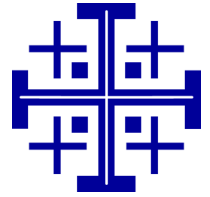




# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 19, 2021

Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

### A SERVICE OF LAMENT

*With the exception of infants and toddlers, all are requested to wear a face mask for the entirety of the service.*

**Prelude:** Nimrod *from* The Enigma Variations Edward Elgar

#### Greeting and Invitation to Intentional Silence

**Opening Hymn 516:** “Come down, O Love divine” *found in* The Hymnal 1982 *Down Ampney*

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| <p>1 Come down, O Love divine,<br/>seek thou this soul of mine,<br/>and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;<br/>O Comforter, draw near,<br/>within my heart appear,<br/>and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.</p>                | <p>2 O let it freely burn,<br/>till earthly passions turn<br/>to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;<br/>and let thy glorious light<br/>shine ever on my sight,<br/>and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.</p> |
| <p>3 And so the yearning strong,<br/>with which the soul will long,<br/>shall far outpass the power of human telling;<br/>for none can guess its grace,<br/>till Love create a place<br/>wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.</p> |  |

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

#### The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*

#### Kyrie S96

*found in the front of* The Hymnal 1982

Schubert

*Lord, have mercy. Lord have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy. Christ have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, Lord, have mercy, have mercy.*

## The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.  
People: ***And also with you.***  
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

## The First Lesson: Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:1, 12-22

The ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death;  
considering him a friend, they pined away  
and made a covenant with him,  
because they are fit to belong to his company.

For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves,  
“Short and sorrowful is our life,  
and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end,  
and no one has been known to return from Hades.  
Let us lie in wait for the righteous man,  
because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions;  
he reproaches us for sins against the law,  
and accuses us of sins against our training.  
He professes to have knowledge of God,  
and calls himself a child of the Lord.  
He became to us a reproof of our thoughts;  
the very sight of him is a burden to us,  
because his manner of life is unlike that of others,  
and his ways are strange.  
We are considered by him as something base,  
and he avoids our ways as unclean;  
he calls the last end of the righteous happy,  
and boasts that God is his father.  
Let us see if his words are true,  
and let us test what will happen at the end of his life;  
for if the righteous man is God’s child, he will help him,  
and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries.  
Let us test him with insult and torture,  
so that we may find out how gentle he is,  
and make trial of his forbearance.  
Let us condemn him to a shameful death,  
for, according to what he says, he will be protected.”

Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray,  
for their wickedness blinded them,  
and they did not know the secret purposes of God,  
nor hoped for the wages of holiness,  
nor discerned the prize for blameless souls.

The Word of the Lord  
Response: ***Thanks be to God.***

**Psalm 54 *Deus, in nomine***

- 1 Save me, O God, by your Name; \*  
in your might, defend my cause.
- 2 Hear my prayer, O God; \*  
give ear to the words of my mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,  
and the ruthless have sought my life, \*  
those who have no regard for God.
- 4 Behold, God is my helper; \*  
it is the Lord who sustains my life.
- 5 Render evil to those who spy on me; \*  
in your faithfulness, destroy them.
- 6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice \*  
and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good.
- 7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, \*  
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

**The Epistle: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a**

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The Word of the Lord

Response: ***Thanks be to God.***

**Sequence Hymn 662: "Abide with me: fast falls the eventide"**

*found in* The Hymnal 1982

*Eventide*

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| 1 Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;<br>the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide:<br>when other helpers fail and comforts flee,<br>help of the helpless, O abide with me.                   | 3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;<br>ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.<br>Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?<br>I triumph still, if thou abide with me.               |
| 2 I need thy presence every passing hour;<br>what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?<br>Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?<br>Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me. | 4 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;<br>shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;<br>heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;<br>in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me. |

## The Holy Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark  
People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

The Gospel of the Lord  
People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Testimony: The Rev. Sam Sheridan

Choir Anthem: “Evening Prayer”

THE IMMANUEL CHOIR

Ola Gjeilo

Doug Gately, saxophone      Denise Freeland, Assistant Conductor

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Grant us peace.

