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Immanuel Weekly News

Sunday 2nd October 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: Harvest Sunday

Today's worship is led by the minister

Chaplain: Maria Kawonga

Readings: Habakkuk 2; v1-5 and Luke 17;
v5-6.

Theme: the vision that leads us.

Intercession prayers today prepared by Liz
Gibney.

Tea and coffee will be served after this
morning's service

Sunday 9th October

Worship at Immanuel will be led the
minister

Chaplain: Helen Marson

Our Memorial Book in the Chapel reminds us that the anniversaries of the deaths of **Marion Haskins, Winifred Phillips** and **Bill Williams** fall this week. We remember them and pray for their families and friends.

Last week's flowers went to Myra Hartshorn, Mildred Carter, Catherine Macvicar and Linda Tindall.

The Prayer Group has moved to a winter gathering on Thursdays for the next few months. From next Thursday, October 6th 2022, we shall meet in the chapel at 2.00pm and then on alternate Thursdays at the same time until further notice. Please join us if you wish and continue to write names /subjects for prayer on the frame next to our memorial book, in the chapel.

Harvest Appeal 2022

This year our appeal is to raise funds for Tools for Self Reliance in memory of Bernard Phillips, a charity that he supported for many years. The charity collects tools for refurbishment and sends them abroad for use in developing countries. Tools for Self Reliance also funds courses for trainees who will use these donated tools to set up a small business to benefit the local community. We are particularly interested in helping to fund a training project for street girls to train as tailors in Ghana. Tools for Self Reliance have agreed to fund the students' accommodation on the Year 2 programme, and the accompanying letter gives further details. Please give as generously as you can.

If you have tools, sewing machines or anything of that kind that you would like to donate, there are two possibilities:

- a. There is a warehouse that collects these in Stanton Park, in the public parking, just behind the barn. They are open every Friday between 10.00-12.30
- b. If you have no possibility to take to Stanton Park, and they don't take up



Thought of the week: "No one is perfect Charlie Brown. That's why pencils have erasers"

Elders meeting:
Our next meeting is on Thursday 6th

Luke 17:6

"if you have faith as small as a mustard seed"

Our prayers for –

The Harvest Appeal -Tools for Self-Reliance Messy Church, which meets today after a long Covid pause

Those in need of help: food, comfort, hope, warmth

Those who in need of health and wholeness: Physical, Emotional, Spiritual, Psychological Elders meeting

Photos in the parlour

If you haven't yet had a look, Steve has put together a fresh display of photos in the parlour - a look back over the past year at Immanuel. I wonder if you feature in any of the shots on display?

too much space, you can bring to church, and we can arrange collection via a volunteer.

Eco-church

We continue our Eco-church ambitions, providing you with some tips for more sustainable living each week in the Newsletter. You may find that you are already doing these things, in which case you can give yourself a pat on the back.

Tip 16) Unsubscribe

Following on from last week, while you are going through your emails, unsubscribe from all the mailing lists that you never read.

Harvest Service

Today we celebrate our Harvest Service and all gifts received will be taken to the Swindon Food Collective. So that these donations really help people, they have sent us list of suggestions, given that they have plenty supplies of pasta, cereals, tinned soup and baked beans - **Swindon Food Collective Is In Most Need Of:**

Cleaning cloths/Anti Bac wipes	Household Cleaners	Laundry pods / power / liquid/conditioner
Wash & Go 2in1 Shampoo /Conditioner	Deodorant (male & female)	Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
Surface Cleaners	Toilet Rolls	Shower gel (male & female)
Biscuits	Tinned Fruit	Small Jars of Coffee
Tinned Meats	Tinned Potatoes	Small Bags of Sugar

The URC Golden Jubilee

Even though the national celebration of our denomination's Golden Jubilee has been postponed, as you will know, our own local event took place last Saturday and what a day it turned out to be. Those

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of you unable to come along really missed a glorious occasion - stirring music, an inspirational sermon and representatives from so many different churches. The tea and cake afterwards was greatly appreciated and lots of new friendships forged.... the URC at its best. Many thanks to all those folk Immanuel who did so much to make it the success that it was.

