

**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, www.ipcsav.org, under “Our Worship,” “Worship Aids for Ministers,” or request a copy by e-mailing Karen Hansill at khansill@ipcsav.org.

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*

AM Hymn/Psalm Schedule

January

Week 1 – New Year Communion

30 – Our God, Our Help in Ages Past
Psalm 1
252 – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
469 – How Sweet and Awful is the Place

Week 2

57 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (Ps 146)
Psalm 8
540 – A Few More Years

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

529 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Psalm 110
254 – Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed
520 – Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

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

AM Hymn/Psalm Schedule

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

AM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

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

AM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

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

AM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

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
Psalm 72:13-16 (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 Night
Psalm 67
223 – While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

Week 2

217 – All My Heart This Night Rejoices
Psalm 63:6-11
230 – 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

AM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

January, 2018

Week 1

167 – When Morning Gilds the Skies

30 – Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

PM Hymns/Psalms Schedule

January, 2018

Week 1

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