

The Caller

IPC Leadership

- *Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price (Pastor)*
- *Jamie Amber (Worship)*
- *Mark Anderson (B & G)*
- *Candace Arlian (Finance)*
- *Sandy Haldane (Clerk)*
- *Herb Turner (Mission)*
- *Laurence Zeh (CE)*
- *Patti Collins (Deacon)*
- *Rozanne Kimpton (Deacon)*
- *Sarah Weaver (Deacon)*
- *Sharon Arlian (Pledge Clerk)*
- *Linda Green (Music Director)*

Building & Grounds....

...has been hard at work for you! Here are some highlights we would like you to make note of :)

There are burned out lights in the fellowship hall and some of the light fixtures may need to be replaced.

The railroad ties around the church lot need replacing, or at least 12 of them do.

The roof in part of the fellowship hall needs repair and it may be worth our while to replace the entire IPC roof over the fellowship hall. The Endowment Fund may be utilized to offset this expense.

Three roofers have been recommended and we are in the process of contacting them for estimates. The last roof repair was 2005.

The Apple tree that is in the middle between the driveway and the parking lot has outgrown its fence. We will be looking at fixes. It currently has lots of small apples-pick away!

We are looking at doing a fall clean up—definitely needed before the snow flies! We need a clean up list and we need someone to LEAD the FALL CLEAN UP. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE consider volunteering your talent and

time to assist!

Thanks every one for supporting our work. Please join us the 1st Wed. of every month in the fellowship hall at 5:30 pm and let your voice, ideas, suggestions, etc. be heard. Also, IF YOU SEE SOMETHING that needs repair, PLEASE let one of the members below know about it sooner than later.

Sincerely, your B&G/BA Committee,

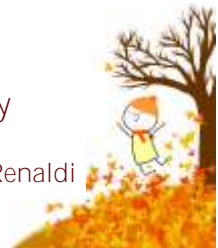
Mark Anderson, Candace Arlian, Mark Green, Norm & Jane Schlittler, & David Weaver.

The Pastor's Page...

...will be back in the next Caller. Rev. Ellen was quite busy and on some well-deserved Study Leave

Once Upon an Autumn Day

by Joseph T. Renaldi



Once Upon an autumn day,
Colorful leaves began to fade
In the midst of a chilly, frosty air
As multitude of trees grew steadily bare.

Once upon an autumn day,
The whispering breeze was here to stay
Moving aimlessly through the countless trees
Scattering leaves with the greatest of ease.

Once upon an autumn day,
The leaves whirled freely in every way,
Until at last they came to rest
Finding a haven in which to nest.

Once upon an autumn day,
The trees were dormant, and the leaves lay
Waiting for the winter snow to fall
To quickly obscure them one and all.



Sunday
November 4th
2:00am.



Searching for a Pianist

The time has come to search and locate a new pianist for Immanuel. Please share the following with pianists you know who might be interested in this rewarding service.

Duties/Responsibilities

- Serve as accompanist for the choir as scheduled.
- Serve as pianist for weekly Sunday worship services, Christmas Eve services and other special services, as needed.
- Attend and rehearse with the choir at mid-week and Sunday rehearsals as scheduled.
- Provide solo repertoire in multiple genres for Preludes, Offertories, and

Postludes for weekly Sunday worship services.

- Attend quarterly planning meetings with the Pastor and Worship Committee and Choir Director.
- Arrange for and coordinate with substitute accompanists when a worship service must be missed due to vacations and other planned absences.
- Participate in annual review of position with Personnel Committee and Chair of Worship Committee.
- In coordination with Christian Education and the Choir Director, will assist with music for the children during Sunday School.

Qualifications

- Knowledge of the piano and ability to play hymns and anthem accompaniments at sight.
- Knowledge of basic music theory, including simple transpositions or harmonizing a melody.
- Knowledge of the Presbyterian Church, matching appropriate music with the themes of the Church Year.
- Ability to work well with others.

Do you know someone who might be a good fit for us and fill this vacancy? Compensation is \$80 per Sunday service and \$40 per Choir rehearsal. Please help us find a pianist.

Ask What Your PFD Can Do for Him

For those of us blessed to live in our great state of AK, we are doubly blessed as residents, in that we receive (on an annual basis) payment for living here. This payment is in return for the vast God-given resources that come directly from His world. So, it seems just and God-loving that those of us, young and old, should give some of His payment back to His work.

Contributing 10% of your PFD, which would be \$160 from the \$1600 being given to us from His bountiful resources

would go a long way to repair our roof, paint our interior, pay our Pastor's salary, pay for a pianist, plow the snow, sweep the parking lot, replace the rail road ties, pay for cleaning, buy supplies, pay the electric bill, phone bill, water bill, garbage bill, and a myriad of other mundane things needed to keep His house and place of worship in good repair and serving Him.

