

Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!



March 20, 2022

Third 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

Pieces No. 1 and 5 in D Major from "L'Organiste"
César Franck (1822 – 1890)

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 16:1-2, 5

*Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge.
I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing."
LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.*

*Call to Worship

Sarah da Ponte

Leader: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God,

People: and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well.

Leader: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

People: Let us worship our God who has brought us eternal life.

*Hymn of Praise #478 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Text: Henry Frances Lyte, 1834

Music: John Gross, 1869

Examination

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

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

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 63:7-9, 16

⁷ I will tell of the kindnesses of the LORD, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the LORD has done for us— yes, the many good things he has done for Israel, according to his compassion and many kindnesses.⁸ He said, “Surely they are my people, children who will be true to me”; and so he became their Savior.⁹ In all their distress he too was distressed, and the angel of his presence saved them. In his love and mercy he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

¹⁶ But you are our Father, though Abraham does not know us or Israel acknowledge us; you, LORD, are our Father, our Redeemer from of old is your name.

Meditation

“The Lord’s My Shepherd”

Jessie Seymour Irving (1836-1887)

Harry White, Saxophone

New Testament Reading

1 John 5:1-12

¹ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well.² This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands.³ In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome,⁴ for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.⁶ This is the one who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth.

⁷ For there are three that testify: ⁸ the Spirit, the water and the blood; and the three are in agreement.

⁹ We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. ¹⁰ Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son.

¹¹ And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Sermon

"... born of God ... knowing who we are ..."

Rev. Dennis Wright

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Testimony

Vicky Lee

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Paul Nelson
Council Chair

Offertory

Psalm 138

Genevan Psalter

Harry White, Saxophone

***Doxology #592**

"Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow"

Text: T. Ken
Music: Genevan Psalter

Prayers of the People

Paul Nelson

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**

“They’ll Know We Are Christians”

Music & Text: Peter Scholtes, 1966

On the following page

***Commissioning and Benediction**

Postlude

Fugue in F Minor, BWV 534

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750)

***Please stand if you are able.**

They'll Know We Are Christians

Peter Scholtes

(Em)
Fm

1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, We are
 2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, We will
 3. We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side, We will
 4. All___ praise to the Fa - ther, from___ whom all things come, And all

(Am) (Em) (Am)
Bbm Fm Bbm

one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all
 walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, And to - geth - er we'll
 work with each oth - er, we will work side by side. And we'll guard each one's
 praise to Christ Je - sus, his___ on - ly___ Son, And all praise to the

REFRAIN

(Em) (Em) (C)
Fm Fm Db

u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored. And they'll know we are Christians by our
 spread the news that God is in our land.
 dig - ni - ty and save___ each one's pride.
 Spir - it, who___ makes us___ one.

(Em) (Am) (Em) (Am) (Em)
Fm Bbm Fm Bbm Fm

Love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

Serving Today: Members of the Zumikon Home Group

Preacher: Rev. Dennis Wright

Youth Intern: Nathan Wannemacher

Morning Worship Music Coordinator: Chandler Cudlipp

Musicians: Ruth Pfister, Organ; Harry White, Saxophone

Elder: Paul Nelson

Reader: Sarah Da Ponte

Ushers: Peter Wild

Altar Guild: Wai-Hung Leung

Zoom Livestream: Paula Somm & Fleur Fahner

Sound: Pawel Marciniak

Prayer: Christina Gautschi

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

Home Groups

Home groups provide the environment to forge strong ties and fellowship within IPC's diverse body of Christ. They help us grow and mature as Christians by developing the discipline of regular worship, praying for one another, experiencing the genuine love of Christ, discovering and shaping spiritual gifts for ministry and sharing the gospel. We meet during the week in small groups, on Zoom or in-person, throughout Zurich and neighboring areas. Speak to one of the volunteers wearing an "Ask me about Home Groups" badge to learn more.

All-church Retreat - May 13-15

"Living in God's Household."

Sign up today during Coffee Fellowship or online.

Financial Report: February 2022

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

Info Café

Are you new to IPC or have you been here for a while but don't know how you fit in? Join one of the Info Café events to meet the elders, the pastor and to learn more.

Sunday, March 27, at **10:30** or at **16:30**. Contact the office to sign up.

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.

IPC Calendar:

Sunday, March 20, 2022

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

Sunday, March 27, 2022

- 9:30: Bible@10
- 10:30: Info Café
- 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
- 16:30: Info Café
- 18:00: In-person/Online Evening Worship

Children-Led Worship is coming up on April 3. Sunday school children will lead many elements of the morning worship, including reading, praying, ushering and providing music. If your child is interested, please email sundayschool@ipc-zurich.org. The deadline to sign up is March 27.

KiWo - Kinderwoche Hottingen

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

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.

Lenten Devotions

During Lent we read through a booklet of devotions written by members of the IPC congregation. Copies are available from the office, or daily on the website calendar page - ipc-zurich.org/events.

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.

Staff

Dennis Wright, Interim Pastor

Nathan Wannemacher, Youth Intern

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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.

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

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IPC Zurich





LIVING IN GOD'S HOUSEHOLD

**ALL-CHURCH RETREAT
MAY 13-15**

EXPLORE WHAT IT MEANS TO LIVE IN GOD'S HOUSEHOLD

1 Timothy 3:15; Ephesians 2:19-22

- Who are we? • Why do we exist? • Where are we going?
- How do I both belong and serve?

**Join us for fellowship, learning and
a fun program for adults, youth and children.**

Sessions and group discussion time led by Pastor Dennis

Where: Hotel Allegro, Einsiedeln

**Sign up online
or at the registration table at Coffee Fellowship.**

