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**The Immanuel Chimes
November 2019**

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE SUNDAYS

9:15AM Sunday School for all ages
10:30AM Worship for everyone
11:30AM Fellowship time for all

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6TH -12TH GRADES 6:00-8:00pm

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**Community
Thanksgiving Eve
Service**

November 27st

7:00PM

Special Guests from the Fresno Rescue Mission

Pastor's Page

I am filled with joy after Immanuel's hosting Pastor Bjorn Pedersen in a life-renewing Prayer Conference! Victoria gave out 55 sharp-looking packets to folks attending one or all sessions of the conference. The real question now is – "Where do we go from here?"

Oftentimes, after a crusade or spiritual retreat we bask in the short time of renewal, then fall back into the work-a-day world and forget what we learned from God. The event becomes something we experienced, and then we move on under our own power, not the Holy Spirit's.

Prayer – intentional prayer keeps us on track, spiritually with our Sovereign God who orchestrates our lives – who not only desires to hear our hurts and concerns, but also our praises. But He also speaks, and that is one thing we often neglect – to be in the presence of God and hear His still, small voice.

The Prayer Conference was timely, as Immanuel goes through the call process for a new shepherd. We await eagerly, from the NALC office for candidates to consider as a call committee. What a time as this for prayer! Pastor Bjorn introduced to us the concept of Intercessory Prayer, standing in the gap for our others, praying for the needs of our friends, family, church, community, nation and world. He used Ezekiel 22:30 as an example: *I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none.*

Personally, I was encouraged through this conference to be more INTENTIONAL ABOUT PRAYER. For example, when someone comes up to me and shares about physical, emotional or spiritual concerns – instead of saying, "I'm going to pray for you," I'm going to stop, right then and there and pray for that person. One of the phrases I learned in going to Africa with Bjorn was a Swahilli word, "Maombi Quanza!" which means PRAY FIRST! Prayer should not be an after-thought. When discerning God's Will for something and facing a decision or challenge, we should pray about it first, then listen to what God is saying through PRAYER, SCRIPTURE, and WISE COUNSEL.

I loved the fact that we teamed up with Easton Presbyterian in this ecumenical event. Prayer should be the one thing that unites us. How much more power when we do joint ministries in the Body of Christ. Jesus, in His High Priestly Prayer prays for unity for Himself with the Father, for His disciples and for all believers. The unity Jesus is calling us to is not necessarily

Caruthers Fair 2019

The 2019 Caruthers Fair came and went and it was a tuff one, two hot days followed by two not so hot days but, losing my voice on the second day made it frustrating to talk. It was a slower than normal year on Wednesday and Thursday, Friday was a little busier but still slower than last year and Saturday picked up a bit but the crowds just weren't as heavy as I remember in the past. Low customer days are just as much work for the volunteers as busy days because we are always ready for the rush.

This year we introduced a new locally smoked pork rib. It was well received. When I asked customers how the ribs were compared to last year their response was they are good this year and they were good last year too. We added a smoke beef brisket style sandwich and dinner to the menu this year and it went over very well too. I thought it was delicious. It's always fun to watch families that come to the booth every year and see how they grow and change over the year.

We had 45 volunteers this year. That would be a whopping 20 fewer volunteers than last year. This year I tried finding volunteers through email and social media, I didn't call and ask individuals to come and help. That must have been my big mistake. That's one reason the council decided we will be forming a Caruthers Fair Committee. This committee will work together to get a commitment from folks to dedicate time next year to work at the booth. We need commitments for this project this year if we want to continue it next year. We are going to try to divide and conquer the duties. When you see sign up sheets for the fair this month please realize if the project is to happen we need your commitment now. We are asking for your time now for two reasons: 1. So you can plan your time to serve this ministry and 2. If we don't have folks that can serve we will have to give up the fair booth and they will put a new organization there.

