

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERINGS received this afternoon are dedicated to support the work of Presbytery's Committee on Church Vocations. When a minister is installed or ordained, it is a policy of our Presbytery that an offering be taken during worship. These monies are divided between the Presbytery's Commission on Preparation for Ministry and the Minister's Fund.

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING this service there will be a reception in the Garage and Patio in Highland Hall honoring the Reverend Kevin J. Long.

Participants in Today's Service

The Rev. Kevin J. Long, Senior Pastor

The Rev. Susan A. Clayton, Associate Pastor, IPC

The Rev. David J. Seamon, Associate Pastor, IPC

The Rev. Sarah Bird Kneff, Associate Pastor, First Presbyterian Church,
Nashville (former Associate Pastor at Sewickley Presbyterian Church)

Mrs. Joan Murdoch, Elder, Sewickley Presbyterian Church

The Hon. Teresa Pulliam, Elder, IPC

The Rev. Madison Roberts, Pastor, Mountain Brook Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Scrivner, Pastor, Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church

Mr. William Stribling, Elder, South Highland Presbyterian Church

Mr. George Taylor III, Elder, President of the Congregation, IPC

The Rev. Sue Westfall, Transitional Presbyter, Presbytery of Sheppards and
Lapsley

Dr. Jeff R. McLelland, Director of Music and Fine Arts, IPC

The Independent Presbyterian Church Choir

Acolytes: Andrew Lindstrom Murphree, Charlotte Goodner Walthall,
Hardwick Parks Walthall

Independent Presbyterian Church

Birmingham, Alabama



SERVICE FOR INSTALLATION

The Reverend Kevin J. Long

September 26, 2021

four o'clock in the afternoon

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Order of Worship

PRELUDE - “Fanfare”.....John Cook
The service of worship begins with the music of the organ. Through its power and brilliance may you feel the majesty and glory of God; in its quietness, His peace.

INTROIT - “O Taste and See”.....Roland Martin
Taste and see that the Lord is good; Happy are they who trust in him!

GREETING Rev. Sue Westfall

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
All: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.
Minister: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.
All: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me. Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
Minister: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
Psalm 23

*HYMN 263 - “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”.....CORONATION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Madison Roberts
Unison: Eternal God, forgive us for being hesitant to love the church we have received. Forgive us for going each to our own way, and forgive us for demanding that the church go with us. Help us to remember the ministry of those who have served before us. When in danger, give us their comfort, and when in difficulty, their perseverance; that we too may be faithful until we rejoice with all of the saints in your eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
John Calvin

A period of silence for personal confession.

*KYRIE ELEISON
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON
Minister: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA PATRI (*The Presbyterian Hymnal*, p. 581)

ANTHEM - “Rejoice in the Lord Alway”..... Anonymous
Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men: the Lord is e’en at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen. *Philippians 4:4-7*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATIONRev. Dr. Joseph Scrivner

SCRIPTURE READING - Mark 6:30-44
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON.....Rev. Sarah Bird Kneff

*HYMN 268 - “Crown Him with Many Crowns”.....DIADEMATA

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....Rev. David Seamon
We believe in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
Philippians 2:6-11

Service of Installation

LITANY OF GIFTSHon. Teresa Pulliam
Minister: There are different gifts,
All: But it is the same Spirit who gives them.
Minister: There are different ways of serving God,
All: But it is the same Lord who is served.
Minister: God works through different people in different ways,
All: But it is the same God who achieves his purpose through them all.
Minister: Each one is given a gift by the Spirit
All: To use it for the common good.
Minister: Together we are the body of Christ
All: And individually members of him.
Minister: Within our common ministry, some members are chosen for a particular work as teaching elders, ruling elders, or deacons. In ordination we recognize these special ministries, remembering that our Lord Jesus said, “Whoever among you wants to be great must become the servant of all, and whoever wants to be first among you must become the slave of all.”
All: Just as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to set others free.

PRESENTATION OF THE PASTOR-ELECT.....Hon. Teresa Pulliam

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONSMr. William Stribling

QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION.....Mr. George Taylor
Leader: Do we, the members of the church, accept the Rev. Kevin J. Long as our pastor, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?
People: We do.
Leader: Do we agree to pray for him, to encourage him, to respect his decisions, and to follow as he guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is the Head of the Church?
People: We do.
Leader: Do we promise to pay him fairly and provide for his welfare as he works among us; to stand by him in trouble and share his joys? Will we listen to the word he preaches, welcome his pastoral care, and honor his authority as he seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ our Lord?
People: We do.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION Rev. Susan Clayton

DECLARATION OF THE INSTALLATION.....Mr. William Stribling

CHARGE TO THE PASTOR.....Mrs. Joan Murdoch

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATIONHon. Teresa Pulliam

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS.....Rev. David Seamon
* The Offertory Statement
* The Doxology (*The Presbyterian Hymnal*, p. 606).....
OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him, above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* The Prayer of Dedication
The Offertory Anthem – “How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place”
Johannes Brahms
How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! For my soul, it longeth, yea, and fainteth for the courts of the Lord; my soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God. O blest are they that dwell within Thy house; they praise Thy name evermore!
Psalm 84:1-2

*HYMN 634 - “To God Be the Glory”.....TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*BENEDICTION Rev. Kevin Long

*POSTLUDE - “Psalm XIX” Benedetto Marcello

**Congregation standing*