Independent Presbyterian Church

Prayer & Praise

Sunday, August 30, 2026

Matthew 7:7–11

Matters of the Heart

(Col. 1:9–12; Eph. 1:15–23; Phil. 1:9–11; 1 Thess. 3:10–13, 5:23)

Obedience (1 Jn. 2:3, 4)
Sacrifical love (1 Jn. 4:10, 11)
Wisdom (Eph. 1:17ff)
Zeal (Mt. 5:6, 6:33)
Holiness (1 Pt. 1:15, 16)
Faithfulness (1 Cor. 4:2; 2 Tim. 2:2)
Spiritual disciplines (Col. 4:2; 1 Tim 4:7)
Burden for lost souls (Rom. 9:2, 3; 10:1)

Current Events

(1 Timothy 2:1–6)

Our Church

1. Summer services - Point Pleasant work
2. Fall Inquirers' class
3. New school year starting
4. PCA study committees (AI, CN, DPW)

Nationwide/Worldwide

1. Spiritual awakening in the West
2. Right to Life & moral concerns
3. Third–world & persecuted church
4. International concerns: Ukraine & Middle East war
5. Immigration
6. U.S. political divisions

Local Mission

(Rom. 10:1; Col. 4:2–4; John 15:1–5)

Our Mission
Weekly services (3 Sun. & Wed.)

Ministers: Terry Johnson, Tim Shaw, Evan Gear, **Alex Sutherland**

Officers: **Session, Diaconate**

Staff: Josh Espinosa, Matthew Burt, Jacob Fuhrman, Kenneth Crowe, Lucy Biemiller, Jane Boatright

Ministries: Nursery, Children, Youth, Camp, College, Careers, WOC, I-Primes, Sunday School, **Care Groups, Music**, Docents, ESL

Interns: **Andrew Becham, Romano Orlando**

Others: For Presbyterian Service (Savannah Area PCA), Savannah River Presbytery

Others
Chatham Transitional Ministry (Lorie Irish)
Christian and home schools
Fresh Air Home
International Seamen's House (Neal Cope, Jackson Tomlinson)
International Students
Local outreach/effective witness
Media Ministry (Livestream, Podcast, YouTube, etc.)
Savannah Care Center (clinics), The Living Vine (home), & Covenant Care (adoptions)
Urban Hope
Veritas Academy (Jake Busch)
Young Life of Savannah

Home Missions

(Romans 9:1–3)

Al & Wini Baker, Reformed Evangelistic Fellowship
Christian Counseling and Education Foundation (CCEF)
Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, GA
The Gideons
Palmer Home for Children, Lake Cormorant, MS
Twin Lakes Fellowship (historic Reformed ministry)
World Missionary Press
Reformed University Fellowship (nationwide)
RUF, SCAD (Martin Antoon/Ruby Miller/Brianna Bingham)
RUF, Mercer (Marlin Harris)
RUF, GSU (Nathanael Miller)
RUF, GT (Chad Jowers)
RUFI, GT (Tracey West)
RUF, UGA (Ben Coppedge)
Will Zimmer (CO Area Director GSU/GSCO) USC-Aiken
Reformed Youth Movement

Sister & Daughter Churches

(Mt. 9:35–38; 13:1–23; Acts 13:1–4)

Nationally
Christ PCA, Burke, VA (Porter Harlow)
Christ PCA, Charleston (Jon Payne)
Christ PCA, Knoxville, TN (John Blevins)
Faith PCA, Grandville, MI (Dan Naulty)
Faith OPC, Long Beach, CA (James Lim)
Mount Zion PCA, Fairfax, VA (Jegar Chinnavan)
Grace PCA, Clovis, CA (Michael Mock)
Redeemer PCA, Athens (Todd Lowry)
Redeemer PCA, Newport Beach (Josh Hahne)
Redeemer PCA, Overland Park, KS (Anthony Felich)
Salt Lake/Provo OPC (Jason Wallace)

