

Notices

**Fellowship Groups meet on Tues 16 / Wed 17 / Thurs 18 November.**

To join a group please contact Andrew Grey.

**11-14s youth group tonight 6.30-8.00pm**

At Max and Lauren Fenn's home.

**Adult Sunday School class—from next Sunday at 9.30am...**

We're going to spend a few sessions on the Bible's good teaching on gender & sexuality.

**December and Christmas Dates...**

**Church prayer meeting Wednesday evening 1<sup>st</sup> December**

We WON'T be having an Advent Service on 1st December. But we WILL be having our scheduled monthly prayer meeting, starting at 8.00pm. Venue TBC

**Men's Breakfast Saturday 4th December**

From 8.30-9.30am at Konch's cafe (near St Thomas' church). £5 per head for full English or vegetarian (includes hot drink). Email [steven.durrant4@gmail.com](mailto:steven.durrant4@gmail.com) to book a place.

**Great for friends and visitors: publicity available soon**

Saturday 18th December 10am — Christmas Family Fun

Sunday 19th December 10.45am — All Age Carol Service

Sunday 19th December 6.30pm — Traditional Carol Service

**Christmas weekend**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December 10.00am — Christmas Morning Service

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December 10.45am — Boxing Day Service

**Food for hungry Christians**

A great new Barnabas Fund project, seeking to help Christians in some of the poorest parts of the world, where faith in Jesus makes daily survival even harder. For more information see <https://www.food.gives/>

**Giving**

**Regulars** wanting to support our work can give through a standing order supported by Gift Aid. Information available from the table at the rear of the hall or from our treasurer: [treasurer@immanuelbrentwood.org](mailto:treasurer@immanuelbrentwood.org)

**Weekly update e-mail and online address book:**

To be included please ask Caroline Evans ([admin@immanuelbrentwood.org](mailto:admin@immanuelbrentwood.org)) for a form.



## Welcome to Immanuel Church Brentwood

**Welcome!** It's great to have you here.

We meet at **9.30am** in different teaching groups for Sunday School. Fresh coffee and cake are served at 10.15am. Church begins at **10.45am**. We hope that **whole families** will enjoy church together. **For children** there is a separate **learning sheet** to help them make the most of the sermon. We don't mind that little ones make a bit of noise or wriggle around.

**Toilets** are located along the corridor on the ground floor. If you need assistance or information just ask one of the people who welcomed you when you came in.

If you're a **parent** please keep an eye on younger children before and after the service as the school is both a big and public space and we want everyone to stay safe. Please accompany your children to the toilet.

If younger children need a break there is a **crèche** nearby with toys and activities. Make your way to the back of the hall and you'll be shown where it is. You can leave your child there or remain with them.

**While you are waiting for the service to begin, please familiarise yourself with the nearest emergency exit.**

**If there is an emergency during the service:**

- Go to the muster point which is the field adjacent to the car park
- **If you have children in crèche**, they will be evacuated to the playground with the covered tables; please collect them from there, then proceed to the muster point.

**If you're new to the church or have a question...**

Speak to one of the team; send an email to [info@immanuelbrentwood.org](mailto:info@immanuelbrentwood.org); or fill in your details below and put the slip in the box by the door to request information about:

Is there more to life?  Christianity Explored  Immanuel Church Brentwood

**Your name and contact details**

*In completing this form, you agree that Immanuel Church Brentwood may store and use any personal details with which you supply us for the purpose of providing you information about Immanuel Church Brentwood.*

**Welcome and call to worship**

**Andrew Grey**

*Psalm 46:1,11 "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."*

**Praise God, my soul! With all my heart**

Let me exalt his holy name.  
Forget not all his benefits;  
His praise, my soul, in song proclaim.  
The LORD forgives you all your sins,  
And heals your sickness and distress;  
Your life he rescues from the grave,  
And crowns you in his tenderness.

3. The LORD is merciful and kind,  
To anger slow, and full of grace.  
He will not constantly reprove,  
Or in his anger hide his face.  
He does not punish our misdeeds,  
Or give our sins their just reward.  
How great his love—as high as heaven—  
Towards all those who fear the LORD!

5. Each human life is like the grass,  
And like a meadow flower it grows.  
Its place will never be recalled  
Once over it the tempest blows.  
But everlasting is God's love  
For those who fear him, and their seed—  
For those who keep his covenant,  
And carefully his precepts heed.

2. He satisfies your deep desires  
From his unending stores of good,  
So that, just like the eagle's strength,  
Your youthful vigour is renewed.  
The LORD is known for righteous acts  
And justice to downtrodden ones.  
To Moses he made known his ways,  
His mighty deeds to Israel's sons.

