



# Ash Wednesday

VIEWES FROM INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## February: Experience the arts, grace groups and Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent

**41st Annual Religious Arts Festival February 5-10, 2012**

**Craftsmanship in Service to the Church: How Art beautifies, inspires, and augments our worship and life**



RELIGIOUS ARTS FESTIVAL BROCHURES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH OR ONLINE AT [WWW.IPC-USA.ORG](http://WWW.IPC-USA.ORG)

**Sunday, February 5, 4:00 p.m.**  
Service of Choral Evensong  
IPC choir and strings

**Monday, February 6, 7:00 p.m.**  
Lecture: John Paul Huguley, College of Building Arts in Charleston *Putting Art Back Into Structure*

**Tuesday, February 7, 7:00 p.m.**  
Lecture: John Panning, Dobson Pipe Organ Builders  
*The Art of Voicing a Pipe: A Discussion on the New Pipe Organ*

**Wednesday, February 8 6:30 p.m.**  
John Panning, Dobson Pipe Organ Builders will lead discussions on pipe organs, specifically about our new sanctuary organ. The presentation will be geared towards children, but all are invited.

**Thursday, February 9, 5:30 p.m.**  
Religious Arts Festival Banquet \*Ticket Reservation Required  
Speaker: Dr. Michael Bauer, Professor of Music, Kansas University *Tales of Transformation: Beauty and Discipleship in an Age of Anxiety*

**Friday, February 10, 7:00 p.m.**  
Early Music Concert: New York Polyphony Sanctuary

**February 12, 2012** Worship only at 4pm. Because of the route of the Mercedes Marathon, there will be no morning church services or activities Sunday, February 12. You are encouraged to join us at 4:00 p.m. this day for worship. The Youth will be leading us in the worship service.

**Lenten Grace Groups February 12 - March 31, 2012**  
**Register by February 5** Informal meetings in members' homes, studying scriptures and enjoying the fellowship of church friends. Lenten Study Guide: John Indermark's *Parables and Passion*.  
[www.ipc-usa.org/gracegroups](http://www.ipc-usa.org/gracegroups)

**Wednesday, February 22, is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.**  
**Wednesday, February 22, at 12:00 noon and 6:30 p.m.**  
**Ash Wednesday Services with Holy Communion**

"Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, when we are reminded of Christ's sacrificial love, our mortality, and our sinfulness. As a stark visual reminder, the sign of the cross is made with ashes on the forehead or hand of those receiving Holy Communion. Our church, as many others, includes the imposition of ashes in our Ash Wednesday services. The black ash stain reminds us of our sin and our need for forgiveness and renewal. But it also reminds us of the hope and joy leading up to Easter.

I hope that this year Lent will be a journey for you that lifts you up, nurtures and helps you in every aspect of your life. I pray that the passion of Jesus Christ becomes very real to you, and that his sacrifice redeems you and gives you courage and hope in every trial you face. May God deepen our faith through the ancient disciplines of devotion to scripture and prayer and prepare our hearts and minds for our everlasting hope in Jesus Christ."  
*Conrad C. Sharps, Pastor*



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*"Jesus Christ desires to direct your path through spiritually barren and dangerous places."*

*LIVING IN SERVICE TO OTHERS...*

**SUGGESTED FOOD PANTRY ITEMS**

- February 5*  
Crackers/Muffin Mixes
- February 12*  
Breakfast Bars
- February 19*  
Oatmeal/Grits
- February 26*  
Macaroni & Cheese

*First Light Women's Shelter Items for February*  
Women's Sweaters

Our recent trip to Israel reminded me of my first visit to the Holy Land many years ago. It, too, was January, and we were blessed with cool, invigorating weather. However, I can still recall the hot, dry desert as I stepped off the bus somewhere between Jerusalem and the ruins of Qumran by the Dead Sea. The topography of this area was rugged and blistered, covered by sand and rocks, which led to ridges and hills of limestone cracking from the heat of the sun. Old testament writers referred to the area as the **Jeshimon, which means "a waste, a desert."** The area fascinated me because in an area much like it, we read that Jesus was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan.



