

Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!



July 31, 2022

11:30

Growing together and reaching out in Christ



## ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

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 E flat Major BWV 552  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)  
Ruth Pfister, Organ

### Psalm of the Day

Psalm 28:8-9

The Lord is the strength of his people,  
a fortress of salvation for his anointed one.  
Save your people and bless your inheritance;  
be their shepherd and carry them forever.

### Welcome and Commissioning Prayer

#### \*Call to Worship

Ingrid Käser

Leader: O Lord, open our lips

**People: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Leader: O God, make speed to save us.

**People: O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Leader: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

**People: as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.**

Leader: Praise the Lord.

**People: The Lord's name be praised.**

#### \*Hymn of Praise

#339 "Be Thou My Vision"

Words: Ancient Irish poem; Trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905

Music: Irish ballad

#### \*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"

Words: Henry W. Greatorex; Tune: *Gloria Patri*

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**Children's Message**

Nathan Wannemacher

**First Scripture Reading**

Matthew 16:24-26 (pp. 983-984)

Ingrid Käser

**Meditation**

*Andante religioso* from Sonata op. 65 Nr. 4 in B flat Major

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

**Second Scripture Reading**

Philippians 3:1-11 (p. 1180)

**Sermon**

"Whatever were gains I now consider loss"

Nathan Wannemacher

**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**

#101 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707

Music: Lowell Mason, 1824

**Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and Offerings**

Birgit David, Elder for Adult  
Education & Retreats

**Offertory**

Recit de Tierce pour le Benedictus

Nicolas de Grigny (1672-1703)

**\*Doxology**

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

Words: Thomas Ken

Music: Genevan Psalter

**GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING**

**Welcoming of Guests**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Announcements**

**\*Hymn of Dedication**

"Higher Ground"

Text: Johnson Oatman, Jr. (1860-1948)

Tune: HIGHER GROUND, LM with refrain: Charles H. Gabriel (1856-1932)

See following pages.

# Higher Ground

1. I'm press-ing on the up-ward way, New heights I'm  
2. My heart has no de-sire to stay Where doubts a -  
3. I want to live a-bove the world, Though Sa - tan's  
4. I want to scale the ut-most height, And catch a

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gain - ing ev - 'ry day; Still pray - ing  
rise and fears dis - may; Though some may  
darts at me are hurled; For faith has  
gleam of glo - ry bright; But still I'll

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as I'm on - ward bound, "Lord, plant my  
dwell where these a - bound, My prayer, my  
caught a joy - ful sound, The song of  
pray till heav'n I've found, "Lord, lead me

## Higher Ground

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feet on high - er ground.”  
aim, is high - er ground. Lord, lift me up, and let me  
saints on high - er ground.  
on to high - er ground.”

Detailed description: This system contains measures 7, 8, and 9 of the hymn. It features a treble and bass staff in a key signature of three flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor) and a common time signature. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

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stand By faith, on heav - en's ta - ble - land; A high - er

Detailed description: This system contains measures 10, 11, and 12. The musical notation continues with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

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plane than I have found, Lord, plant my feet on high - er ground.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 13, 14, and 15, which conclude the hymn. The musical notation continues with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

*African American Heritage Hymnal* 419

Text: Johnson Oatman, Jr., 1860-1948

Tune: (HIGHER GROUND, LM with refrain): Charles H. Gabriel, 1856-1932

## **\*Commissioning and Benediction**

### **Postlude**

*Allegro maestoso* from Sonata op. 65 Nr. 2 in C Minor

Felix Mendelssohn

Please remain quietly seated during the postlude. For those who need to leave, please do so quietly.

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

### **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**.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## IPC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 31

13:00: Coffee Fellowship

18:00: Lake Fellowship

Wednesday, August 3

19:00: Summer Youth Group

Sunday, August 7

10:00: Bible@10

11:30: In-person / Online Morning Worship

13:00: Coffee Fellowship

18:00: In-person / Online Evening Worship

## FELLOWSHIP

### **Coffee Fellowship**

Come and join us in the Methodist Hall across the street for coffee and a chat after morning worship.