## The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## The Prayers of the People: Lamentations of the People by Phil Hooper

In sorrow and in undaunted hope, let us cry out to God, the undivided Trinity, saying:

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

God, your Church is splintered and sorrowful. We are undone by the virulence of the age into which you have called us. We hunger for the bread only you can give; we long for the solace of an absent embrace. Gather us close, hide us under the shadow of your wings, and strengthen us to be your ministers amidst the uncertainties that lie ahead.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

God, the world is so vast, and so small. We are overwhelmed by its complexities, yet we are reminded how tightly our lives are knit together. The old lies of extraction and exploitation have laid waste to our planet and have oppressed our siblings in every land. Lead us out into the wilderness beyond self-satisfaction, beyond denial, beyond plunder, and teach us new ways to live simply, humbly, close to the earth.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

God, our communities are being crushed by the yoke of sin: political enmity, economic inequality, gun violence, racism, xenophobia, disparities in health and education, pollution, loneliness, and despair. Our brothers and sisters are sleeping in the streets, weeping in the streets, bleeding in the streets, like strangers in their own land. And so many of us choose to look away. Give us, instead, your easy yoke, your light burden: to open the doors, to step out, to speak out, to trust one another, to be taken where we do not wish to go, to the foot of the Cross, to the tomb, where you will meet us, where real life begins.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

God, our loved ones are sick and dying, from viruses and from violence. The silence of silenced bodies overwhelms our ears. We are weak and helpless, but don't allow us to be hopeless. Make your presence known to us, especially when we cannot be present to one another. Heal our ailments and mend our hearts.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

God, you have taken so many away. Their names tumble from our lips, a remembrance, an insistence, a plea. We say their names so that they won't be forgotten. We say their names so that we won't be the type of people willing to forget. As we grieve and grasp at the mystery of death, take their names and bind them to yourself; open your everlasting gates and welcome them home.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

*The Celebrant offers a concluding collect:*

## Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.*

*We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.*

*We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.*

*For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name.*

*Amen.*

**Clergy:** Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Immanuel Choir

**The Offertory:** “God gives the song”

*text by* Susan Bentall Boersma

Craig Courtney

When time sweeps yesterday away,  
It leaves behind an empty heart,  
Weeping through the night so dark and long.

When time sweeps yesterday away,  
It leaves behind an empty heart,  
Weeping through the night so dark and long.

When words are lost among the tears,  
When sadness steals another day,  
God hears our cries and turns our sighs into a song.

When words are lost among the tears,  
When sadness steals another day,  
God hears our cries and turns our sighs into a song.

Sing to the One who mends our broken hearts with music.  
Sing to the One who fills our empty hearts with love.  
Sing to the One who gives us light  
to step into the darkest night.  
Sing to the God who turns our sighs into a song.

Sing to the One who mends our broken hearts with music.  
Sing to the One who fills our empty hearts with love.  
Sing to the One who gives us light  
to step into the darkest night.  
Sing to the God who turns our sighs into a song.

**Doxology:** Hymn 380 (verse 3)

*found in* The Hymnal 1982

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**The Great Thanksgiving:** Eucharistic Prayer D

p. 372

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),

**Sanctus** (from *A Mass for Immanuel*)

Jane Tavernier

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Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might Hea-ven and Earth are

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filled with your glo-ry, Ho- san - na in the high - est, Ho-san - na Ho- san - na Ho

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san - na in the high- est Bles-sed is He, Bles-sed is He who comes in the name of the

29  
Lord Ho- san - na, Ho- san - na, Ho-san - na in the high - est.

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*The Celebrant continues:*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is

given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

***We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant:

***Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.***





**Led by Intercessor:** Let us now pray with those joining us from home:

Faithful God,  
in the wonder of your wisdom and love,  
you fed your people in the wilderness  
with the bread of angels  
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.  
Though we cannot all now consume these gifts  
of bread and wine together,  
we thank you that we have received Christ's presence,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit,  
may we embody your love,  
be renewed for your service,  
and be reflections of the risen Lord. Amen.