In Matthew, Mark and Luke we read that following his baptism, Jesus was compelled by the Spirit to go into the desert and while there he faced the tempter. As I stood on a narrow stretch of paved road, that appeared to be the last representation of civilization, I had a sense of the terror a mortal man might face in this barren, hot, dry, dangerous and unwelcoming land.

Why, then, would the Spirit drive Jesus out into this wilderness to face the evil one? Perhaps it was necessary for Jesus to enter this literal desert of the world, to identify completely with humanity and the metaphoric desert of mind and soul which every man and woman must sometimes encounter in life. Here Jesus was able to reflect upon his true identity and prepare for the tasks that God called him to accomplish.

Through his human hunger he was tempted to turn stones to bread. Through his human desire to understand his worth and seek emotional security, he was tempted to throw himself off a high place in the knowledge that God would surely not let him be harmed. Through his human desire for power and significance he was tempted to deny God — to worship Satan in exchange for kingdoms and nations.

Through his temptation, Jesus' humanity is affirmed. Through his obedience to God and God's Word his divinity is revealed. Satan would leave him, but only until a more opportune time.

**What then are we to say of the desert? Is it merely a place assigned a specific geographic designation? No, we need not look far to find those barren places in our lives where we are tempted. If we are to follow Christ and lose ourselves upon his path, the desert for us is certain. We can expect to be tested: physically, emotionally and spiritually.**

Jesus' responses in the desert are revealing and essential as they inform us of what is required to overcome temptation in our own lives. Everyone who lives long enough will someday find themselves lost in a desert — a place barren of the comfort of easy answers, pure motives, and selfless designs. When you do, however, remember Jesus. He has been in this Jeshimon (this desert wasteland). His actions, his obedience, his faith were put to the test and found not wanting.

**As we enter the period of Lent, know that Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, desires to direct your path through the spiritually barren and dangerous places. He can defeat the tempter himself. He does not flee or run, but by God's Word overcomes.**

And so can we — *by the Grace of God.* 

# Upcoming Events at IPC

February 3 Parents' Night Out  
 February 3 and 5 - 5th & 6th Graders Seminar  
 February 5 Youth's *Souper Bowl of Caring*  
 February 5-10 IPC **Religious Arts Festival (RAF)**  
 February 5 RAF Evensong 4:00 p.m. Sanctuary  
 February 5-11 IPC's week for serving meals/  
 overnights at First Light Women's Shelter  
 ( www.ipc-usa.org/firstlight )  
 February 6 RAF Lecture 7:00 p.m. Great Hall  
 February 7 RAF Lecture 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary  
 February 8 RAF Presentation 6:30 p.m. Sanctuary  
 February 9 RAF Banquet/Speaker 5:30 p.m.  
 February 10 RAF Concert *Sanctuary*  
 February 12 No morning church services or  
 activities due to route of Mercedes  
 Marathon. Evening Service at 4:00 led  
 by IPC Youth.  
 February 12 - March 31 Lenten Grace Groups  
 February 22 Ash Wednesday  
 Services at Noon and at 6:30 p.m. *Sanctuary*  
 February 23 IPC Presbyterian Women  
*Social Hour* at Darden Home  
 February 26 3rd Graders Worship Retreat  
 February 26 Youth Small Groups begin again  
 February 27 Birmingham Men's Club  
 February 28 4th Quarter Lunch Bunch  
 March 2 Parents Night Out  
 April 13 Parents Night Out

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## EASTER LILY MEMORIALS

Each year at Easter, lilies are placed in the Church in memory of loved ones. Anyone interested in giving Memorial Lilies, please pick up a card in the narthex or in the elevator lobby on the second floor. For more information call Nancy Skinner 933-1830. The list of memorial names for the Easter bulletin must be compiled, so please send in your order by the **deadline of March 19, 2012.**



## DEPARTMENTS

### Worship

Conrad C. Sharps, Pastor  
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### Music & Fine Arts

Dr. Jeff R. McLelland,  
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*Christian Education* 933-3732

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*Youth Ministries* 933-3708

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The Rev. Dr. Richard E. Pyburn

The Rev. Dr. Kenneth Wade

*Counseling Associates*

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*IPC Foundation & Director, Finance,*  
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## The IPC Day School Did you know?

