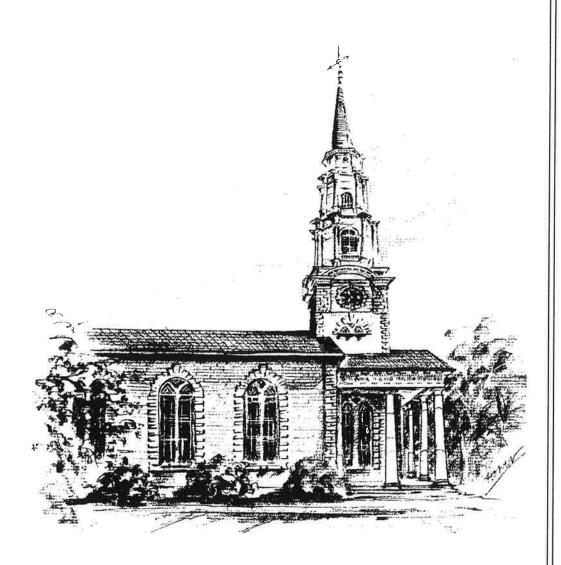
Independent Presbyterian Church
of Savannah



Ascension Sunday

May 29, AD 2022

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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 Silent Prayer Upon Entering the Sanctuary

The Prelude - Magnificat primi toni

Dietrich Buxtehude

The Sounding of the Hour

#### + The Welcome and Announcements

### The Silent Prayer of Preparation

O God the King of glory, who has exalted Your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to Your kingdom in heaven, and yet did not leave Your Apostles comfortless; Grant, we beseech You, to give us Your Holy Spirit to guide and comfort us; that, being sober, and watching in prayer, and above all things having fervent love among ourselves, we may be exalted into the same place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

#### The Call to Worship - Psalm 96:12-13 arr. from The Psalms of David, 1635

Text (from The forme of prayers, 1564):

The field shall joy, and every thing that springeth of the earth:

The wood and every tree shall sing with gladness and with mirth.

Before the presence of the Lord, and coming of His might:

For He shall come to judge the world with equity and right.

## +\* The Hymnal - #289 "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing"

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

#### \* 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.

#### \* The Gloria Patri (Hymnal, #103) Grosser Gott Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name you; while in essence only One, undivided God we claim you, and adoring bend the

knee, while we sing this mystery. Amen.

<sup>\*</sup> this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment.

<sup>\*\* &</sup>quot;catholic" means "universal" church, the true church in all times and places.

#### The Pastoral Prayer

**The Scripture Reading** - Mark 12:1-27 (17<sup>th</sup> reading—pew Bible p. 848) Acts 13:1-3 (pew Bible p. 921)

\* The Psalter - Psalm 110 (Psalter, page 96)

All Saints New

\* The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Collection

The Anthem - "God Is Gone Up"

Healey Willan

Sanctuary Choir

Text:

Alleluia! God is gone up with a shout,

The Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

Christ hath ascended up on high, and hath led captivity captive.

Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.

Oh, clap your hands, all ye people;

Shout unto God with a voice of triumph!

For the Lord most high is terrible;

He is a great King over all the earth. Alleluia!

\* The Doxology and Dismissal

(Hymnal, #731)

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 SENDING CHURCH"

XXXVIII. Expositions of Acts of the Apostles

\* The Hymnal - #290 "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"

Llanfair

\* 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, stanza 4).

**The Postlude -** Prelude on Easter Hymn (*Trinity Hymnal* #277)

Charles Villiers Stanford

+ Latecomers may be seated

**GREETERS-ELDERS:** 

SOUTH SIDE

FRONT DOOR Elder & Mrs. K. Crowe NORTH SIDE D. Boatright

T. Barrett

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER:
ELDER: R. Mullininx
GREETERS-USHERS/DEACONS:
FRONT DOOR: A. Brown
BAPTISMAL FONT: W. Black

Congregation Standing

<sup>\*\*</sup> Children's Church: Allison, Lucy and Betsy Kelly Assisting: Miguel D'Azevedo

## A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus ... will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:11



The Venerable Bede, 673–735
Tr. by Benjamin Webb, 1854; alt.
Tune from the English Hymnal by permission of Oxford University Press

LASST UNS ERFREUEN L.M.al. Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623

## Psalm 110



## Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Ps. 24:7



Charles Wesley, 1739

LLANFAIR 7.7.7.7 al Robert Williams, 1817

## THE LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

#### POINT PLEASANT ~ 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.)

Youth Choir

"I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory Paul"

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

Lindsley Thomas arr. Russell Schulz-Widmar

arr. Austin Lovelace

+ Announcements

#### **Praise**

Call to Worship and Prayer of Praise

+\* Psalter Hymnal - #375 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Diadem

#### 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 III (based on the Shorter Catechism)

I believe Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king.

