Are you needing someone to drive you to a scheduled doctor appointment OR needing a prescription picked up? Are you unable to go to the grocery store? The Compassion Ministry is ready to help with situations like this....and much more. This ministry's purpose is to assist church members in need. For assistance, contact either Jim O'Donnell at 724-557-0521 or Kathleen in the church office, 724-455-2626. We're here to help!

INTERCESSOR PRAYER LIST

Please note that prayer requests under the headings of Illness, Recovery, Cancer, and Extended Care will remain on the Intercessor Prayer list for four weeks. If you would like to continue to have someone on the list beyond the four weeks, please let Kathleen know.

MAKING A PRAYER REQUEST

PRAYER CARDS: There are prayer cards in the prayer card boxes on the podiums in both foyers. Please sign your name when submitting a request, as we cannot print the prayer request without a signature.

GLOO: We will also be using GLOO (group text messages) to share a prayer concern. If you would like someone to be prayed for through GLOO, please contact Kathleen or Pastor Ben. Please make sure you have permission from the person, or a member of their family, that you would like to have prayer for.



Worship Service

November 15, 2026

Invitation to Worship: Psalm 90:1-2, 14-17

Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Message by: Pastor Ben Tobias

"Standing Guard"

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

As we honor those who stood watch for our earthly freedom, Paul reminds us of our calling as "children of the light" to stay spiritually alert, armored in Christ, and faithful to the believers beside us until Jesus returns.

1. **Our Posture: Alert in an Unsuspecting World (vv. 1–3)**
   - Why do you think people easily fall into a false sense of "peace and safety" spiritually (v. 3), and how does the gospel keep us grounded in reality?
   - What spiritual distractions or comforts tempt you to "fall asleep at your post" in your walk with God?

2. **Our Identity and Discipline: Allegiance and Armor (vv. 4–8)**
   - What does it mean for us to be “children of the Light”?
   - Which piece of armor do you feel you need most right now—protection for your heart or protection for your mind?

3. **Our Mission: Sacrifice, Assurance, and Brotherhood (vv. 9–11)**
   - **Ultimate sacrifice secures our peace.** How does reflecting on earthly sacrifice deepen your gratitude for Jesus, who died so that we might live with Him (v. 10)?
   - **No soldier left behind.** Who feels isolated or weary right now, and how can you practice "no one left behind" by encouraging them this week (v. 11)?

TAKE IT HOME:

- Stay awake! Be alert for the spiritual battles you and others are fighting.
- Pledge allegiance! Daily commit yourself to the Lord, and “put on the armor.”
- Take care of others! Love the Lord, and love each other.



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Saturday evening: 7:00 p.m.
Sunday morning: 8:30 &11:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:00-10:45 a.m.



Mission Statement

The Indian Head Church of God exists to glorify God with Christ centered worship, Biblically oriented discipleship and Holy Spirit directed evangelism and mission, in a loving fellowship.

Vision Statement

Our vision as the Indian Head Church of God is to multiply as devoted disciples of Jesus Christ.

9:30-10:00 a.m. - Coffee House Fellowship - This is a time for fellowship, with coffee and tea. The Coffee House Fellowship is located in the Normalville foyer.

Today is the last day to order both the Grab and Go Lunch Hoagies, and the Poinsettias. There is an insert for each one in the Bulletin.

This weekend, November 14 & 15, fruit baskets are placed in the Normalville side foyer for members who are aged 80 years and older. They are lovingly provided by the Men and Women's Sunday School Class.

A Christmas Cantata will be performed on Sunday, December 20 at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in singing in the choir or participating in the production, we will be practicing weekly, primarily on Tuesday nights, but this week, is has changed Thursday night, Nov. 19. Also, if your child would be interested in being part of the kids' choir for the cantata, please contact Hope Dull at 724-880-1579. If interested in participating in any way, or if you have questions, please talk to Brian or Hope Dull. The practices for November are

Thursday, Nov. 19 - Adult Choir practice
Tuesday, Nov. 24, Adult & Children Choir practice

The Men's Ministry group are asked to come and help with the shoeboxes on Tuesday evening, Nov. 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

National OCC Shoebox Collection Week is **November 16-23, 2026**

Again this year, our church is going to be a drop off point for individuals, groups, and churches in our area to drop off their shoeboxes. Listed below are the set dates and times we will be accepting shoeboxes each day during Collection Week. Help will be needed during the week to assist those bringing boxes, as well as loading the boxes for transport. We would love to have your help in spreading the love of Jesus in our community and around the world with this AMAZING ministry!
If you have additional questions, please contact Susan Shepler.