IPC Day School students are engaged in a new **Social Studies** curriculum at **IPC Day School**. Social Studies teacher Betsy Henley visits classrooms of students ages two through five. Miss Betsy demonstrates examples about our world and all of the people who live in it. The



Social Studies curriculum provides lessons for children to develop a positive sense of self and a love for all people and communities. Through songs, games and literature the children explore

God's creation and their unique role in it.

Just one of the playful pals that help Miss Betsy convey her messages...

**Pointer Pig** is looking and watching and has three rules to live by: **Be kind to one another, share with one another and save your money!**

## ATTENTION

### BOOK REVIEW GROUP!

The next Book Review group meeting is Monday, February 6, at 10:00 in room 218 to discuss ***In the Garden of Beasts***. The March meeting, scheduled for Monday, March 5, has changed books to ***March*** by Geraldine Brooks.

RESERVED  
PARKING



During the Sunday morning worship services, there is a need for temporary disabled parking spaces adjoining the two we have in front of the main entrances to the church. The Sunday morning services bring the largest attendance of the week, and a number of attendees need closer access to the church than the existing spaces provide. **Four additional spaces set up as "disabled" will be in place for Sunday Worship.** This will be a great help to those who have difficulty walking. **Thank you all for your cooperation.**

# LIBRARY NOTES

From the beginning of recorded time, it has been noted that humans used their skills and talents to beautify their surroundings and enhance their lives. This applies as well to their worship spaces and traditions. In *Building the Great Cathedrals* historian Francois Icher presents to us a study of how, from the 11th through the 16th centuries, these masterpieces of Europe came to be built. In *Stained Glass: From Its Origins to the Present* Virginia Chieffo Raguin gives us a history of the development of this exquisite art form used in the great cathedrals and later in public spaces and private homes.

Throughout the centuries, many of the greatest paintings have used the Holy Scriptures as inspiration. *The Bible in Art*, with text by Richard Muhlberger, contains nearly 100 works by artists from the 15th to the 20th centuries depicting stories of familiar characters in the Old Testament. *His Face* is a collection of 95 reproductions of the face of Jesus from his infancy through his resurrection. Editor Marion Wheeler has chosen selections from the King James Version of the Bible to accompany these magnificent illustrations.

Music has been a part of worship since the Old Testament times. *The Story of Christian Music*, written by Andrew Wilson-Dickson, is "an authoritative guide to all the major traditions of music for worship." With *My Favorite Hymns*, Norman Vincent Peale provides the texts of 60 well known and loved hymns and the stories behind their creation.

In *An Inner Journey to Easter* Anne Kathryn Killinger's devotions help us to take time for self-examination and reflection as we prepare for Lent and Easter. Other Lenten meditations include *Journeying Through Lent with Matthew* by Andrew D. Rogness, *Journeying Through Lent with Mark* by Greg Weyrauch, and *Journeying Through Lent with Luke* by Nancy Koester.

*The Lenten Tree* is a book of devotions for children and adults written by Dean Meador Smith with illustrations by Ginger Meador. *A Child's Book of Prayers*, edited by Linda Yeatman and illustrated by Tracey Williamson, is a collection of prayers and poems from Christian traditions around the world.

