## Independent Presbyterian Church Hymns and Psalms for 2017 Learn the Psalms Format – Year One

This year we begin a new five-year cycle of the "learn the Psalms format," designed to familiarize congregations with the most important and most accessible psalms. By years 4 and 5, the congregation will learn 104 different psalms in the course of the year. This year, year one, we will take the 26 "best" Psalms and sing each of them 4 times in 2017, or once every 3 months, morning and evening. We will also sing a scattering of other psalms. Otherwise, the same principles are in play as in previous years:

- 1. The opening hymn or Psalm should be a great, majestic song of praise
- 2. The most outstanding and beloved hymns of the church should be sung twice a year, once in the morning and once in the evening.
- 3. Some attention should be paid to seasonal themes including the high points of the old liturgical calendar (the "five evangelical feast days").
- 4. Communion is administered once a month, quarterly in the morning (normally January, April, July, October), and in the evening the other eight months of the year (August communion season has altered this schedule).
- 5. A check list is provided for the most usable and recommended hymns. Checks indicate hymns already provided for in the calendar.

A similar approach will be followed in 2018-2021, until 104 Psalms are familiar and beloved by our congregations. Commit to singing the Psalms from the *Trinity Psalter* in 2017-2021.

Those who would rather sing and read more broadly through the Psalter in 2017-21 may follow the calendars provided in 2015 and 2016. Those who would rather sing 52 different psalms may then turn to the 2013 calendar; those wishing to sing 78 psalms may use the 2014 calendar; those wishing to sing 104 different psalms may use the 2015 or 2016 calendars. You may access previous years on our website, <a href="www.ipcsav.org">www.ipcsav.org</a>, under "Our Worship," "Worship Aids for Ministers," or request a copy by e-mailing Karen Hansill at <a href="khansill@ipcsav.org">khansill@ipcsav.org</a>.

Note: Hymn numbers are from the *Trinity Hymnal* (TH) (1990), *Blue Trinity Hymnal* (BTH) (1961), Psalm selections from the *Trinity Psalter* (1994).

LIW = Leading in Worship

### **January**

#### Week 1 -

30 – Our God, Our Help in Ages Past Psalm 1 540 – A Few More Years

## **Week 2 - New Year Communion**

57 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (Ps 146) Psalm 8 252 – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 469 – How Sweet and Awful is the Place

#### Week 3

53 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Psalm 19:1-6 166 – Wondrous King, All-Glorious

## Week 4 – Sanctity of Human Life

167 – When Morning Guilds the Skies Psalm 139:1-12 642 – Be Thou My Vision

#### Week 5

18 – You Holy Angels Bright Psalm 32 691 – It is Well with My Soul

### **February**

### Week 1

76 – Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven Psalm 37:1-9 479 – Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

### Week 2 – Georgia Heritage

630 – Eternal Father, Strong to Save 87 –The Lord's My Shepherd (Ps 23) (Crimond) 460 – Amazing Grace

#### Week 3

347 – The Church's One Foundation Psalm 42:1-5 170 – Fairest Lord Jesus

### Week 4 – Missions Conference

441 – Jesus Shall Reign Psalm 67

## PM Hymn/Psalm Schedule

## **January**

### Week 1 - New Year

612 – Great God We Sing (BTH) 371 – O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely (Ps 84)

#### Week 2

34 – The God of Abraham Praise 91 – Bow Down Thine Ear (Ps 86) 401 – All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

### Week 3

580 – Lead On, O King Eternal Psalm 91

## Week 4 – Sanctity of Human Life

100 – Holy, Holy, Holy Psalm 139:13-22 598 – Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

### Week 5

2 – O Worship the King Psalm 95:1-7 405 – God That Madest Earth and Heaven

## **February**

#### Week 1 – Communion

Psalm 110 254 – Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed 520 – Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

529 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

#### Week 2

98 – Now Thank We All Our God Psalm 103:1-13 402 – Abide with Me, Fast Falls the Eventide

### Week 3

1 – All People (Ps 100) 689 – Be Still, My Soul

### Week 4 – Missions Conference

439 – Christ Shall Have Dominion Psalm 78:1-8

## **March**

#### Week 1

115 – All Creatures of Our God and King 40 – God is Our Refuge (Ps 46) 499 – Rock of Ages

### Week 2

297 – All Hail the Power (Diadem) Psalm 63:1-5 520 – Jesus, Thy Blood

#### Week 3

19 – Thee We Adore Psalm 68:1-8 598 – Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

### Week 4 – Reformation's Reforms Conference

92 – A Mighty Fortress is Our God Psalm 121 614 – Now Israel May Say (Ps 124)

### April

### Week 1 - Communion

172 – Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder 371 – O Lord of Hosts (Ps 84) 247 – O Sacred Head, Now Wounded 308 – Jesus Paid It All

## Week 2 – Palm Sunday

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (insert) 91 – Bow Down Thine Ear (Ps 86) 235 – All Glory, Laud and Honor

#### Week 3 – Easter

277 – Christ the Lord is Risen Today Psalm 16 271 – Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem

#### Week 4

273 – Jesus Christ is Risen Today Psalm 91 274 – Thine Be the Glory

### PM Hymn/Psalm Schedule

### March

### Week 1 – Communion

358 – For All the Saints

608 – To God My Earnest Voice I Raise (Ps 142)

535 – O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

575 – Soldiers of Christ Arise

#### Week 2

164 – O For a Thousand Tongue to Sing Psalm 130
588 – Who Is on the Lord's Side?