Financially it was a great success! We made over \$14,000.00 to donate to the Fresno Mission and also donated almost \$3,000.00 in left over food for their ministry of feeding the homeless. It's a great service for the mission because when we have don't sell out, we know the mission folks will enjoy our great leftovers. **Thank you to everyone who made the food booth happen.**

The Fresno Rescue Mission will be at the Thanksgiving Eve Service on November 27th, come and hear the testimonies from the graduates of their programs. God has done some amazing things at the mission and we have been very blessed to help support them. Immanuel thanks each and every volunteer to help make this project happen. I pray we are all blessed by this mission project.

Victoria Salwasser, Fair Chair

In Celebration of Our Members':

NOVEMBER

Birthdays

- 1-Michelle Hardy
- Emerson Linger
- 3-Jennifer Perez
- 5-Sandy Britter
- 6-Ericka Gardner
- John Geidner
- 7-Stephanie Clarkson
- 10- Jim Hansen
- 13-Noah Cisneros
- 15-Susan Stiltz
- 17-Andrew Nielsen
- Tori Tarlton
- Dylan Harding
- 19-Kori Peterson
- 20-Don Pettitt
- Dan Lindsey
- Clifford Ostergard
- 23-Laura Nielsen
- 28- Al Hooper

Wedding Anniversaries

- 4-Robert & Kaylee Hollenbeck(2)
- 19-Nick & Jackie Caglia (14)
- 21-Fred & Sandi Johnson(49)

Baptismal Birthdays

- 4- Irma Orozco
- 8-Matthew Nielsen
- 14-Jamie Atondo, Jr.
- 17-Chase Clarkson
- Carissa Severin
- Christian Johnson

Special Big Number November Birthdays

Happy Birthday to CLIFF OSTERGARD on his 86th birthday November 20th and to AL HOOPER on his 90th birthday, November 28th.



Some How; Some Day; Social Hall

The vision has been presented and it's now time to form an official committee for the purpose of remodeling our well used and enjoyed Social Hall. As it was last refreshed in 1988, it's time to spruce up and maintain the building as needed. The above picture is the architects vision of a new entrance for our hall facing Lincoln Ave. There will be ramps at both front and back entrances.

Please pray for this endeavor. If you would like to help financially there is a designated fund set up for saving money for this renovation. If you would like to donate money to the Social Hall renovations please note on the memo line on your check "social hall" so that it will be deposited into the designated fund.

structural unity (such as the merger into the ELCA), but spiritual unity – finding what we have in common in Christ and celebrating that unity of love in mission to a very polarized world.

What is the next step after the Prayer Conference? – Pray for that next step – that we won't lose what we've gained – God opening our eyes to the importance and power in prayer. And BE INTENTIONAL in prayer. Pray for the possibility of a PRAYER SCHOOL that could be the next step of maturity as a Body of Christ.

I leave you with something I learned from Prayer Watch International – three things that I pray for you: PROTECTION – DIRECTION – FAVOR. May God grant you protection from all harm, direction in seeking His highest will and purpose for your life, and His favor be upon you and your family. So, I PDF you, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

Pastor John

JEWISH OUTREACH INTERNATIONAL HERE NOVEMBER 3

Cyril Gordon, formerly of Jews for Jesus will present the gospel at Immanuel Sunday November 3. Jewish Outreach International strives to reach out to Jews with the gospel of the True Messiah Jesus Christ. Cyril visited Immanuel a few year ago, so he will be familiar with many of you.

Cyril will be presenting a message on "The Feast of Tabernacles." He will be using power point to supplement his message. Be sure to put this on your calendars, and invite a friend to hear this fascinating message and hear how Jewish Outreach International strives to reach Jewish people with the message of the Messiah – ours and theirs!

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE NOVEMBER 27

Please join us for our annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service, here at Immanuel, November 27 at 7:00 p.m. This National holiday was set aside to thank God for His provision for us as a nation. We will feature a children's choir and hear Matt Dildine, CEO of the Fresno Rescue Mission speak about the great work of the mission. Typically, one or two of the recipients of their ministry will share also about his/her life-changing experience.

Pies in the social hall add to the holiday flavor of our fellowship, so come and join us!

Journey

We spend entirely too much time by ourselves. That's mostly related to the advent of computers and particularly cell phones. Cell phones - the world at our fingertips. There is not a thing we can't know instantaneously. We are at the point of knowing most everything as it happens. Some of that is okay, some of it is stuff we'd be better off not knowing about.