I believe Christ as our Redeemer underwent the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross, offering up Himself as a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; He was buried, yet He rose again from the dead on the third day, ascended up into heaven, sits at the right hand of God the Father, and is coming to judge the world at the last day.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Collection

#### Provision for Life and Growth

Scripture Reading - 1 Corinthians 4 (5th reading—pew Bible pp. 953–954)

Prayer of Intercession

\* Psalter Hymnal - #5 "Hear My Words, O Lord" (Psalm 5) Aberystwyth

\* Prayer of Illumination

**Scripture & Sermon -** John 1:35–46 (pew Bible p. 886–887)

Mr. Johnson

"Commending Jesus"

#### Thanksgiving and Blessing

\* **Psalter Hymnal -** #476 "It Is Well with My Soul"

Ville Du Havre

\* Benediction

Congregation Standing

#### 375

## All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



- 5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, (Refrain)
- 6. O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall, we at his feet may fall!

  We'll join the everlasting song, (Refrain)

#### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

And God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

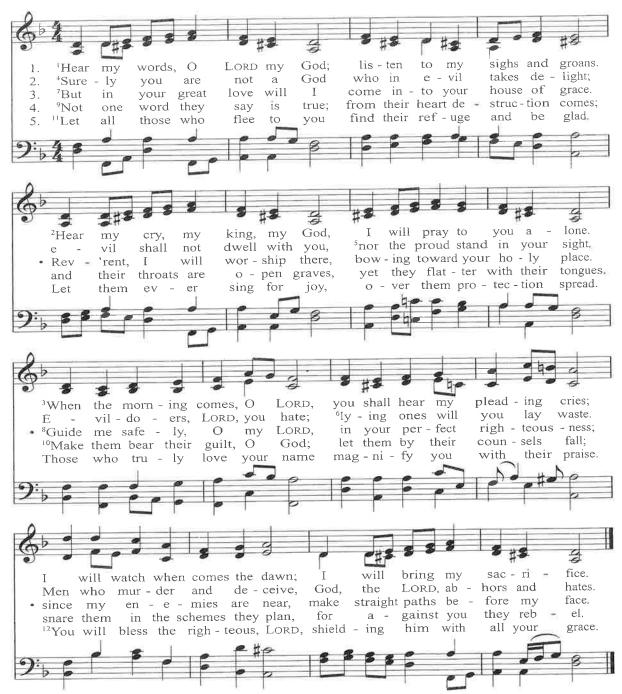
- 1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.
- IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

  Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.
- V. Honor thy father and thy mother:
  that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth
  thee.
- VI. Thou shalt not kill.\*
- VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
- VIII. Thou shalt not steal.
- IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
- X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how he saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

\* The  $6^{\circ}$  Commandment forbids not all forms of killing, but specifically unjust killing, that is, murder.

## Hear My Words, O LORD



The Psalter, 1912; alt.

ABERYSTWYTH 7.7.7.7.D. Joseph Parry, 1876



Horatio G. Spafford, 1873

VILLE DU HAVRE 11.8.11.9.ref. Philip P. Bliss, 1876

	OUR CHURCH TODAY
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School classes for all age groups
10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Service, sanctuary
3:45  p.m.	Chatham Transitional Ministry Bible Study, Mr. Bryan Piet
4:00 p.m.	Point Pleasant open for appropriate Lord's Day leisure activities
4:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal at Point Pleasant
5:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Concert at Point Pleasant
5:30 p.m.	Evening Worship Service at Point Pleasant
6:30 p.m.	All Deacon Set up/Clean up for Annual Barbecue
6:45 p.m.	Annual Church Barbecue at Point Pleasant
8:30 p.m.	Point Pleasant facilities will close



#### WEDNESDAY LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY

Telfair Hall ~ Lunch at 11:45 a.m. BIBLE STUDY 12:20 P.M.

Message by Rev. Timothy Foster

## 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.

#### ASCENSION SUNDAY

Thursday, May 26, 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.)

#### MEMORIAL DAY

In observance of Memorial Day, we honor and remember those who have died serving our nation during war. Let us never forget the sacrifices of these gallant individuals who paid the ultimate price to protect and preserve the liberties we hold so dear.

CHURCH-WIDE BARBECUE
Tonight we begin our summer evening services at Point Pleasant (441 Suncrest Blvd.) with a concert by our Youth Choir at 5:15 p.m. and worship at 5:30 p.m. Following the service we will enjoy our annual church-wide barbecue and homemade ice cream. The facility will open at 4:00 p.m. for appropriate Lord's Day leisure activities for the family and will close at 8:30 p.m.

