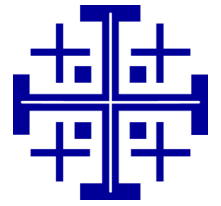




**Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill**  
**Episcopal/Anglican**  
**Alexandria, Virginia**



**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**June 9, 2024**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.**

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**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Opening Acclamation**

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

People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

**The Collect for Purity**

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***Kyrie eleison***

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*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Kyrie eleison.*

*Christ, have mercy upon us.* or *Christe eleison.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.* *Kyrie eleison.*

**The Collect of the Day**

O God, from whom all good doth come: Grant that by thy inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**The First Lesson: 1 Samuel 8:4-20, 11:14-15**

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will

appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

Samuel said to the people, “Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship.” So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the Lord, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

### **Psalm 138 *Confitebor tibi***

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \*  
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your Name, \*  
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name \*  
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; \*  
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*  
that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*  
O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

## **The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

## **The Holy Gospel: Mark 3:20-35**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark

Response: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise be to thee, O Lord.*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs

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# THE HOLY COMMUNION

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Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

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People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *grant us thy peace.*

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*If you are physically unable to come to the Altar, please let an usher know that you would like to have Communion brought to you.*

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**UPDATE ON COMMUNION PRACTICE:** Throughout the COVID pandemic, Immanuel worked diligently to ensure Holy Communion remained a spiritual experience, while also responding to concerns about physical safety for all. **The Rt. Rev. Mark Stevenson, Bishop of Virginia, has now informed us that parishioners may once again be allowed to intinct the consecrated Bread for themselves.** The preferred method of receiving is to drink from the common cup; indeed, various studies have shown this is safer than intinction. Yet those so choosing may once again intinct, provided they make every effort to prevent fingers or fingernails from touching the consecrated Wine. Now that we are well past the pandemic, this new guidance continues the dual emphases of spiritual care and physical safety.

## Post Communion Prayer

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## The Blessing

## The Dismissal

Clergy: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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People: *Thanks be to God.*

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**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:** *Reader/Intercessor:* Bert Shelters  
*Usher:* Doug Henry  
*Altar Guild:* Susan Gildersleeve  
*Flower Guild:* Connie Kurz  
*Coffee Hour Host:* Alisa Biache  
*Celebrant:* The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

# IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

## Parish Notes

### June 9, 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:** Gilma Balcarcel, Philip Brown, Cynthia Dolvin, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Wendy Hoge, Rollin Huntington, Marianne Ingold, Jessi, Joseph, Kenny, Lisa, Ann MacNamara, Kitty Montie, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Barbara Ramsdale, Mable Randolph, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Francine Wargo, Zuzanna and Spencer Wise.

**PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Ashleighana, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, Peter Blackledge, Jean Couban, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joyce Di Missa, Joseph Fabian, Gerald, Dorothy Gerhart, Linda Gill, Betty Hicks, Louise Jackson, Joanne, Brian and Joyce, Charlotte Kellogg, Tom Kellner, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Lillian Kozuma, Ann Langdon-Days, Lysbeth, Marge McGoff, Joe Micelli, Michael, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Mary Muniz, Jessi Naolitano, Carol Ording, Shelby Ochs Owen, Pamela, Paul, Joanne Perla, Lilly Pinner, Jennie Rae, Sue Rehnke, the Rev. Marcia Richardson, Roger, Emily Rogers, Bridget Rice Rose, Shawn Rush, George Rustigian, Barbara Sagan, Brother Efrain Sosu, Stephen Spurlock, Brian Tolson, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Jean Williams, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** William Alexander, Sara Latimer, Timothy Martin, Addie Biache, Andrew Drennon, Anthony Gabriel Jr., Betsy McWhirt, Margaret Messenger, Dorathea Peters, the Rev. Dr. Frank Wade, Laurie Clark, and John Trerotola.

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

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## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY TRIP THIS WEDNESDAY

### **TOM KERNS Guided Tour OF Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Church, June 12th, 10:30a.m.:**

Part two of our May brown bag luncheon, which featured fellow parishioner and architect Tom Kerns sharing his experience designing the beautiful **Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church**, Annandale, VA, ends with a guided tour of the church on June 12<sup>th</sup> with Tom as our guide to enjoy the church's icons in the setting that he designed. We will leave the Zabriskie parish hall at 10:00a.m. to arrive at 10:30a.m. to have **the Very Rev. John Besarab** join us to discuss how the architecture reflects and facilitates the Ruthenian (Greek) Catholic faith.