I don't watch much TV and very little commercial TV. But the other night a cell phone commercial aired and I was, brick to the head, struck by the image. The scene was a group of "friends" sitting in a room, no one talking, everyone staring at their new and improved phones. It occurred to me, there we are, the new normal. Sitting focused on a device, oblivious to the world around us. And that was the apparent point of the commercial. There are studies that show people become clinically anxious if they are separated from their phones. There are more deaths resulting from people trying to take selfies than from shark attacks. The population of the US has become vitamin D deficient because we spend that much less time outdoors because, you know, you can't see your phone screen in the sun. Been to a gas station lately? We now have to have a video screen playing while we pump gas! And it's not just those darn kids, it's everyone. We've had to learn to do most tasks one handed because there is a phone in the other one. Phones are among the most germ laden things we touch because we can't perform our bodily functions without our phones. Is someone weaving down the road in front of you, probably looking at a phone. Car in front of you doesn't respond to the traffic light changing, probably looking at a phone. A fight breaks out, does anyone break it up, no, they record it. Perhaps worst of all, we can't sit through our church service without checking our messages. I heard that by the time a child reaches 10 years old there are more than 9000 digital images of them on the web! Am I guilty of any of this, I am.

So what's the big deal? We are quickly losing our ability to relate face to face with each other. No wonder we can feel so isolated. No wonder the suicide rate is climbing. It's not the way it's supposed to be. We were created to be in relationships. Especially with our creator. I'm not suggesting nor do I want to get rid of our phones. They can be very good tools. But we can't let them replace our relationships with Jesus and with each other. So I'm challenging you to shut off and put away your phones each evening when you sit down to dinner with the family. Dinner not the time you're all together, then breakfast. Those of us who live alone, shut it off and spend some time in prayer or Bible reading. Whatever is out there can just wait. I have a feeling it'll make a huge difference in your life. It certainly can't hurt us.

Mighty Men's Movement

For men, there is no shortage of conversations like this. Short surface level interactions that are necessary, but don't lend themselves to deep relationships.

Across the country, men are looking for something more. A chance to breakthrough the mundane and live for something deeper. An opportunity to make an impact in the world and leave a legacy that matters.

On Saturday, November 2, 2019 men from across the nation are gathering together to focus on the legacy they will leave... and you have the chance to be a part.

Live from Fresno, CA you'll hear from: Jonathan Blake Evans, Sammy Rodriguez, Ken Harris, Jeremy Camp

JONATHAN BLAKE EVANS will fill in for his father Dr. Tony Evans: Mentor, author, speaker and former NFL fullback Jonathan Evans, treasures his relationship with Christ along with the opportunity to use his life to glorify God. He seeks to impact today's athletes, men and young adults by equipping and encouraging them in their faith. A graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary, Jonathan serves with his pastor, friend and father, Dr. Tony Evans, both in the local church and the national ministry. He also serves as the chaplain of the Dallas Cowboys and co-chaplain of the Dallas Mavericks. Jonathan is a dynamic speaker at churches, conferences, men's events, banquets, youth, and FCA events. He is committed to developing the next generation of devoted Christian leaders.



These Godly men will share insights and strategies on what it takes to live, and leave, a Godly legacy.

Join la Million Men from across the nation and learn and pray to leave a God honoring legacy.

Live in Person at Peoples Church, located at 7172 N. Cedar Ave. in Fresno, the cost is \$20.00-30.00 per seat.

The program runs from 8:00AM-12:45PM Doors open at 7:00AM.

Will you join us?

Get your tickets for this live event at mightymenmovement.org

Go as a group with Immanuel contact: Pastor John Saethre

Immanuel Women's Ministry

Immanuel Women's Ministry, what does that mean to you? When I think of Women's Ministry I think of women working for God through serving those who need. Can we work better for God together? Can we can strengthen our faith by serving others? Can we find strength from others by serving along side of them? Can we form friendships by being together with other God fearing women? I think this is what the mission statement for Immanuel is all about: Called to make Christ known to those who don't know him.

