

**IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL**  
**Parish Notes**  
**January 28, 2024**

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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. Both chapels offer a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

**Visitors are encouraged to fill out a visitor card — located in the pews or display stands at the entrances of the chapels.** Give your card to an usher or place in the collection plate. Thank you.

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)).

**PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS:** Natalie Doyle Hennin, Rollin Huntington, Marianne Ingold, Doug John, Frances Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Susan Kernan, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony and Patsy Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Francine Wargo, Zuzanna and Spencer.

**PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Alice, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, Peter Blackledge, David Craig, Justine Claypoole, Jean Couban, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Cynthia, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joseph Fabian, Cathy Fick, Gerald, Linda Gill, Betty Harris, Betty Hicks, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, John, Katja, Tom Kellner, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Lillian Kozuma, Ann Langdon-Days, Marcia MacDonald, Marge McGoff, Joe Miceli, Michael, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Mary Muniz, Lysbeth, Jessi Napolitano, Daryl Ott, Carol Ording, Shelby Ochs Owen, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Michael Rathsack, Rebecca, Sue Rehnke, Larry Rhoades, Roger, George Rustigian, Brian Tolson, Graham Tomlinson, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Eileen Monnin-Kirby, Chris Page, Sophie Rust, the Rev. Susan D. Parsons, Lynn Gas, Susan Post, Charles Calloway, Caroline Conrad, Jim Luft, Abigail DeVight, Josephine Forster, Matthew McCann, and Gabriella Young-Smith.

**Serving around the world:** Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina and Nolan Anderson, and Scott.

**Those who have died:** Mildred Kaye, mother-in-law of Dorothy Kellogg's family friend, Peter Perla, friend of Jane Tavernier, and the victims of the Joliet, IL shootings. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

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**Join us for our ANNUAL MEETING**  
**Today @ 9:00 A.M., The Welcome Center**

We give thanks for the birth of **JACK HEWITT SCARLETT**  
son of Brian and Katherine Scarlett and brother of Rachel Scarlett.



# Announcements

## WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Morning Prayer @ 10:00, Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, Zabriskie Chapel

Wednesday Holy Eucharist Rite II  
January 31<sup>st</sup> @ 12 Noon, Zabriskie Chapel

Bible Study "*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*", Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> @10:30 a.m.  
online via Zoom. Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

Evening Compline, Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

### THREE-SERVICE SUNDAY SCHEDULE RETURNS NEXT WEEK, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>

We will return to our schedule of **three** services each Sunday **plus Children's Chapel**, as follows:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Zabriskie Chapel

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel (25 mins. in length), The Oratory at Immanuel Chapel

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

We look forward to seeing you in church!

Have you made your 2024 pledge? ***THERE'S STILL TIME, JUST GO ONLINE!***  
Immanuel's [Every Member Pledge campaign](#)



Your financial pledge is vital to maintain and grow this parish, its ministries, and outreach initiatives. As of Thursday January 23<sup>rd</sup>, we had received 146 pledges for \$655,732.

You may pledge on our website, by using the QR code at left, or by asking an usher for a blank pledge card and envelope.

Together, we make a difference by giving back to God from the gifts that God has first given us.



### JUST 3 MORE DAYS TO DONATE FOOD TO ALIVE!

Through the end of this month, please drop your donations in the collection bins in the narthex of either Immanuel Chapel or Zabriskie. Especially needed are **lentils**, **dried beans**, **pasta**, and **pasta sauce** (in plastic jars or cans please).

# SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY: TWO HISTORIC TRIPS TO THE DISTRICT

## January 31: TRIP TO SMITHSONIAN'S NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM Washington, DC.

Join us for a special trip on Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup> to see this newly renovated museum. Located on the national mall, this museum was closed for a renovation in 2018, and just reopened to the public in October 2023 — featuring 8 new and renovated galleries in the west wing, plus the planetarium, the gift shop and the new Mars Café. So, let's soar together into 2024!

Our van will leave Zabriskie parking lot at 10:30a.m, stopping at Goodwin House Alexandria. We plan to return to Zabriskie via Goodwin House, arriving no later than 2:30p.m.

Given that it's the Smithsonian, there is no cost for admission to the museum; however, they **are using timed admission only at this time and I have 16 tickets.** There's a \$20 copay to ride in the van and lunch will be on your own. RSVP to Karen Besser at [karen.besser@gmail.com](mailto:karen.besser@gmail.com) or [SeniorMinistry@icoh.net](mailto:SeniorMinistry@icoh.net).

## February 12: FORD'S THEATER on PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY Washington, DC:

For Lincoln's birthday we will visit historic Ford's Theater, where the President and his wife went to watch *Our American Cousin*. We will have time in the theater's museum, a ranger presentation in the theater, and entry to Peterson House, where Lincoln was taken after being shot and where he died.

Our van will leave Zabriskie parking lot at 9:30am, stopping at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We will plan to return to the Parish Hall to have lunch together and then folks who boarded the bus at Goodwin House will head home on the van, arriving by 1:30pm.

