



# The Weekly

Immanuel Anglican Church Woodbridge

September 17, 2023

**Pastor's Corner**  
**"Seek...Repent...Remember"**

We continue attending to the words given to us by the Lord:

**Seek:** As we seek *first* the King, his kingdom and his righteousness—the Person of God, the Purpose of God, the Ways of God—the Lord will guide us into decisions that will bring *shalom* to us and to our neighbors in Prince William County.

**Repent:** Daily repentance is good, essential and formational, because it is a returning to where we belong—life with God for the sake of others. Such repentance clears the way for the kingdom to come to and through Immanuel. This past Sunday we repented from three specific areas as a community, and received forgiveness and grace:

- Let go of control. *Receive grace to trust, to be patient, to wait on the Lord.*
- Release our past. *Receive the Lord's future.*
- Turn from complaining, criticizing, grudge-holding. *Receive grace to listen, to forgive, to reconcile.*

**Remember:** In Luke 4:16-21, Jesus declares that his Spirit-anointed presence fulfills the promise of Isaiah 61:1-4 of good news for the poor, liberty for the captive and oppressed, sight for the blind, and the favor of the Lord for all who respond to the

message of Jesus. This upcoming Sunday, therefore, we will recall that we share in this mission of Jesus, and so remember...

- ... our calling: "God with us...*for the sake of others.*"
- ... that people need *Jesus*, and we are to *go out* and tell them.
- ... that we need the Holy Spirit.

The day we officially broke ground for the construction of our Mission Outpost, Bishop John Guernsey prayed a blessing and we sang loudly "[Build Your Kingdom Here.](#)" The third verse of that song weaves together the three words the Lord has spoken to us:

*We seek Your kingdom first/We hunger and we thirst  
Refuse to waste our lives/For You're our joy and prize  
To see the captive hearts released/The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace  
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause  
We are Your church/And we pray revive this earth*

Join us this Sunday as we continue participating in this kingdom movement.

Your Pastor in Christ,

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## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Choir News:** Do you love to sing? Join us! No experience is necessary and you will bless us and yourself if you come! This Thursday and every Thursday after, the Choir will meet at 7:00pm and we'll sing every other Sunday. ***Come and feel the joy!!***

**Open Door:** This Wednesday and each Wednesday evening at 7PM through the end of September, Immanuel Anglican Church is hosting an Open Door Worship and Prayer Gathering. This community event offers the opportunity for spiritual refreshment through song and prayer. Please join us in the Nave. Please note that we will be having discussion about extending Open Door past September.'''

**Men's Breakfast:** Please plan to attend the next Men's Breakfast on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at Immanuel Anglican Church (7075 Hoadly Road), 8:00 am.

**Men's Dinner:** Every Monday evening at 5 pm a group of men from Immanuel meet at a local restaurant to share good food and fellowship. We meet at a different location each Monday to get a variety of types of food. Please put it on your calendar to join us and bring a friend. Everyone's welcome! This Monday, September 18th, we will meet at **Crafty Crab**.

**Men's Dinner Changing:** After reviewing the results of the survey taken regarding the men's dinner it was decided to change the activity from a weekly to a monthly activity. This will begin on Monday, October 2 at 5:00 PM and repeat on the first Monday of every month. The restaurants will rotate among the top 6 in the survey. They are Olive Garden, Outback, Armetta's, El Paso (Smoketown), Carrabba's and Mission BBQ. The weekly meetings will continue through September.

Watch The Weekly sent to your email each Thursday morning for locations.

**Women's Dinner:** The next dinner will be held on Tuesday, September 19, at 5:00 pm. The women will meet at Armetta's Italian Grill and Restaurant at 4585 Daisy Reid Ave., off the Prince William Parkway near Country Center. We will enjoy dinner and fellowship time. If you plan to attend, please contact Deb Tomchek at [dtomchek@aol.com](mailto:dtomchek@aol.com) for this coming month. Hope to see you there!

**Men's Retreat 2023:** The men of Immanuel will be having their annual retreat at Cacapon Resort State Park November 3-5, 2023. An email was sent out from Signup Genius two weeks ago to all the men of the church. Twenty one (21) have signed up. There are a few rooms left. If you plan on attending, please call Mike Harpster at 703-402-3829 or email [MikeHarpster@comcast.net](mailto:MikeHarpster@comcast.net).

## PROGRAMS

**Immanuel Kids:** In the jungle, every day is an unpredictable adventure! But to safely navigate the vines, animals, and tricky terrain, we'll need a guide to help lead us. This four-week series follows the life of Moses and his journey to leading the Israelites out of Egypt. Through his story, we'll discover how God teaches us how to lead, and learn how to follow God's lead as God leads us to safety, and to what we need.

**Women's Monday Night Bible Study:** On September 18, our Bible Study is going to AMC Potomac Mills to see *Route 60: The Biblical Highway* at 7 pm. For more information about the Women's Monday Night Bible Study, please contact Deb Tomchek at [dTomchek@aol.com](mailto:dTomchek@aol.com) or by phone at (703) 597-4136.

**Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study:** Join us on Tuesday Mornings at 10:00 am in the nave as we continue our journey with Jesus and the 12 apostles through 8 weeks of Season 3 of **The Chosen**. This acclaimed dramatic yet biblically based series follows the life and ministry of Jesus and +each episode and guides us through our weekly discussions. If you would like to order a workbook, please call or text Barbara Finney, ASAP! at 703-405-2651 or email: [blynn56@verizon.net](mailto:blynn56@verizon.net).

All of our meetings are also available via Zoom. Click [here](#) to join via Zoom.

**Saturday Morning Men's Discussion Group:** The IAC men will not be meeting for the regular Saturday discussion this week due to the Men's Breakfast. All IAC men are invited. Bring a guest. Be sure to let Gary Gray know if you are attending.



# NOTES