So please, whether your give towards building and grounds, or mission, or Christian Education, just GIVE back to God.

Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year. Eat the tithe of your grain, new wine and olive oil, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks in the presence of the Lord your God at the place he will choose as a dwelling for his Name, so that you may learn to revere the Lord your God always. Deuteronomy 14:22-26

Growing In Grace & Gratitude

That's the name of the curriculum being used for children's Sunday School, which began this past Sunday. Thank you to those in our little village called Immanuel who have so graciously agreed to give their time to raise our children in the life of Christ. They are Laurence, Sandy, Beth, Sarah W., & Joanne. The lessons for this fall are Ishmael & Isaac, Joseph's Dreams, Exodus, God Provides, Jubilee, Deborah, Elijah, God Speaks in Stillness, God Calls Jeremiah, God Calls for Justice, Daniel's Prayer, God Promises Peace, Zechariah & Elizabeth, and Jesus is Born.

The older youth also will follow a curriculum and those who have wonderfully volunteered to be shepherds for our 6th—12th graders are thus far Sharon, Mark, Rozanne, and Heather.

We also want to give huge shout out and heartfelt thanks to those who take our youngest worshipers downstairs during our service to continue with the message!

Please see Laurence and Heather if you have ideas for working with our children and youth. They are also working to identify meaningful and fulfilling mission activities for our youth.

Lastly, let's not forget to thank those persons who have so willingly stepped forward to lead our Adult Forum. We must all realized that our spiritual growth never ends, so thank you Ian and Dan who have so far agreed to share some of their spiritual wisdom with our adult congregants.

Sunday's 10-10:50am:

- Adult Forum at the back of the Fellowship Hall
- Children's Sunday School in the front classroom
- Youth Forum in the middle of the Fellowship Hall

In Loving Memory: Arlene Lidbergh-Jasper



Our beloved pianist and sister in faith, Arlene Lidbergh-Jasper, passed away July 13, 2018; she was 81.

Arlene was born August 15, 1936 in Boston, MA to Charles C. and

Dorothy (Harkins) Lidberg. Arlene lived a full and wonderful life surrounded always by family and friends; always planning her next adventure. Arlene's love of the arts ran deep in her blood, having been showered in the arts throughout her life. Her mom a pianist and her dad an accomplished oil painter took her to many plays and shows in Boston and Manhattan.

In 1961 Arlene moved from Boston to Reno NV, married in 1966 and was blessed with her son Jeffrey in 1968. In 1970 Arlene and family moved to Alaska where she started work at the Anchorage Community College (now UAA) where she worked from 1972 to 1980.

Wanting to start a new adventure, Arlene started a new job at the State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services

and simultaneously attended Loyola University's religious studies program. Upon leaving her State job in 1990 Arlene attend UAA full time, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Music.

Arlene began teaching piano and playing in bands and doing solo gigs. She loved to teach. At one point she had over 40 students, young and old! She played in the After Six Orchestra, and a few jazz groups all here in Anchorage. Later, she learned to play guitar and took vocal lessons from Big Mitch, singing in choir, solo, and with groups at the local markets, at the Alaska State Fair and in the St Pat's Oktoberfest plays. Arlene loved to perform.

In 2015 Arlene started her next adventure, attending the UAA MFA writing program in creative nonfiction, concentrating on writing her memoir. She belonged to numerous writing groups and guilds, and attended many conferences, her favorite being the one held at Tutka Bay.

Arlene loved to travel, some of her favorite places were Homer, Cabo San Lucas, Hawaii, Seattle, Cannon Beach and Haystack Rock, Rockaway Beach and of course Rockport Beach in Massachusetts.

Arlene followed the Boston Red Sox and was able to attend a Red Sox game at Fenway Park in 2007 with her son. Genealogy was another of her interests and she traveled to Paris and to Fontainebleau school to visit where her parents met.

Arlene leaves an indelible mark on Immanuel. It wasn't until 2015 that Arlene became our pianist, but her faith brought her to us long before that, always an active participant in bible studies and Adult Forum. It was only in late April that Arlene held her last recital where her students showed their love for her as their teacher, shining brightly in their playing.

Arlene is survived by her son, Jeff Jasper and wife, Kim, and granddaughter, Robin Jasper, all of Anchorage. *May we carry forward the positivity and love that Arlene spread in her life.*

God bless you Arlene on your new adventure at home with Christ, you will be greatly missed.



