

# THE UPDATE



INDEPENDENT  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## OCTOBER 2019

### CONGREGATIONAL EVENTS

- 6** Global Missions Sunday, all services
- 13** Walthall Lecturer the Rev. Dr. Katharine Rhodes Henderson, 10 am, Highland Hall, and 8:45/11 am guest preacher. **See back.**  
Choir Dedication, 11 am worship  
"Bless the Lord"/Vespers Service, 4 pm  
2nd Sunday Supper, 6 pm, Highland Hall
- 16** IPC Choir fruit sale Oct. 16- Dec. 1
- 20** Harvest for Hunger begins
- 27** Fall Festival, 3:30 pm, CFAF  
The Table 5 pm Worship, CFAF

### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30

Dinner: 5:15- 6 pm. Class: 6:15- 7:15 pm

Menu and classes online at: [ipc-usa.org](http://ipc-usa.org) > learn > adult-christian-education/wednesday-nights

### CHILDREN'S EVENTS

- 13** "Bless the Lord," 4 pm, Sanctuary  
Questions? Stacy Pulliam, 933-3690

### YOUTH EVENTS

- 5** Habitat for Humanity Build, TBA
- 12- 13** Fall Presbytery Retreat, Living River
- 20** NO Sunday Youth Group
- 27** Final Home Small Groups, 6:15 pm  
Questions? Isaac Toney, 933- 3732

### FOR THE ADULTS

- 1** The Social Justice Book Club, 5:30 pm, Clubhouse on Highland
- 4** Officer training, 8:30 am- 3 pm, Garage
- 6** Grace Groups begin. Registration required. Contact: Cindy Shaw, [cshaw@ipc-usa.org](mailto:cshaw@ipc-usa.org) or 933-3696.
- 7** Book Review Group, 10 am, Room 307  
Cancer Support Group, 12 pm, G 39
- 9** MOMs (Ministry of Mothers), 6:15 pm
- 14** Guild, 11 am, Chapel
- 21** Circle V, 10:30 am, Away  
Beer & Hymns, 7 pm, The Grill at Iron City
- 22** 4th Quarter Lunch Bunch, 11:30 am, Bettola. RSVP to Connie Logan at [clogan@ipc-usa.org](mailto:clogan@ipc-usa.org) or 933-3694.  
IPC Roundtable: Empowering Survivors of Domestic Violence with One Place's Allison Dearing, 5:30 pm, Great Hall. Dinner: \$5. RSVP online.
- 28** Birmingham Men's Club with Jason Standridge on pitching in the Major Leagues, 10:30 am- 12 pm, Great Hall. Cost: \$8. RSVP to Connie Logan at [clogan@ipc-usa.org](mailto:clogan@ipc-usa.org) or 933-3694.

Please check the calendar posted at the top of [ipc-usa.org](http://ipc-usa.org) > connect > calendar for ministry team meetings and groups that meet more than once a month.

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### SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES

#### VESPERS SERVICE TO INCLUDE PERFORMANCE OF "BLESS THE LORD"

Our children will lend their voices for the Vespers Service on October 13, which will include Andrew Carter's "Benedicite" or "Bless the Lord." This composition will explore 60 animals and other wonders of God's creation through a child-like perspective with the help of the IPC Choir and Westminster Choir. Prayer and hymns will also be part of this service beginning at 4 pm in the sanctuary.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### BLESS THE LORD

Sunday, October 13, 4 pm

Children join IPC choirs for this vespers service, which includes a children's costumed concert. **See above.**

### HARVEST FOR HUNGER

Sunday, October 20

Donate non-perishable food items to the IPC Food Pantry Oct. 20 - Nov. 24. **See back.**

### FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 27

**3:30 pm, Children's Fresh Air Farm**  
Bring the family for food, fellowship and fun! Event ends with 5 pm worship.



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## SAVE THE DATE

### WALTHALL LECTURER THE REV. DR. KATHARINE RHODES HENDERSON

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13**

Welcome Auburn Seminary President the Rev. Dr. Katharine Rhodes Henderson to IPC as a morning guest preacher for our 8:45 and 11 am services and the Walthall lecturer at 10 am on Sunday, October 13. She is the author of "God's Troublemakers: How Women of Faith are Changing the World" and presented a TEDx Talk on "Letting God Out of the Box" in 2017. Dr. Henderson also won the Guru Nanak Interfaith Prize for her work in creating spaces for authentic interfaith engagement.



#### SCHEDULE

- **Sunday School Speaker, 10 am, Highland Hall**
- **Morning Guest Preacher, 8:45/11 am, Sanctuary**

### GLOBAL MISSIONS SUNDAY

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6**

On World Communion Sunday, we will celebrate our global missions during the 8:45 am and 11 am worship services in the sanctuary, as well as The Table 5 pm service in Highland Hall. Learn about our four upcoming global mission trips planned for 2020, including two Chiapas mission trips and one to Mwandu. Pick up an application and more information. A special global missions collection will be taken during the services.

### HARVEST FOR HUNGER

**OCTOBER 20- NOVEMBER 24**

Be a blessing and help fill our neighbors' tables this holiday season. The Harvest for Hunger Food Drive will accept non-perishable food items for the IPC Food Pantry. We will dedicate food during worship on November 18. Thank you for your generosity!