

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL
Parish Notes
September 5, 2021

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).

Learn more about us at www.icoh.net.

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

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Ralph Fairbank, Steve Gasperek, Casey Konvalinka, Suhaila Patiño, Carroll Phillips, Jonathan Anderson, William Akins, and Cora John.

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 Pavcek, 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, and Ayub.

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: Police Officer Harminder Grewal. *Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.*

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



Announcements

The parish office will be closed next Monday, September 6, in observance of Labor Day.

HOMECOMING

HOME COMING IS NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Mark your calendar and plan to join your fellow Immanuelites next Sunday, September 12 to worship and break bread together (even at the recommended 6 feet apart), to re-connect with those who might have been away, and to welcome newcomers at Immanuel's Annual Homecoming celebration.

This happy day is also a great time to invite friends, and neighbors at the Seminary who might be looking for a church home. Please consider welcoming others to our celebration!

Weather permitting, the 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist will be held outdoors at the Grove, with special music, including the reunited Immanuel Choir with brass.

Worship will be followed by an outdoor parish picnic in the same location, and there will be games for younger parishioners nearby. Bring a blanket and/or chairs, and settle your pod for a time of fellowship within hailing distance of other parishioners.

Since COVID considerations prohibit the time-honored Immanuel pitch-in buffet, we will be providing box lunches for attendees, including special meals for younger children. Please click the blue text below to let us know if you will attend and how many are in your party, so that we can have enough meals on hand.

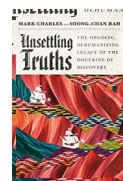
[RSVP for Immanuel's Homecoming Sunday Picnic](#)

Please come -- your community would love to see you. The more, the merrier!

(Note: If the weather does not cooperate, we plan to move worship indoors to Immanuel Chapel, and the picnic indoors to the Zabriskie Parish Hall -- with an option for folks who are not yet ready to share indoor space to pick up their box lunches and take them home, to share fellowship remotely!)

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!



COMPLINE Service on Fridays: Join us for this **Friday Compline September 10th 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.

New Chapters for Thursday Morning Bible Study:

LETTERS TO THE EPHESIANS AND COLOSSIANS

Join the clergy **this Thursday, September 9th at 10:30 a.m.** for a new Bible study series on the Epistle to the Ephesians and Colossians.

To log-in on your computer:

1. Visit our website 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**.

To join by phone, dial:1 (301) 715- 8592, then enter the meeting ID and passcode listed above using the keypad of your telephone.

For more information, contact one of the clergy.



TWO Sacred Ground Dialogue Circles:

IMMANUEL'S STARTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

Sacred Ground

A Race Dialogue Series

Sacred Ground Starting Monday, September 20TH: 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 at atwooddavid@gmail.com, or Kathryn Haskin at 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 21st. Click the word "[Registration](#)" to learn the details and costs associated with their program.

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net) Rector
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THE VESTRY

Kathryn Haskin Senior Warden, Co-steward: Social Justice
 Martha Shimkin Junior Warden: Administration
 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)

SUMMER 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
 6:00p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
 Zabriskie Chapel Memorial Garden

Online

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

PRIEST ASSOCIATES

The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV
 The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke
 The Rev. Jan A. Maas
 The Rev. John R. Smucker
 The Rev. Canon Rosemari G. Sullivan
 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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