So far this year we have had many successful gatherings through the year, learning new things at gatherings with themes like: when life gives you lemons, make lemonade, monthly quilters sewing quilts, gathering together and studying the Bible with 3 different women's Bible studies, two monthly, Faith and Dorcas, and one weekly on Thursday mornings. Maybe there is something else God is calling us to do. If you would like to explore new ideas for women's ministry at Immanuel join us for a brainstorming session after church on November 3rd in the library to discuss our calling for 2020. We are wondering what can Women's Ministry mean to you?

Currently Thursday morning women meet at 10:00am in Grace Hall. Led by Pastor Dawn Spies they are reading the book of Revelation, it's crazy and fun. Faith will start chapter 1 of "Healthy Living" a study of Colossians & Philemon by Melanie Newton on November 5th at 6:00PM, join the group at the home of Gina Cogan(2407 E. Katherine) and look through Colossians 1:1-8. Please call the church office if you would like a book or download to your own device at: melanienewton.com and learn how you can stay away from spiritual infection and have a healthy spiritual life. Dorcas' study meets the second Tuesday of every month in the church library at 10:00AM these women are going through the book "Connected" by Thom Rainer its about connecting to God and His church. It's easy to meet once a month.

If you aren't involved in Biblical devotions I pray your find it in your heart either by reading the Bible with other women or on your own. You will feel the difference in your life. We are called to serve, that's why we are here. If there is something in Women's Ministry that you are hoping to find please come and share your thoughts and enjoy a little morning refreshment on November 3rd after church. I'm praying for ideas and answers to how we can serve Immanuel's needs the way God intends us to.

Serving our Lord,
Victoria Salwasser
Women's Ministry President

So, I'm pledging to shut it off to eat and pray and read for one hour a day. If you are willing to join me let me know. I'll let you know how I did. Also no phone peeking during church. It's the right thing to do. Be strong! God bless us all.

I love you, John.

Sunday School & Youth

Hello Immanuel!

The end of this year is sneaking up on us. Just a few announcements:

-There will be no Refuge on November 27. Join us for our amazing Thanksgiving Eve service and spend time with your families.

-I will be discussing with Pastor the direction of our Children's program for this Christmas this month. I will have an update on this in the middle of the month.

-Refuge will be going to Gateway Ice Center on December 4 for a night of Ice Skating, it will cost \$5 per person.

-Refuge will be following up with Pastor Bjorn's prayer programming on November 6th for our lesson. Be sure to have your students there for that night!

-Grace in Action has been running fantastic! Laurel Jacobsen has been working very hard to create a quality weekly program for our students. Spread the word about this and try too get your children and grandchildren here! The students will be learning a song to sing at the Easton Community Thanksgiving Eve Service. The kids will ring the bells and then sing the song "We Gather Together" along with the kids from the other Easton Churches. All the churches are learning this song. Not only will there be an adult community choir but there will be a children's community choir. All the kids will get to ring the bells again this year. Mark your calendar and give yourself a break and come to the Community Thanksgiving Eve service on November 27th at 7:00PM.

Jacob Wood, Youth Director at Immanuel

GIVE BLOOD



SAVE LIFE

**Russ Dunbar
Memorial Blood
Drive on
November 10th
8:00AM-Noon**

Bleed and Feed this week too. Sign up on blue bulletin board in the church entryway to donate blood and get a free lunch. If you can't donate blood and want a lunch or just want to feed the rest of your family the cost is only \$7.00. **They like to have an idea of how many to feed so please sign up today!**

**Now Is the Time
for Unwavering Conviction**

UNASHAMED is the theme for a 2 day conference!

Disciples of Christ are not of the world; our desire is for a new city prepared by God. Yet we are not to abandon this world. Having been called out of the darkness, we are sent back into an unbelieving and perishing world so that people may be saved. Now is not the time to let fear of ridicule hinder this mission. We must boldly proclaim the truth.

