

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

June 9, 2024

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).

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.

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 12th 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 11th @ 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II resumes, Wednesday, June 19th, Zabriskie Chapel

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

Evening Compline, Friday, June 14th @ 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.)

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

Thanks in advance for your participation.

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

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.*

For questions and to RSVP, please contact Karen directly at 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 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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CHRISTINO CELLO RECITAL

TODAY @ 3:00 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

All are welcome to join us *today* from 3-4:00p.m. in Zabriskie Chapel for **Ruth Christino's Senior Cello Recital.**

Ruth and her dear friend, Eliana Rougle on piano, are co-hosting this joint senior recital to celebrate their graduation from high school and commencement on their new stage of life. Ruth decided to study music in college this fall.

Enjoy several of their favorite selections by: **Johann Sebastian Bach**

Nathaniel Dett

Franz Joseph Haydn

Jacques Ibert

Robert Muczynski

Sergei V. Rachmaninov

Immediately after the concert, join the musicians for a meet-n-greet reception, with lite fare, in the parish hall.

You are encouraged to bring a friend to this free concert.



Service Cancellation *THIS WEEK*

We have cancelled this week's Wednesday Eucharist, scheduled for June 12th. Our weekly Wednesday Midday Eucharist will return the following week, June 19th at its regular time and place, 12 noon in Zabriskie Chapel.

As summer arrives, we encourage those of you with flexible schedules to worship with us on Wednesday afternoons whenever you can: you're always welcome.

Parish Office Summer Hours Begin Monday, June 10th

The Parish Office at 3606 Seminary Road will begin Summer Office Hours tomorrow as follows:

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

JUNIOR WARDEN BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS UPDATE

We are very grateful for parishioner feedback that requested more regular updates for buildings and grounds projects. To that end, beginning in July, we will provide monthly updates. In the meantime, please take a moment to notice and appreciate all the projects completed from January to May 2024:

BUILDINGS INTERIOR

- Zabriskie Chapel painting of trim, balcony, stairwell and railing, and repair of blinds, balcony pillars and balcony ceiling.
- Narthex ordination plaque addition of names, painting of trim, and painting of stairwell and railing.
- Parish Hall repairs of broken piano leg, speaker, AV floor outlet, and women's bathroom.
- Buildings Exterior
- Roof repair of squirrel guards and sky light.

GROUNDS

- Spring Workdays on March 9 and April 27 to weed, transplant, trim and mulch the Memorial Garden, Parish Hall front garden, and crape myrtle circle, to repair one of the sheds, and to remove stumps in the Rectory garden and the Chapel front circle.
- Eagle Scout Project installation of a stone path to calm rainwater run off behind Zabriskie Chapel "Mass on the Grass" area.
- Arborist Assessment and Tree and Shrub Care Plan to identify and provide the health status of 135 trees on the grounds of Zabriskie Chapel and the Rectory.
- Parking lot branch pruning and a repair request to Dominion Energy to correct the street light that never turns off.
- Planted the native wildflowers (16 pots) that were donated in honor of Jack Scarlett's baptism and for Creation Care Sunday.
- Northern Virginia Property Services (Manuel Ortiz) applied two herbicide treatments to invasive Lesser Celandine and Chameleon Plant recurrences.

JOIN US:

- 1st Monday of the month, Buildings and Grounds meeting at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. Interested parishioners may contact Tom Kerns.
- 1st Tuesday of the month, Creation Care meeting at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. Interested parishioners may contact Denise Freeland at eco.voce@verizon.net with an email request to receive the Zoom link for participation.
- Garden Workdays: All who are interested are welcome to come help weed and mulch.
 - ◆ Sunday, June 16 in the evening, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
 - ◆ Saturday, July 20, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
 - ◆ Saturday, August 17, 8:30-11:30 a.m.

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

Gerry Anderson Senior Warden and Senior Ministry
 Amy Thomas Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care
 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 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

Online

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.



PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

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