



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

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**THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**October 15, 2023**

**Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:30 a.m.**

Page references are for [The Book of Common Prayer](#).

*A professionally-staffed nursery is located in the south corner of the building (to the right as you face the organ); restrooms are located on either side of the double wooden doors.*

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**Prelude:** Adagio

Felix Mendelssohn

**Processional Hymn 390:** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"    *found in* The Hymnal 1982    *Lobe den Herren*

*See page 2 of this bulletin*



**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Opening Acclamation**

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

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

**The Collect for Purity**

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*Descant*

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound — from his

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

*At conclusion of this hymn, please return to the cover page for the Opening Acclamation*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## The Collect for the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The First Lesson: Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 *Confitemini Domino, Et fecerunt vitulum*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, \*  
for his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord \*  
or show forth all his praise?
- 3 Happy are those who act with justice \*  
and always do what is right!
- 4 Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, \*  
and visit me with your saving help;

- 5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect  
and be glad with the gladness of your people, \*  
that I may glory with your inheritance.
- 6 We have sinned as our forebears did; \*  
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.
- 19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb \*  
and worshiped a molten image;
- 20 And so they exchanged their Glory \*  
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.
- 21 They forgot God their Savior, \*  
who had done great things in Egypt,
- 22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, \*  
and fearful things at the Red Sea.
- 23 So he would have destroyed them,  
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, \*  
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

### **The Epistle: Philippians 4:1-9**

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

**Sequence Hymn 60:** "How great thou art"

verses 1,3, and 4

*Swedish Folk Melody*

*found in the hymnal Lift Every Voice and Sing II*

*See page 6 of this bulletin*

1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der Con - sid - er  
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the  
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, Sent him to  
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me

1. all the worlds\* thy hands have made, — I see the stars I hear the roll - ing\*  
 2. birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, — When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
 3. die, I scarce can take it in, — That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly  
 4. home, what joy shall fill my heart! — Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

1. thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played. —  
 2. gran - deur, And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze. —  
 3. bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin. —  
 4. ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God how great thou art. —

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to Thee: — How great Thou

\* The translator's original words are "works" and "mighty."

art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to

Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

**The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew  
 Response: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Gospel of the Lord  
 Response: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.

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Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
 People: *And also with you.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory:** “The Lord is my shepherd” John Rutter

*from Psalm 23 KJV*

**THE IMMANUEL CHOIR**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
 for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my  
 head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell  
 in the house of the Lord for ever.

**Doxology:** Hymn 380 (verse 3) *found in The Hymnal 1982* *Old 100th*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**The Great Thanksgiving:** Eucharistic Prayer B p. 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.  
 People: *And also with you.*  
 Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.  
 People: *We lift them to the Lord.*  
 Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
 People: *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*



*Sanctus (from A Mass for Immanuel)*

Jane Tavernier

14  
Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might Hea-ven and Earth are

19  
filled with your glo-ry, Ho- san - na in the high - est, Ho-san - na Ho- san - na Ho

24  
san - na in the high-est Bles-sed is He, Bles-sed is He who comes in the name of the

29  
Lord Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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**The Lord's Prayer**

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Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us  
Response: *Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.*

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Agnus Dei (from A Mass for Immanuel)*

Jane Tavernier

34  
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take a way the sins of the world

46  
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take a way the sins of the world

57  
Have mer - cy Have mer - cy Have mer - cy u pon us.

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Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

*We will receive at one standing station.*

*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.*

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION:**

**Communion Anthem:** “Tantum Ergo”

Marie-Joseph Alexandre Déodat de Séverac

**THE IMMANUEL CHOIR**

Tantum ergo sacramentum  
Veneremur cernui,  
et antiquum documentum  
novo cedat ritui.  
Praestet fides supplementum  
sensuum defectui.

*Down in adoration falling,  
Lo! the sacred Host we hail,  
Lo! o'er ancient forms departing  
Newer rites of grace prevail;  
Faith for all defects supplying,  
Where the feeble senses fail.*

Genitori genitoque  
laus et jubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque  
sit et benedictio!  
Procedenti ab utroque  
compar sit laudatio!  
Amen.