**Communion Anthem:** "Lacrimosa"

*from* Requiem

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

### The Immanuel Choir

*Lacrimosa dies illa  
Qua resurget ex favilla  
Judicandus homo reus.  
Huic ergo parce, Deus:  
Pie Jesu Domine,  
Dona eis requiem. Amen.*

Full of tears will be that day  
When from the ashes shall arise  
The guilty man to be judged;  
Therefore spare him, O God,  
Merciful Lord Jesus,  
Grant them eternal rest. Amen.

"Jesu, joy of man's desiring"

**THE STRING QUARTET**

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Sung, if needed*

**Hymn 514:** "How lovely is thy dwelling place"

*from* The Hymnal 1982

*Brother James' Air*

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| 1 How lovely is your dwelling-place,<br>O Lord of hosts, to me;<br>my thirsting soul longs eagerly<br>within your courts to be.           | 4 How blest are they that in your house<br>for ever give you praise:<br>one day with you is better spent<br>than thousands in dark ways.      |
| 2 Beside your altars, Lord of all,<br>the swallows find a nest;<br>happy are those who dwell with you<br>and praise you without rest;     | 5 The Lord will hold back no good thing<br>from those who justly live;<br>to all who trust, the Lord of hosts<br>will all his blessings give. |
| 3 And happy those whose hearts are set<br>upon the pilgrim ways:<br>you are the water when they thirst,<br>their guide towards your face. |   |

## Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: *Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us  
as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage,  
to love and serve you,  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Closing Hymn 810:** "You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord"

Michael Joncas

*found in the hymnal Wonder Love and Praise*

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| 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,<br>who abide in this shadow for life,<br>say to the Lord, "My Refuge,<br>my rock in whom I trust." | 2 Snares of the fowler will never capture you,<br>and famine will bring you no fear;<br>under God's wings your refuge,<br>with faithfulness your shield.<br><i>Refrain</i> |
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Refrain:  
*And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand.*

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| 3 For to the angels God's given a command,<br>to guard you in all of your ways,<br>upon their hands they will bear you up,<br>lest you dash your foot against a stone.<br><i>Refrain</i> |
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## The Blessing

## The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

**Postlude:** Prelude and Fanfare for the King's Supper

Jean-Joseph Mouret

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***The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of  
Mary Ellen Henry by Douglas Henry on the anniversary of their wedding day.***

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**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:** **Readers:** Harrison Clark, Katherine Maas

**Intercessor:** The Rev. Deacon Shawn Rutledge

**Musicians:** THE STRING QUARTET: Laura Ibrahim, viola; Timothy Kidder, violin I,  
Samuel Runolfson, cello; and Cheryl Stickle, violin II ; Doug Gatley,  
saxophone; The Immanuel Choir; Denise Freeland, Assistant Conductor  
Dr. Jane Tavernier, Director and organist

**Ushers:** Roz Kerns, Tom Kerns

**Audio-Visual:** John Bednar, Doug Onley, Sydney Onley

**Flower Guild:** Linda Serabian

**Vestry Greeter and Counter:** Harrison Clark

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Susan D. Parsons

# PUMPKIN PATCH 2021

Welcome to the 28<sup>th</sup> Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill Pumpkin Patch! Pumpkins are part of Immanuel's DNA – and our annual Pumpkin Patch ministry is one of the best ways we show our love for our neighbors—in Alexandria—and around the world. It always seems daunting in September, but once we all get going, we have fun, share the work, and become a beacon of joy and hope to our community!

Last year, we had our greatest financial success ever – an unexpected blessing that helped ease some of the worst hardships ever experienced by our neighbors in need. Despite the Pandemic, we offered a fun, safe, and affordable experience –many Patch visitors said it was their first “normal” outing in months. COVID is still a factor; so for Pumpkin Patch 2021, we plan to continue most of the safety strategies that helped us succeed last year—and kept volunteers safe and healthy.

Two trucks of pumpkins, driven by Scott and Amanda (who have brought our pumpkins for many years), will be ready to unload **Saturday morning, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Like last year, pumpkins will come in large boxes on pallets which will be removed from the trucks by a forklift. Two more trucks will arrive **Saturday morning, October 16<sup>th</sup>**. We'll need a lot of helpers to unpack the boxes and “orange up” the Patch! Please mark your calendars. And...those delicious baked treats, sensational soups, and craft artistry will bring joy to our customers.