*The Library Committee*

## Independent Presbyterian Church God's Plan for Growing Up

### A Seminar for **5th and 6th Grade** **Girls and Boys** **February 3 and February 5, 2012**

#### \*\*SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN

Friday, February 3	4:00 – 6:30 pm	Chapters 1-3
	6:30 – 8:00 pm	Dinner and Recreation
Sunday, February 5	9:30 am - 12 pm	Chapters 4-6
	12 pm - 1:30pm	Lunch and Recreation

#### \*\*SCHEDULE FOR PARENTS

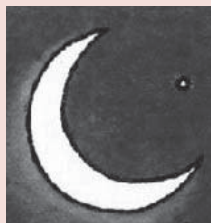
Sunday, February 5	9:30 am - 10:45 am	Physician-led Discussion
	11:00 am - 12 pm	Break for Worship
	12 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch and Discussion

Registration forms will be mailed to all fifth and sixth graders.

### ALL **3rd GRADERS** SAVE THE DATE! **Sunday, February 26**

#### **2nd Annual Worship Retreat 9:00 – 4:30**

- 9:00 – Arrive and Dress Casually as we will head out to the Fresh Air Farm after lunch
- Learn how to use the Bible and the hymnal – see who can find hymns the fastest!
- After lunch go to the CFAF and make communion bread
- Prepare a worship service for your parents – work on drama, learn sign language for one of the songs and make a nature cross for the acolyte to carry!
- Registration and more information will come in the mail but make plans to attend this fun and meaningful retreat!



### Upcoming Parents' Night Out Events: Fridays: February 3, March 2, and April 13

IPC's next Parents' Night Out events, *where we have experienced caregivers and fun activities for the kids*, will be held on Friday, February 3, Friday, March 2, and Friday, April 13 (**Note April 13**). **The hours are: 6:30-9:30 p.m. each night.**

Cost is \$7.00 per child and PNO is available for kids up to age 10. Register on the IPC website ([www.ipc-usa.org/parentsnightout](http://www.ipc-usa.org/parentsnightout)), or fill out a card and put it in the PNO box near the reception desk, or contact Jeannine Usher to make your reservation. The deadline to register is Friday, Noon the day of the event.

# Our Children Need You!

**Children's Ministries Call to Serve  
Sunday, March 4 and Sunday March 11**

There are many ways to volunteer in Children's Ministries from helping on Wednesday evenings or teaching on Sunday mornings. You can teach at Vacation Bible School or help at Bible Times Marketplace in the summer. You can serve on a committee or work a two-hour shift at Advent Workshop. There is something for everyone, and we hope you will prayerfully consider answering the call to serve our children.

Please stop by our table in the Parlor on March 4 and March 11 and let us know what you are interested in doing.  
If you have any questions please call or email Cindy Coulter at 933-3730 ccoulter@ipc-usa.org



## IPC *Presbyterian Women* *You're invited! Social Hour February 23*

Mark your calendars for the next Presbyterian Women Social Hour  
**Thursday, February 23 - 5:30 to 7:30 p.m**  
**Home of Barclay and Dick Darden, 3508 Redmont Road**  
Enjoy catching up with friends and hear an update about *First Light Homeless Shelter*

Please register online  
( [www.ipc-usa.org/presbyterianwomen](http://www.ipc-usa.org/presbyterianwomen) )  
or call the receptionist desk (933-1830) so we will know how many to expect.

Suggested donation at the door  
is \$5.00 per person.



## THE 41st ANNUAL RELIGIOUS ARTS FESTIVAL February 5 - 10, 2012

The Religious Arts Festival (RAF) will take place beginning Sunday, February 5, 2012, with a wonderful slate of events. An exhibit of book offerings from our church library will hang in the gallery for the week.

**Friday: Early Music Concert** featuring the baroque ensemble **New York Polyphony** to sing their program "**Secret Love and Private Devotion**" **Concert in Sanctuary**

See the complete Religious Arts Festival schedule on page one.

*Invite your friends and family!*



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# IPC Youth

## *Living in Service to Others:*

During advent, the IPC youth selected CPC, Constructores Para Cristo, as their mission focus. As part of their annual commitment to sharing the “gifts of the season,” members of the youth group give money they would otherwise spend on buying gifts or receiving themselves. **This year the group raised over \$1,000 and will present a check to buy books in Spanish for the library in Mexico where an IPC team builds a house each summer.**

## *The Souper Bowl of Caring*

is the result of thousands of young people joining together to fight hunger and poverty in their local communities. This unique, youth-led movement has been transforming the nation’s biggest weekend of football into its largest weekend of giving for 22 years.

