

Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!



May 1, 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 op. 37 No. 2 in G Major
Felix Mendelssohn (1809 – 1847)

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 18:6

In my distress I called upon the Lord;
to my God I cried for help.
From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.

*Call to Worship

Maio Chen

Leader: In our distress we call to you LORD,
People: and you answer us in our difficulty.
Leader: In our suffering we cry out,
People: and you bring us up from the pit.
Leader: Your goodness knows no bounds,
People: And we worship you today God.

*Hymn of Praise #370

“Just as I Am, Without One Plea”

Text: Charlotte Elliliott, 1834
Music: William B. Bradbury, 1849

Examination

Chee Mui Yap

Leader: When we cry out to the Lord in our repentance,
People: he will deliver us from our distress.
Leader: God will bring us out of darkness
People: and out of the shadow of death.
Leader: Let us search our hearts. Join me in silent confession.

Prayer of Confession

People: Almighty God, with our whole hearts, we confess to you our neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments, our wrong doing, thinking, and speaking; the hurts we have done to others, and the good we have left undone.
O God, forgive us, for we have sinned against you; and bring us closer to yourself; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
He will not always accuse,
nor will he harbor his anger forever;
he does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.
Praise the Lord!

***Gloria Patri #579**

“Glory Be to the Father”

Music: H.W. Greatorex

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Children’s Message

Paula Somm

Children are dismissed to their classrooms

First Reading

Maio Chen

Matthew 12:38-42 (p. 978)

³⁸Then some of the Pharisees and teachers of the law said to him, “Teacher, we want to see a sign from you.”³⁹ He answered, “A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a sign! But none will be given it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.

⁴⁰ For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.⁴¹ The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and now something greater than Jonah is here.⁴² The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon’s wisdom, and now something greater than Solomon is here.

Meditation

“O, Divine Redeemer!”

Text and Music: Charles Gounod

Cheyne Davidson, Baritone

Gordon Schultz, Piano

Jonah 1:17-2:10 (p. 928)

¹⁷ Now the LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

² From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the LORD his God.² He said: "In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry.³ You hurled me into the depths, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me; all your waves and breakers swept over me.⁴ I said, 'I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.'⁵ The engulfing waters threatened me, the deep surrounded me; seaweed was wrapped around my head.⁶ To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever. But you, LORD my God, brought my life up from the pit.⁷ "When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple.⁸ "Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God's love for them.⁹ But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the LORD.' "

¹⁰ And the LORD commanded the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.

Sermon

"Repenting = turning around"

Rev. Dennis Wright

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response #396**

"O for a Closer Walk With God"

Text: William Cowper, 1772

Scottish Psalter, 1635

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

Paul Nelson

Rev. Dennis Wright

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Chee Mui Yap

Offertory

"You Raise Me Up/Part the Waters, Lord"

Cheyne Davidson, Baritone

Text: Brendan Graham, Charles F. Brown

Gordon Schultz, Piano

Music: Rolf Lovland, Charles F. Brown

Arr. Gordon Schultz

***Doxology #592**

"Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow"

Text: T. Ken

Music: Genevan Psalter

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who have trespassed against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING

Welcome of Guests

Passing of Peace

Announcements

***Hymn of Dedication #302** "I Danced in the Morning"
Text: Sydney Carter, 1963
American Shaker Melody

***Commissioning and Benediction**

Postlude

Allegretto from "Flötenkonzert für die Orgel" op. 55 in F Major
Christian Heinrich Rinck (1770 – 1846)

Serving Today:

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dennis Wright

Morning Worship Music Coordinator: Chandler Cudlipp

Musicians: Ruth Pfister, Organ; Gordon Schultz, Piano; Cheyne Davidson, Baritone

Elder: Chee Mui Yap

Altar Guild: Eva Nelson

Sound: Natascha Gray

Prayer: Christina Gautschi

Zoom Livestream: Matt Kägi and Sophie Somm

Coffee Fellowship: Betty Wegman, Season, Suter, Ramya Akshintala, Dev Akshintala, Toby Hersche

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**.

The phone number for the Sunday School Safety Officer stationed in the Kantonsschule is 077 526 51 64

Announcements

The Council of Elders for the period of May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023 is constituted as follows:

Chairperson: Jean-Claude Gottraux*

Secretary: Marco Schnitter

Treasurer: Brian Sparks

Adult Ed & Retreats: Birgit David

Children's Ministry: Dorli Scherer*

Communication: Marco Schnitter

Congregational Care:

Evening Worship: Piotr Soluch

Fellowship & Special Events: Vicky Lee

Morning Worship: Heather Altermatt

Membership Involvement: Marco Schnitter

Outreach & Missions/Special Projects: Remi Tobler

Personnel, Property & Planning: Eric Ohlund

*Incoming

We would like to thank the outgoing elders for their diligent work and contributions to the council and IPC during their term.

Please keep the elders and their ministries in your prayers.

All-church Retreat - May 13-15

“Living in God’s Household.”

There will be NO services in Zurich on Sunday, May 15. Please join us in Einsiedeln for the 10:00 Morning Worship Service.

For those joining the retreat, it will be possible to stay for lunch either in the restaurant (29.50 per person) or bring a picnic to eat together in the retreat centre grounds.

Coffee Fellowship

Come and join us in the Methodist Hall, across the street, after the service.

IPC Calendar:

Sunday, May 1, 2022

13:30: Coffee Fellowship

18:00: In-person/Online Evening Worship

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

7:00: Men’s Breakfast in-person in the Zelthof lounge, Zeltweg 20

Saturday, May 7, 2022

10:00: Worship Team Practice

14:00: Youth Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, May 8, 2022

9:30: Bible@10 online

12:00: In-person/Online Morning Worship

12:00: Sunday School

13:30: Coffee Fellowship

18:00: In-person/Online Evening Communion Service

19:30: Evening Service Fellowship Dinner

Worship Bulletin

Each week the worship bulletin is published on the morning worship page of the website. If you prefer an electronic version, you can download it from Friday afternoon.

Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!

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

Staff

Dennis Wright, Interim Pastor
Nathan Wannemacher, Ministries Coordinator
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Vanessa Bischoff, Children's Ministry Administrator
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Jean-Claude Gottraux, Heather Altermatt, Birgit David, Vicky Lee, Eric Ohlund, Dorli Scherer, Marco Schnitter, Piotr Soluch, Brian Sparks and Remi Tobler.

Deacons

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

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 manages the IPC prayer chain. Contact him to join us in praying for our IPC community.

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. All details on the website.

Please prayerfully consider giving via bank online transfer, Twint or Paypal.

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