Others:
Midway PCA, Powder Springs, GA (Jonathan Cruse)
Sovereign Grace PCA, Charlotte, NC (Carlton Wynne)
Tenth PCA, Philadelphia, PA (Jonny Gibson)
Gilcomston South, St. George's Tron, Stornoway and the churches in Scotland
Saint Andrews PC, Orlando
Future church plants

Savannah area:
Bluffton OPC Church Plant (w/o pastor)
Chapel in the Gardens PCA, Savannah, GA (Daren Russell)
First PCA, Pooler, GA (Kyle McClellan)
First Scots PCA, Beaufort, SC (Alex Mark)
Golden Isles PCA, St. Simons, GA (Alex Brown)
Grace Church of the Islands PCA, Savannah, GA (Tim Foster)
Grace Coastal PCA, Okatie, SC (Michael Bauer, Interim)
New Covenant PCA, Richmond Hill, GA (Travis Peacock)
Redeemer PCA, Brunswick, GA (w/o pastor)
The Kirk PCA, Savannah, GA (Pete Whitney)
Trinity PCA, Statesboro, GA (Jim McCarthy)
Savannah River Presbytery of PCA

Seminaries

Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, SC (Jonathan Master)
Reformed Theological Seminary (Ligon Duncan, David Irving)
Westminster Theological Seminary, PA (David Garner)
Westminster Seminary, CA (Joel Kim)
Westminster Seminary, UK (John MacLean)
Covenant Theological Seminary, MO (Thomas Gibbs)
Cajamarca Seminary, Peru (Alonzo Ramirez)
Seminario Reformado Latinoamericano (Noé Acosta)
Edinburgh Theological Seminary (Iver Martin)
Chinese Reformed Theological Seminary – Taipei, Taiwan

Sons of Issachar

(1 Chronicles 12:32)

H. B. Charles, Jr. (Shiloh Metropolitan Baptist, Jacksonville, FL)
Ian Hamilton
Al Mohler (SBTS, Boyce College; "The Briefing")
Carl Trueman (Grove City College; "Mortification of Spin")
Kevin DeYoung (Christ Covenant PCA, Charlotte; "Life & Books & Everything", RTS-Charlotte)

World Church Plants, Missions, and Missionaries

(Mt. 28:18–20; Mk. 16:15–16; Lk. 24:46–49; Jn. 20:21–23)

Asia:
Chinese voiceover WCF Project
Mr. James Chan – Exodus Press (WCF Book and Vision Sharing)
The Rev. Jonathan & Maggie Iverson – MTW Director for Asia
The Rev. Peter & Diane Bakelaar – MTW Japan
The Rev. Jon & Sarah Pfeil – (based in US with MTW Japan)
The Rev. Dan and Carol Iverson – Japan/USA
The Rev. Jae Park – Grace Presbyterian Church, South Korea

The Rev. Vic & Cathy Bernales – Philippines
Miss Rosemary Bolton – Indonesia (Wycliffe)
The Rev. Jim & Rita Talarico – India
Dr. Wayne Curles – Burma

The Rev. Eric Pilson & The Rev. Michael Liu, San Xia Church – Taiwan
The Rev. Toon Yeo, Ban Qiao Church – Taiwan
The Rev. Mark Kuo, Taipei – Taiwan

Africa:

The Rev. Donnie & Kara Williams – West Africa
The Rev. Coby & Pamela McGinty – South Africa
The Rev. Tim & Andrea Kay (based in US with Edgewood Ministries) – E. Africa
The Rev. Hal Farnsworth (based in US with Edgewood Ministries) – E. Africa

Latin America:

The Rev. Wesley & Jami Baker – Peru (based in US in the fall & spring for fundraising)
The Rev. José & Yessenia Barriga – Peru Mission (studying at Greenville Seminary)
The Rev. Roland Barnes – Peru Mission (based in US)
The Rev. Matthew Burt (Reformed Seminary) – Colombia, Latin America
Mr. John & Lu Elliot, church plant – Costa Rica
Mr. Dale & Susan Ellison – Peru (based in the US)
Dr. Joseph & Bev Fitzpatrick (MTW) – Latin America
The Rev. Aaron & Rachel Halbert (MTW) – Honduras
Mr. Oscar & Rebekah Loyola – Peru Mission
The Rev. Marc & Aline Mailloux – Caribbean Islands/Ft. Lauderdale,FL
The Rev. Alonzo & Esther Ramirez – Peru
The Rev. Dr. Roger & Dianne Smalling (Miami International Seminary)
Hinterland Ministries – Peru (Ministry in rural and mountainous Northern Peru with church planting, education, and medical-dental outreach)