Be part of sharing God’s love with those who need our compassion and care. Please give generously as our youth collect donations on February 5 as you leave each worship service. Every penny collected will go to help our **IPC food pantry**.

## *Youth Sunday is February 12*

Because the Mercedes Marathon course passes IPC twice, and morning worship services are cancelled on **Sunday**,

**February 12, the service will be at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary.** Please

plan to come as you are that afternoon and worship. The youth look forward and are grateful for the opportunity to lead.

*Small groups* will begin again

**Sunday, February 26.** Youth will once again enjoy meeting in groups divided by age and gender to share a meal, engage in Bible study and fellowship. Each group has a volunteer leader. Parents provide meals on a weekly basis and groups meet in homes or at the church. It is a wonderful time to grow closer to fellow church members. Every student in grades 7-12 is welcome. Details can be found on the youth web page, **[www.ipcyouth.org](http://www.ipcyouth.org)**



Christ is our center.

Faith is our focus.

GRACE  
GROUPS

## Lenten Grace Groups: Registration Going on Now!

Grace Groups offer IPC members a great way to get to know other members and study the scriptures ... and participants particularly enjoy the small group atmosphere, with informal meetings in members’ homes, studying scriptures and enjoying the fellowship of church friends.

In addition to our current groups, we would like to create new groups based in Homewood and Vestavia, as well as a men’s early morning group and a young couples group.

**Note: If you would like to help with this exciting endeavor or if you want to be a leader or participant for any of our Grace Groups, please contact Cindy Shaw (933-3696 or [cshaw@ipc-usa.org](mailto:cshaw@ipc-usa.org)).**

## Lenten 2012 Grace Groups Information:

Registration: Sundays Through February 5

## Spring Session: February 12 – March 31, 2012

Lenten Study Guide: John Indermark’s *“Parables and Passion”* –

*Jesus’ Stories for the Days of Lent*

**The books are \$12.25 each and will be available on Sunday mornings and from the Congregational Care office.**

We’ll help you find a group that meets at a location and time convenient for you. What could be better than making new friends and growing in your faith together? Sign-ups are going on now!



photo by Paul Romjue

## IPC Youth Ski Trip:

Forty teens and six chaperones skied and snowboarded down the slopes at Cataloochee in North Carolina over the MLK holiday weekend. Conditions were ideal, and many skied for the first time. Great fun was had by all, and the group looks forward to going again another year. Many thanks to the wonderful staff at Cataloochee as well as to our adult chaperones, Campbell Dunbar, Heath Pelham, Larry Butts and Tommy Thomson.

## 4th Quarter Lunch Bunch

to visit noted downtown restaurant February 28

The 4th Quarter's Lunch Bunch group will travel to **Café Dupont** in downtown Birmingham for our next gathering. Please join us on Tuesday, February 28, at 12:00 Noon. Café Dupont's slogan is "inspired by the season, flavored by the region," and their menu features an array of excellent dishes for your selection! To join us for the February Lunch Bunch, just call Jeannine Usher at 933-3694.

## BIRMINGHAM MEN'S CLUB FEB. 27

The Birmingham Men's Club's next meeting will be held on Monday, February 27. The event begins in the Parlor at 10:30, with the speech and luncheon starting promptly at 11:00 a.m.

**Birmingham Police Chief A.C. Roper will serve as speaker for the February meeting.** We hope you'll join us for this and future monthly meetings! If you want to make a reservation or need more information, call **Jeannine Usher at 933-3694.**



## FIRST LIGHT WOMEN'S SHELTER IPC's Knitting Ministry Knits Scarves for First Light Shelter

IPC's knitters created 75 scarves for the First Light Shelter in 2011! The ladies had the opportunity to present the beautiful and warm scarves to First Light residents over the holidays. This project was a labor of love for the knitting group. The delivery of their scarves turned into a rewarding holiday experience for all.

