

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.

Toddler/Preschool: Hannah Braun

IPC CALENDAR 2026

Sunday, January 11 | Epiphany / Baptism of the Lord

10:00 a.m. Worship in-person and online
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour, FH
11:15 a.m. Unhanging of the Greens, Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. Endowment 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.

Monday, January 12

8:00 p.m. AA Group, FH

Tuesday, January 13

1:00 p.m. Alzheimer's Support Group, Parlor
6:30 p.m. School #57 PTSA Meeting, Rm. 24 and Rambler Rm.
6:30 p.m. IAC Choir Practice, Choir Rm.

Wednesday, January 14

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Women's Sewing Guild, 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
7:00 p.m. Book Club, Parlor

Thursday, January 15

10:00 a.m. IAM Meeting, Rm. 24
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, January 16

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, January 17

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. El Trono Prayer Service, FH

Sunday, January 18 | 2nd Sunday of Epiphany | Per Capita Sunday

10:00 a.m. Worship in-person and online
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour, FH
11:15 a.m. Volunteer Reception for the bus drivers, AV Techs, Office
Volunteers, Parlor
12:00 - 3:30 p.m. IPC Youth @ Downey Ave. Christian Church
12:30 p.m. El Trono Sunday School, FH
2:00 p.m. El Trono Worship, FH
2:00 p.m. El Trono, Nursery
4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts, 3rd flr.

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



WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

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| Liturgist | Sheri Patterson |
| Beadle | Melissa Jester |
| Ushers: West Door | Betty Thomas |
| Center Aisle | Charlotte Swick |
| Greeter | Kyrie Harris |
| Balcony | Kaiden Harris |
| East Door | Matt Harris |
| Head Usher | Kristin Swick |
| Fellowship Hour | Session |
| Flower Delivery | David and Louise Owen |
| Bus Driver | <i>The bus is not running</i> |
| Parking Lot Security | Red Anderson |

STAFF

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|---|----------------------------------|
| Pastor & Head of Staff | The Rev. Dr. Jonathan H. Reinink |
| Pastor Emeritus | The Rev. Robert A. Heimach |
| Parish Associate | The Rev. Elizabeth Kaznak-Hall |
| Parish Associate | The Rev. Robert B. McAulay, Jr. |
| Administrator | Lori Chapman |
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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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King Kings by Nicolette Faison. Inspired by Matthew 1:1-12, 16-18, 30-34. Mixed media on canvas. Used with permission. © 2025 sacredart.org

January 11, 2026

Epiphany Sunday 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.”

JANUARY 11, 2026 EPIPHANY SUNDAY

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

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Leader, People) Elder Sheri Patterson

In the dark of morning, **the stars still shine.**
In the depths of winter, **the birds still climb.**
At the start of the year, tender and new.
God is here. God is near.
Do not rest in your fear. **God is here.**
So, like the stars and the birds,
Let us worship our holy God.

*HYMN # 147 v. 2-5 *The First Nowell* THE FIRST NOWELL

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Sheri Patterson

Ever-loving God, we long for Christmas to usher in a season of peace and joy. However, we know that the world doesn't work that way. Even just days after Christmas, we find ourselves face-to-face with fear once again.
So, today we pray:
forgive us when we allow fear to stop us in our tracks.
Forgive us when our own fear prevents us from following you.
Forgive us when fear is louder than love.
Show us how to turn our fear into action.
Show us how to live like the magi who searched for you in a fearful world.
with 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: *King Tingz*, by Nicolette Faison.

I wanted to emphasize the sky and the importance of the stars, a reminder that this was essential to the witness of the three magi. I wanted to bless each king with a different gift which is found in different places of their attire. One is bowing and is marked with a map of modern Persia on his shoulder, crowned with cornrows, and covered with greenery. This is a grounding to the earth. The Royal figure on the right has soft myrrh flowers. Her outer arm is holding an infant (not Jesus) and weeping for those lost to Herod's cruelty. The one of the left is draped in a starry durag and plated in gold, as a nod to the various headwear Persian magi once wore and nodding to their navigation by starlight. All also as a reminder that many symbols used in non-Christian worship can still lead

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

ANTHEM *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ARR. DAVE CLARK

Chancel Choir, Luke Kessler, pianist

SCRIPTURE Matthew 2:1-12, 16-18 Pew Bible pg. 2

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

SERMON *Fear Doesn't Stop Us* 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 # 151 v. 1-5 *We Three Kings of Orient Are* KINGS OF ORIENT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Sheri Patterson

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 Sheri Patterson

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (#606)

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

SENT OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN # 152 *What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright* PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

*BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. Reinink

POSTLUDE

Offering of the Stars

The Offering today will include a moment of giving and receiving. Be sure to take a yellow envelope when the offering plates are passed around and receive your 2026 "Star Word."

