YOUNG CHILDREN

The nursery is open at 9 a.m. until the end of worship and is available anytime. Toddlers, or those in Preschool, Kindergarten, and grades 1-5 begin in worship with their families, then may leave for their classes after Sacred Space.

Nursery Attendant: Erin Jester Toddler/Preschool: Hannah Braun

IPC CALENDAR

Sunday, December 14 | Third Sunday of Advent

10:00 a.m. Worship in-person and online

11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour, FH

11:15 a.m. Finding Hope: Art in Advent Class, Parlor

11:15 a.m. Hygiene Kit Assembly, FH

11:15 a.m. Christian Education Committee Meeting, Rm. 24

12:30 p.m. El Trono Sunday School, FH

2:00 p.m. El Trono Worship, FH

2:00 p.m. El Trono, Nursery

5:30 p.m. Youth Group, 3rd flr. Youth Rm.

Monday, December 15 Newsletter Articles Submission Deadline

8:00 p.m. AA Group, FH

Tuesday, December 16

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Parlor

11:30 a.m. Staff Christmas Luncheon, Jockamos Pizza

6:30 p.m. IAC Choir Practice, Choir Rm.

7:00 p.m. El Trono Women's Group, Rm. 25

7:00 p.m. Irv. Community Council Meeting, FH

Wednesday, December 17

10:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Parlor

6:00-9:00 p.m. El Trono Children, 2nd and 3rd flr.

6:00-9:00 p.m. El Trono Worship/Bible Study, FH

Thursday, December 18

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Parlor

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice, Choir Rm.

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Friday, December 19

10:00 a.m. Bridge Club, Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. El Trono Band Practice, FH

6:00-9:00 p.m. El Trono Hebreo Dance Class, Rambler Room

Saturday, December 20

10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Seeds of the Blessing El Trono, FH

2:00 p.m. Moir/Bright Wedding, Sanc. and Parlor

6:00 p.m. Safe Harbor, TBD

6-8 p.m. El Trono Youth Group, FH

Sunday, December 21 | Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 a.m. Worship in-person and online

11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour, FH

11:15 a.m. Finding Hope: Art in Advent Class, Parlor

12:30 p.m. El Trono Sunday School, FH

2:00 p.m. El Trono Worship, FH

2:00 p.m. El Trono, Nursery

5:30 p.m. Youth Group, 3rd flr.

6:00-8:00 p.m. Luminaria, Sanc.

6:00-8:00 p.m. IPC and IAC Choir's Caroling around Irvington

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Liturgist Steve Holzhausen

Beadle Pat Stout

Ushers: West Door Beth Clark

Shers: West Door Bell Clark
Center Aisle Sandy Page

Greeter Hal Page

Balcony Frank Hurdis

East Door Lynda Dunlevy

Head Usher Betty Thomas

Fellowship Hour Deacons: Janet W., Frank H., Linda M.,

Mary and Gary C., Ada P., David and

Louise O., and Jamie L.

Flower Delivery Lynda Dunlevy

Bus Driver The bus is not running

Parking Lot Security Red Anderson

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Pastor Emeritus The Rev. Robert A. Heimach

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Parish Associate The Rev. Robert B. McAulay, Jr.

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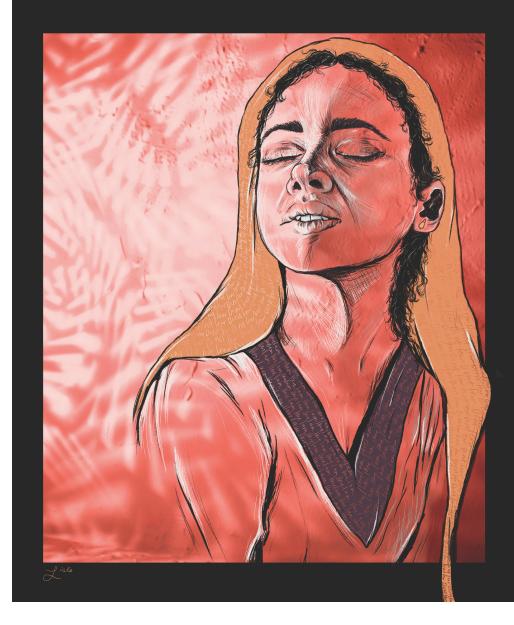
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Worship with us! Join live or watch later on our website or on:

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December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent 10:00 AM

"Called to be an inclusive church that lives by faith, is known by God's love, and gives hope a voice in our neighborhood and world."