Volunteers are the critical ingredient for the Patch to work! We are keeping the shorter sales hours adopted last year: 10 AM -6 PM on weekends/ noon to 6 PM on weekdays. Please sign up for sales shifts during October—we need you! Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has already started (lining up our forklift operator, making/freezing soup, and taking on a key role)! Key Patch jobs still needing volunteers this October:

Baked Goods Wrangler – Emailing our wonderful bakers re what types of baked goods have sold out/are needed, QC'ing for freshness, etc. Two people can split/share this role.

Day Managers --- Especially for Saturday and Sunday -- the busiest days

Small Pumpkin Bulk Order Filler (just for Oct 3 – 17) - someone to fulfill bulk orders for customer pick-up between Oct 3 – 17 (requires placing dry small pumpkins (usually spookies) in bags for customer pick-up)

Please email us if you can take on one of these roles. [[jrwise52@hotmail.com](mailto:jrwise52@hotmail.com), [drbruns@verizon.net](mailto:drbruns@verizon.net), [jamesbsnow@verizon.net](mailto:jamesbsnow@verizon.net) ] Thank you – it takes a village! Jim Wise, Julie Bruns, and Jim Snow/Outreach co-chairs

**Please sign up for sales shifts on-line using [Pumpkin Patch 2021 Sign-Up Genius](#) – it only takes a minute.**

With God's help, we continue to put our faith into action and know our community will do the same! For additional information go to <https://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org/annual-pumpkin-sale.html>

**IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL**  
**Parish Notes**  
**September 19, 2021**

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**IN THE NAME OF CHRIST we welcome you to Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill!**

Immanuel is an Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, and is part of the world-wide Anglican Communion. Immanuel was founded by the Virginia Theological Seminary. We are one parish that worships in two locations: the Zabriskie Chapel (3606 Seminary Road), and Immanuel Chapel (3737 Seminary Road) on the seminary grounds. Immanuel Chapel offers a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

For the latest information on our online worship service and to view a video of our most recent service, please visit our website ([www.icoh.net](http://www.icoh.net)).

*Learn more about us at [www.icoh.net](http://www.icoh.net).*

**PASTORAL CARE CORNER: Please remember these parishioners in your prayers:** Eloise Payne, Katie Lloyd, Kathy Lloyd, Kenny, Diane Adams, Francine Wargo, Tony, Ann MacNamara, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Aggie Fortune, Catherine Sinclair, Ted Walker, Lucy, Barbara, Joan, and Susan Wiard.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Ryan McCann, Kathyne Gould, Frances Johnson, Jimmy Moore, Wilton Corkern, Celia Ochs, Alan Becker, Grayson Yates, Clay Burke, Peter Beckmann, Lise Wills, Chris Stanek, Benjamin Richter, Bill Kerekes, Lorelai Low, Gilma Balcarcel, Mike Eaton, and Seth Low.

**Please also remember in your prayers** members of our extended Parish family: Charlotte Kellogg; Anthony Christino, Jr., Paul, Dorothy Phaneuf, Anne Newcomb, Sydney Bailey, Narciso, Sheri, Karen and Gwen, Lelah Ann Young, Caroline, Bert Ifill, Jeanette Beckmann, Lois Blair, Amy Wallens Green, Kelly, Cameron Pattisall, Ellen Repsher, Stephen Miller, Jill, Jack Allen, Molly Grey, Kathryn Anschutz, Thomas “Neil” Walters, Luciane Helena Borges Moreira, David Westgate, Doug Carmichael, Carol Sands, George Morris, Sandy, Jakey Newcomer, Julia Dietschak, Preston Atwood, John Matthewson, Ronald King, Marta Dimetre, Katie McGinn Centola, Margaret and Lloyd Chenoweth, Bill Anderson, Bob Dickson, Mildred Alexander, Dotty, Susan Thomas, Steve Davis, Natalie Terwillinger, Cecile Zitelli, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Alice Greenhall, Nancy, Edith Mead, Stephen, Louise Jackson, Charles Thurber, Arsine Oshagan, Emilie Brown, Sue Cleveland, David Johnson, Victoria Markin, Martin Stevens, Jeff Gorman, Jill Lane, Howard, Alice Meyer, Ron Simar, Matthew Simar, Connie Smith, Payton, Kevin Lancaster, Jennifer Ashline, Bill Ennis, Norma MacLean, Frank, Perry, John and Alycia, Sue Rehnke, Marjean Smith, Deacon Linda Murphy, Don Gobble; Judith Simpson, and The Simpson Family, David Kuck, Adele Barker, Martha Robison, Tamara, Daniela Samillan Celis, Quintus Frederick, Joey Alphonso, Victoria Dearborn, DeBora Wheeler, the Rev. Dr. M. Sam Faeth, Rick Manning and his parents Joyce and Richard Manning, Ryan Willis, Daphne, Larry Storm; Corbin, Owen, Madison, and Brighton Hovis; Sarah Minor, Judy Pavek, Bea Daniel, Mitzi; and for the following family members of Sughra Bakhtiari, our bookkeeper, who are trying to leave Afghanistan: Amina, Sakina, Anis, Fatima, Marzia, Rahima, Ayub; Eleanore Tighe, and Fred Smith.

