

# IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

## Parish Notes

July 10, 2022

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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)).

**PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS:** Aggie Fortune, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Susan Wiard, Tony, Daphne, Leo, Nancy Bishop, Ann Huntington, Pam Willard, Sughra Bakhtiari, Zuzanna Knypinski Wise, John Wise, and Breanné Barnes.

**PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Louise Jackson, Marjean Smith, Mildred Alexander, Paul, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ann Shelly, Amanda Arnaud, Sarah Minor, Edith and Joseph, Ryan, John, Alexandra, Hans, Jessica, Joanne, McQuade Milligan, Scott DeVight, Reagan, Waide Egener, Betsy and Dave Berry, Peter and Joanne, Mary Muniz, Linda and Cy Murphy, Molly Grey, the Rev. Rosa Harper, Louise Jackson, Jimmy Young, Margaret Chenoweth, Ryan, Scott Allison, Joseph Fabian, Baldemar “Balde” Balcarcel, and Lydia.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Reneé O’Brien, Rosi Urbine, Lee Veal, Jenn Eckel, Erika Enright, Ava Hobson, Kevin Veal, Susan Warlick, Ashley Michaelis, Bryant Mitchell, Lily Clausen, Jan Kell, Will Patiño, Cara Swisher, Matt Sexton, Shawn Whitman, and Gretchen Thompson.

**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 casualties and their caregivers.


**Those who we recently learned have died:** The Right Reverend Bishop Peter James Lee; victims from the Highland Park Fourth of July Parade in Illinois: Katherine Goldstein, Kevin and Irina McCarthy, Stephen Straus, Jackie Sundheim, Nicolas Toledo, and Eduardo Uvaldo; and His Excellency Shinzō Abe, former Prime Minister of Japan.



**PARKING LOT  
CLOSED**

**ALL DAY**

**Tuesday, July 12**



The Zabriskie Parking Lot will be closed all day on Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for blacktop resealing. Parish staff will work remotely from home on that day; Aleta will check system voicemail frequently. Office staff meeting will continue as scheduled for 10:30 a.m. online via Zoom.

**Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist Rite II, July 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel**

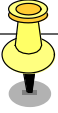
# Announcements

BIBLE STUDY Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 a.m.

## A STUDY OF PETER AND JOHN

Online via Zoom (see your weekly eBlast for details)

Evening Compline, Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom



## Senior Adult Ministry EVENTS

Our monthly luncheon at Goodwin House-Alexandria is the third Wednesday of each month at noon in the Fillmore Room. Please join us on July 20<sup>th</sup> to enjoy lunch and socialize with other Immanuel folks. All Immanuel seniors are invited and welcome to attend. For those who do not live at Goodwin House, the luncheon costs \$17. RSVP to Mother Susan at [sparsons@icoh.net](mailto:sparsons@icoh.net).

Senior Ministry and Fellowship's monthly brown bag luncheon in the Zabriskie parish hall will be Tuesday, July 26 at 12:15p.m. Bring a sandwich or salad and explore the world of podcasts. Do you have a favorite radio show that you sometimes miss because of other activities? Go for walks and sometimes want to hear something new? Bring your tablet or smartphone to the luncheon and get the right app downloaded to your device. Hear about other parishioners' favorite podcasts. Once you begin to explore the world of podcasts, there is an almost limitless variety being produced.

### Daytrip to KENILWORTH PARK AND AQUATIC GARDEN July 21<sup>st</sup>

Senior Ministry and Fellowship will be going to Kenilworth Park and Aquatic Garden on Thursday, July 21. The garden includes display pools that are home to a rich display of flowers including American lotuses, which are expected to be at their peak in mid-July. Come and wander among the lotus beds and learn the story of the garden pools, dug by hand after the Civil War. If you are a birder, you might spot an indigo bunting or a yellow-billed cuckoo! Don't forget to bring your camera.