The IPC Knitting Ministry has been in existence only three and a half years, but in that time they have already completed, prayed over and delivered more than 170 prayer shawls and lap robes to the ill, grieving and homebound. The group meets each Thursday at IPC to knit ... and others knit at home as well. Though many in the group are experienced knitters, all are invited to participate. If you can't knit, the ladies will teach you how so you can be a part of this important ministry of IPC. For more information about this worthwhile ministry, you may contact Mary Tom Stubbs at 956-4208.

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**T**he meal schedule for the **First Light Women's Shelter** is set for the first half of 2012. *Please check the website for dates/assignments in April and June: [www.ipc-usa.org/firstlight](http://www.ipc-usa.org/firstlight)*

Please check for your dates and alert group members as soon as possible! If for some reason you are unable to accept the date assigned to your group, please arrange a swap for that date and notify Betsy Middlebrooks (933-3731 or [bmiddlebrooks@ipc-usa.org](mailto:bmiddlebrooks@ipc-usa.org)) to let her know the change. Remember to plan for 60 meals and to serve at 6:30 p.m. Don't forget that many of the guests at First Light have dietary restrictions, including diabetes, high blood pressure, etc. Planning meals that are healthy and nutritious is beneficial to all of us! **If you are able to volunteer to spend the night during our weeks, please contact Susan Clayton (933-3709 or [sclayton@ipc-usa.org](mailto:sclayton@ipc-usa.org)).**

*Thanks so much for your help and dedication!*

## IPC FEBRUARY 5-11, 2012

Sunday, February 5 - Hunger Work Group  
Monday, February 6 - Preschool & Elementary Subcommittees  
Tuesday, February 7- IPC Staff  
Wednesday, February 8 -Not a night for IPC  
Thursday, February 9 - Seekers Class  
Friday, February 10 - Advanced Class  
Saturday, February 11- Women's Church School Class

## In February What's Cooking?



## IPC Wednesday Night Dinners

**SALAD BAR, ROLLS, CORN BREAD, & DESSERT FOR EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER**

**FEBRUARY 1, 2012**  
CHICKEN WELLINGTON  
STEAMED GREEN BEANS  
SQUASH CASSEROLE  
Children:  
HOT DOGS  
CHIPS

**FEBRUARY 8, 2012**  
FAJITAS AND TACOS  
REFRIED BEANS  
MEXICAN RICE  
Children:  
TACOS

**FEBRUARY 15, 2012**  
SOUP/SANDWICH  
POTATO BAR  
Children:  
CHICKEN SOUP  
GRILLED CHEESE  
SANDWICH

**FEBRUARY 22, 2012**  
BEEF TIPS  
RICE/GRAVY  
FRIED OKRA  
BAKED APPLES  
Children:  
CHEESEBURGER  
FRIES

**FEBRUARY 29, 2012**  
FISH OR CHICKEN  
BAKED POTATOES  
HUSH PUPPIES  
STEAMED BROCCOLI  
Children:  
CHICKEN TENDERS  
MACARONI & CHEESE

**Kim Martin,  
Director,  
IPC Food Service  
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# CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING

## Independent Presbyterian Church

### Sunday, February 19, 2012

**T**he Annual Meeting of the Independent Presbyterian Church is hereby called for Sunday, February 19, 2012, to celebrate the successful completion of the ministry and mission of the church during 2011. The meeting will be convened with the opening prayer at the 11:00 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary.

**The business meeting will be held in the Sanctuary and will begin immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.**

The purposes of the meeting are:

- 1) To receive 2011 financial reports;
- 2) To receive the report of the IPC Foundation;
- 3) To review salaries of the ordained clergy;
- 4) To elect a member of the Foundation Board of Directors;
- 5) To conduct any other business which may properly come before the congregation.

To receive the 2011 report of the President of the congregation.

By order of the Session,  
David Dickson, Clerk  
Conrad Sharps, Moderator

*Living in the Spirit • Living in Community • Living in Service to Others*