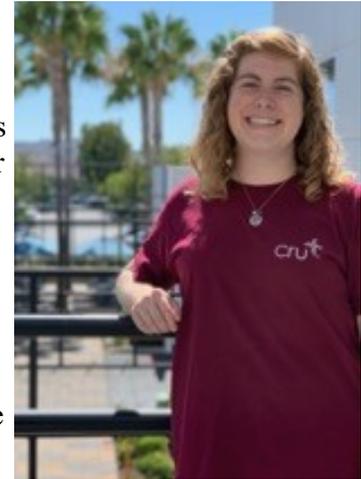
Join us on April 24-25, 2020, for a two-day conference in Kingsburg, CA. W. Robert Godfrey, Steven Lawson, and John MacArthur will remind us of the power of the good news, paint a picture of gospel-shaped ministry, and help us to say along with the Apostle Paul, "I am not ashamed of the gospel" (Rom. 1:16).

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel..." Romans 1:16

Register for the Early-Bird Discount before November 8
Phone: 800-435-4343 or Web: Ligonier.org/Kingsburg

CRU Missionary Report

This last week I had the privilege of helping to lead worship during our Faith and Finance Conference in Colorado Springs for our fellow colleagues. Over the course of 4 days, we had time to reconnect with other new staff members from the summer, study the biblical truth of our identity in Christ and be trained in financial stewardship by a professional financial adviser. The words of this song became the anthem of our week together as we meditated on God's promises.



We started the week by discussing what lies we were currently believing about ourselves and our ministry and then took time to find scripture to combat those lies with the truth of God's Word. We were reminded of the freedom found in God's grace and how important it is to practice spiritual disciplines, such as prayer and gratitude, to draw us closer to him as we rest in his love.

In addition to realigning our hearts with God's Word, we were all trained in the basic principles of financial stewardship throughout the conference. We discussed earning, giving, debt, record keeping, spending and adjusting our plan, all within a biblical perspective. It was important to be reminded that everything that we have is owned by God and we are simply entrusted to steward it well.

Having a business degree came in pretty handy, though I was still a bit surprised how much new information I heard during the sessions. I learned a lot about the different methods of investing verses savings and how to keep a record of my ongoing expenses in order to stay within my personal budget. It was actually kind of fun to start planning for the future!

I am so thankful that Cru requires this conference for all new staff members because I now feel renewed in my calling to ministry and more confident in my financial stewardship. I can rest in the truth that God will provide everything that I need, knowing that he cares for me.

Your Sister in Christ,
Ellen Nielsen

Weekly Prayer Focus

Our Dean, Pastor Douglas, has suggested that we focus our prayers each week through our call process. Each focus won't necessarily be specific to the call process but will promote a unity in our prayers. God bless you as each day we individually pray "together".

Week of 11-4:

This week let us focus on our families. Pray for your mom and dad, kids, grandkids, brothers and sisters and all your relatives. The call process is about finding a shepherd to lead our family Immanuel. Bible verse: Galatians 6:10.

Week of 11-11:

This week let's focus on our veterans. For those both in and out of the military who have served in order to prosper a country where we can freely worship our Savior. Bible verse: 2 Corinthians 3:17.

Week of 11:18:

This week let us focus on following Jesus. Pray that Jesus will reveal his plans for you. Know that he has called you to service. Bible verse: Luke 5:27.

Week of 11:25:

This week focus on thankfulness. Thanking God for all he has done and provided for you. Thank him for all those pastors who have taught and lead us to Jesus. Bible verse: Colossians 2:7.

Prayers of our Church

Members and their families serving in the military: *Kobe Bell, Joey Brewer, Henry Clark, Michael Hansen, Caleb Hathaway, Scott Linger, Matt Ward, & Matthew Tigchelaar.*

Those unable to travel about:

Tom Britter, Olga Hansen, Richard Hansen, Elsie Hoff, Marilyn Iversen Art & Marian Olesen, Phyllis Petersen, Helen Mackersie, and Howard Nielsen.