There will be a \$20 copay to ride in the van. Tickets for the museum are \$3.50, so a \$5 contribution towards ticket and lunch will be gratefully accepted. RSVP to Karen Besser at [karen.besser@gmail.com](mailto:karen.besser@gmail.com) or [SeniorMinistry@icoh.net](mailto:SeniorMinistry@icoh.net).

Our EYC (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders) will meet the first and third Sunday of every month in the parish hall from 5:30-7:00 p.m. for dinner and fellowship! Let Rev. Sarah know if you have any questions or dietary restrictions at [sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net](mailto:sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net). See you February 4th!



Lay Reader Training

### ***Want to Become a Lay Reader?*** **Lector Training TODAY @ 11:45 a.m.**

We'll return to hosting brief Lector Training sessions each Sunday following the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist in Immanuel Chapel. The purpose is to enhance sound quality of the service and to make sure readers are comfortable, announce, and are prepared to serve. Those who have read before but want pointers on how to project their specific voice in a slightly echo-y spacious chapel, should feel free to join us. Send your questions and/or express your interest via email at [tmartin@icoh.net](mailto:tmartin@icoh.net), and Tamika Martin or Steven Denlinger will contact you directly. You can also signup via the QR code at left.

## EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: FEBRUARY –MARCH 2024

Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services for February and March — through Lent and Easter — ONLINE via Our **Red SignUp Genius Button**

Sign-up to Serve on Sundays



Lay Ministry  
SignUp Genius

Would consider serving as a lay minister? If so, please sign up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer online via [SignUp Genius](#) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at [www.ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) and [clicking on the red button at left](#). **If you're a student — or planning Summer travel — feel free to sign-up for the Lenten season and Easter only.**

If you are a first-timer and need training, please contact Agnes at the office on **Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** (ext. #206), or via email at [asoos@icoh.net](mailto:asoos@icoh.net). Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to Mother Susan at [sparsons@icoh.net](mailto:sparsons@icoh.net) or indicate so in the comments box under your name on the online form. Thank you!

## YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS BEGINS FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> FOR THOSE IN 7<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADES

Our first confirmation class is scheduled for Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 4-5:30 p.m., the Fairchild Room, Zabriskie Chapel. Those in EYC are encouraged to stay for dinner at 5:30 p.m, followed by fellowship. To register, please scan the QR code above right; for questions, reach out to the Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs at [sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net](mailto:sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net)



EYC Confirmation

**MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom:** Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, the THIRD Saturday of the month. We will meet via Zoom (find this bulletin on our website under the "Worship" tab, then click on the link below) beginning at 8 AM. Our new theme for 2024 is *Anxiety!* This month we will read **Psalm 43** "*Send out your light and your truth; they shall be my guide... Why so downcast, why all these sighs? Hope in God!*" using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please visit [our webpage "Breakfast Bible Study"](#), or contact Chrissie Crosby at [cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com](mailto:cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com).

[Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting](#) / Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553 /Passcode: 027913

All are invited to gather on **Saturday February 17th** for this year's Lenten Environmental Ministry Conference:

### *To Love, Heal and Bless Creation*

We'll gather with student groups at the Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria  
RSVP is required. [Please RSVP via the QR Code at right by February 1st.](#)

This year's keynote speaker will be **the Rev. Jemonde Taylor, rector of St. Ambrose Episcopal Church in Raleigh, NC.** A former engineer, Father Jemonde recently led Saint Ambrose through a three-year capital campaign raising twice the church's annual budget while maintaining strong environmental stewardship. A powerful, inspiring speaker, his work offers parishes in our Diocese a model of environmental adaptation.



Registration Deadline 2/1/24!

**CLERGY AND STAFF**

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net) ..... Rector  
 The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net) ..... Associate Rector  
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 Gilma Balcarcel ..... Nursery Coordinator  
 Stuart Dahlinger ..... Sexton

**THE VESTRY**

Kristi Kubista-Hovis ..... Senior Warden  
 Gerry Anderson ..... Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care  
 Peter Kent ..... Junior Warden: Administration  
 Amy Thomas ..... Adult Formation and Discipleship  
 Brad Ashton ..... Stewardship and Planned Giving  
 Mollie Lambert ..... Outreach  
 Kathy Lloyd ..... Senior Ministry  
 Kristi Kubista-Hovis and Kathy Lloyd ..... Children Youth and Family Ministries  
 Julie Bruns ..... Pastoral Care  
 David Atwood ..... Social Justice  
 Taylor Houck ..... Communications  
 Caroline Bergmark ..... Evangelism and Newcomers  
 Matt Haskin ..... Worship  
 Caroline Bergmark and Taylor Houck ..... Fellowship  
 Sydney Onley ..... Youth Representative (nonvoting member)  
 Caroline Bergmark ..... Registrar

**SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel  
 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel  
 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

**Online**

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

**PRIESTS ASSOCIATE**

The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke  
 The Rev. Jan A. Maas  
 The Rev. John R. Smucker  
 The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

**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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