ORDER FOR SERVICE OF WORSHIP

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Help us stay connected and know you worshiped with us! Please sign the **red Ritual of Friendship pad** in your pew near the center aisle.

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

GATHERING

GREETING Rev. Dr. Jonathan Reinink

GREETING Irvington Community Advocacy Network Kari Burns

PRELUDE

CANDLE LIGHTING

Sherry Guffey, Jackie Cox & Family

CALL TO WORSHIP (Leader, People)

Jeremiah said, "I am only a boy." Moses said, "Who am I to do this work?"

Mary said, "How can this be?"

We often say, "But God, I am afraid."

Even when we are afraid, God invites us closer. May we heed God's invitation.

May we summon our courage and sing God's praise.

Let us worship our courageous, inviting, and calling God. Amen!

*HYMN #98 v.1,3,4,6 To A Maid Whose Name Was Mary

ANNUNCIATION

Steve Holzhausen

CALL TO CONFESSION

Steve Holzhausen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Courageous God, you invite us to live into our call. You invite us to act, to serve, and to trust. Instead of responding with a resounding "yes," we often dig in our heels. We hide our face. We look for someone else to volunteer. Spark courage in us. Remind us that every person is capable of making a difference. Remind us that even when we're scared, we are not alone. You invite us forward. With baby steps, we hope, we pray. (Silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE #581

Glory Be To The Father

GREATOREX

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

(As the children come forward, welcome those near you with words of peace.)

SACRED SPACE

(For Sunday School, Toddlers, Preschool, and Kindergarten may go to the second floor, and the children in grades 1-5 may go to the third floor.)

ON THE COVER: Mary's Yes by Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity

In this image, we see the angel greeting Mary in the form of dappled light... I imagine this is the moment after the angel responds to her initial question, "How can this be?" ... Mary closes her eyes, imagining her cousin Elizabeth and perhaps her many ancestors holding her up as she prepares to step forward. The wrap around her head carries the angel's good news, anointing her with the promise that fear won't stop her. Embroidered along her neckline is Mary's willing response: "Here I am." Her lantern earring is a sign to each of us, to anyone who is fearful. It's as if Mary herself becomes a lantern, emanating courage in the face of a fearful calling, lighting a way forward.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

Bring Us Hope!

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Luke 1:26-39

Pew Bible pg.698 Pew Bible pg.58

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE

Even In Our Fear, We Are Called

Rev. Dr. Reinink

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *The Apostles' Creed*)

Christians, in whom do you believe?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN # 99 v.1,2,4,5 My Soul Gives Glory to My God

MORNING SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Steve Holzhausen & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (#606)

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

SENT OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #100 My Soul Cries Out With A Joyful Shout Star of the County Down

*BENEDICTION

Dr. Reinink

Steve Holzhausen

POSTLUDE





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CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

Welcome to Irvington Presbyterian Church. We hope you are able to connect to God and God's family in our worship and fellowship.

If you are new to IPC, please tell a pastor or an usher after worship so we can connect with you and share more about our community of faith. And join us for a time of Fellowship after worship in the room directly below the Sanctuary. Welcome! We're excited to have you with us!

TODAY during Fellowship Hour, we will be packing Hygiene Kits for ICAN thanks to Session & the IPC Endowment's DREAM grant. What a blessing to be able to share so much with our neighbors!

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY the cabinet with a RED CROSS in the rear of the Sanctuary contains supplies including: Naloxone (NARCAN®), a First Aid Kit, and an AED Defibrillator.



IF YOU RECEIVE ANY EMAILS OR TEXT MESSAGES from the church staff asking for gift cards, cash, or anything out of the ordinary, *please* contact the church office before you reply to such requests.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE on Sunday, December 7 was 101 inperson and 17 online.

THE FLOWERS this morning are offered to the glory of God in memory of our mothers, Josie Brown and Pauline Petty, given by Ned and Joan Brown.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOKS are located at the west door outside the Sanctuary on the resource table. We also have Children's Advent Bulletins.