# Announcements

## WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES *All are welcome to participate*

Morning Prayer Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II resumes, Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, Zabriskie Chapel

Weekly Bible Study “*The Book of Wisdom*”  
Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom.  
*Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.*

Evening Compline, Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

**Immanuel's Children's Chapel meets each Sunday, 10:00 -10:25a.m, The Oratory at Immanuel Chapel:** (The Oratory is a small chapel on the other end of the hallway—opposite the parlor/ coffee hour). Our Children's Chapel is a 25-minute service rich with prayer, Bible stories, music, and reflections to teach our children about God's love. **All are welcome!**

## JUNE Food Drive for ALIVE!

Traditionally, Immanuel dutifully collected canned goods and non- perishable foods for ALIVE! for two months each year. **The need remains great, and the list of categories has grown as a result.** Our last collection in January was a great success bringing in over 500 pounds of food . Let’s do it again in JUNE! Bins will be placed in both narthexes for the five Sundays in June. Below is a list of suggested items.

**CANNED GOODS:** Fruit, vegetables, soups, beans, pasta sauce, diced tomatoes, fish and meat (chili, chicken, tuna, salmon, beef ravioli, etc.)

<b>RICE AND PASTA:</b> Spaghetti, noodles, mac & cheese kits	<b>COOKING OIL:</b> Vegetable, canola
<b>CEREAL:</b> Cold or hot, including oatmeal	<b>DRIED BEANS AND LENTILS</b>
<b>PANCAKE MIX:</b> Complete (just add water), and table syrup	<b>PEANUT BUTTER AND JAM/JELLY</b>
<b>KID-FRIENDLY, SINGLE-SERVE MICROWAVABLE ENTREES:</b> Soup, ravioli, mac & cheese	

Thanks in advance for your participation.

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS in JUNE, *continued...*

**Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>: Senior Ministry Brown Bag Lunch with Guest Speaker THE REV. PETER ACKERMAN:** Immanuel’s former Assistant Rector the Rev. Peter Ackerman, now Rector of the historic Christ Episcopal Church, Chaptico, St. Mary’s County, MD, will tell us about his recently published memoir, *Mom, Dad, Me and Classic TV-Growing Up with Classic Television’s Harry Ackerman and Elinor Donahue.*

For questions and to RSVP, please contact Karen directly at [Karen.Besser@gmail.com](mailto:Karen.Besser@gmail.com)

**SUMMER 2024: Please Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services *through August***  
ONLINE by visiting the landing page of our website at [www.ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) and **click our red**  
**SignUp Genius Button.** *Thank you to all lay ministers who have volunteered.*

### **CHRISTMAS FAMILIES IN AUGUST 2024: HAITI AND ALEXANDRIA**

First sign-up and special collection ***today***; ingathering and special collection Sunday, August 4.

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, education 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 a backpack filled with school supplies for the children in one family (62 families with 134 children referred by DCHS). Sign up after each service between Sunday, June 9 and Sunday, July 21 or in the Zabriskie narthex during the week. 15 children also need back-to-school clothing. We will give you a yellow instruction sheet with the children's names and all the information you need. Or email Linda Serabian to arrange for selecting a family.

Bring the backpacks to church (or the office) on or before Su, August 4 to be blessed at the Altar. Unassigned school supplies, especially backpacks (new or lightly used) are also welcome.

(2) Donate money through the special collections held on Sunday, June 9 and Sunday, August 4. Please make checks out to Immanuel and mark them "XFAM" on the memo line. The money will go to the Haiti Micah project (50%, last year \$2,000) and to Community Lodgings and Human Services in Alexandria. (25%, last year \$1,000, each).

If the special collections exceed \$4,000, we could support Offender Aid and Restoration to help with school supplies for children with an incarcerated parent.

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 for tuition, school supplies, and uniforms to 156 children (134 from the feeding program, 15 in the orphanage, and 7 post secondary students). With the support of churches like Immanuel, these children have the opportunity to become contributing members of their society.

Former Rector Bill Dols said "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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 Brian Rush ..... Evangelism and Newcomers  
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 Philip Brown ..... Fellowship  
 Caroline Bergmark ..... Registrar, Communications  
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**SCHEDULE OF SUMMER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

8:00 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

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**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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