*To the everlasting Father,  
And the Son Who reigns on high  
With the Holy Spirit proceeding  
Forth from each eternally,  
Be salvation, honor, blessing,  
Might and endless majesty!  
Amen.*

*Sung if needed*

**Hymn 671:** “Amazing grace! how sweet the sound”

*found in The Hymnal 1982*

*New Britain*

*See page 11 of this bulletin*

**Post Communion Prayer**

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*Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his  
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
 \* 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
 2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me  
 5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.  
 2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

*The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.*

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt.; st. 5, from *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790; compiled by Richard Broaddus and Andrew Broaddus. Music: *New Britain*, from *Virginia Harmony* 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851-1921); harm. Austin Cole Lovelace (b. 1919). Harmonization Copyright © 1974 by Abingdon Press.

## The Blessing

*found in The Hymnal 1982*

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!  
 2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!  
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

1 O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love!  
 2 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.  
 5 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

1 Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
 2 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,  
 5 thy mer - cies, how ten - der! how firm to the end!

1 pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.  
 2 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
 5 Our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

## The Dismissal

Clergy: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**Postlude:** Allegro in f minor

Léon Boëllmann



*The flowers on the Altar are given by the Virginia Theological Seminary to the glory of God and in joyous celebration of the seminary's bicentennial.*

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**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:** *Readers:* Wilton Corkern, Bryant Mitchell  
*Intercessor:* Felicity Amos  
*Chalice Bearer:* Suzanne Wilson Heckenberg  
*Musicians:* Dr. Jane Tavernier, organist; The Immanuel Choir  
*Altar Guild:* Brooke Roberts  
*Ushers:* Bryant Mitchell, Madeleine Mitchell  
*Audio-Visual:* The Rev. Jan A. Maas, Tamika Martin  
*Celebrant:* The Rev. Susan D. Parsons

# IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

## Parish Notes

### October 15, 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. 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:** Brad Ashton, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Ann and Rollin Huntington, Frances Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Betty Wanamaker, and Francine Wargo.

**PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Alice, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Felicia Balzano, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, David Craig, Justine Claypoole, Jean Couban, The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, Cynthia, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joseph Fabian, Cathy Fick, Linda Gill, Betty Harris, Betty Hicks, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, John, Bogumil Knypinski, Katja, Tom Kellner, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Marcia MacDonald, Marge McGoff, Joe Miceli, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Candy Morgan, Mary Muniz, Lysbeth, Jessi Napolitano, Shelby Ochs Owen, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Michael Rathsack, Rebecca, Jim Rehnke, Sue Rehnke, Larry Rhoades, Roger, George Rustigian, Jim Sanford, Brian Tolson, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Claudia Reading, Mia Mason, Kristen Moore, Lane Debevoise, Barbara Kirkland, Rufus Peabody, Sujatha Augustine, Brent McCaslin, Phyllis Sims, Alisa Biache, Tricia Calloway, and Hartley Hobson Wensing.

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



**Forum Hour TODAY:**

**“Welcome Back” : ALL ABOUT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:00 A.M., Zabriskie Parish Hall**

The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke will guide us through writings of Thomas Merton for the **IMMANUEL ADVENT RETREAT** December 8-10 at Holy Cross Abbey near Berryville, Virginia. The retreat registration form is on the church website at <https://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org/2023-advent-retreat.html>.

Please register before November 10<sup>th</sup>.



# Announcements

## WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Morning Prayer, Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, Zabriskie Chapel

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Wednesday Evening Eucharist **October 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.**, Zabriskie Chapel

*The Feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist*

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Bible Study “*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*”, Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom. Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

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Evening Compline, Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

### UPCOMING SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP EVENT:

**October 18 — THIRD WEDNESDAY LUNCH AT GOODWIN HOUSE.** Please join us for luncheon and conversation in the Fillmore Room at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We gather at noon on the third Wednesday of the month, which will be October 18. Please RSVP to Rev. Susan if you are not a resident of Goodwin House and to Susan Kernan if you are a resident.