**Serving around the world:** Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Philip Smucker, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina and Nolan Anderson. Pray for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war, and their caregivers.

**Those who have recently died:** Bishop John Shelby Spong; Army Specialist Ryan James, Army National Guard Specialist Nashyra S. Whitaker, and Police Officer Investigator Dusty Wainscott. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

**Forum Hour Next Sunday, September 26**  
**"PUMPKIN PATCH PREPARATION AND BRIEFING"**  
**9:15 a.m., Zabriskie Parish Hall**

# Announcements

TWO Sacred Ground Dialogue Circles:

## IMMANUEL'S STARTS TOMORROW SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

**Sacred Ground Starting Monday, September 20<sup>TH</sup>:** Please consider signing up for the upcoming Sacred Ground dialogue circle, which will be biweekly on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m., from September 20 and going through January 2022 and facilitated by Chrissie Crosby. Sacred Ground offers a safe space to learn and be in dialogue about experiences, feelings, and concerns regarding personal identity, racial history and reconciliation, and justice. It has been developed by the national Episcopal Church and “field tested” by seventeen Immanuelites this past Winter and Spring. (If you want to talk to some of them or ask them questions, feel free to contact Katherine Smith, Marilyn Wilson, or Nancy Reuschel.)

Ten small group sessions -- based on intensive reading and film viewing homework -- review chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. More details are available at <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground>. Please contact [David Atwood](mailto:atwooddavid@gmail.com) at [atwooddavid@gmail.com](mailto:atwooddavid@gmail.com), or [Kathryn Haskin](mailto:kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com) at [kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com](mailto:kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com) to sign up.

**VTS Tuesday Sacred Ground Curriculum begins September 21:** If you want to participate in a Sacred Ground dialogue circle, but cannot make our Monday evening discussion, the Virginia Theological Seminary's continuing education program is offering afternoon and evening remote Sacred Ground dialogue circles Tuesdays beginning September 21<sup>st</sup>. Click the word “[Registration](#)” to learn the details and costs associated with their program.

## Join us for Holy Eucharist, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Zabriskie Chapel!

**Grief and Support Group Meeting** NEXT WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:15P.M.,  
The Fairchild Room  
(Immediately following the 6:30p.m. Wednesday Evening Eucharist in Zabriskie Chapel)

**SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK/BIBLE STUDY:** After the Wednesday Evening Eucharist, join us for a weekly discussion of *Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery*, by Mark Charles and Soong-Chan Rah (<https://www.ivpress.com/unsettling-truths>). The meetings will take place via Zoom, but you'd be welcome to bring a laptop and participate from Zabriskie Chapel after Eucharist!

### THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: **Letters to the Ephesians and the Colossians**

Join the clergy **this Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30a.m.** for a Bible study series on the Epistle to the Ephesians and the Colossians.

To log-in on your computer: 1. Visit our website [www.icoh.net](http://www.icoh.net), at the top menu select “Worship”, then “Worship Service Bulletin” from the pull-down menu., 2. Click on this bulletin, then click the blue text: **[Thursday Morning Bible Study via Zoom NOW](#)**, 3. Enter **Meeting ID: 825 5204 5029**, then Password: **312018**.