North America:

Mr. Henry & Wendy Clay (Navigators) – Columbia, SC
The Rev. Brock & Katie Larson, Christ Covenant (PCA), Fargo, ND
The Rev. Ben Kappers, All Saints Reformed PCA, St. George, UT
The Rev. Robert Hasler – church plant, Christ The King (PCA), Abilene, TX
Mr. David & Natalie Holsten (MAF)
The Rev. Seth & Zoe Miller, Immanuel (PCA) – Post Falls, ID
The Rev. Jason & Erika Piland, Western Reserve (PCA) – Peninsula, OH
Rev. Eric Watkins, Salt and Light Ref. Church (OPC) – Daytona Beach, FL

Europe:

The Rev. Vincenzo & Judit Coluccia (MTW), church plant – Lecce, Italy
The Rev. Nathan Gibbs, Covenant Presbyterian Church – Stuttgart, Germany
The Rev. Sebastian Heck (SERK) – Heidelberg, Germany
The Rev. Johannes Müller (EPCEW), church plant – Berlin
The Rev. Florian Weicken (EPCEW) – Zurich, Switzerland
The Rev. Matt Lamos (Blue Ridge Presby.), church plant – Ghent, Belgium
The Rev. Gethin & Katie Jones (IPC), church plant – Lille, France
Mr. Evgeniy Meledin (Heart to Heart) – Eurasia
The Rev. Paul Sanduleac (IPC) – Moldova

United Kingdom:

The Rev. Dr. Kevin Bidwell, Sheffield Presbyterian Church – UK
The Rev. Nathan & Anna Hilton (EPCEW), Sunderland Evangelical Presbyterian – Sunderland, UK
The Rev. Zachary Leach (IPC), Christ Church Central – Leeds, UK
The Rev. Benjamin Wontrop (EPCEW), All Saints Presbyterian Church – Newcastle, UK
The Rev. Andy Young (EPCEW), Oxford Presbyterian Church – Oxford, UK
The Rev. Andrew & Jennifer Gibson (PCI) –Clare and Ahorey, Northern Ireland, UK

Those Who Are Away (or soon to be) (Phil 1:8; Rm. 1:9–12)

College Students (out of town–37):
Jonathan Allen, Wylly Bell, Chip Breckenridge, Jack Brodmann, Maggie Chester, Mollie Cribbs, Emma Grace DeMott, Stephen Dusek, Claire Essenburg, Tyson & John Gross, Isaac Harris, Witt Hayes, Anna & Mary Kate Hazeltine, Lilly Gayle Helton, Anna Elizabeth Hewett*, Laura & Tripp Jackson, Lucy Kelly, Emily & Tanner Lanier, Rachel McKee, Ella McWhorter, Adelaide Murns, Wyatt Nolen, Leah Nyce, Austin Oliver, Mary Kendrick & Elliott Oliver, Gabe Orellana, Ross Rambo, Marley Rodgers, James Stevens, Kari & Roy Thompson, and Caroline Wood.

College Students (in-town–12):
Catherine Allen**, Mary Brodmann, Agnes Brown, Anna Beth DeMott, Caleb Espinosa, Bellamy Fennell, Andrew Harris**, Anna Hayes, Wesley McKee, Thomas Nyce**, Bel Orellana, and Ty Robinson**.

Graduate Students (–9):
Angela Breland (UGA), Marc Biemiller, Jr. (Florida State), Sarah Dusek (SCAD Savannah), Emma Hartley (Valdosta State), Ashley Lanier (Gordon Conwell), William Oliver (MCG), James Scott (NC State), Sarah Roth (Seattle Pacific Univ), and Reagan Williams (residency at MCG).

