



Ethos Statement

The ethos of Immanuel Church is based on our Christian belief in God, as revealed in Jesus Christ, and a commitment to His teachings and values, love, compassion and care for all. This ethos, which is at the heart of all we do, defines our identity. It is demonstrated by how we do things, the values and convictions that unite and motivate us, the way people relate to each other, within the organisation, and the overall atmosphere or culture which others experience when they come into contact with us.

We are committed to serving others in Southbourne, and its surrounding area, and to excellence in all our community work, aiming that our practice will demonstrate Christian values. We believe that the love and care with which we serve others should reflect the love and care Christ showed His people, and His people should model to each other.

We welcome the community into our building. You don't have to be churchgoer, a member of our Church, or even a person of faith to use our services or our premises, but we do ask that you respect our Christian ethos, and do nothing to bring it into disrepute.

Within our building, we aim to provide a safe environment, where each person is valued and treated equally with respect and courtesy. We welcome into our premises community groups and activities which nurture and cherish the whole person, which we believe to be uniquely made in the image of Christ. However, we expect those organisations and activities to be consistent with Christian faith, values and principles. We therefore expect potential hirers to state clearly the purpose of their use of the premises and reserve the right to decline organisations and activities which do not meet these criteria.

Immanuel Elders

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