### **October 26 — FOURTH TUESDAY BROWN BAG LUNCH with TWO GUEST SPEAKERS**

In 2019, Alexandria joined the Dementia Friendly America initiative, a national network of communities, organizations and individuals seeking to ensure that communities across the U.S. are equipped to support people living with dementia and their caregivers. Dementia friendly communities foster the ability of people living with dementia to remain in community and engage and thrive in day to day living.

**Pamela Austin, Aging & Disability Resource Coordinator for the City of Alexandria and Mary Lee Anderson, Executive Director of Senior Services of Alexandria will be joining us** to talk about what it means for Alexandria to be a dementia friendly city, what it might mean for Immanuel to be a dementia friendly parish, and what it means for us as individuals to be dementia friends.

Luncheon will begin at 12:15pm in the parish hall and our program will start around 12:30. Don't forget to bring your own sandwich or salad and Senior Ministry will provide beverages and dessert. There is no cost for this event and no reservation is required.

### MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY **OCTOBER 21<sup>st</sup> @ 8:00 AM Held**

**Online via Zoom:** Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, the THIRD Saturday of the month. We will meet via Zoom (find this bulletin on our website under the “Worship” tab, then click on the link below) beginning at 8 AM. Our theme this year is *Freedom*; this month we will read **Psalm 146 “How blessed is he who has...God to help him...God sets prisoners free”** 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





Sunday School Teachers NEEDED



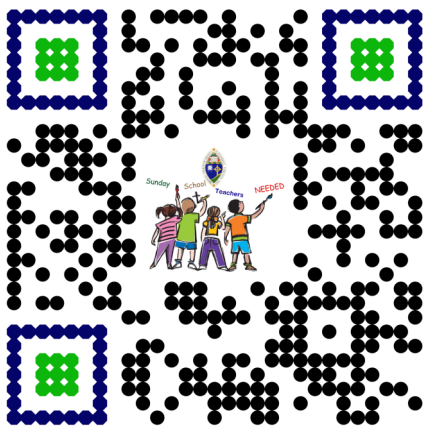
# Call for Sunday School Teachers!

Join Immanuel's Christian Formation crew-teach Sunday School!

Our first season of Sunday School will run November 5<sup>th</sup> - December 10<sup>th</sup> during formation hour at 10 AM.  
*\*No Sunday School November 26*

The hope is that we would have enough volunteers so each instructor would be scheduled once a month to teach and once a month to support. Invite a friend to team up with you—simply complete the form online by scanning — and sharing — the QR code below, or find this bulletin on our website under the “Worship” tab and click on the [Volunteer for Sunday School](#) graphic below.

Any questions, please contact Rev. Sarah at [sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net](mailto:sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net)



*Volunteer for*  
**Children &  
Family Ministry**  
*Sunday School*

*Just scroll to the bottom of the form.*

Sunday School Volunteers







# EYC Guided Ghost Tour of Old Town

Sunday, October 29, 6 p.m. - for our 6th-12th graders

*(No School for Alexandria City Schools on Monday, October 30)*

Join us on the evening of Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> Our Guided Ghost Tour of Old Town Alexandria! The tour begins at 6:00 p.m. at Market Square -- where we'll meet up with youth groups from Christ Church, Grace, St. Paul's and Emmanuel Episcopal! The tour ends with our Episcopal Halloween Liturgy in the Christ Church Graveyard by 8:00 p.m.

 **DROP-OFF:** We'll meet at the bus-unloading zone on King Street in front of City Hall, 301 King Street. No pets please.

 **PICK-UP:** Christ Church Graveyard at 8 p.m.

Any questions? Email Rev. Sarah at [sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net](mailto:sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net)

Please **scan the QR code below to register online** or find this bulletin on our website under the "Worship" tab and [click the ghost graphic above](#).



*Scan to Register*

## Immanuel Outreach and the PUMPKIN PATCH'S 30<sup>TH</sup> YEAR

Fall at Immanuel is synonymous with the Pumpkin Patch, now in our 30<sup>th</sup> year. No other activity in the Parish involves so many people contributing so much effort in so many ways. Pumpkin proceeds show our love and care for our neighbors – in 2022 alone **we supported 14 local Alexandria charities, 5 regional, and 6 international charities**. Included were local grants to ALIVE!, Carpenter's Shelter, Community Lodgings, Culmore Clinic, and Refugee Ministries. Pumpkin funds help the homeless, restore dignity to offenders, and support school children in Haiti. Since the year 2000, when we first started keeping detailed records, we have raised \$1,225,473 from the Pumpkin Patch, all of which has gone to Outreach.