Seminary Students (2):
Josh Corbitt, Samuel Taylor

Recent Interns (4):
Tucker Alexander*, Zack Hudson*, Jacob Robinson*, Oli Simmons

** non-member* ***college age/not enrolled*

Military Service

MNA Chaplain Ministries (PCA) / Officers' Christian Fellowship
PJ Johanson (USCG, Alaska)
Michael Rustine (USCG, Savannah)
Hunter Boatright (Army NG, Atlanta)
Nick Thompson (US Army, Savannah)
Jake Busch (USCG Reserve)
Joe Miller (USMC Reserve)
Drew Rodgers – (US Army, Fort Leonard Wood, MO)
Joshua Espinosa – (USMC, Parris Island)

Health Concerns (Mark 10:46–52; James 5:13–15)

Hospitalizations, procedures and pressing needs:

Ginger Thompson - surgery (8/18)
Ryon Rambo - transplant recovery/kidney function
Marc Biemiller - surgery (8/5)
Lori Irish - (8/5)

Those recovering from recent illness/operations/procedures:

Roger & KayDean (7/28)
Pam Dykema
Linda Erwin
Dianna Freeman
Betsy Kelly (8/3)
Tom Maganini
Wesley McKee
Lisa Perry (7/6)
Jim Shields
Emi Steward
Vivian Sullivan
Cindy Sutlive

Long-Term Illness/needs:

Bob Breer
Caroline Brodmann
Rebecca Cope
Evan Gear
Billy Hale
Becky Hill
Justine Hogan
Med James
Ann Klein
Lauren Lantinga
Suzanne McCaslin
Carol Teasley
John Toler
Denise Winks
Ann Wohlfeil
JD Youderian

Assisted Living, nursing home, or homebound:

Bruce & Gail Baxley – home
Marion Brown – home
Barbara Cunningham – home
Jerry Dillon – home
Stan & Dianna Freeman – home
Margaret Helmly – home
Paul Johansen – Thrive on Skidaway, #248
Ruthie Mullininx – The Legacy, 101 Shepherd Way, Apt.209
Darvin Nease – home
Doug & Faye Patterson – home
Dot Richardson – Station Exchange, #101
Della Roach – home
Cindy Sutlive – home
John Toler – Thrive on Skidaway
Jane Torrence – home
Susan Wright– Summer Breeze, 351 Wilmington Island Rd.

Others:

David Goeser (former member) –cancer, surgery in Sept.
Avery van Eyk (teenaged granddaughter of Arie and Wilma van Eyk, Providence OPC in Cumming, GA) – chemotherapy for aggressive bone cancer
Mary Bremer (Paul Johansen's sister) – under hospice care
Jewel VanPuffelen (Lindsey VanPuffelen's granddaughter) – trisomy 18
Dan Rowlands (former member) – cancer, surgery-removal of bladder
Evan Cording (Ed Cording's son) long–Covid issues
Lesley Letson's son, Gus – Leukemia / Lesley's cancer has returned – chemo
Lisa Soutar (Aaron Soutar's mom) – stage 4 cancer
Wang Yi and the Early Rain Church (Chengdu, China), Virginia Yip
Kevin Overkamp & Jesse Secor (Lorie Irish's sons) – salvation
Michael Burt (International Friendships, Inc.)
Ali & Romina and Iranian Christian converts
Dr. Bill Barcley (Reg Burt's brother) – Retired Pastor of Sovereign Grace PCA in Mathews, NC. Experiencing neurological issues.
Lindsey Van Puffelen – encouragement in trial

Other Members/Matters

Our expectant mothers
Prodigal children
Single adults
Straying members
Struggling marriages
Engaged couples and weddings
Widows and widowers
Christian homes

BEREAVEMENT

The congregation of Independent Presbyterian Church extends sincere sympathy to ***Mr. and Mrs. Brian Edwards*** and family on the death of Jennifer's father, ***Col. John M. Mitchell, US Army, Ret.,*** who passed away on Monday, August 24, 2026.