

# IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

## Parish Notes

### May 12, 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 and Colette Brown, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Rollin Huntington, Marianne Ingold, Johnson/Gildersleeve Family, Joseph, Kenny, Norma Jean Lawton, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Mable Randolph, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, Norma Taliaferro, Francine Wargo, Zuzanna and Spencer Wise.

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

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Greg Lambert, Everett Post Jr., Jennie Reading, Dick Taliaferro, Meg Whelpley, Zachary Cohn, Adrienne Goins, Isaac Kubista, Marian Wright, Mary Ashton Campbell, Peter Alexander, Caitlin DeMulder, François Gas, Ethan Rodriguez, John Henderson Jr., Mike McGahuey, and Karen Wirth.

**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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## MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY

***This Saturday, MAY 18<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom***

Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> online 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 **Matthew 6:25–34** "*I am telling you not to worry about your life...Can any of you...add one single cubit to your span of life?...will (your Father) not...look after you?*" 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

# Announcements

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

Morning Prayer Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II, Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, Zabriskie Chapel

Weekly Bible Study “*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*”  
resumes Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom.  
*Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.*

Evening Compline, Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

**Immanuel's Children's Chapel meets each Sunday, 10:00 --10:25a.m, in 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!**

**Virginia's Democratic and Republican Primary Election Day is June 18.  
Early voting started May 3.**

**Immanuel's Social Justice Committee encourages all registered voters to vote.**

The three Democratic candidates for the Mayor's seat being vacated by two-term Mayor Justin Wilson are Amy Jackson, Alyia Gaskins, and Steven Peterson. There are 12 candidates for the six seats on the city council. Celianna Gunderson is running unopposed in the Republican primary. The 11 Democrats are: John Taylor Chapman, Canek Aguirre, Kirk McPike, Sarah Bagley, Jacinta Greene, Abdel Elnoubi, James Lewis Jr., Kevin Harris, Jesse O'Connell, Charlotte Scherer, and Jonathan Huskey. The first four of these are incumbent City Council members, and the next two are current School Board members.

Primary elections will be held in Arlington County and Fairfax County on the same day. The Arlington Democratic primary will choose a candidate for County Board, using ranked choice voting. Fairfax Democratic and Republican primaries will choose candidates for U.S. House of Representatives to represent the 10th District (incumbent: Jennifer Wexton) and the 11th District (incumbent: Gerry Connolly).

The Republican primary in all three jurisdictions will choose a candidate to run against incumbent U.S. Senator Tim Kaine. The five candidates are Hung Cao, Edward Garcia Jr., Jonathan Emord, C.L. Smith, and Scott Parkinson.

Election Day in each jurisdiction is June 18. Early voting began on May 3. The last day to register to vote or update existing registration by mail is May 28. Registered Virginians may vote in either primary, but not both. Be a good citizen, research the candidates, and cast your ballot!

**The Feast of Pentecost is *NEXT SUNDAY*:** Join us in celebration at one of two services May 19<sup>th</sup>:

✠ 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel, followed by coffee hour in the Parish Hall

✠ 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel, followed by coffee hour in the Parlor

If you would like to read in a foreign language, please contact Agnes at [asoos@icoh.net](mailto:asoos@icoh.net), or simply sign up online *via the red SignUp Genius button* on our homepage at [www.icoh.net](http://www.icoh.net).

## REGISTER NOW for the SHRINE MONT PARISH RETREAT

Our parish retreat at Shrine Mont is Memorial Day weekend. The retreat officially begins on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, at noon and ends after breakfast on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be time throughout the weekend to get to know new friends, reconnect with those you've known for years, enjoy nature, and worship together.

The details, including fees, how to register, and frequently-asked questions, can all be found on our website: just scan the QR code at right. See you at Shrine Mont!



## EASY WAY TO SIGN UP MAY-JULY: Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services *through Pentecost, June and July* ONLINE via Our **Red SignUp Genius Button**.

Please sign up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild Server, 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](#). **If you're a student — or planning Summer travel — feel free to sign-up for the Feast of Pentecost 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 — especially to all who have signed-up!**

### Calling all Who Care about Rich Fellowship and Hospitality at Immanuel

We will have a meeting to discuss new options and best practices for our **Fellowship Committee on Sunday, May 19th, at 9:15 AM, in the Fairchild Room** off the Zabriskie Parish Hall. This will give us a chance to reflect on successes and challenges, and the important need to provide opportunities for our people to gather together. All are welcome; come join us! Your ideas and passion are needed!

### **SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS** : Tuesday, May 28th Senior Ministry Brown Bag Lunch with Guest Speaker TOM KERNS.

**12 Noon, Parish Hall:** Our May brown bag luncheon will feature fellow parishioner and architect Tom Kerns, who will share with us his experience designing the beautiful Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church, Annandale, VA. You will want to hear this presentation before our June outing, which will be a visit to Epiphany with Tom to see the church and enjoy its icons in the setting that he designed.

**Tuesday, June 25th: 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*.

You won't want to miss any of these activities, so please watch for announcements of dates and times, and schedule them into your busy spring calendars. For questions and to RSVP, please contact Karen directly at [Karen.Besser@gmail.com](mailto:Karen.Besser@gmail.com)

**NOTE ON STAFFING FROM THE RECTOR:** It has come to my attention that administrative tasks involved in the execution of several lay ministry projects and initiatives are being given to the parish administrator, Aleta, without my knowledge beforehand, causing her to work extended hours. I ask that all requests for her assistance **be given to me first** for approval, so that her work duties can be scheduled for maximum time efficiency. Thank you all for your understanding and full cooperation.

**CLERGY AND STAFF**

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net) ..... Rector  
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 Stuart Dahlinger ..... Sexton

**THE VESTRY**

Gerry Anderson ..... Senior Warden and Senior Ministry  
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 Peter Kent ..... Junior Warden: Administration  
 Taylor Houck ..... Adult Formation and Discipleship  
 Brad Ashton and Philip Brown ..... Stewardship and Planned Giving  
 Julie Bruns ..... Outreach  
 Kathy Lloyd ..... Children, Youth, and Family Ministries  
 Mark Fearer ..... Social Justice and Pastoral Care  
 Brian Rush ..... Evangelism and Newcomers  
 Matt Haskin ..... Worship  
 Philip Brown ..... Fellowship  
 Caroline Bergmark ..... Registrar, Communications  
 Sophie Johnson, Sydney Onley, David Lloyd, and Isabelle Young-Smith ..... Youth Representatives

**SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

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

**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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