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To Know God and to make Him known through fellowship, prayer, and service.

## Welcome

# November 2025



" "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!" (1 John 3:1)

#### Weekly:

Bible study Sunday mornings at 8:30 AM (Library)

Friday Mornings - Prayer and Devotions 8:00 – 9:00 AM (Sanctuary)

Bible study 9:30 – 11:00 AM (Fellowship Hall)

The men's group meets on Wednesdays at 5:00 PM, based on the 260 devotions.

Chosen has resumed Fridays at 6:30 pm

#### Monthly:

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month we serve communion and is our Friendship Sunday potlucks. Join us and bring a friend.

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday - Men's breakfast November 8th

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Mission Moment – information about one of our mission projects is shared during the service.

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday - 11:30 AM ICC Women's Group (Fellowship Hall) bring your lunch – dessert will be provided.

#### **Special Events:**

ICC will be purchasing 4 turkeys and 2 hams for Thanksgiving dinner on November 16th after the service. We will be asking the congregation to bring a side. There will be a sign up sheet on November 2nd. Please see Belle Ash or Terri Morgan.

#### Reminders:

6:03 Pray for ONE (2Peter 3:9)

Continued prayers for our shut-ins, those who are ill, grieving, dealing with difficult challenges. For our church, our country, our world. Take note of our weekly "Prayer Requests" and keep those requests in mind.

We have two people having surgery in November, Janet Ordway and Belle Ash. Please keep them in prayer.

Let's continue to read the Bible together in one year. <a href="https://bible.alpha.org/en/">https://bible.alpha.org/en/</a>

Our Daily Bread devotional booklets are available at the back of the sanctuary. If you prefer an audio version it is available online. You can download their app and it is very easy to follow their daily plan.

#### A message:

Dear church friends and family, If you celebrate a Thanksgiving holiday with friends and family, consider making it a gratitude gathering and reflecting together on the ways you've experienced God's presence, protection, and promises over the past year. No matter our circumstances, each of us can take time to "give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever" (v. 34).

#### Missions -

Thank you for your generous donations to Operation Christmas Child. We expect to make up about 65 gift boxes on our Packing Day on November 9 during Coffee Hour. Please plan to be part of that fun activity. It's a joy to work together to provide gifts for kids in far away places and to introduce them to Jesus.

Join us on Saturday afternoon, November 8, at 2:30 to set up the Fellowship Hall for Packing Day.

There will be a 5th Sunday offering on November 30.

<u>Friendly Kitchen</u> needs powdered drink mixes (fruit punch or lemonade) in November.

**Kairos Prison Ministry** - Kairos Inside Women had a wonderful weekend in the Women's Prison the frist weekend in October. Kairos Inside Men had a wonderful weekend in the Concord Men's Prison on the third weekend in October. Kairos Outside had a wonderful weekend in Rumney on the fourth weekend in October. Many men and women were supported and given a chance to free themselves from anger, shame, worthlessness, etc in the month of October. Thank you and praise God for the support of Immanuel Community Church.

**The ICC Women's Group** . The women's group will be voting for new officers on November 11th. The new officers will begin their new positions January 2026.

#### **Testimonials**

#### From Matt Morrison

Do you remember the radio broadcast that always ended with Paul Harvey saying "and that is the rest of the story"...

After my crash and the ambulance ride to Littleton hospital, while in the emergency room, the protocol for the situation is to do a x-ray to make sure that none of my broken ribs were violating my lungs. During the scan none of the broken ribs showed problematic to my lungs, praise God! What was found, however, was a "spot" on my pancreas called an "incidental finding". So the doctor in Littleton contacted my primary care doctor in Concord and MRI was set up for further investigation.

A bit of family history here, my mother died in 2009 from a pancreatic/liver cancer. My sister, Penny, died last June with from pancreas/liver cancer.

Last Wednesday I went in and had an MRI. The next day my doctor wrote a note to me that showed up in my mailbox in the Patient Portal Concord Hospital communication system. The MRI showed that this spot, this "lesion", was not malignant. I had to look that up to be certain that it wasn't cancer. Again praise God! They "felt it was a precancerous condition and would need to be monitored annually".

So I never would have thought that crashing my motorcycle could ever be a good thing but, here I am, feeling incredibly blessed for, 1) that Polly wasn't on the bike with me 2) no one else was hurt or involved, and 3) something was discovered that could have caused my demise had I not crashed.

...and that is the rest of this story!

God is amazing!

#### Bit of Darryl's Testimony by Susan Andrews

You may remember Darryl. His picture is in the back of the sanctuary on the Prayer board. Satan had a terrible hold on him and he went to prison. Family deserted him as many do. God grabbed him!

He went to work in the warehouse where Wayne worked and he became friends and family to us. He came to our house for cookouts,

Thanksgiving, Christmas and became a member of Immanuel church. He loved God!!. Every morning he would get up early and sit in his 'prayer' chair. He would read the bible and pray and listen to gospel music. He loved gospel music and would sing along with all those old hymns.

He had a bad car accident and was in the hospital for 6 months during COVID. He had a brain tumor (the cause of the accident), but we did not know that at the time. He was in a coma for at least 3 weeks and someone had to be 'family' to help set up Medicaid and be DPOA to make medical decisions. "Here I am, send me!"

When he gained consciousness I asked to see him to sign some papers for income taxes and things. Because of COVID the hospital had not even let our pastor in to see him, so I suggested that maybe the nurse I was talking to in the foyer of the hospital could bring the documents up to him to sign and then bring them back down to me. God allowed me to see him! The nurse said, 'come with me', and took me to a back elevator to his floor and brought me to his room.

He was so glad to see me. He said 'I have to tell you – I SAW JESUS!'
I believed him, really I did. So, I asked him to tell me about it.
He said he sat at a table with Him and He said 'you can come with me now if you want, or you can stay a little longer.' Darryl thought about it and said he would like to go back. Jesus said 'OK, you can go back for now' and Darryl said he woke up!

DARRYL SAT WITH JESUS! I trust him and I know he really did.
He started falling and we eventually went to Dartmouth-Hitchcock
Hospital where he was treated for the tumor. It was aggressive and
continued to grow back. He went to a nursing home, got COVID and
passed away. Jesus took him home. I know He did!\*\*\*

We have allotted 5 minute testimonials after the offering for anyone who wants to share. If you are interested please see Terri Morgan or Pastor Bill so that we can assign you a date.

We would like to include the story of your faith journey here in our newsletter. When and how did Jesus come into your life?

How is he working In your life now? (If you need help contact Ruby or Terri).

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### **November Birthdays**

Chip Barrett

Rita McDonald 28

If you would like us to add your birthday to our list - please note the month and day on a communication card.

#### **NOTICES:**

On November 15th starting at 10 am we will be having a paint party in the big room in the basement.

A church clean up day is scheduled for November 15<sup>th</sup> 9 - noon. Come and join us there will be inside and outside work to be done.

#### Council

We are pleased to be welcoming new members in November.

Check our website: https://www.immanuelcommchurch.org/

Our services are being live streamed on YouTube at 10:00 AM on Sunday mornings and the recordings are there for you to view at your convenience. You can make prayer requests and donate online.

If you have Items for our December issue of the newsletter please get them to Ruby Bartlett (<u>rcbart5242@gmail.com</u>) by. **November 26.**