Did you receive one last January, too?

Was it helpful last year?



UNHANGING OF THE GREENS this Sunday after worship! Please plan to stay and help us remove the Christmas decorations.

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!

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.

THE IPC BOOK CLUB 2026

Will be meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of these months in 2026:

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| January 14 | May 13 | September 9 |
| March 11 | July 8 | 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."

*NEW MEMBER CELEBRATION WHO JOINED IN 2025

The H & E committee will be celebrating the New Church Members who came in 2025 during our Fellowship Hour on JANUARY 18th, 2026. Please come down to Fellowship Hall and celebrate.

We are celebrating: Julia Dewey, Nelson Dewey, Erica Hardy, Taylor Schreibman, Todd Simmons, and Fox Alexander.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE on Sunday, January 4, 2026 was 92 in-person and 18 online.

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.

You may also use the *My Offering* cards in the pew rack to acknowledge your participation in dedicating gifts of talent, time or treasure.



God's plans and purposes are beyond our understanding.
Trusting in His love and praying for your comfort.

Christian sympathy from the congregation is extended to family and friends upon the death of IPC member, Gwen Edstrom
9/3/1923 - 1/3/2026



THE FLOWERS this morning are offered to the glory of God in memory of my parents, **Jim and Joan Harton**, given by Tom Harton.

THIS WEEK IN PRAYER WE WILL REMEMBER...

family and friends of Ned Brown, family and friends of Gwen Edstrom, Gwen Mann, Dee Miller, Rod Oller, Avery Paauwe, Diane Pflanzner, Nancy Pierce, Phil Reed, Javon Simmons, Kendall Traylor, Larimore Wickett, Melissa Melvin-Wicksall, Angela Valadez, Joan and Otto Woerdehoff.

CELEBRATING FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY

A birthday is a special time to express gratitude to God for life!

On Sunday, February 1st, following worship, we will celebrate February birthdays!

Please join us in the fellowship hall to celebrate. We'll have cake and other goodies.

Thanks,
H & E Committee

L.I.F.T PACKING FEMININE HYGIENE KITS – Mon., Jan. 19th

We will be packing Feminine Hygiene Kits for ICAN to distribute to our Irvington neighbors. All supplies will be provided. We will gather on Monday, January 19th at 6:30 pm in the parlor.

Women of all ages are welcome and please feel free to invite a friend to join us. Mark this date on your calendar for a fun evening of fellowship together. Please bring a snack or beverage to share. We will be collecting feminine hygiene products for Westminster. Please contact Kathy Moorhead (317-430-3402) if you have any questions.

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.

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE WHO HAVE JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:**

Here are the names of those with January birthdays:

- Jenny Giddens
- Diane Roudebush
- Bernice Cole
- Megan McNierney
- Victoria Oller
- Mary Duggal
- Matt Harris
- Emily Digos
- Karen Byrk
- Michael Moir
- David Harding
- Ruth Arnold
- Jerry Ritchie
- Maddux Hoke
- Vivian Giddens
- Betty Thomas
- Marilyn Holmes
- Sheri Patterson
- Karen Longere
- Julie Ann Harris



WORD JUMBLES GAME

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| 1. OPTTAO | A kind of vegetable | □□□□□□□□ |
| 2. OBETLT | Drinks container | □□□□□□□□ |
| 3. TCRODO | Hospital worker | □□□□□□□□ |
| 4. CROTCUALAL | Adding Machine | □□□□□□□□ |
| 5. RMINOTO | View Computer | □□□□□□□□ |
| 6. LAPEN | Air Transport | □□□□□□□□ |
| 7. GMOAN | A kind of fruit | □□□□□□□□ |
| 8. LSOACMOSR | A place of study | □□□□□□□□ |
| 9. ROTPOIN | A single helping | □□□□□□□□ |
| 10. EPHARCUS | Buy something | □□□□□□□□ |

If we have omitted anyone's birthday, please let us know. We may not have it recorded in the church office. You can email Lori at lchapman@irvpresby.org to inform her of your birthdate.