For more information, contact one of the clergy.

## FLU SHOTS WILL AGAIN BE OFFERED AT IMMANUEL!

The clinic, staffed by a Walgreens pharmacist, will be held Sunday October 3 from 12-2pm outside next to the Zabriskie parking lot. The flu vaccine is available for ages 3 and up. Both the high dose (for ages 65 and older) and regular flu vaccine will be available. Please bring your insurance card and wear something which gives easy access to your upper arm.

Please contact Lisa Clausen at [lisa.clausen@verizon.net](mailto:lisa.clausen@verizon.net) if you are interested so that we have enough vaccine available .

**COMPLINE Service on Fridays:** Join us for this **Friday Compline September 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30p.m.** via Zoom. Compline is an offering of late evening prayer, sometimes referred to as the "Goodnight Prayer of the Church."

To participate, select this bulletin on our website under "Worship Service Bulletins" under the "Worship" tab, click the link: [Join Friday Night Compline Service](#), and enter the following: Meeting ID: **817 3973 7116** , Password: **029619**. To join the service by phone, dial: 1- (301) 715-8592.

## Senior Adult Ministry Luncheon at Goodwin House Alexandria Wednesday, September 29th - The Arbor Room

All Seniors are invited to a luncheon at Goodwin House Alexandria for a fun fellowship luncheon with Immanuelite residents. Look for details and a link for your RSVP in this weekend's eBlast email. *Please note: plans are subject to change based on GWA's COVID-19 protection policy.*

## Do you have an hour a week to help a child learn to read?

The Alexandria Tutoring Consortium (ATC) seeks volunteers to tutor Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) kindergarten and first grade struggling readers. ATC provides training, weekly materials, and ongoing support. Volunteers commit to working with a student in 30-minute sessions, once or twice a week during the school day, October – May. Tutoring will occur in-person, in the schools, with volunteers providing proof of full vaccination and remaining masked. For more information contact Lisa Jacobs at [ljacobs@alexandriatutors.org](mailto:ljacobs@alexandriatutors.org) or go to <https://alexandriatutors.org/tutors/sign-up-to-become-a-tutor/> More children than ever need your help. Register today!

## Pumpkin Patch Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are the critical ingredient for the Patch to work! We are keeping the shorter sales hours adopted last year: 10 AM -6 PM on weekends/ noon to 6 PM on weekdays. Please sign up for sales shifts during October—we need you! (See this full ad on page 12 of this bulletin.)

Please sign up for sales shifts on-line at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4ea9a823a4fc1-immanuel2> – it only takes a minute.



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Darrell Wilson	Junior Warden: Buildings and Grounds
David Atwood	Adult Formation and Discipleship, Co-steward: Social Justice
Harrison Clark	Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Danette "Dani" Gentile Kauffman	Stewardship and Planned Giving
Kristi Kubista-Hovis	Outreach, and Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Brooke Roberts	Communications
Phyllis Sims	Fellowship, Senior Ministry
Francine Wargo	Worship
Shawn Whitman	Pastoral Care
Rachel Wilson	Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
Candy Levin	Register (nonvoting member)

### SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel  
3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA  
10:30a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel  
3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA  
1:00p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II  
Zabriskie Chapel Memorial Garden

#### Online

[www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org](http://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org)  
[Immanuel's YouTube channel](#)

### PRIEST ASSOCIATES

The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV  
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The Rev. Jan A. Maas  
The Rev. John R. Smucker  
The Rev. Canon Rosemari G. Sullivan  
The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

### SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

5:30pm, Immanuel Chapel on the following dates:  
September 18, October 23,  
November 20, and December 18.

### RECTOR EMERITA

The Rev. Dr. Margaret Ann (Sam) Faeth

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill is a Christian community in the Episcopal tradition, striving to be in relationship with God and each other as Christ has taught us, actively attempting to sense and to serve God's plan with great love. We are guided by Mark 16:15: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel," to learn, discern, and proclaim the Good News by being active ministers in the various communities where we live and serve.

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