

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

May 28, 2023

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.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a pew card — located in display stands at entrances of the chapels — and give it 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).

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Gerry Anderson, Nancy Bishop, Edith, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Ann and Rollin Huntington, Frances Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Jessi MacLeod, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John and Louisa Smucker, Agnes Soos, Norma Taliaferro, and Francine Wargo.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Felicia Balzano, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, David Craig, Martha Culleton, Steve Davis, Betty Harris, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, John, Katja, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Candy Morgan, Mary Muniz, Shelby Ochs Owen, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Jim Rehnke, Sue Rehnke, George Rustigian, Connie Smith, and Ryan Willis.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Patsy Rogers, Yoshay Amiri, Tim Groth, Deborah Drennon, Rachel Manson, Tony Christino, Jill Hanna, Christian Miller, Chloe Campbell, Jeremy Whelpley, Jacquelyn Papish, and Kerstin Shimkin.

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

Those who have died: Victims of the mass shooting in Bowie County, Texas: Aida Garcia-Mendoza, Lisbet Olalde, Oliver Olalde, and Reuben Olalde. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

The Parish Office will be closed tomorrow, in observance of Memorial Day.

Join us SUNDAY, JUNE 4th in IMMANUEL CHAPEL:

- ✠ 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II featuring music by *The Shrinemonsters*
- ✠ 11:45 a.m. Forum Hour: Five Talents CEO Dale Stanton-Hoyle "*Transforming Lives Through Economic Empowerment: Five Talents' Ministry Around the World*", with an introduction from Jim Snow.

Announcements

Weekday Worship and Study Opportunities

MORNING PRAYER TUESDAY, MAY 30th @ 10 A.M., Zabriskie Chapel : All are invited to join Immanuel staff and clergy for Morning Prayer every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in Zabriskie Chapel. This quiet, contemplative service typically lasts thirty minutes and offers each worshipper a chance to lift a person, cause, or concern in prayer while learning about any saints the Church is commemorating.

Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist May 31st @6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Online via Zoom: Our Weekly Bible Study Thursday, June 1st @ 10:30 a.m.

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Evening Compline, Friday, June 2nd, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

WANTED: A NEW HOME FOR CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

For many years Christmas Families has used the space above Ross Dress for Less at 118 North Washington Street as a storage space for our toys. This space has been generously provided to us by Christ Church. They have decided to sell the building sometime early next year. As a result, we are currently looking for new space. We would like to have **approximately 600 SF** of somewhat conditioned space located in Alexandria in proximity to the church. If you have a space that we might be use, please contact Linda Serabian via email at serabian@somaarchitects.com. Thank you.

Come to a Festive Thank You Reception! Honor Parishioners Committed to Immanuel's Strong Future

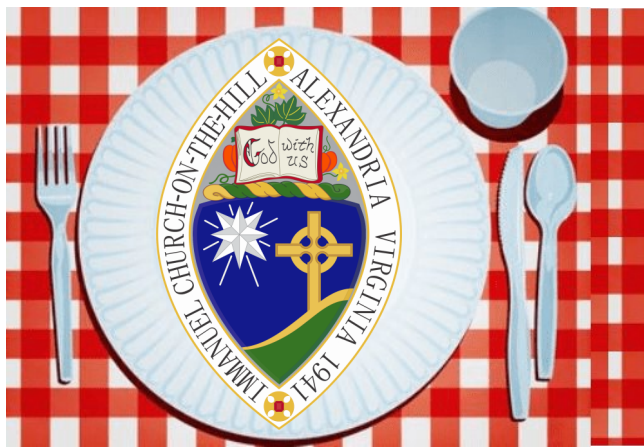
Zabriskie Society

Please come and enjoy a thank you reception on Saturday, June 3, 4-6 p.m., in Scott Lounge on the VTS campus. We will honor and thank parishioners providing for Immanuel's strong financial future through a planned gift.

You can also learn more about planned giving and how your generosity and planned gift can continue to support a strong future for Immanuel.