#### COLLEGE SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

All college students are invited to join us for the College Summer Bible Study Kickoff on Wednesday, June 1, 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Gears, 2125 E. 38th Street. Hope to see you there!

Our college Sunday School class meets in the Administration Building, 2nd Floor classroom (overlooking Chippewa Square) at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays.

#### MINISTERIAL UPDATE

Rev. Timothy Shaw will be preaching this morning at First Presbyterian Church of Pooler.

### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day. It will reopen on Tuesday, May 31, at 8:30 a.m.

The Paste	oral &	Educ:	ational	Staff

Terry L. Johnson	.Senior Minister	912-421-8100
Timothy P. Foster	Associate Minister	912-421-8103
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Barbara L. Rustine	Director of Children's Sunday School	912-306-9876

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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 now available as a Live Webcast for those who are unable to join their local congregation. You can join the service at ipcsav.org/webcast.
- The Audio Ministry provides CDs of previous sermons by calling the church office. All sermons preached by our ministers can be accessed from the church website at <a href="https://www.ipcsav.org">www.ipcsav.org</a>, or at <a href="https://www.SermonAudio.com/ipcsav">www.ipcsav.org</a>, or at <a href="https://www.SermonAudio.com/ipcsav">www.ipcsav.org</a>, or at <a href="https://www.SermonAudio.com/ipcsav">www.SermonAudio.com/ipcsav</a>
- 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.
- · IPC uses the Trinity Hymnal, Trinity Psalter and the Trinity Psalter Hymnal.
- Nurseries for children through the age of three are provided on the second floor of the Axson Memorial Building. Children ages 4 through Kindergarten are dismissed for a separate service following the Choir Anthem.

## For Prayer & Participation This Week

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	Mon, May 30	8:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m.	Church office closed in observance of Memorial Day Mission Savannah		
	Tues, May 31	6:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mission Savannah Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall Church Staff meeting Pastoral Staff Meeting, Admin. Bldg. iPRIMES Bible Study (older adults) (via ZOOM only) ESL Classes, Whitaker Street Bldg., 1st Floor		
	Wed, June 1	11:45 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mission Savannah Noon Luncheon/Bible Study, Telfair Hall Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room College Summer Bible Study Kick-off at the Gears' home, 2125 E. 38th Street		
	Thurs, June 2	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mission Savannah WOC Summer Gather to Pray, Three Tree Coffee at the Porch, 215 W. Collins St. (Pooler) Careers, Telfair Hall		
	Fri, June 3		Mission Savannah; ends at 11:00 a.m.		
	Sat, June 4	5:00 p.m.	Care Group #8 (Martin/Thompson) Dinner at Point Pleasant		
Coming Events					
	June 5	Promotion Sunday and start of new Sunday School Quarter; New Members join; The Lord's Supper, PM Service at Point Pleasant			
	June 6-July 29				
	June 8	Youth Summer Dessert Fellowships begin			

#### The Record of Our Faithfulness

Wednesday Noon Service 5/25/2022 - 41

May 22, 2022

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## 2022 GRADUATES

The congregation of Independent Presbyterian Church extends a warm congratulations to our graduates:

## **High School Graduates**

Sarah Catherine Brodmann Veritas Academy

Attending Georgia College

William Ramsey DeMott Calvary Day School

Undecided

Anna Elizabeth Hayes Veritas Academy

Attending Georgia Southern University

(Statesboro)

John Harvard Heritage Dual enrollment Point University

Attending Georgia Southern University

(Statesboro)

Rex Amos Immel homeschool

Attending Georgia Southern University,

(Statesboro)

Emmaline Uengyung Kim Savannah Arts Academy

Attending Savannah College of Art &

Design

Garry Wesley McKee III Veritas Academy

Attending Georgia Southern (Armstrong)

Henry Bernard Nolan Savannah Arts Academy

Attending Georgia Southern University,

(Statesboro)

Matthew Stephens Roth Home school and Dual enrollment

Moving to Tampa, Fl to work in fall

## College Graduates

Sarah Grace Brodmann Georgia Southern Armstrong Campus

Bachelor of Science: Health Science

Cum Laude

Philip William Dusek Furman University

Bachelor of Arts: Economics and

Data Analytics/Environmental Science

Camille Uenju Kim Georgia Southern

Bachelor of Science: Pre-Optometry Post graduate: University of Alabama School of Optometry in Birmingham

Helen Elizabeth Knoche University of South Carolina

Bachelor of Science: Pharmaceutical

Science

Post graduate: South Carolina College

of Pharmacy in PharmD degree

Nicholas George Kootsikas Savannah College of Art & Design

Bachelor of Fine Arts: Film and TV

Suma Cum Laude

Katherine Sareeta MacMillan Georgia Southern University (Statesboro)

