

Emmanuel C.S.I. Church, Philadelphia
4937 Church Avenue,
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Sunday school at 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m.

1st & 3rd – Malayalam Holy Communion
2nd & 4th – English Holy Communion
5th – Malayalam Matins

Teleconference Prayer – Wednesday @ 8:00 PM

Fasting Prayer – Every Saturday @ 10:00 AM

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Important Days of the Church Calendar

11/03/2024	World Sunday school Sunday
11/10/2024	Unity Sunday
11/23/2024	House to House Caroling
12/01/2024	Thanksgiving Sunday
12/07/2024	Ecumenical Christmas Program
12/08/2024	Bible Sunday
12/14/2024	House to House Caroling
12/22/2024	Christmas Carol at 5:30 PM
Guest Speaker: Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Youth Chaplain, Marthoma Churches	
12/25/2024	Christmas Day
12/22/2024	Family Sunday
12/28/2024	Family Night Program
12/31/2024	Watchnight Service

Daylights Saving Time Ends on Sunday November 3rd.

Fall Back



On first Sunday in November, move your clocks back one hour and enjoy an extra hour of sleep.



From the desk of presbyter

Praise the Lord, God bless the Emmanuel Family. Once again it is my pleasure to address the Emmanuel Family through this month's newsletter.

Children in the church

Children are a joy but many are also looked upon as a problems and tragically children are sometimes neglected, ignored, oppressed and even abused. The Bible teaches us that children are important. Psalms: 127:3 tells us that they are God's blessing, children are an heritage of the Lord and the fruit of the womb is his reward. The Psalmist in psalm: 128:3 says children are like olive plants round about thy table.

They are referred so because

- 1) The olive plants have a long life.
- 2) It beautifies the house just like cottons.
- 3) It is a medicine, which brings healing.
- 4) It is a sign of victory.

1) Children are important

They are important because of their innocence, openness, trust, receptivity and humility. Today children are being neglected due to varied reasons. How are we making them feel important. In Exo: 2:1 - 10, we read that Moses was taken by the Pharaoh's daughter to care for so that he might grow up to be the liberator of the people of God from the bondage of Egypt. Are there Pharaoh's daughters today to nurture the children to become future leaders to lead others to Kingdom of God. Jesus said don't hinder the children they are important.

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2) Children are to be involved

The children who are important and invited by Jesus are to be involved in the body of Christ. In the Bible we see many children who have ministered to God and the people. They were involved in the service of God. David the small boy killed the giant Goliath and saved his people from the Philistines. Yes though children are small they have a great desire to know God and to serve. They come to Jesus freely, openly, and humbly. They come to God with no posturing of worthiness, like the Pharisee in the preceding parable Luke 18: 11 - 12. Rather, they come because Jesus calls them to him. Having a nursery, Sunday school and children's Church are important but a ministry to children is important since children are spiritual beings and can learn from an early age the truths of the Gospel. Even today Jesus loves the little children, invited to be part of the body of Christ and to be involved for Jesus to bring glory to His name.

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Wedding Anniversaries:

Congratulations and best wishes to all the couples who will be celebrating their anniversaries in the month of November. They are requested to attend Thanksgiving prayer during the Service.

Mr. Arun Cherian & Mrs. Tina Arun	11/10
Mr. Maxwell Gifford & Mrs. Vivija Maxwell	11/20
Mr. Mathew Mangalath & Mrs. Gracy Mangalath	11/21
Dr. Davis Samuel & Mrs. Novina Samuel	11/26



May you truly sense God's love as you celebrate your Wedding Anniversary and see the future years together as memories to be made. By M.S.Lowndes



Door to Door Caroling:

Outskirts of Philadelphia: November 23, 2024

Philadelphia Area: December 14, 2024

Carol Service at Church:

Sunday, December 22, 2024 at
5:30 PM with Malayalam Holy
Communion Service

Birthday Greetings:

The following members will be celebrating their birthdays in the month of November. They are requested to attend Thanksgiving prayer during the Service.