THIS WEEK IN PRAYER WE WILL REMEMBER...

Gwen Mann, Dee Miller, Rod Oller, Avery Paauwe, Diane Pflanzer, Nancy Pierce, Phil Reed, Larimore Wickett, Melissa Melvin-Wicksall, Angela Valadez, Joan and Otto Woerdehoff.

GIVE ONLINE



Follow the links on our website – irvpresby.org or scan this QR code with the camera on your mobile device to make a gift.

Not everything fits in the Offering Plate! Use the My Offering cards in the pew rack to acknowledge your participation in dedicating gifts of talent, time or treasure.





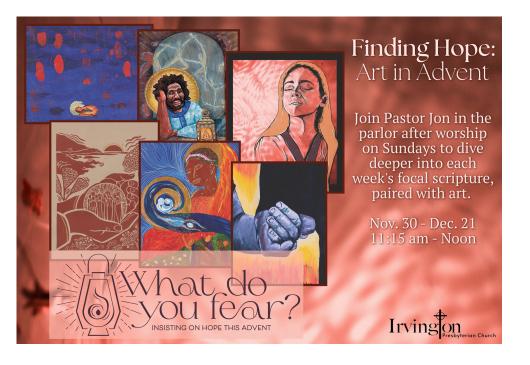
December 2025 and January 2026 Office Hours information The office is closed on the following days in December and January.

December 24--Christmas Eve ½ day office is open 9-noon December 25--Christmas Day

Office closed **December 26--Day after Christmas** Office closed

December 31--New Year's Eve ½ day office is open 9-noon January 1, 2026--New Year's Office Closed

January 19, 2026--Martin Luther King Day Office closed



HOW CAN OUR CHURCH BE LIKE HOME??

Our Church feels like home through deep fellowship, Christ-Centered teaching, meaningful worship and active care. We "CREATE" a "FAMILY" where members support each other through lifes' joys and sorrows with tangible help and spiritual connection, fostering belonging, identity, and a sense of being truly known and valued.

The H & E committee would like to know how we can Create Church Family activities that help the congregation continue to feel like HOME! If you would like to share any of your ideas let us know at Coxjackie3@gmail.com and/or pbrozan@outlook.com

THANK YOU! Hospitality & Evangelism Committee

HOMELESS

Cold weather poses life threatening risks to homeless individuals, primarily due to a lack of adequate shelter, and warm clothing, leading to increased rates of hypothermia, frostbite, and other exposure-related conditions.

Horizon House needs Coats, hats, gloves and other warm clothing items. If you have any of these items to donate, please label with Horizon House and put them in the bin next to the parlor.

Jackie Cox/ Coxjackie3@gmail.com/ 317 - 726 - 9142.

The IPC Book Club will be meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of these months in 2026:

- · January 14
- · March 11
- · May 13
- · July 8
- · September 9
- · November 11

Our next book selection is historical fiction for the holiday season. Pick up a copy, download to an e-reader or listen to Mr. Dickens and His Carol by Samantha Silva. Described as "A beloved, irresistible novel that reimagines the story behind Charles Dickens' Christmas classic."

COOKIES ANYONE?

H & E will be serving cookies and drinks during the Luminaria on the 21st of December. We are needing cookie donations. If you are willing to donate cookies please let H & E know: Jackie Cox/Coxjackie3@gmail.com.

Spirit Devotionals and Yogurt Bar

Time out for the Spirit devotionals and the yogurt bar will NOT meet in the winter months. We will start meeting again in March.

Community Events at ICAN Congregations

12/20: 7 p.m. Downey Avenue hosts Drag Queen Holiday Bingo!