Enjoy refreshments including strawberry shortcake with fresh-picked strawberries! **Please RSVP by this Wednesday, May 24, 2023, to Danette (Dani) Kauffman, danettekauffman@starpower.net or you can use Immanuel's RSVP line by dialing 703-370-6555 and press "9".**





PARISH POTLUCK PICNIC

Sunday, June 11th, 12 Noon - 2:00 p.m.
Zabriskie Parish Hall and Memorial Gardens

Parishioners are asked to bring a dish to share, which will serve 8-10 people. This can be your “signature” picnic dish **-or-** use this guide (first letter of last name):

- A-K:** Main course dish: Sliced ham, fried/roasted chicken, sandwiches, casseroles, quiche, chicken/tuna salads, pasta dishes, vegetarian specialties, etc.
L-P: Appetizer: cheese & crackers, deviled eggs, vegetable trays, fruit, salsa,
Q-S: Side dish: salads, coleslaw, beans
T-Z: Dessert

Please bring your dishes (marked with your name to ensure their return to you) to the kitchen before the service.

Volunteers! Please contact Caroline Bergmark (cbergmark@yahoo.com). Volunteers are needed Sunday at 11 a.m. for set up and at 2 p.m. for clean-up. Let her know which shift you want.

SCHEDULE FOR JUNE-JULY 2023: Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services ONLINE via Signup Genius: Would you like to serve 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](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48A4A728A0FAC61-layministry) for Immanuel at the link at right: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48A4A728A0FAC61-layministry>.

If you are a first-timer and need training, please contact Agnes at the office on **Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.** (extension #206), or via email at asoos@icoh.net.



Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to sparsons@icoh.net or indicate so next to your name on the sheet. Thank you!




UPDATE ON THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF JERUSALEM IN LIGHT OF VIOLENCE IN GAZA AND ISRAEL: As Stand with Iraqi Christians noted last week in their presentations in the DC area, being a Christian in the Middle East is increasingly challenging, and support from US partners is both important and encouraging. With violence expanding in Gaza over the past few weeks, the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem has provided updates to its supporting parishes about the situation there, with an interview with the faithful head of Al Ahli hospital in Gaza, a hospital that does not shut its doors to anyone under any circumstances, despite the dangers and challenges. Former Immanuel parishioner Most Rev. Hosam Naoum, now Archbishop of Jerusalem, recently said, “Throughout this emergency, the dedicated staff of our Ahli Hospital in Gaza, at great personal risk, have been working around the clock, tending to the wounded and accepting urgent surgical cases that other overburdened hospitals have been unable to take. This flood of patients has taxed their limited resources, leading to shortages of medicines, medical supplies, and fuel for their generators that must run for extended hours due to electrical black-outs.” You can see a short interview with the hospital’s director Suhaila Tarazi at <https://afedj.org/gaza-2023/>. While we did not publicize the annual Good Friday appeal of the American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem this year because of their appeal for help to earthquake victims in Syria during Lent, you can provide support to the Diocese’s ministry of healing in Gaza by visiting <https://afedj.org/give/give-online/>.

It's All About Love: A Festival for the Jesus Movement - July 9-12, Baltimore, MD: Are you interested in participating in part or all of this exciting July 9-12 event in Baltimore, bringing together Episcopalians and others from across the country to focus on evangelism, creation care, and racial reconciliation? A series of plenary sessions, eucharistic worship services, and small group presentations and discussions will take participants deep into these topics. Immanuel's social justice budget will defray the registration costs of any Immanuel participants. Visit <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/its-all-about-love/> to learn more. Because the event is in nearby Baltimore, it would be relatively easy to participate in parts of the event without committing to the full three days. If you are interested please contact atwooddavid@gmail.com or kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com.

Beginning This Thursday: Food Drive for ALIVE!

Traditionally, Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill has collected canned goods and non-perishable foods for Alive! two months a year. Our last collection in January was a huge success! Let's do it again in JUNE!

When packing groceries for our neediest neighbors, the items that run out the most frequently are:

-  **Jams**
-  **Jellies**
-  **100% fruit juice**

So please buy extras of these in June and bring to the collection boxes in the narthex in either Immanuel Chapel or Zabriskie. Food drive ends June 30th.