Master Nathan Samuel	11/01
Master Rohan Samuel	11/01
Mrs. Elsen Mathew	11/03
Mrs. Susie George	11/04
Mrs. Jiji Verghese	11/06
Mrs. Achamma Andrews	11/06
Mr. Abhinav Philip Prasad	11/13
Mr. Kizhakayil Mathew	11/14
Miss Josephine Bousqust	11/14
Mr. Vipin Maxwell	11/16
Mr. Anish Mathew	11/25
Mr. Russal Samuel	11/26
Mr. Jacob John	11/27
Mrs. Bindu Saju	11/28
Mrs. Novina Samuel	11/30



God's richest blessings be upon you as you celebrate yet another year on this journey with Christ and as you commit each day into the hands of the Lord.



Lectionary for November 2024

November 03 24th Sunday after Pentecost

**Theme: Children in the Church
Sunday School Sunday**

1 Lesson: Exodus 2: 1 - 10

Psalm 47

2 Lesson: 3 John 1: 1 - 15

Gospel: Luke 18: 15 - 17

Lay Ministry: Sunday School Children

November 10 25th Sunday after Pentecost

**Theme: Light on the Lamp Stands
(Unity Sunday)**

1 Lesson: Zacheriah 4: 1 - 14

Psalm 27

2 Lesson: 1 Corinthians 3: 10 - 15

Gospel: Matthew 5: 14 - 16

Lay Ministry: Youth Fellowship

November 17 Sunday for the Girl Child

Holy Communion Service in Malayalam

Theme: Protecting the Girl Child

1 Lesson: Job 42: 10 - 17

Psalm 45: 8 - 14

2 Lesson: Acts 16: 16 - 18

Gospel: Matthew 15: 21 - 28

Songs:

Lay Ministry: Mr. Aji Sam Mathew & Family

Lectionary for November/December 2024

November 24 Holy Communion Service in English

Theme: Waiting Prayerfully for the Coming of the Lord

1 Lesson: Malachi 4: 1 - 6

Psalm 121

2 Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 2: 1 - 17

Gospel: Matthew 25: 1 - 13

Lay Ministry: Youth Fellowship

December 01 Thanksgiving Sunday (First Sunday in Advent)

Holy Communion Service in Malayalam

Theme: Celebrating the Good News

1 Lesson: Exodus 2: 1 - 10

Psalm 117

2 Lesson: Acts 9: 10 - 18

Gospel: Luke 1: 46 - 56

Lay Ministry: Mr. Kizhakayil Mathew & Family

December 08 2nd Sunday in Advent

Theme: Word of God: Inspired to Inspire
(Bible Sunday)

1 Lesson: 1 Kings 19: 1 - 21

Psalm 119: 33 - 40

2 Lesson: Revelations 10: 1 - 11

Gospel: Luke 1: 39 - 45

Songs:

Lay Ministry: Youth Fellowship

Thanksgiving History & Facts

Thanksgiving is a national holiday that is celebrated primarily in North America. It's celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November in the United States and on the second Monday in October in Canada. The first general day of Thanksgiving was proclaimed by President George Washington, who at the request of Congress recommended Thursday, November 26, 1789, to the people of the United States "as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God."

The first Thanksgiving was celebrated in 1621 over a three-day harvest festival. It included 50 Pilgrims, 90 Wampanoag Indians, and lasted three days. It is believed by historians that only five women were present.

Although Thanksgiving is rooted in the history of the Pilgrims, who were Christian "Separatists," the holiday is generally no longer considered a Christian holiday or a religious holiday. but simply as an occasion to gather with family, eat food, watch football and parades, and be thankful for the blessings of life. Turkey was not on the menu at the first Thanksgiving. Venison, duck, goose, oysters, lobster, eel, and fish were likely served, alongside pumpkins and cranberries.

Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a national holiday on October 3, 1863. Sarah Josepha Hale, the woman who wrote "Mary Had A Little Lamb," convinced Lincoln to make Thanksgiving a national holiday after writing letters for 17 years.

The Bible commands us to give thanks. "Give Thanks" appears in the Bible over 128 times in 62 verses. In most of these verses, "Give thanks" is imperative. As believers, we are to actively give thanks to God for who He is and the great things He has done for us.