Bachelor of Science: Health Science

Magna Cum Laude

Post graduate: University of Florida Masters degree in Exercise Science

Sophia Victoria Meza Savannah College of Art & Design

Bachelor of Fine Arts: Sequential Art

Suma Cum Laude

Sarah Stephens Roth Clemson University

Bachelor of Science: Psychology

with a minor in American Sign Language Post graduate: Seattle Pacific University

for Doctorate in Psychology

Cum Laude

Hayden Christopher Schoeffler Mercer University School of Medicine

Doctor of Medicine

Michael Chandler Williams Savannah College of Art & Design

Bachelor of Fine Arts: Film & TV

Kenneth Andrew Wood Mercer University

Bachelor of Science: Industrial Engineering

## **Post College Graduates**

Andrew William Brodmann, Jr. AU/UGA Medical Partnership

University of Georgia Doctor of Medicine

Continuing his training with Residency Program in Emergency

Medicine at Prisma Health Greenville Memorial Hospital in

Greenville, SC

Tamara Lou Thompson Westminster Theological Seminary

Master of Arts in Counseling (MAC) Attending Westminster Theological Seminary to complete Master of Arts

in Theological Studies (MAT)

# SUMMER ELECTIVE (JUNE-AUGUST 2022)

#### The Book of Nehemiah

Evan Gear (College, 2nd Floor Admin)

The Book of Nehemiah, closely related to Ezra, is a first person narrative of Nehemiah's endeavor to rebuild the walls surrounding Jerusalem. He works in a world hostile to his labors and yet travels by permission of the Persian King, Artaxerxes. It is a book at once about opposition to the world and cooperation with it. It is about the desire to serve God, our imperfections in that service, and the long suffering of God toward us in such circumstances.

### Congregational Singing: Studying Its History and Improving Our Skill

Jacob Fuhrman (Music Room, 1st Floor Axson)

Do you love congregational singing? Would you like to know more about its history and development? Do you wish that you could do it better, or that you felt more comfortable leading singing in family worship? Join us for a short introduction to all of that: each week will include some history, some basic singing technique, some work with note-reading, and at least one hymn or Psalm to sing and discuss.

#### Genesis 2-3 - "What is a Woman?"

Tim Shaw (New Covenant Classroom, 4th Floor Whitaker)

For that matter, what is a man? What we need is no biologist, but rather a theologian. What is humanity? What is it meant for? What is Eden all about? And the Tree of the knowledge of Good and Evil? Where have we gone wrong? In this class we will seek to ask and answer these questions and more from Genesis 2-3—and tie them to their fulfillment as found in Christ!

#### The Book of Revelation

Tim Foster (Berean Classroom, 3rd Floor Axson)

The Book of Revelation invokes fear and trepidation. Martin Luther was so dismayed by the book that in the preface to his German translation, he argued for its removal from the Bible. Some Christians ignore Revelation because of its unfamiliar and extraordinary imagery. But Revelation is preeminently a book about Jesus Christ, the triumphant Lamb. The parallel visions present a powerful portrayal of Jesus' promise in Matthew 16:18 — "I will build my church." The images and symbols overwhelm us with the power of the risen Christ and prompt us to worship him.

#### The Piety of the Psalms (Part II)

Various Teachers (June 5 - July 17) / Terry Johnson (July 24 - August 28)
(Emmaus Classroom, 2nd Floor Admin)
We will look at the way in which the Psalms function to shape the spiritual outlook, the "piety," to use the older word, of Christians.

#### The Fear of the Lord

Bob Ellis (Garmer Classroom, 3rd Floor Axson)

In many churches today, the fear of the Lord is either ignored or domesticated. Without a biblical fear of the Lord, our wisdom becomes worldly, our worship becomes shallow, and our witness becomes feeble. The fear of the Lord must be learned and cultivated so that, like repentance, it becomes a regular part of our life.

### Equipping the Saints for the Christian Norture of Our Children

Various Teachers (Agape Room, 3rd Floor Axson)

Hear from various men of our church who will share foundational truth about the vital work of discipling our covenant children, teaching them to trust, obey, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ. Be equipped to serve your own family and the families of the church in a variety of ways as you learn more of what God's Word says about the instruction of the next generation. May our covenant children never know a day apart from Christ.

you're invited to IPC WOC Summertime gather to Thursdays, June 2nd - July 28, 2022 Three Tree Coffee at the Porch 215 W. Collins St., Pooler (formerly Front Porch Coffee) Come early to grab a coffee or tea, and join us to pray from 8:30-9:30 am Ladies of all ages welcome!