4. As far as east is from the west,  
So far his love has borne away  
Our many sins and trespasses  
And all the guilt that on us lay.  
Just as a father loves his child,  
So God loves those who fear his name.  
For he remembers we are dust,  
And well he knows our feeble frame.

6. God's kingly rule is over all;  
In heavèn he has set his throne.  
O you his angels, praise the LORD,  
Strong ones by whom his will is done.  
O praise the LORD, you heavenly hosts,  
His servants who perform his word.  
Praise God, his works throughout his realm,  
And you, my soul, O praise the LORD!

*Sing Psalms— Psalm 103*  
Free Church of Scotland

**Salvation belongs to our God**

who sits on the throne  
and unto the lamb:

*Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,  
honour and power and strength  
be to our God for ever and ever,  
be to our God for ever and ever,  
be to our God for ever and ever!*  
Amen.

And we, the redeemed shall be strong  
in purpose and unity,  
declaring aloud:

*Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,  
honour and power and strength  
be to our God for ever and ever,  
be to our God for ever and ever,  
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.*

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**Not to us, but to Your name alone**

*Be all the glory, the glory, forever  
For Your faithfulness and steadfast love  
Receive the glory,  
the glory belongs to You*

All that we've accomplished  
You have done for us  
And any fruit we harvest  
is a gift from Your hand  
We are only jars of clay  
that hold a priceless treasure  
And we exist to bring You pleasure, O God

*Not to us, but to Your name alone  
Be all the glory, the glory, forever  
For Your faithfulness and steadfast love  
Receive the glory,  
the glory belongs to You*

Only by Your mercy  
can we come to You  
Though we deserve Your judgment  
You have called us by name  
So we glory in the cross of Christ  
that made us Yours forever  
That joined our lives together to sing

*Not to us, but to Your name alone  
Be all the glory, the glory, forever  
For Your faithfulness and steadfast love  
Receive the glory,  
the glory belongs to You*

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**Final prayer and blessing**

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**Meeting with the Lord****WHEN? = chapters 23 & 25: the Lord fixed special times to meet with Him**

- **“appointed feasts” (23:2)** = God fixed a place and times (Gen. 1:14)
- **each week: a “sabbath” (23:3)** = rest... like God... meet to worship  
Q: What about us? Genesis 2:1-3... 4<sup>th</sup> commandment... “Lord’s Day”
- **each year: 7 feasts (23:4-44)** = to rest... remember... and worship  
Q: What about us? Colossians 2:16-17
- **over the years: special sabbaths (25:1-55)** = rest... freedom...  
Q: What about us? don’t build up treasures on earth

**WHAT? = chapter 24: the Lord makes his face to shine upon his people**

- **A picture of the Gospel: the lampstand... and the bread**

Numbers 6:23-27, ““Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

The LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

“So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them.”

1 John 3:2, “Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.”

You can listen to Sunday sermons online—[www.immanuelbrentwood.org](http://www.immanuelbrentwood.org)  
Next Sunday we will be looking at Leviticus chapters 26-27

**Summary of God’s Law**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this: “Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.”

The second is this: “Love your neighbour as yourself.”

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

“There is no distinction – all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”

**Confession of sins and assurance of forgiveness**

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbour as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may act justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

**Act of Remembrance**

They shall grow not old, as we who are left grow old:

age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

we will remember them:

**We will remember them.**

*We will keep two minutes of silence.*

Prayers of intercession

1. What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer

There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace  
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine  
I can sing all is mine  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

2. The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side the Saviour he will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need his power is displayed  
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley he will lead  
Oh the night has been won  
and I shall overcome  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

3. No fate I dread I know I am forgiven  
The future sure the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released  
I can sing I am free  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

4. With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For he has said that he will bring me home  
And day by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to him  
When the race is complete  
still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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He lavishes grace as our burdens grow greater

He sends us more strength as our labours increase  
To added afflictions He offers more mercy  
To multiplied trials He multiplies peace

When we have exhausted our store of endurance  
When our strength has failed and the day is half done  
When we've reached the end of our earthly resources  
Our Father's full giving is only begun  
Our Father's full giving is only begun

*So lean hard, lean hard  
Lean on the everlasting arms  
So lean hard, lean hard  
Lean on the everlasting arms  
Lean on the everlasting arms*

His love has no limits, His grace has no measure  
His power has no boundary that's known unto men  
For out of His infinite riches in Jesus  
He giveth and giveth and giveth again  
He giveth and giveth and giveth again

*You lead me beside still waters  
Your goodness restores my soul  
I know that you'll never leave me  
I know that you won't let go*

*So lean hard, lean hard  
Lean on the everlasting arms  
So lean hard, lean hard  
Lean on the everlasting arms  
Lean on the everlasting arms*

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