Blue Christmas / Longest Night Services:

12/21: 7 p.m. at Gethsemane Lutheran Church **12/22:** 6:30 p.m. at Downey Ave Christian Church

Advent - Week 2 Word Search

G O Y E F I L G N I T S A L R E V E E G Y I A M S E G G F M X N J F C O X V J C G Z P R E P A R E B X E I O N M T P H R W E F E O Z S X Z O Y O J K J T O O T E M N R P X Q X J L J X K B L O I M Z Z N U I K X C R I U C K N Z V L M U R A Y S O N P N P Y J R M U S J E O T G I F E E T V L P E I C I A V K E L T T G L D C O R J M N N N I E G N E D P H P K T P E S G E I P A D Q M N S R J S M P T M R S I G V R B W B L X E P L A H X R K E F G I N B P R O R S I R Y S T M B L X E F G I N B P R O R S T R S I G V R B W B L X E P L A H X R K E F G I N B P R O R S T R S I G V R S I F M W S T P A D Q M N S R J S M P T M R S I G V R B W B L X E P L A H X R K E F G I N B P R O R S T R S I G V R S I F M W S T P A D Q M N S R J S M P T M R S I G V R S I F M W S T P A D Q M N S R J S M P T M R S I G V R R S I G V R S I F M W S T P A D Q M N S R J S M P T M R S I G V R R S I G V R R S I G V R S I F M W S T P A D Q M N S R J S M P T M R S I G V R R S I G V R R S I G V R R S I G V R I M W I M J G Y K O S T R S I G V R R S I G V R I M W S T P A D Q M N S R J S M P T M R S I G V R S I G V R S I G V

ADVENT	ANGELS	ANNOUNCEMENT	ARRIVAL
CELEBRATE	CHRISTMAS	CHRISTMAS EVE	CHRISTS BIRTH
CHRISTS RETURN	EMMANUEL	EVERGREEN WREATH	EVERLASTING LIF
FOUR CANDLES	FOUR WEEKS	HOLY	HOPE
JOY	LOVE	PEACE	PINK
PREPARE	PURPLE	WHITE	WORSHIP



98 To a Maid Whose Name Was Mary



- 1 To a maid whose name was Mar y, the an gel Ga-briel came. 2 "For you are high - ly fa - vored by God the Lord of all,
- 3 But Mar-y was most trou-bled to hear the an-gel's word.
- 4 "Fear not, for God is with you, and you shall bear a child. 5 "How shall this be?" said Mar y, "I am not yet a wife."
- 6 As Mar-y heard the an gel, she won-dered at his words.



"Fear not," the her. "I bring good news; an - gel told to come e - ven now is with you. You are on earth most blest; say - ing? It trou-bled her to hear. What was the an - gel His name shall be called Je - sus, God's off-spring from on high. an-swered quick - ly, "The power of the Most High an - gel am your hand-maid," she said un - to "Be - hold, I her God.



good news Ι you, good news, I say, good news." come to tell are most blest, most bless - ed; God chose you, you blest!" trou-bled her an - gel's mes - sage, it hear. he shall reign for - ev - er, high." for - ev - er reign on you short - ly, your child shall be God's child." will come up - on "So be it; Ι read - y ac - cord - ing to vour word." am

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

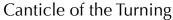
This 20th-century ballad-like retelling of the Annunciation (Luke 1:26–38) displays many characteristics of a folksong style, especially repetition in both text and tune and short quotations included in the narrative. Such features help to make a song both memorable and singable.

My Soul Gives Glory to My God 99



This 20th-century paraphrase is based on the Song of Mary (Luke 1:46–55), commonly known by its opening Latin word, *Magnificat*. This song of praise offers clear reminders that God's purposes often lead to the reversal of human values, exalting the poor and dethroning the mighty.

$100\,$ My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout





- 1 Mv soul cries out with a ful shout that the joy -2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you
- halls 3 From the of power to the for - tress tower, not
- 4 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



God of heart and my spir - it sings my is great, work great things and your mer - cy will last from the in me, stone will be left on stone. Let the king be ware for your mem - ber who holds God's de us fast: mer - cy must



things that you bring who won - drous the ones wait. to depths of the past to the end of the age to be. tice tears ev - ery ty - rant from his throne. ius liv from the con - quer-or's crush - ing er us grasp.



sight You fixed your ser - vant's plight, on your my the shame. to Your name ver y puts proud to The poor shall weep the no more, for hun gry the This - ing word that fore - bears heard is sav our



did not spurn, so from east to west weak - ness you those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread; ev - ery prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and

By employing an energetic Irish folk song for its melody, this ballad-like paraphrase of the Magnificat, Mary's song at her meeting with her relative Elizabeth (Luke 1:46–55), recaptures both the wonder and the faith of the young woman who first recognized what God was doing.