Those in need of healing: *Bobby Bell, Tom & Sandy Britter, Joyce Butterfield, Luanne Byrd, Dalles Cline, Clara Cooper, Pat Griffin, Susan Hooper, Betty Jensen, Shirley Keller, Janet & Bill Messenlehner, Isaac Orozco, Eva Orum, Clifford Ostergard, Chuck Phillips, Sr., Virginia Pilegard, Ryan Tofteland, Tim Trickett, & Joe Wozniczka.*

Those battling with the mental illness.

Continue to Pray for our Call Process:

For our Interim Pastor and the Call Committee as well as the new Pastor the Lord will send to Immanuel.

A Message From our President

"Don't be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Philippians 4:6

As most of you know, either firsthand or by word of mouth afterward, Immanuel recently hosted a prayer conference. Now some say, "Prayer... why do I need a conference to help me pray?" My response is simple, "Why not?" The simple questions about prayer that I had to answer for myself included do I start my day with prayer? End it just the same? Offer thanks for the good, guidance for the bad? Healing for the sick? Praise for those special people or circumstances that have come my way? What I learned in answering those questions was I did say thank you, asked for guidance, prayed for healing, and praise for the special stuff. What I also learned was that prayer was not my first priority every day. Why? Simple. It takes work. Getting on your knees and asking for all of these things takes work. Letting our creator know everything on our heart in a continuous, lifelong dialog is intentional. Pastor Bjorn offered so much perspective on the topic of prayer during his stay with us. Even today, my mind still is processing everything I heard. Our time during the last two-ish years has been filled with prayer for so many things. The call process, our brothers and sisters, good health, healing, mercy, inspiration, bountiful harvest, rain, good decision making, and on and on and on. What I learned during the conference is simple:

1. Prayer is THE foundation of a healthy relationship with God. We get nowhere without it.
2. God instructs us to a standard for prayer that says, IF you ask of ME and I don't answer, keep asking. If you seek from ME and don't find what you're looking for, keep seeking. If you knock on the door and I don't answer, keep knocking.
3. While God knows what's on my heart, He still WANTS to hear my voice.
4. While we pray in our time, HE answers in HIS.

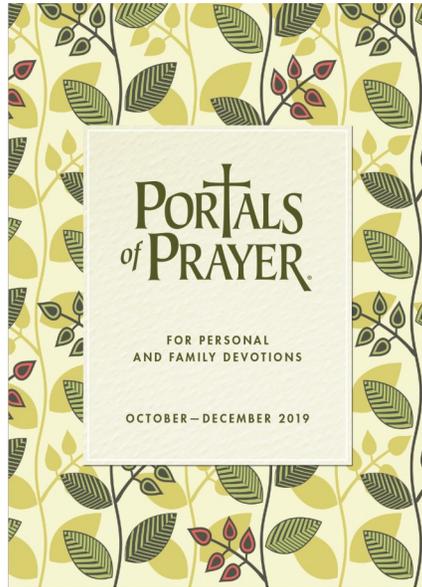
Ask. Seek. Knock. And don't stop. And those directions come straight from the top!

Prayerfully challenged (but asking, seeking, knocking for more help),

Fred

Daily Devotions Available in the Church Entryway! Please pick up a copy of

**“Portals of Prayer”
on the table under the gold bulletin board.**



They are free for you to take home and read daily.

It's a great way to be inspired every day with Bible verses and heart warming devotions. Pick up your October—December copy and start a daily devotional habit today!

The photo on the right is a picture of Sarah Hoesel, who went with our team in February. Andree is using this photo as an advertisement for the new school.



The photo on the left is the construction of the driveway into the school.

The photo on the right is the construction of the walls for the new school



Students in Poipet leaning together the English language and the love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Thank you all for helping to make this possible for the students in Poipet.



PRINCE OF PEACE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

In last month's Chimes I shared with you about the need for 100 school books for the school that our missionary team worked with on our trip last February. The original estimate was 100 books at \$10.00 each which would include shipping them over to the school. The donations exceeded the actual costs of the books and I was able to purchase the books on sale. Getting the books to Cambodia was a problem for me but not for God. A team with LightBridge Ministries out of Denver, Colorado, left on October 20 to minister in Poipet and they were happy to hand deliver the books to Andre at no additional cost. Therefore, I purchased the books and had them shipped to the leader of the ministry team in Denver. It was exciting to partner with these fellow believers to further God's Kingdom, even though we have never met.

