Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!



May 29, 2022 12:00

Growing together and reaching out in Christ

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Welcome and Commissioning Prayer

During the Prelude, you are invited to meditate on the Psalm of the Day as you prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

Prelude

Prelude in G Major Nikolaus Bruhns (1665 – 1697)

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 51:1. 4

For the director of music. A psalm of David. When the prophet Nathan came to him after David had committed adultery with Bathsheba.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge.

*Call to Worship Palo Mutale

Leader: There is now no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus.

Praise God!

People: Jesus himself became a sin offering to save us from death. Praise God!

Leader: Through Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set us free from

the law of sin and death. Praise God!

People: Let us set our minds on what the Spirit desires, and worship God

together. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise #466 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Text: Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.

Music: Carl Gottlief Gläser, 1828; Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

*The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth, I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he arose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #579

"Glory Be to the Father"

Music: H.W. Greatorex

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Palo Mutale

Psalm 51:1-6

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¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. ² Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge.⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.⁶ Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place.

Meditation

"Prayer for Ukraine".

Yuliia Pynzenyk, Soprano Ruth Pfister, Organ

O Great God
O Great God, eternal!
For us Ukraine do protect,
Freedom and light of wisdom
You shed upon her.

With' the light, of learning and knowledge Us, your children instruct, In pure love to our country You, O God, do nurture us. Praying to you, God, almighty, For us, Ukraine do protect, All your grace and bounties To our people direct!

Grant her freedom, grant her fortune, Grant illumination, Prosperity, grant God to the people And grant, many, many, prosperous years!

Sermon Text

Romans 8:1-11

- ¹ Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.
- ³ For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
- ⁵ Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶ The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so.
- ⁸ Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. ⁹ You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. ¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Sermon

"No condemnation" What does this mean? Romans 8 (Part 1)

Rev. Dennis Wright

GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

Invitation

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response #341 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!"

Text: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1873

Music: Phoebe Palmer Knapp, 1873

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Heather Altermatt Elder for Morning Worship

Offertory

"To God All Praise and Glory"

Music: Johann Jakob Schütz (1640-1690)

Text: W. Glen Darst

*Doxology #592 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Text: T. Ken

Music: Genevan Psalter

GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING

Welcome of Guests

Passing of Peace

Announcements

*Hymn of Dedication #440 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

Text: John Oxenham, 1908; alt. African American Spiritual

*Commissioning and Benediction

Traditional Blessing in Ukrainian

Many years!

(many years of blessings!)

Yuliia Pynzenyk

Adult Choir

Postlude

Fantasy in C Major BWV 570 Johann Sebastian Bach 1685 – 1750)

^{*}Please stand if you are able.

Serving Today:

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dennis Wright

Ministry Coordinator: Nathan Wannemacher

Morning Worship Music Coordinator: Chandler Cudlipp

Musicians: Ruth Pfister, Organ; Adult Choir; Yuliia Pynzenyk, Soprano

Elder: Heather Altermatt, Elder for Morning Worship

Reader: Palo Mutale

Ushers: Christof Lindenstruth Altar Guild: Communion Team

Zoom Livestream: Sophie & Paula Somm

Sound: Michal Partl

Prayer Team:

Coffee Fellowship: Maria A., Diane M., Christina G., Tina R., Daniel N.

For parents:

For any parents who need to leave the service with their infant, please feel free to join the Zoom simulcast on your phone so you don't miss anything.

The meeting ID is **950 9439 6439** and the password is **203719**.

Pastoral Search Committee

The Council of Elders has decided to set up a Pastoral Search Committee (PSC) to identify and recruit a new senior pastor for IPC. The Nominations Committee will identify suitable candidates (3 elders and 4 congregants according to the IPC Constitution). As soon as the Nomination Committee has a list of nominees, we will call a Special Congregation Meeting (SCM) to confirm their election and to empower them to conduct the pastoral search process. Pastor Dennis has indicated that he is prepared to continue working as Interim Pastor during this time.