Monday, Nov. 16 - 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 17 - 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 18 - 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 19 - 10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon
Friday, Nov. 20 - 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 21 -10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon
Sunday, Nov. 22 - 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 23 - 8:00 to10:00 a.m.



If you are packing your own shoebox, please have it to the church by TODAY **Sunday, November 15**. Be sure to include $10.00 for shipping in the shoebox, or you may pay your donation online and you can track your shoebox.

Kathy Foor has a Bible Study on Ephesians. It is held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Room thru December 16.

We will be doing Christmas gifts for Eicher's Nursing Home residents. Tags will be posted on the bulletin board in the Indian Head side Foyer by November 21, and the gifts are to be returned by December 20. Please attach your tag to the gift.

We are continuing with the Meat Vouchers for the ICV Food Pantry for Christmas. If you would like to donate $10.00 towards this need, there are special envelopes in the back of the Sanctuary by the turkey box. We will collect the meat vouchers through Sunday, November 29. Please make checks out to ICV Food Pantry.

Fifth Sunday
Combined Sunday School and Worship Service
Sunday, November 29

Note: There will be NO 8:30 a.m. Worship service.

9:00 a.m. - Combined Sunday School gathering in the Sanctuary. featuring the Youth Christmas Program.

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service

11:30 a.m. - Fellowship Meal in the Social Room.
Provided will be ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls and drink. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

November 29 is also Penny Pile Sunday. This is an extra offering taken during Sunday School, on any given fifth Sunday, for Camp Sonrise Mountain. There will be a container in the back of the Sanctuary for Penny Pile offerings. At all times, there are containers beneath the podiums in both foyers that you can put money in for Camp Sonrise Mountain.

Our annual *Woodcrest Senior Living* Christmas Caroling will be on Sunday, December 6 at 3:00 p.m. This is a wonderful way to brighten the day of those in our assisted living facility. Please plan on joining for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. You will be blessed! To meet us there, the address is **Woodcrest Senior Living, 1 Woodcrest Circle, Scottdale, Pa.** If you have any questions, please see Susan Shepler.

If you would like to read ahead...
Scriptures for next Sunday, November 22

Psalm 95:1-7a
Matthew 25:31-46
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Ephesians 1:15-23

☆Kids' Club and Youth Group☆

Wednesday nights
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

****A simple supper is available for participants at 5:30 p.m.****

Kids in Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Come learn about Jesus through singing, Bible lessons, and crafts. For more information contact Hope Dull at hopeforthekids@gmail.com or 724-880-1579.

Youth 6th Grade & Up

Enjoy games and activities as well as study the book of John. For more information contact Becky Ritenour at: beckyritenour@gmail.com *or* 724-322-0564.

The **Youth Group** is still needing a male leader to help Becky Ritenour. If you are interested in knowing more, please talk to Becky.

ICV Food Pantry Collection: The item being collected for November is Salt. There are containers in the Indian Head side Foyer for the collections.



Applications to serve as a volunteer counselor at Camp Sonrise Mountain for the Summer 2027 thru Winter 2028 season are now open! If you are feeling called to serve as counselor for Summer Camp 2027, Fall Retreat 2027, or Arctic Blast 2028, fill out an application today! Applications can be found at: campsonrisemountain.org/volunteers/. We ask that all interested volunteers apply no later than Jan. 1, 2027. We look forward to serving with you!

We have a *Hearing Assistant System* for anyone who would like to use it. Please see the person who is at the sound board for assistance.

Online Giving is available for the Indian Head Church of God - 1 of 3 ways

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2. **VANCO Mobile Faith Engagement app**
   (Google Play Store or Apple App Store)
3. Through our website:
   Indianheadchurch.org
   and click on the **Donate** button

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