#### Week 3

57 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (Ps 146) Psalm 117 404 – Sun of My Soul

### Week 4 – Reformation's Reforms Conference

1 – All People (Ps 100) Psalm 23 Psalm 68: 9-19

### April

### Week 1

342 – Christ is Made the Sure Foundation Psalm 1 699 – Like a River Glorious

### Week 2 – Palm Sunday

12 – Exalt the Lord (Ps 135)
Psalm 8
405 – God, That Madest Earth and Heaven

### Maundy Thursday/Good Friday

Service of Lessons & Psalms (*LIW* 109-111; *LIW* revised 163-168)

#### Week 3 – Easter

284 – This Joyful Eastertide Psalm 110 276 – Up From the Grave He Arose

#### Week 4

310 – Rejoice, the Lord is King Psalm 19:7-14 167 – The Day of Resurrection

### Week 5

38 – Immortal, Invisible Psalm 95:1-7 283 – Alleluia, Alleluia

### May

## Week 1 – Kirkin'/Scottish Heritage

710 – God of Our Fathers Psalm 121 570 – Faith of Our Fathers 460 – Amazing Grace

### Week 2 – Mother's Day

122 – God All Nature Psalm 127 562 – All to Jesus I Surrender

### Week 3

4 – All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above Psalm 130

### Week 4 – Ascension

289 – A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing Psalm 110 290 – Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

### June

### Week 1 – Pentecost

101 – Come, Thou Almighty King 486 – God Be Merciful to Me (Ps 51) 338 – Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

## Week 2 – Trinity

100 – Holy, Holy, Holy Psalm 99 103 – Holy God We Praise Thy Name

### Week 3 – Father's Day

117 – The Spacious Firmament on High Psalm 103:14-18

### Week 4

580 – Lead On O King Eternal Psalm 117 588 – Who Is on the Lord's Side?

#### Week 5

345 – Glorious Things Psalm 32 275 – Strife is Over

### May

#### Week 1 – Communion

181 – We Come, O Christ, to You Psalm 37:10-19 499 – Rock of Ages 308 – Jesus Paid It All

### Week 2 – Mother's Day

660 – O God beyond All Praising Psalm 42:6-11 407 – The Day You Gave Us

### Week 3

76 – Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven 371 – O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely (Ps 84) 382 – God Himself Is With Us

#### Week 4 – Ascension

295 – Crown Him with Many Crowns 40 – God is Our Refuge (Ps 46) 691 – It is Well with My Soul

### June

## Week 1 – Pentecost/Communion

297 – All Hail the Power (Diadem) Psalm 63:6-11 191 – O Thou the Eternal (BTH) 332 – Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

## Week 2 – Trinity

302 – Come, Christians, Join to Sing Psalm 67 105 – O God, We Praise Thee

### Week 3 – Father's Day

30 – Let Us with Gladsome Mind (BTH) Psalm 68:20-27

### Week 4

53 – Praise to the Lord, The Almighty Psalm 78:9-20

## **July**

### Week 1

119 – I Sing the Almighty Power of God

608 – To God My Earnest (Ps 142)

254 - Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed

630 – Eternal Father, Strong to Save

#### Week 2

57 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (Ps 146)

486 – God, Be Merciful to Me (Ps 51)

455 – And Can It Be

#### Week 3

345 – Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Psalm 1

32 – Great is Thy Faithfulness

#### Week 4

529 – Love Divine, All Love Excelling Psalm 8

#### Week 5

660 – O God beyond All Praising

Psalm 19:1-6

### **August**

#### Week 1

2 - O Worship the King

Psalm 32

### Week 2 - Communion Season

295 – Crown Him with Many Crowns

Psalm 37: 20-28

44 - How Great Thou Art

#### Week 3

64 – God, the Lord, a King Remaineth

Psalm 42:1-5

699 – Like a River Glorious

#### Week 4

361 – O Praise Ye the Lord (Ps 149)

689 – Be Still, My Soul

40 – God is Our Refuge (Ps 46)

### PM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

### July

### Week 1 – Communion

165 – Ye Servants of God

Psalm 110

190 – Glory Be to Jesus (BTH)

604 – Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart

#### Week 2

115 – All Creatures of Our God and King

91 – Bow Down Thine Ear (Ps 86)

### Week 3

12 – Exalt the Lord (Ps 135)

Psalm 91

228 – Who Is This That Comes (BTH)

### Week 4

38 – Immortal, Invisible

Psalm 95:1-7

#### Week 5

4 – All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Psalm 139:1-12

### August

#### Week 1

Lo He Comes (insert) (Helmsley)