## FINANCE REPORT

### **June 2022**

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>
Giving	305'000	320'000
Expenses	305'000	259'000
Surplus	0	61'000

## ADULT ED

### **Bible@10**

In person every Sunday morning from 10:00 in the French Church basement during the summer holidays. The studies are open to all even if you can't attend every week.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Chapter</b> (3 weeks per chapter)
July 31, August 7	5. Trouble on the Road (Exodus 16-18)
August 14, 21, 28	6. You Shall.... (Exodus 19-24)
September 4, 11, 18	7. The Golden Calf (Exodus 32-34)
Sep 25, October 2, 9	8. A Taste of Glory (Exodus 25-30, 35-40)

## PRAYER

### **Prayer Group**

A group of IPCers meets on Sunday mornings from 10:00-11:00. All are welcome. Please note that we will meet in the French Church Reboulet room during the summer.

## **YOUTH**

### **Summer Youth Group**

Summer Youth Group is happening again this year on Wednesdays, in the French Hall, from 19:00-20:30 (students welcome to stay and hang out longer). The remaining dates are August 3, 10, and 17. If your students are here this summer, please encourage them to come for a time of fun, fellowship, and Bible study!

## **BAPTISM**

Are you interested in getting baptized? We will be having baptisms at IPC on Sunday, August 21! For those getting baptized, or who want to learn more about baptism and what it means, we will have a preparation class on Sunday, August 14 between the services. Please contact Nathan Wannemacher at [nwannemacher@ipc-zurich.org](mailto:nwannemacher@ipc-zurich.org) to sign up or for any questions.

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

### **Summer Sunday School during Morning Worship**

During the summer break (July 31, August 7, 14 and 21), children 1-5 years old are invited to the French Church basement starting at 11:20 for their special Sunday School program including a Bible lesson (we are studying different aspects about prayer), activities, games and snacks.

There will be a children's message, activity booklets and sermon notes sheets in the worship service for children 6 and older.

### **Evening Worship Childcare**

On August 7, 14 and 21 there will be child-care available in the S1 basement room of the Methodist Church. Young children old enough to sit on their own, crawlers and toddlers can be dropped off anytime after 17:50. Older children should attend the beginning of the worship service to take part in the music and will be dismissed before the sermon. Snacks, games and toys provided.

## **PASTORAL SELECTION COMMITTEE (PSC) UPDATE**

In the past weeks the PSC has met twice to outline the qualifications and responsibilities of our next senior pastor and to decide our plan forward. We have prepared a job description and have already started advertising with websites and organizations within Switzerland and across the English-speaking world. In order to allow candidates enough time to find us and apply, we will run these ads and accept new applications until the end of September.

Right now there are two ways every member of IPC can help. First, keep praying for the PSC, for IPC, and for the applicants. We know God already has someone in mind for our church, but we will rely on his discernment to identify them and rely on his grace to remove any worldly obstacles from our search. Second, spread the word! If you know someone from here or "back home" who might be right for IPC, please direct them to our application website at [www.ipc-zurich.org/psc2022](http://www.ipc-zurich.org/psc2022) where they can find details on the position and learn how to apply.

We thank you for your patience and will update you later this summer as our search unfolds.

## **EVENING WORSHIP**

Today is our end of the month summer BBQ. We will meet at the China Garden at 18:00. Come for worship, fellowship, swimming, and food! We will have a big poster to try and make everyone aware of our exact location. If you want to eat, please bring your own meat/food to be grilled or bring some to share. Please bring your own drinks as well.

## **COUNCIL UPDATE**

The Council of Elders has decided not to fill the elder position for congregational care, which is currently vacant.

For the rest of the council term (i.e. until April 2023), congregational care responsibilities will be taken care of and represented at council level as follows:

- Nexus: Nathan Wannemacher
- Home Groups: Birgit David (Elder for Adult Education)
- Deacons: Pastor Dennis Wright and Jean-Claude Gottraux (Council Chair)

## 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](http://ipc-zurich.org).

### Staff

Dennis Wright, Interim Pastor

Nathan Wannemacher, Ministry Coordinator

Laura Fisher, Administrative Assistant

Bev Visser, Administrative Assistant

Ruth Pfister, Organist

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### Council Officers & Elders

Jean-Claude Gottraux	Chairperson
Marco Schnitter	Secretary, Communication and Membership Involvement
Brian Sparks	Treasurer
Birgit David	Adult Education & Retreats
Dorli Scherer	Children's Ministry
Piotr Soluch	Evening Worship
Vicky Lee	Fellowship & Special Events
Heather Altermatt	Morning Worship
Eric Ohlund	Personnel, Property & Planning
Remi Tobler	Outreach & Missions & Special Projects

### Deacons

Jenny Bärlocher, Jane Burger, 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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