IN PERSON FELLOWSHIPS

Lake Elizabeth Walking Group: Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Boat House (weather permitting). Join us for a 2-mile walk of conversation and prayer around the lake in Fremont Central Park.

Men's Fellowship meets every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the McDonald's on the corner of Grimmer and Bay Street. Enjoy good, inexpensive coffee with free refills as we explore the mysteries of faith and share lively conversation.

Ladies Out to Lunch: Ladies, come enjoy food, fellowship, and good conversation on November 11@11:30am Olive Garden in Fremont.

Thanksgiving Dinner: We are going to have our annual Thanksgiving dinner in the Social Hall on Nov. 26 at 3:00pm. Sign up for our potluck!

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If you'd like to join, please inform Prem so he can add you to the group.

PRAYER CHAIN

Email your prayer requests to Deacon Thea Pex at
Prayer@irvington.org

HAVE SOMETHING FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS?

Please email the church office: *Irvington.church@gmail.com* by Wednesday to be included in the following Sunday's bulletin. Bulletins are printed on Thursday.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7

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Mission's Connect

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is the emergency and refugee relief ministry of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), providing financial, spiritual, and physical support to communities affected by crises and catastrophic events. PDA has responded to these recent disasters: earthquakes in Philippines & Indonesia; Ebola in Africa; flooding in Indiana and Nepal and hurricanes/tornados in the southern USA. Volunteers are needed to help be the arms of Christ to those in needs during a disaster. For information on volunteer opportunities, visit: www.pcusa.org/pdavolunteersites, call 866-732-6121 or email PDA.CallCenter@pcusa.org IPC is part of a connectional church. Be part of the connection and mark PDA on your offering. Or prayerfully consider volunteering, and/or praying for our brothers and sisters in need.

BIRTHDAYS:

EMMANUEL BARAIYA **BROOK MANTIA**
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ANNIVERSARIES:

Don and Gillian Carson

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 8	**Deacons Meeting**
November 11	**Ladies Out to Lunch**
November 14	**Presbytery Meeting (Hybrid)**
November 16	**Session Meeting**
November 26	**Thanksgiving Dinner @3pm**
November 28	**Hanging of the Greens**
November 29	**First Sunday of Advent**

Daily Devotional for the Week (November 9-14, 2026)

Monday: Keeping the Lamps Filled

Scripture: "The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps." — Matthew 25:3-4

Reflection: As a new week begins, it is easy to rush out into the world with our lamps held high but our inner reserves completely empty. In the Parable of the Ten Virgins, the defining difference wasn't the intensity of their waiting, but their preparation for the dark hours. The "oil" represents our interior **life** with God—the daily, quiet practices of prayer, love, and mercy that cannot be borrowed or bought at the last minute. Do not wait for a crisis to fill your spiritual reservoir. Start today by intentionally pouring oil into your lamp through a moment of quiet gratitude or a simple act of kindness. (Prayer on the next page)

- Prayer: Lord, remind me that my spiritual life cannot be rushed or borrowed. Help me tend to my inner reservoir today so that my light may burn steady, no matter how long the night.

Tuesday: The Crossroads of Choice

Scripture: "But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve... But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." — Joshua 24:15

Reflection: Joshua stood before the people of Israel at a historical crossroads, demanding a conscious decision. We often imagine that major spiritual commitments are made once in a lifetime, but in reality, they are renewed every single morning. The world constantly offers alternative "gods" to serve—the gods of anxiety, endless productivity, or material security. Choosing God requires an active, daily "yes." Today, you will face dozens of micro-choices. Let your words, your patience, and your integrity declare exactly who you have chosen to serve.

- Prayer: Living God, there are many voices competing for my allegiance today. I choose You. Grant me the courage to align my actions with my faith at every crossroads.

Wednesday: A Legacy of Faithfulness

Scripture: "We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done." — Psalm 78:4

Reflection: Faith is never a solitary possession; it is a sacred inheritance meant to be shared. The Psalmist reminds us that our personal encounters with God's goodness are not just for our own comfort—they are blueprint stories for those who come after us. In a world heavily weighted by cynicism, sharing a story of how God carried you through a difficult season can be a lifeline to someone else. Take a moment today to remember the people who passed the faith down to you, and consider how you might anchor someone else's hope by speaking of God's track record.

- Prayer: Father, thank You for the witnesses who told me of Your goodness. Make me a faithful storyteller today, so that the next generation might know Your steadfast love.

Thursday: The Currency of Justice

Scripture: "But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" — Amos 5:24

Reflection: The prophet Amos delivered a jarring wake-up call to those who thought religious rituals could substitute for ethical living. God isn't looking for flawless performance; He is looking for a flood of justice and a continuous stream of righteousness. True righteousness is dynamic—it moves, heals, and flows into the dry, marginalized places of our communities. Look around your sphere of influence today. **Where** can you be a conduit for fairness, standing up for someone who is overlooked or speaking truth where it is desperately needed?

- Prayer: Holy God, disrupt my comfort where it makes me blind to the needs of others. Let Your justice flow through my hands and your righteousness guide my steps.

Friday: Grief Tethered to Hope

Scripture: "Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope." — 1 Thessalonians 4:13

Reflection: Paul does not tell the Thessalonians not to grieve; he tells them not to grieve without hope. As human beings, we experience deep loss, broken dreams, and physical mortality. Christianity does not demand a stoic, emotionless mask. It simply frames our sorrow within a larger promise: Christ has conquered death, and the story does not end in the grave. If you are carrying a heavy heart or mourning a loss as the week winds down, give yourself permission to feel it, but let that grief rest securely on the bedrock promise of resurrection.

- Prayer: Lord Jesus, You wept at the grave of Your friend, validating our sorrow. Hold my heart in its moments of grief, and anchor my soul in the unbreakable hope of Your resurrection.

Saturday: Wisdom at Dawn

Scripture: "Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding..." — Wisdom 6:12, 15

Reflection: As the week draws to a close, it is time to reflect, reset, and seek clarity for the days ahead. Divine wisdom is described not as an elusive, hidden secret, but as something radiant and readily found by anyone who truly desires it. Wisdom waits at our dawn, ready to instruct our perspective. Before the busy rush of the weekend takes over, carve out a intentional window of stillness. Fix your thoughts on what is eternal, pure, and true, allowing God's perspective to quiet the noise of the past week.

- Prayer: Radiant God, I seek Your wisdom today above human logic or hasty conclusions. Open my spiritual eyes to see my life, my challenges, and my relationships as You see them.

Announcements & Events

November 8, 2026

Email: *Irvington.church@gmail.com*
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Weekly Zoom Bible Study & Prayer Meetings with Pastor Ed Choa
IPC Zoom Meeting ID: 9970411553

Monday Ladies Bible Study 10:30-11:30 a.m.
"1 Peter"

Tuesday Night Bible Study 7:30-9:00 p.m.
"Sacred History – 1 Samuel"

Thursday Prayer Date 7:00-7:30 p.m.
"Let's Talk to God"

To receive email reminders with zoom links,
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