

Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!



March 13, 2022
Second Sunday
of Lent
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

Plein jeu. Et in terra pax from *Mass for the Parishes*
François Couperin (1668 – 1733)

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 12: 5-6

“Because the poor are plundered and the needy groan,

I will now arise,” says the Lord.

“I will protect them from those who malign them.”

And the words of the Lord are flawless,

like silver purified in a crucible,

like gold refined seven times.

*Call to Worship

Dorothy Kwan

Leader: Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God.

People: Everyone who loves has been born of God, and everyone who loves knows God.

Leader: In this is love, not that we have loved God

People: but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Leader: Let us worship our loving God together.

*Hymn of Praise #361

“How Firm a Foundation”

Text: John Rippon
American folk melody

Examination

Leader: Seek the Lord while he may be found,

People: call upon him while he is near.

Leader: Let the wicked abandon their ways

People: and the unrighteous their thoughts.

Leader: Turn back to the Lord, who will have mercy;

People: to our God who will richly pardon.

Leader: Let us silently search our hearts, and confess to God our sins.

Prayer of Confession

People: Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The LORD of all mercies has cleansed us from our sins, and has restored us in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessed be the Lord, who has heard the voice of our prayer.

Therefore, shall our hearts dance for joy and in our song will we praise our God!

*Gloria Patri #579

“Glory Be to the Father”

Music: H.W. Greatorex

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Dorothy Kwan

Isaiah 41:10 & 43:1-5

¹⁰ So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

¹ But now, this is what the LORD says— he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

³ For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. ⁴ Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵ Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west.

Meditation

"Glory"

Text and music: Nichole Nordeman

Heather Altermatt
& Chandler Cudlipp, Vocals
Christine Weeks, Piano

1 John 4:7-21

⁷ Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.⁹ This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

¹¹ Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.¹² No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.¹³ This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit.¹⁴ And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.¹⁵ If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God.¹⁶ And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.¹⁷ This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus.¹⁸ There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.¹⁹ We love because he first loved us.²⁰ Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.²¹ And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

Sermon

"God is Love ... Abide in Him"

Rev. Dennis Wright

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response #543

"Abide With Me"

Text: H.F. Lyte, 1847

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and OfferingsEric Ohlund
Elder for Personnel,
Property, and Planning**Offertory**

"Oh My Soul"

Text and music: John Mark Hall, Bernie Herms
and Nichole NordemanHeather & Claire Altermatt, Vocals
Christine Weeks, Piano

*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 #262**

**"God of the Ages,
Whose Almighty Hand"**

**Text: D.C. Roberts
Music: G.W. Warren**

***Commissioning and Benediction**

Postlude

**Fugue in E flat Major, BWV 552
Johann Sebastian Bach 1685 – 1750**

Serving Today:

Preacher: Rev. Dennis Wright

Youth Intern: Nathan Wannemacher

Morning Worship Music Coordinator: Chandler Cudlipp

Musicians: Ruth Pfister, Organ

Elder: Eric Ohlund

Reader: Dorothy Kwan

Ushers: Johnson Oduwaiye

Altar Guild: Wai-Hung Leung

Zoom Livestream: Matt Kägi and Michal Partl

Sound: Lawrence Wilkinson

Prayer: Christina Gautschi, Boopathy & Gabi Dhanapal

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.

IPC Calendar:

Sunday, March 13, 2022

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

Home Group Sunday, March 20, 2022

- 9:30: Bible@10
- 10:30: Morning Youth Group
- 12:00: In-person/Online Morning Worship
- 12:00: Sunday School
- 13:30: Coffee Fellowship
- 16:00: Afternoon Youth Group
- 18:00: In-person/Online Evening Worship

Announcements

Financial Report: February 2022

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>
Giving	102'000	98'000
Expenses	102'000	90'000
Surplus	0	8'000

Ukraine Aid

With tremendous sadness, we have followed the tragic events of the war in Ukraine. Our hearts go out to the people of Ukraine who are suffering because loved ones have been killed and their homes and cities have been devastated. Please keep Ukraine and its people in your daily prayers. In order to support the relief effort for people inside Ukraine and for the refugees, IPC will take up a collection. Donate by cash in the enclosed envelope, by Twint or by transferring money to IPC's bank account (see the next page) with the remark "Ukraine." All the proceeds will be shared between HEKS (the aid organisation of the Swiss Reformed Church) and Medair. Both organizations are helping Ukrainians inside and outside of their country.



Ukraine Aid

Adult Choir

The adult choir plan to sing on Easter Sunday. Anyone interested in participating should please contact Chandler at 078 626 09 69 or chandler@ggaweb.ch as soon as possible. Rehearsals are planned for April 3, 10 and 17.

KiWo - Kinderwoche Hottingen

KIWO is a week-long Christian program for children 6 -12 years old from the Zürich-Hottingen and surrounding area. KIWO Hottingen aims to bring Jesus and the Bible closer to children through age-appropriate, creative and holistic ways. This includes worship, biblical-based messages and theater, small groups where children go deeper into the word of God, workshops and other fun activities. Contact Johanna Thomsen at hikaruthomsen@hotmail.com or Tim Beer at tim.tawatchai@gmail.com. Visit www.kiwo-hottingen.ch.

Evening Youth Group Today

Our youth program is expanding! The afternoon youth group meets before the evening service and the morning youth group continues as normal.

Every Sunday, 16:00-17:30 // Methodist basement room, S3. Ages:12-18.

All-church Retreat - May 13-15

"Living in the Household of God"

This all-church retreat will be in Einsiedeln. More details to follow.

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.

Bible@10

This study group meets online every Sunday morning before the morning service at 9:30. Study books are available from the office. The next study, starting April 24, is Exodus. Everyone is welcome.

Office Hours: Please Email or Call

Please call (044 262 55 25) during office hours (Tuesday-Friday, 9:00-17:00) or email (office@ipc-zurich.org) to make sure the office is open before stopping by.

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.

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.

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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.

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