Endowment Update

As of the end of last year (2017) the Endowment Fund has risen to \$293,170.13 which lends itself to important discussions and decisions by the three officers of the fund: Mark Anderson, President; Gale Smoke, Secretary; and Rozann Kimpton, Treasurer. The committee attempts to meet once a month, on the second Sunday. But given conflicting meetings and travel of members, usually about seven or eight meetings actually occur in the course of the year. Our most recent meeting was held on September 9th.

In the future, the committee members would like the possibility of giving to Immanuel Presbyterian Church the opportunity for on-line and other methods

of giving to the Endowment Fund. The on-line method would be tied to our website. We would also like people to learn about the diversity and More Light nature of the church to be clearly known when people are considering being a donor to the Endowment Fund.

Given the size of the fund, it has been felt that we have now reached a level where we can begin using the fund's resources, as long as it is done in a prudent way and consistent with the fund's most recent Investment Policy Statement, approved by the Session. This includes giving 50 percent of the previous year's earnings to Immanuel Presbyterian Church. We also will consider using some of the fund's resources for the need of roof repair for the physical plant. Af-

ter the cost becomes known, we will make a recommendation to the Session. Other significant repairs to our House of Worship could be supported by the fund however we also want to stress that the fund is not a stagnant source of money—it NEEDS TO GROW, so please when giving, please think of the Endowment Fund and leave your legacy.





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Immanuel's Mission

We believe that all people are children of God and affirm the worth and dignity of all races, ethnicities, ages, abilities, genders and sexual orientations. Recognizing that we are an increasingly diverse culture and that there are differences among us, we make a commitment to lovingly accept our diversity, as did Christ, with respect, compassion, understanding, and love. We welcome all people into the full life and ministry of this church.

Stay Tuned

Linda Green our creative and inspirational Music Director, who continues to recuperate from knee surgery, will be back soon, leading choir, music, and bringing out the talent of our youth.

Choir will resume in October so stay tuned for coming announcements. ALL welcome and encouraged. Come share your love of faith through music!



Sept. 2: Twyla Johnston
Sept. 3: Mary Ellen Oman
Sept. 5: Norm Schlittler
Sept. 8: Marvin Jones
Sept. 6: Deanna Collins
Sept. 10: Jacobs
Sept. 14: Don Stomberg-Prentke
Sept. 16: Sarah Weaver
Sept. 20: Marty Van Order
Sept. 30: Helena Jacobs



Oct. 12: Nathan Ashworth
Oct. 13: Linn Schmitt
Oct. 20: Miles Green
Oct. 23: Rozanne Kimpton
Oct. 23: Jim Potts
Oct. 24: Fabrice Evengue
Oct. 26: Carole Newton
Oct. 27: Grace Marquiss
Oct. 30: Tina Sliva



Sept. 9: Jason Paulson & Valerie Potts
Sept. 21: Karen Lipinzyck & Gary Respass

Oct. 7: Ellen & Jason Johnson-Price
Oct. 12: Norm & Jane Schlittler



We ask your continued prayers for our congregants Elizabeth Amber as she continues to await transplant in Seattle, Herb Turner who continues to undergo treatment for fluid accumulation in his lung, and for Linda Green as she continues to recover from knee replacement surgery.

Mark Your Calendar

9/16: Joint Presbyterian Youth/Parent Planning Mtg. after worship at IPC

9/17: Men's Night Out @ Spenard Roadhouse

9/23: Session Mtg. after worship

9/29: 12:-3:30pm: Presbyterian Women's Tea @ Trinity Presbyterian Church

9/30: Crop Walk @1:30, 1st Congregational Church

10/3: 5:30pm: Business Affairs Mtg. & Choir Rehearsal @ 7:15pm

10/7: World Communion Sunday; Peace & Global Witness Offering; Presentation by Sarah Weaver on her medical mission trip to Guatemala

10/10: 6pm: Ladies' Night Out somewhere in Eagle River

10/12-13: Presbytery of the Yukon Mtg. @ Eagle River Presbyterian Church

10/14: Worship service led by Worship Committee

10/15: Men's Night Out TBD

10/17: 7:15pm: Choir Rehearsal

10/21: Mission Committee Mtg. after Worship

10/23-10/20: Rev. Ellen on vacation

10/28: Reformation Sunday, worship service led by CRE Marjorie Poggas; UNICEF Offering

And for a **preview of November...**

11/1: All Saints' Day

11/3: BEFORE BED: Turn back your clocks!! (Daylight Savings Time ends at 2am on 11/4)

11/4: All Saints' Sunday with reading of names of saints, Taize style worship

11/18: Stewardship Sunday with dedication of pledges & Thanksgiving Potluck after worship

11/25: Reign of Christ Sunday