Statement of Faith

Together with Pastor Dennis, the Council of Elders has decided to develop a Statement of Faith, this is for two main reasons. First, to present our shared beliefs clearly, so that the search for a new senior pastor can attract candidates who are a good fit for us. And second to update the IPC website, so that people can clearly see what we believe. You will be hearing more about this as work progresses and there will plenty of time for congregational input before we finalize the statement in early fall.

Membership Classes

The membership classes are coming up fast! June 5 & 12, 14:30-16:00. The first class will focus on who God is, and what it means to be a follower of Christ. The second will focus on who IPC is, and what it means to be a member of the church. Please email the office (office@ipc-zurich.org) if you are coming, but walk-ins are very welcome as well. If you are seeking membership but will miss one of the classes, don't worry, contact Nathan (078 795 0679 or wannemacher22@gmail.com) to figure out a different time.

Morning Service @ 11:30

We are happy to announce that the morning service will begin at 11:30 from next Sunday, June 5. All the morning activities will also start at the adjusted times.

IPC Calendar:

Sunday, May 29, 2022

- 13:30: Coffee Fellowship
- 16:00: Afternoon Youth Group
- 18:00: In-person/Online Evening Worship

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

• 7:00: Men's Breakfast

Sunday, June 5, 2022

- 10:00: Bible@10
- 10:00: Morning Youth Group
- 11:30: In-person/Online Morning Worship
- 11:30: Sunday School
- 13:00: Coffee Fellowship
- 14:30: Membership Class
- 16:00: Afternoon Youth Group
- 18:00: In-person/Online Evening Worship

Men's Breakfast

Eric Ohlund will lead the discussion. The men will meet in the Methodist basement room S3. Croissants and coffee/tea will be provided.

Bible @10

In-person every Sunday morning from 10:00 in the Kantonsschule. The studies are open to all even if you can't attend every week. Stop by from June 5 at 10:00.

God@Work

Join us for career focused testimonies and discussions on various ways to cultivate and practice Biblical wisdom and knowledge as you navigate your work and career life. Sunday, June 12 (Methodist Hall) a light lunch will be provided. The workshop is limited to 25 people. Register on the website.

Sermon Study Guide for Home Groups

Pastor Dennis provides study guide questions for use in the week prior to each sermon. These are available on the sermons page of the IPC website.

Prayers

For prayer concerns please send a message to Pastor Dennis at pastor@ipc-zurich.org. These messages go directly to Pastor Dennis.

Jürg Kessler, jpkessler@ggaweb.ch, manages the IPC prayer chain. Contact him to join us in praying for our IPC community.

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Many thanks for stopping by, and we hope that your time with us will be rewarding and enriching as we worship Christ together.

Get Connected

The best ways for you to begin at IPC are:

- Join a Home Group
- Sign up to receive the e-newsletter
- Serve at IPC
- Become a member

For more information about programs and events, visit ipc-zurich.org.

Staff

Dennis Wright, Interim Pastor Nathan Wannemacher, Ministry Co-ordinator Bev Visser, Administrative Assistant Vanessa Bischoff, Children's Ministry Administrator Genu Cherukara, Administrative Assistant Ruth Pfister, Organist

IPC Office

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Council Elders

Paul Nelson, Heather Altermatt, Birgit David, Vicky Lee, Lanette Meister, Eric Ohlund, Marco Schnitter, Piotr Soluch, Brian Sparks, Remi Tobler and Chee Mui Yap.

Deacons

Jenny Bärlocher, Jane Burger, Sarah da Ponte, Keith Hennings, Patty Jehle, Jürg Kessler, Johnson Oduwaiye, Rob-Roy Roedel and Giannina Wild

Giving

IPC is a self-supporting church. We are reliant on and very thankful for your regular giving to finance the church and to support our missions, charities and those less fortunate in our community. More details on the webpage.

Please prayerfully consider giving via bank online transfer,

Twint or Paypal.

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