86 - The Lord's My Shepherd (Ps 23) (Bro James Air)

469 – How Sweet and Awful is the Place

#### Week 2 – Communion Season

1 – All People (Ps 100)

691 – It is Well with My Soul

264 – Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

### Week 3

630 - Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Psalm 103:19-22

170 – Fairest Lord Jesus

#### Week 4

101 – Come, Thou Almighty King

Psalm 121

32 – Great is Thy Faithfulness

## **September**

### Week 1

164 – O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Psalm 63:1-5 111 – This is My Father's World

### Week 2

92 – A Mighty Fortress is Our God Psalm 67 390 – Lord of the Sabbath

#### Week 3

311 – Hail to the Lord's Anointed Psalm 68:28-35

#### Week 4

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending (Helmsley – insert) Psalm 78:21-34

### **October**

### Week 1 – Communion

342 – Christ is Made the Sure Foundation 371 – O Lord of Hosts (Ps 84)

463 – A Debtor to Mercy Alone

264 – Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

### Week 2 – Stewardship #1

34 – The God of Abraham Praise

91 – Bow Down Thine Ear (Ps 86)

535 – O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

## Week 3 – Stewardship #2

302 – Come, Christians, Join to Sing Psalm 95:6-11

#### Week 4

301 – Join All the Glorious Names Psalm 91

### Week 5 – Reformation

(Genevan, LIW, pp 121-125) 1 – All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Ps 100) Psalm 93 Psalm 129 \*with music

### PM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

### **September**

#### Week 1 -

172 – Let us Love and Sing Psalm 117 691 – It is Well with My Soul

### Week 2 – Communion

347 – The Church's One Foundation

486 – God, Be Merciful to Me (Ps 51)

378 – Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

247 - O Sacred Head Now Wounded

### Week 3

122 – God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory Psalm 130

### Week 4

119 – I Sing the Almighty Power of God

608 – To God My Earnest Voice I Raise (Ps 142)

455 – And Can It Be

### October

#### Week 1

19- Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord

57 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (Ps 146)

### Week 2 – Stewardship #1

271 – Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem Psalm 1 44 – How Great Thou Art

### Week 3 – Stewardship #2

64 – God, the Lord a King Remaineth Psalm 8

#### Week 4

165 – Ye Servants of God Psalm 19:7-14 642 – Be Thou My Vision

### **Week 5 – Reformation**

92 – A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Psalm 32 353 – I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

### **November**

#### Week 1

358 – For All the Saints Psalm 130

### Week 2

165 – Ye Servants of God Psalm 117 588 – Who is On the Lord's Side?

## Week 3 – week of Thanksgiving

98 – Now Thank We All Our God 608 – To God My Earnest (Ps 142) 125 – Let All Things Now Living

#### Week 4

715 – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come Psalm 103:1-13 116 – For the Beauty of the Earth

### **December**

#### Week 1 – Christmas Season

196 – Come Thou Long Expected Jesus 486 – God, Be Merciful (Ps 51) 194 – O Come, O Come Emanuel

## Week 2 – Christmas Season

195 – Joy to the World Psalm 121 213 – What Child is This

#### Week 3 – Christmas Season

214 – Angels We Have Heard On High Psalm 98:1-4 The First Noel (insert)

## Week 4 – Christmas Eve Day

203 – Hark the Herald Angels Sing Psalm72:13-16 (Puer Nobis) 201 – O Little Town of Bethlehem

### Week 5 – New Years Eve (31st)

612 – Great God We Sing That Mighty Hand (BTH) Psalm 139:1-12 540 – A Few More Years Shall Roll

## PM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

## **November**

### Week 1 – Communion

441 – Jesus Shall Reign

87 – The Lord's My Shepherd (Ps 23) (Crimond)

422 - 'Twas on That Night When Doomed to Know

369 – Shout for the Blessed Jesus

### Week 2

117 – The Spacious Firmament Psalm 37:29-40 363 – We Gather Together

## Week 3 – week of Thanksgiving

660 – O God beyond All Praising Psalm 43:1-5 714 – We Plow the Fields

#### Week 4

515 – How Lovely Shines the Morning 40 – God is Our Refuge (Ps 46)

### **December**

### Week 1 – Christmas Season/Communion

227 – On Christmas NightPsalm 67223 – While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

### Week 2

217 – All My Heart This Night RejoicesPsalm 63:6-11230 – Thou Who Was Rich Beyond all Splendor

### Week 3 – Lessons and Carols

(*LIW*, pp 105-107; *LIW* revised, pp 157-162) 225 – Once in Royal David's City Psalm 72:1-12 (Puer Nobis)

### Week 4 – Christmas Eve

208 – O Come All Ye Faithful Psalm 98:5-9 205 – Away in a Manger 195 – Joy to the World

### Week 5 – New Years Eve (31st)

30 – Our God Our Help in Ages Past Psalm 78:35-46

# **January**, 2018

Week 1

167 – When Morning Gilds the Skies 30 – Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

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# January, 2018

Week 1

612 – Great God We Sing Thy Mighty Hand (BTH)