We'll offer rides in an air-conditioned van with a cooler full of cold drinks. We will leave the Parish Hall parking lot at 9:30 a.m., stop at Goodwin House Alexandria to pick up folks, and head to the garden before the heat sets in. We will aim to return to Goodwin House and then the Parish Hall, arriving no later than 1:00 p.m. You can also drive in your own vehicle and meet us there on your own schedule.

There is no cost for admission to the garden, but there will be a \$15 copay to ride in the van. There are **only 14 seats in the van**, so please RSVP as soon as possible.

The **Shakespeare Opera Company** invites the congregation of Immanuel to *Othello*, a retelling of the dramatic tragedy with the addition of music from Verdi's opera. The company performs weekends at St. David's Episcopal Church in Ashburn, Virginia July 9 -10<sup>th</sup>, and at Grace Episcopal Church in The Plains, Virginia July 16-17<sup>th</sup>. Charming restaurants and shops are located near both venues, and our patrons find that they can enjoy a day of activities to suit all tastes. The company hopes that you'll find our performances exceptional. For ticket — with range from \$35-\$55 — visit <https://shakespeareoperatheatre.com>.

## Christmas Families in August 2022: Haiti and Alexandria

Children will be back in school in the fall, and Christmas Families in August is back in person.

### **Help children with school supplies - critical tools for learning!**

It is hard to learn to write if you do not have a pencil. God means for every child to have a pencil so they can learn and develop to their full potential, and He asks for our help to get there. This is a larger issue of social justice. Education is supposed to be the great equalizer in society, but as of now it is not. Rich children have pencils, poor children do not. There are many factors that make educational opportunities unequal, so education, rather than giving everyone an equal chance, actually cements inequality in society.

To make real strides towards more equality requires systemic change, including high-quality preschool for all children. Immanuel has contributed to this goal, but larger impact requires more government action. As Christians in the world we can work on influencing government.

There also small things we can do. In Christmas Families in August we work through the Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide school supplies to children in need.

### **There are two ways you can help:**

**(1) Sign up to provide school supplies for the children in one family** identified by DHS, after each service between Sunday, June 12, and Sunday, July 24. The sign-up boards will be in the narthex of Zabriskie Chapel during the week. We will give you a yellow instruction sheet with the children's names and all the information you need.

Or email <ds@dsoergel.com> or <serabian@somaarchitects.com> to arrange for selecting a family.

Bring the backpacks to the church or the office on or before Sunday, August 7 to be blessed at the altar. Unassigned school supplies, especially backpacks (new or lightly used) are also welcome.

**(2) You can donate money** through the special on Sunday, August 15.

Please make checks out to ICOH and mark them XFAM. The money will go to

the **Haiti Micah project** (50%) and to

**Community Lodgings** (25%) and **Human Services in Alexandria**. (25%).

The **Haiti Micah Project (HMP)** is one of Immanuel's major international outreach ministries; it serves impoverished children in Mirebalais, Haiti. For these children, education offers the only path out of extreme poverty. In Haiti, there is no free public education. Therefore, HMP provides educational stipends (currently for 152 children, including 22 in its orphanage) including tuition, school supplies, and uniforms. With the support of churches like Immanuel, these children have the opportunity to become contributing members of their society.

Former rector, the late Rev. Bill Dols, once told me "Christmas Families is a ministry of things". It is that, but it is so much more. It provides things that empower and lift the spirit, tools for learning that **send children off to a good start in the new school year**.

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 Brad Ashton ..... Stewardship and Planned Giving  
 Mollie Lambert ..... Outreach  
 Kathy Lloyd ..... Senior Ministry  
 Brooke Roberts ..... Communications  
 Phyllis Sims ..... Evangelism and New Members  
 Bob Murray ..... Worship  
 Julie Bruns ..... Pastoral Care  
 Rachel Wilson ..... Youth Representative (nonvoting member)  
 The Rev. Sam Sheridan ..... Register (nonvoting member)

**PRIEST ASSOCIATES**

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 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

**SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel  
 9:00 a.m. Joy Mass Holy Eucharist Rite II, 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](#)

**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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