The First Nowell



1 The first Now-ell the an-gel did say was to cer-tain poor
 2 They look - ed up and saw a star shin-ing in the
 3 And by the light of that same star three wise men
 4 This star drew nigh to the north-west; o'er Beth - le -



shep-herds in fields as they lay, in fields where they lay keep-ing
 east be - yond them far; and to the earth it gave
 came from coun - try far; to seek for a king was their
 hem it took its rest, and there it did both stop



their sheep, on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.
 great light, and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
 in - tent, and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
 and stay, right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.



Refrain



Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell,



"Nowell" is the English form of the French "noel," a shout of joy formerly used at Christmas (as in Chaucer's "Franklin's Tale"), a clue that the word is older than its first printing. It may have Latin and French roots related to "born" (*natus / nē*) as well to "news" (*nova / nouvelle*).

JESUS CHRIST: BIRTH

The image shows a musical score for the phrase "born is the King of Israel." It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics "born is the King of Israel" are written below the treble staff, with hyphens under "Is - ra - el." The music features a mix of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together and others held as half notes.

5 Then entered in those wise men three,
 full reverently upon their knee,
 and offered there in his presence
 their gold, and myrrh, and
 frankincense.

Refrain

6 Then let us all with one accord
 sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
 that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
 and with his blood our life hath bought.

Refrain

151 We Three Kings of Orient Are

1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far,
 2 Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a - gain,
 3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense owns a de - i - ty nigh;
 4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom;
 5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice:

field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.
 prayer and prais - ing glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God Most High.
 sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! sounds through the earth and skies.

Refrain

O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,

west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

Although Christians had begun by the 2nd century to speak of these visitors from eastern countries (Matthew 2:1-12) as "kings," perhaps because of passages like Psalm 72:10 and Isaiah 60:3, it is more accurate to think of them as magi or astrologers, the scholars of their day.

What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright 152

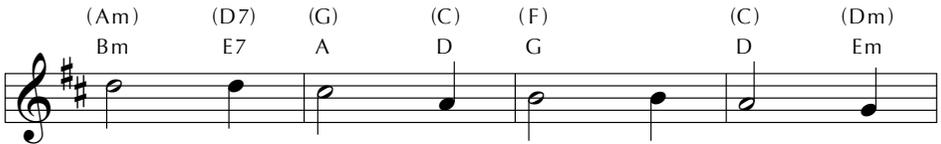
Capo 2: (C) (Am) (G) (C) (F) (C) (G) (C) (F)
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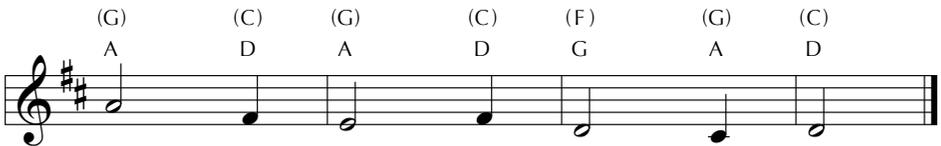
1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more
 2 'Tis now full-filled what God de-creed, "From
 3 While out-ward signs the star dis-plays, an
 4 O Je-sus, while the star of grace im-



love-ly than the noon-day light? 'Tis
 Ja-cob shall a star pro-ceed;" and
 in-ward light the Lord con-veys and
 pels us on to seek your face, let



sent to an-nounce a new-born king, glad
 lo! the east-ern sa-ges stand to
 urg-es them, with ten-der might, to
 not our sloth-ful hearts re-fuse the



ti-dings of our God to bring.
 read in heaven the Lord's com-mand.
 seek the giv-er of the light.
 guid-ance of your light to use.

This 18th-century Latin text calls attention to three kinds of light: the light of the star leading the Magi to the Christ-child, the inward light inspiring their journey, and Christ who is the Light of the world. The simple unison melody unites everything in a gentle arc.