine. Via ZOOM if not able to join in person.

Wednesday Noon Luncheon/Bible study – Every Wednesday starting at 11:45 a.m. in the Telfair Hall with Bible study starting at 12:20 p.m. (both on-site and live-stream). Mr. Gear will be preaching. Meals will resume on March 3.

Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study – 6:40 to 8:00 p.m. *1 Peter: A Living Hope in Christ* in the Telfair Hall.

College Bible Study – Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m. in the Carriage House.

Wednesday Evening – Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal. We will resume March 3 in the sanctuary at 6:45 p.m.

Youth Choir Rehearsals – We will meet on Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. (Meals will resume on March 3.)

Middle School/High School Youth Gatherings – Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m.

New Covenant Bible Study – Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Telfair Chapel.

COLLECTION PLATES

Collection plates are located in the front and rear of the church near the entrance doors.