Since we did not incur shipping fees and the books were on sale in October the council discussed and voted that the remaining funds be sent to the school to pay for an adequate roof to cover the new facility. The rainy season starts this month so a roof is very important. They are very grateful to be starting school in covered classrooms. God is so good.

Thank you to Immanuel Lutheran for your quick response to pay for these books and roof. Again, thank you for your generosity.

Laurel Jacobsen

The letter below is a Thank You from Andre Oudom, founder and principal of Prince of Peace International School in Poipet, Cambodia. This school has grown from 60 when our church sponsored team was there in February 2019, to over 300 students that have signed up for the new school year which begins in November. New classrooms are being built to accommodate the sudden influx of students. See the photos on the next page.

Laurel,

Thank you for that. I am appreciate the people at Immanuel Lutheran church that they have good hearts in giving and we would love to say thank you for the books. We are blessed to have them buy the books for the school. We are very happy to have the books from the USA to use them here as our school curriculum. We believe that by using these books our school will affect to the students in aducating them and our school will grow more by using these books. Thank you so much! We will keep you inform about the school.

Andre.

100th Annual Fresno Veterans Day Parade

The Fresno Veterans Day Parade occurs on November 11th this year. The parade begins at 11:11 am in front of Fresno City Hall, Fresno, CA. The parade is currently the largest on the West Coast and broadcasts live locally and worldwide via satellite to all of our service men and women on bases around the world! The goal is to honor all of our service men and women in a huge show of appreciation each year.



Veterans Day is an official United States public holiday, observed annually on November 11, that honors military veterans; that is, persons who served in the United States Armed Forces. It coincides with other holidays, including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day, celebrated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of World War I; major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. The United States previously observed Armistice Day. The U.S. holiday was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.

Veterans Day is not to be confused with Memorial Day, a U.S. public holiday in May; Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who *died* while in military service.^[1] It is also not to be confused with Armed Forces Day, a minor U.S. remembrance that also occurs in May, which specifically honors those *currently serving* in the U.S. military.

NOVEMBER

2019

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Daylight Saving Time ends on November 3rd Set your old clocks (most new ones do it on their own) back one hour before you hit the hay on November 2nd and enjoy the hour you lost in March!					1	2 Set your clocks back 1 hour before bed.
3 Daylight Saving Time Ends! 2:00AM becomes 1:00AM! 9:15AM Grace in Action for all 10:30AM Worship for everyone with communion Dorac Bible Study will have Altar Duty.	4 12:00PM Easton Food Distribution 1:30PM Tai Chi in Grace Hall 7:00PM NA	5 Quilters meet from 9:30-11:30AM in Social Hall 6:00PM Faith Bible Study at the home of Gina Cogan	6 8:00-10:00AM Breaking Grounds Café 12:20 WUHS FCA Lunch in Social Hall 6:00-8:00PM Rufuge	7 6:00AM Men's Bible Study 10:00AM Women's Bible Study	8	9 Out to Dinner Night at Edo-Yah 5:00PM
10 Russ Dunbar Memorial Blood Drive With Bleed & Feed 9:15AM Grace in Action for all 10:30AM Worship for everyone 11:30AM Fellowship Time	11 Veteran's Day 1:30PM Tai Chi in Grace Hall 7:00PM NA	12 10:00AM Dorcas Bible Study	13 8:00-10:00AM Breaking Grounds Café 12:20 WUHS FCA Lunch in Social Hall 6:00-8:00PM Rufuge	14 6:00AM Men's Bible Study 10:00AM Women's Bible Study	15	16
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24 9:15AM Grace in Action for all 10:30AM Worship for everyone 11:30AM Fellowship	25 1:30PM Tai Chi in Grace Hall 7:00PM NA	26	27 7:00PM Community Thanksgiving Eve Service Work Circle A in charge Of Pie Fellowship in Social Hall	28 Thanksgiving Holiday Bible Studies at church continue next week. 	29	30