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Immanuel Weekly News

Sunday 21st August 2022

Our Minister is Revd Robert Jordan



Swindon Old Town Ecumenical
Partnership Established 1969

We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending this morning's service

Today's Service

Worship today will be led by Robert, and we will celebrate Communion – the invitation is open to all to share the bread and the cup.
Chaplain: Steve Brain
Prayers of Intercession will be led by Liz Gibney

Readings: Jeremiah 1; 6-10 Luke 13; 10-17

Theme: This is not what it's for!

Sunday 28th August

Service at Immanuel will be led by Revd Martin Camroux
Chaplain: Don MacArthur

Being the fourth Sunday, Robert will be leading worship at Highworth URC.

Thought for the week: Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter. (Martin Luther King Jr.)

Family News

As a result of a fall whilst on holiday, Pat Rebbeck has broken a femur, and after a stay in hospital in Exeter is now in Fitzwarren House, Stratton. She is likely to be there for the next two weeks.

Please hold Win Dean in prayer, on the death of her daughter Leslie.

Barbara Ferguson had a fall, and broke a rib, she is now in Falcon Ward (GWH).

Jenny Powley went into Hospital yesterday for her surgery.

Tea and Chat

25 of us joined in another tea and chat session on Tuesday afternoon and one highlight was a surprise birthday cake for Nancy Self who celebrated her 99th birthday this week....a little cake for a little lady!



We have promised her a much bigger one next year for her 100th!



If you know of anybody who might welcome some flowers as a reminder that we're thinking of them, please let us know.

From the Memorial Book in the Chapel we pray for the family and friends of **Neil Jones**

We pray for

- For the victims of natural disasters: earthquakes, droughts, floods.
- For families who share their lives by adopting children in need of new homes.
- Our commitment to doing things for the environmental health of our planet.
- That our lives may be living signs of justice and peace for all people.
- for those planning for the reopening of Messy Church and for volunteers to come forward to help with children eager to return there.

New Partnership secretary

Our very best wishes to **Andrew Enow** who has been appointed as the new secretary of the Old Town Partnership of Churches. It is wonderful to see one of the newer members of our fellowship stepping forward in this way. Thank you, Andrew.

A little reminder....

next month the paper versions of £20 & £50 notes will be expiring. It's worth your while just checking under the bed or in that old biscuit tin before the end of August to use them or go into a bank to change them for the latest plastic version.

You could always, of course, put them in your offertory in August but please don't leave it until September. Sue Goodall
Treasurer



**The Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust
Annual Ride and Stride Event is due to
take place on Saturday 10th September.**

If you would like to take part, either walking or riding your bicycle (or horse!) I can let you

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have the necessary information and sponsor form - the idea being to get sponsorship for visiting as many churches as you possibly can that day. Half of this sponsorship money will go to the WHC Trust and the other half to your own church - and there is a Gift Aid facility available.

Immanuel will be one of the churches open that day (10.00am - 6.00pm) for the use of the toilets and to offer a cold drink so I would also be grateful if you could spare an hour or two during the day to 'man the checkpoint' in the atrium and sign the visitors' sponsor forms. It's not an arduous job so bring a good book with you! Please contact me, Liz Gleed, after the service or on my mobile 07768 120364 for further details and/or with offers of help on the day. Many thanks.



Ten in a Bar

24th September is going to be a busy day at Immanuel: with the big Jubilee celebration service in the afternoon marking the 50th anniversary of creation of the URC, the popular close harmony group, Ten in a Bar has chosen that night to hold their first full concert since the lockdowns. Tickets are £10 on the door and the evening starts at 7.30pm. It promises to be a splendid concert