

## **Announcements**

**Nursery:** We plan to re-open our nursery, with COVID guidelines in place, for children ages birth through two years old. Please see the SignUp Genius that was emailed. Questions? Contact Stephanie DeMaagd.

**Missionary Focus:** This Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, during our morning worship service, Dr. Bob Cropsey will be sharing with us about his ministry in Togo, West Africa with ABWE. We hope you can join us!

**Halloween Outreach:** We will be serving our community by giving out treat bags and tracts during Chelsea's trick-or-treating time on October 31st. We are asking for donations of candy; the deadline is Sunday, October 25th. There is a collection box at the back of the worship center.

**Morning Bible Study:** Beginning Sunday, November 1st at 9:30 am, we will have a Morning Bible Study for adults. Please join us in the classroom in the 300 wing at Pierce. Luman Strong will be teaching on "Redeeming the Time."

Redeeming the Time: Time is one of the greatest gifts God has granted us as His children. We all get 24 hours in a day to live, but how we view time makes all the difference in terms of how we live during our very brief time here on Earth. Too often, too many people, Christians included, squander time, seeing it as a renewable resource. Only after certain watershed moments in life - a child's graduation, retirement, a birthday - do we realize the brevity of time, but with regrets. This Morning Bible Study session will examine "time": how God sees it, the purpose of time, and how we, as His children, should handle this precious resource. We have a gift, and our responsibility is to redeem it.

**Worship Service Time Change:** On Sunday, November 1st, not only will the Morning Bible Study begin at 9:30 am, but the worship service will move to 10:30 am. Please note that this morning is also the end of Daylight Saving Time.

## Get ready for KIDS' WORSHIP!

Junior Church is changing. We are expanding the time as well as the ages of those invited to attend. Beginning November 1, we will offer children ages 3 through 6th grade their own time of worship! We will meet in the media center for singing, Bible lessons, activities and fellowship while the older children and adults are in the morning Worship service. We will update parents with specific information describing Kids' Worship, the curriculum and our COVID safety measures in the coming week. If, in the meantime, you have any questions, please contact Priscilla Schwarze.

**Operation Christmas Child:** We have three options for our Operation Christmas Child boxes this year:

- 1. Attend our socially-distanced packing party during the 5:45 pm evening service on November 15.
- 2. You can build a box online through our Immanuel Bible Church Goal page (see the link on IBC's website).
- 3. You can build a box or boxes at home. Boxes and adhesive label/gift suggestions can be found back by the sound board.

Collection of requested items (TBD): November 1, 8, and until the beginning of the morning worship service on November 15. Final collection: November 22 at 10:30 am. Contact Deb Postiff if you have any questions.

**Jezekiel's Commissioning:** We will be holding a commissioning service for Jezekiel Van Der Decker on Sunday, November 8 th during our morning worship service. We'll be taking a love offering for him. Join us as we send Jezekiel off to serve in PNG.

**Jezekiel's Farewell Open House:** Join us in saying goodbye to Jezekiel Van Der Decker as he prepares to head to Papua New Guinea. Stop by Ellie Strong's barn at 20501 Jerusalem Road, Chelsea, anytime between 2-4 pm on Saturday, November 7th.

## **Church Information**

## **Service Details:**

Our schedule includes Sunday morning prayer time at 8:30 am in the west end of the main hall, worship service at 9:30 am, and evening service at 5:45 pm.

## **Instructions on Giving:**

There are three ways to remain faithful in giving back to the Lord.

- You can mail your check to Immanuel Bible Church (145 East Summit Street, Chelsea, MI 48118).
- You can put a check in an offering box located at the back of the worship center at Pierce Lake.
- Give online using the secure giving platform on our website at ibcchelsea.com.

## **Online Giving:**

When you give to IBC online you are asked to designate your giving to a fund. These are:

- General Fund everyday business of the church
- Building Fund accruing for a new church building
- Barnabus Fund for special situations administered by the elders
- Missions Fund goes toward the entire missions budget
- Other when this fund is selected, you will be asked to designate where the money should go (examples: a specific missionary, the youth group, love offering, etc.)

## Instructions to view or listen to this week's message:

Go to the church website at ibcchelsea.com. You can join us in worship on Sunday mornings by clicking on the word SERMONS in the menu bar above, or on the "LiveStream" bubble on the home page.

# **Opportunities for Assistance:**

IBC would like to take the opportunity to serve those in our church/community who may need assistance: Please contact one of the elders if you have any needs.

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