

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS! We would love to welcome you as a new member of our family of faith at IPC. Please indicate your interest by contacting Stacy Pulliam at spulliam@ipc-usa.org. "Like" us on Facebook at @PCBirmingham.

INTRODUCING REV. NICOLE NEWTON, Associate Pastor for Discipleship. Nicole is a pastor, educator, and coach, coming to us from First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, where she served as the Associate Pastor for the past four years. She holds a Master of Divinity degree from Wake Forest University School of Divinity, a Master of Christian Education from Union Presbyterian Seminary, and is currently working on her Doctor of Ministry degree at Wake Forest University School of Divinity. Nicole's first Sunday at IPC will be December 8. Learn more about Nicole at ipc-usa.org.

EXTENDED ATRIUM: Children in first through sixth grade will have extra exploration time in the Atrium this morning before joining their parents for communion during this worship service. Catechists will walk children into the Assembly Hall to either find their families or a seat at the children's worship stations.

CELEBRATE GLOBAL MISSIONS with lunch in the Great Hall following today's 11 am worship services. IPC Global Missions Teams will share about this year's journeys to Malawi, Chiapas, the Dominican Republic, Kenya, and Mwandi Mission Zambia. Mission travel plans for 2025 will be announced.

2025 ANNUAL GIVING: Join us to give generously and support the mission of Jesus Christ at IPC. Find pledge cards at the reception desk, in the Parlor, or make an online pledge by texting PLEDGE to (205) 927-3100 and following the prompts.

IPC CONNECT FALL COCKTAIL SOCIAL: Join us for a lovely, fall evening on November 7 from 6 to 8 pm at the home of Merrill Stewart. Please register at ipc-usa.org on the Sign Up Links page.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Sign up to join IPC for this year's Habitat for Humanity Build on November 16. We are helping to build a home in Bessemer for the Baylor family alongside fellow Birmingham-area churches in the Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley. At least 15 IPC volunteers are needed. Please register at ipc-usa.org on the Sign Up Links page.

HARVEST FOR HUNGER: Help stock the food pantry shelves. From now until November 24, pick up a brown paper bag in the Parlor, the narthex, or Community Ministries to fill with food and hygiene items. For questions, contact Catherine Sager at csager@ipc-usa.org or (205) 933-3725.

75TH ANNIVERSARY HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR & TEA: Join us Saturday, December 14 to celebrate our milestone Holiday House anniversary with this year's home tours plus an additional option for a seated Afternoon Tea. Tickets are available now; visit ipcholidayhouse.com to learn more.

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Bass Guitar
Drums
Electric Guitar
Horns
Video & Lights
Sound