If possible, bring your donations in recyclable, reusable bags. Additional non-perishable, non-expired food items — **proteins, fruits, veggies; pasta/rice/oatmeal; no glass containers, please** — are greatly appreciated.

Thanks in advance!

Questions? Contact Lisa.Clausen@verizon.net

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP

LUNCHEON AT GOODWIN HOUSE-ALEXANDRIA

Please join us for lively conversation over lunch in the Fillmore Room at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We gather at noon on the third Wednesday, which is June 21st. Please RSVP to Mother Susan at sparsons@icoh.net.

FOURTH TUESDAY BROWN BAG LUNCH

Bring your sandwich or salad to our monthly Senior Ministry Bag Lunch on Tuesday, June 27th at 12:15 p.m. for fun and fellowship. There is no cost for this event and no reservation is required. We will provide beverages and dessert.

Primary Elections coming up in Virginia

Primary elections for Virginia Delegates and Senators have begun! Primary Election Day is June 20, but you may vote in some districts now. Primary elections are held only in districts where there are within-party challenges for the nomination to run in the November election; in the rest of the districts candidates for nomination are unopposed or are chosen by conventions. **There will be no primaries in Alexandria this year, but there will be in Arlington and part of Fairfax County.**

Do you know which Virginia delegate and senate district you live in? *Not so fast!* All district boundaries have been re-drawn in the last year, and yours may have changed. To find out for sure which districts you live in, go to <https://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/> and enter your address.

Senate

The following website depicts the new Senate districts and the ethnic composition of each district.

<https://www.virginiaredistricting.org/legdistricting/comments/plan/549/1>

Districts in Northern Virginia with primaries for State Senate are 32, 33, 35, 36, 37 and 40.

The following website lists the candidates for each Virginia Senate primary election:

https://ballotpedia.org/Virginia_State_Senate_elections,_2023

House of Delegates

Districts in Northern Virginia with primaries for State Delegate are: District 2 (Arlington), District 7 (Western Fairfax), District 15 (Fairfax County) and District 19 (Fairfax/Prince William).

The following website depicts the new Delegate districts and the ethnic composition of each district.

<https://www.virginiaredistricting.org/legdistricting/comments/plan/548/1>

The following website lists the candidates for each Virginia Delegate primary election:

https://ballotpedia.org/Virginia_House_of_Delegates_elections,_2023

Another good source of information about the Virginia primary can be found at:

<https://cardinalnews.org/2023/04/20/2023-virginia-general-assembly-elections-southwest-and-southside/> which has links to information provided by Virginia Public Access Project.

If you have college students or other family members who will be away from home, remind them to apply for an absentee ballot.

Additional info for Arlington and Fairfax residents:

For those of us who live in Arlington or Fairfax counties, there are primaries for Democratic candidates for certain offices in the November elections. Primaries are all open in Virginia. This means that you may vote in this year's primary without being a Democrat and your voice will be heard.

Remember – if you have changed addresses or even apartments in the same building, you must change your voter registration. Even if you haven't moved, your polling place may have. So check on the web sites.

Arlington County is trying out Ranked Choice Voting in the primary for the Arlington County Board.

Republicans used this process in the 2021 primaries. There is a lot of information on the Arlington election website concerning how this type of voting, in which you are able to vote for your first, second, and third choice, is tabulated. Information also includes a great example using favorite ice cream flavors.

The following websites are great sources of information:

<https://vote.arlingtonva.gov/Elections>

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections>

Wondering about MD or DC elections? There are no primary elections in Maryland or the District of Columbia in 2023.

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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THE VESTRY

Kristi Kubista-Hovis..... Senior Warden
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 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
 Gabriella Young-Smith Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
 Caroline Bergmark Registrar

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

10:30 a.m. Godly Play, Side Oratory Chapel
 inside of Immanuel Chapel

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

Online

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

PRIESTS ASSOCIATE

The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV
 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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