

Today is the collection for **Wildwood Soup Kitchen**. If you forgot your canned goods you can make a donation in the jar on the table in the foyer.



**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP, Wednesday, May 29**, Breakfast will be served at 7:30 am. Our speaker will be Curtis Ostrander, founder of Dad's for a Day Mentoring Ministries. He was a Police Officer for 30 years and authored "Wisdom for Our Sons—Straight Talk from a Street Cop," which was nominated for a Christian Book of the Year Award in 2018.

**SON SEEKERS MAY MEETING, May 30, 2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall**  
The guest speaker this month will be Bob Shook. Please join us for fun, fellowship, and refreshments. Everyone is welcome.  
**Please notify Linda Wilson if you plan to attend.**

### ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Wed 7:30 am—Men's Fellowship  
Wed 5:00 pm—Prayer Meeting  
Wed 6:00 pm—Choir Practice  
Thur 2:00 pm—Son Seekers  
Sun 9:00 am—Sunday School  
Sun 10:00 am—Worship Service

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Deacon's Meeting—6/6  
Church Picnic—6/7  
Men's Fellowship—6/26  
Son Seekers—6/27  
Deacon's Meeting—7/2



# IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH



*"God with us"*

Philippians 4:13 *"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."*

May 26, 2019



### OUR MISSION

To present Christ, crucified and risen

### OUR VISION

"To keep our focus on Him, to understand what it means to be obedient, and then live that every day. And to define success not by the number of people that walk through our doors, but rather by those that walk out closer to the Lord."

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Organist  
**Tom Campbell**

Pianist  
**Vickie Langford**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude		
Theme Chorus	<i>Immanuel</i>	Pg 201
Presentation of Colors	Jim Shaver and John McKinnon	
Invocation		
Pledge of Allegiance	Rev. Don Doggett	
Welcome and Announcements	Russell Stephens	
Hymn	<i>My Country, 'Tis of Thee</i>	Pg 646
Offertory Hymn	<i>Battle Hymn of the Republic</i>	Pg 645
Offertory Prayer	John Simpson	
Tithes and Offerings		
Doxology		
Special Music	Choir and Russell Stephens	
Pastoral Prayer		
Scripture Reading	<b>Ecclesiastes 12:9-14</b>	
Message from God	<b>"Why Was I Born?"</b>	
Observance of the Lord's Supper		
Invitational Hymn	<i>Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus</i>	Pg 413
Receiving of New Members		
Remembering and Honoring Service Members and Veterans		
Retiring of Colors	Jim Shaver and John McKinnon	
Playing of Taps	Lew Humphrey	
Next week's message by Pastor Mike will be <b>"Pride, Punishment, Pardon" Daniel 4:29-37</b> . It is dangerous for anyone to think they can live without God. Sometimes He will punish them to get their attention.		
<b>Gluten free wafers are available at the Welcome Center.</b>		
	We will have a Church picnic on Friday, June 7 at 6:00 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Hot dogs and Hamburgers will be provided. Sign up at the Welcome Center.	
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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Good morning to you all. We are very thankful you are here today to worship with us and trust you sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place. We are a congregation that loves Jesus, each other, and we welcome you.

The Lord continues to grow His Church with the addition of two more people joining the Immanuel Family. They are:

Anita Howell

Bob Pace

Please introduce yourself to these folks and help them to feel welcome.

We have a very special service this morning as we celebrate and remember those who have died while serving our country's Armed Forces. It is certainly appropriate to set-aside one day each year for this purpose. We also want to acknowledge those who have served this great county. This holiday originated as Decoration Day back at the end of the War Between the States in 1868. In fact, it was General John Logan who first observed this day on 30 May of that year when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers. Decoration Day eventually became known as Memorial Day but it wasn't until 1971 that it became an official federal holiday.

The traditional observance on this day is for the flag of our United States to be raised briskly to the top of the staff and then solemnly lowered to the half-staff position, where it remains only until noon. It is then raised to full-staff for the remainder of the day. The half-staff position remembers the more than one million men and women who gave their lives in service of their country. At noon, their memory is raised by the living, who resolve not to let their sacrifice be in vain, but to rise up in their stead and continue the fight for liberty and justice for all.

Our country, our home is important to us but it is not nearly as important as our heavenly home. We are thankful we enjoy the freedoms we do in the USA, but folks we must stand strong and be diligent in our walk with Jesus. Our enemy the devil wants to steal our loyalty, kill our witness, and destroy our Christian values. Of all the needs of this country going forward it is that we need more of Jesus than anything else.

Thank you for being with us today. We trust you feel welcome here and if you are looking for a church home, we pray you find where the Lord wants you to be. Once He does that, I encourage you to be obedient and serve Him faithfully. May God bless you all abundantly.

Love and blessings to all,  
Pastor Mike

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