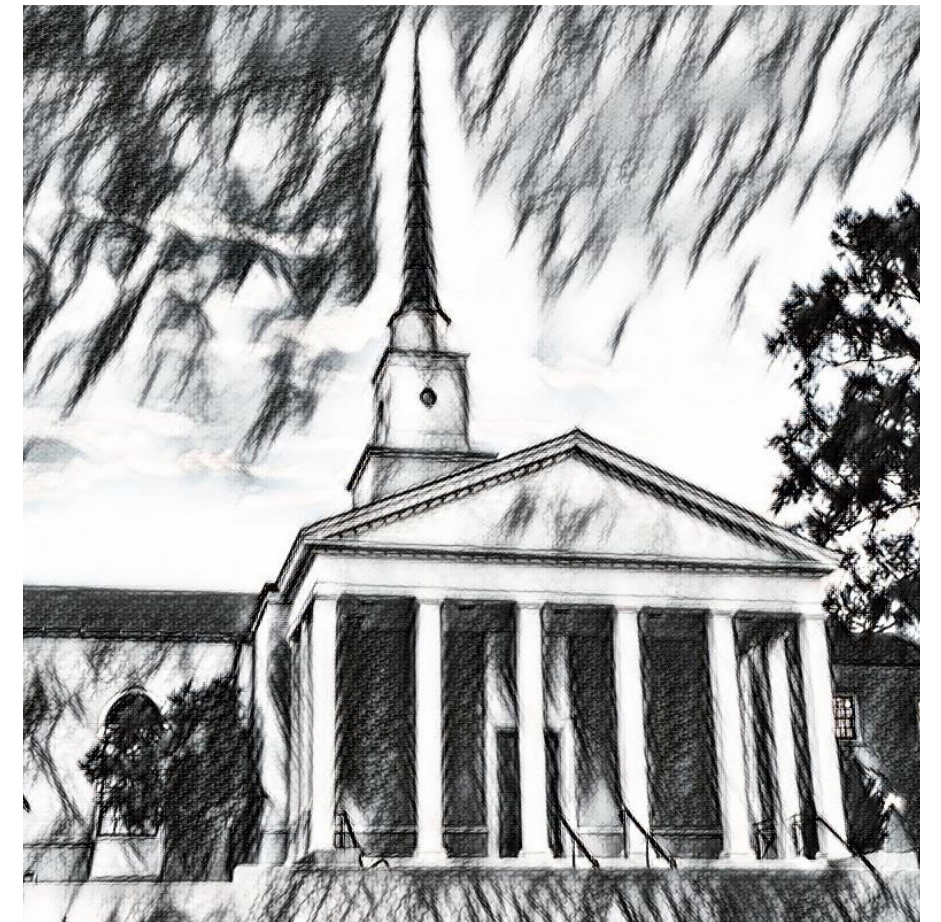


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THE TABLE

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NOVEMBER 3, 2024

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

Open · Affirming · Welcoming
Worship is at the center of the life of The Table.
As you prepare yourself for worship,
we invite you to reflect quietly on these words:

Who stronger, O God, than he who rejoices in a risen Lord? Who mightier than he who through weakness has discovered strength in Christ? Who readier to stoop and help than he who has been bought with a price? Amen.

from Beginning the Day by Henry Edmonds

THE LITURGICAL YEAR

IPC follows the liturgical calendar to mark the seasons of our life together. We are currently in the Season after Pentecost, also known as Ordinary Time. It is signified by the color green which represents new life and growth. Ordinary Time is observed from Pentecost until the beginning of Advent.

IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST VISIT:

E-mail or call us: We would love to say hello and welcome you to our church family. Please reach out to us by contacting Stacy Pulliam at 205.933.3690 and spulliam@ipc-usa.org or Cindy Shaw at 205.933.3696 and cshaw@ipc-usa.org.

Visit our website: ipc-usa.org/welcome

FLOWER DEDICATION

The flowers on the foyer table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mark L. Miller.

GATHERING

We *gather* as a community and prepare our hearts to worship God

Prelude

Welcome

Moment for Stewardship

Call to Worship

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
People: **Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**
Leader: Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
People: **For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.**
Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
People: **For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.** *Psalm 95*

Gathering Songs *“King Of Kings”*
“O Praise The Name (Anástasis)”

LISTENING

We *listen* for the word of God through confession, passing the peace, Scripture, and preaching

Prayer of Confession (unison)

What shall I render to you, my Creator, for all your blessings to me? You will accept only my whole self, all that I have and all that I am. But I cannot shake off the fear which tempts me to hoard my life. So I ask only for your mercy. Fill me with such pure and heavenly love that all my narrow selfishness may be done away, lost in the expanse of your love.
Clement of Rome, 96 AD

Please observe a period of silence for personal reflection.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel.
All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Peace

Leader: May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
All: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

Please exchange the peace with the words,
“The peace of Christ be with you.”

Confessional Response *“Gloria Patri”*

A Moment with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson: Philippians 4:10-20

Sermon: “The Secret”

RESPONDING

We *respond* to the hearing of God’s word through reflection, prayer, offering, and communion

Hymn *“In Christ Alone”*

Sharing of Gifts

In gratitude for the love and grace extended to us by God, we share our resources to support ministries of justice, mercy, and beauty. To give online, text OFFERING to (205) 927-3100 and follow the steps.

Celebration of the Sacrament of The Lord’s Supper

- Prayers of the People and The 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, for ever. Amen.
- Words of Institution
- Communion of the People
- Communion Song: *“For All the Saints”*
- Prayer after Communion

SENDING

We are *sent* out into the world to love God and our neighbors

Closing Hymn *“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”*

Benediction

Postlude

*Our service is over, let our service begin.
fed by mystery, forgiven of sin.
Now our faith made real, when brokenness we heal.
our service is over, let our service begin.*