We are halfway through the month and pumpkin sales are picking up — especially the **soup sales!** The last two trucks arrive October 21<sup>st</sup>. We have faith our loving Parish will show up and help unload pumpkins. We have faith our wonderful bakers and soup makers and knitters will keep the Pumpkin Patch supplied with the tastes and feel of autumn – 100 % of food sales go to Outreach. We will have Apple Crisps! **We can't do this without you!**

Please commit to two or three sales shifts. Shifts are 3 hours each—we close every day at 6pm – it's still light outside. Please volunteer for sales shifts by finding this bulletin on our website [www.ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) and selecting “Worship Service Bulletins” under the “Worship” tab. Once on the worship bulletins page, simply click the orange “Volunteer for the Patch” button pictured below.

[Volunteer for the Patch](#)

**Come Visit or Join Immanuel's Social Justice Committee:** All are welcome to join, or simply visit, the parish social justice committee meeting the fourth Tuesday of most months, usually via Zoom and sometimes in person. So far we have organized a range of events and sessions on racial history and reconciliation, incarceration, and other topics; partnered with various other churches and synagogues on these activities as well as on voter registration; and provided support to people in prison or coming out of jail or prison as well as educating ourselves and talking to Virginia legislators about the national Episcopal church's positions on solitary confinement. We would love for you to visit us or join us. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-9:00 PM at this link. (Meeting ID: 867 4727 3557 Passcode: 872377) Please direct any questions or comments to Kathryn Jackson Haskin or David Atwood. Thank you.

*If you are seeking to deepen your spiritual life, Join the **BENEDICTINE COMMUNITY** via Zoom*

If you want more contemplation in your life, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel. **Join us October 17<sup>th</sup>** — we meet (virtually) twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7-8 pm.

Our Benedictine Community gather as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from selected reading material and the ancient traditions and wisdom of Benedictine practice and prayer. As a community, we reflect on how the tenets of St. Benedict, such as humility, silence, and prayer, can guide us in practical ways in our spiritual lives and our day to day endeavors. Individual reflection is guided by short readings from a Benedictine-inspired book. We are currently reading Bonnie Thurston's *Shaped by the End You Live For*. We focus on reflections sparked by having read a few pages from the book.

With half or more of our current members residing outside of the area, we use Zoom for our meetings; however, if you are not comfortable with the video aspects of Zoom, you can simply call us and participate by voice-only via the telephone. On rare occasions we host hybrid meetings using Zoom with simultaneous gathering in-person in the parish hall.

For more information, please contact Dana Hengst ([dana.hengst@gmail.com](mailto:dana.hengst@gmail.com)), Barbara Fornoff ([cr8vweaver@gmail.com](mailto:cr8vweaver@gmail.com)) or David Atwood ([David\\_Atwood@hotmail.com](mailto:David_Atwood@hotmail.com)).



## SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN! ages 5-12, grades K-6

Our first day of Sunday School will be November 5<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist at Zabriskie Chapel. Please register your child using the Google Form in our weekly e-blast or on our website — look for the carousel of rotating images on the homepage and click on slide “[Immanuel Sunday School Registration](#)” pictured at right, or scan the QR code at left with your cell phone. We can't wait to begin!



**Jazz Concert to Benefit INOVA Alexandria Hospital’s Pastoral Care Program, October 26<sup>th</sup> at The Lyceum Museum:** In keeping with years of tradition, on October 26, 2023, the Board of Lady Managers will host a Jazz Concert fundraiser — featuring **Becky Livas** — from 6-8:00 p.m. at the Lyceum Museum, 201 S. Washington Street, Alexandria, VA. All proceeds from the concert will go toward two goals: (1) funding a **Brevera Breast Biopsy System**, and (2) expanding **INOVA Alexandria Hospital’s Pastoral Care Program**.

Please join us in continuing this tradition of caring for the health of our Alexandria community. The cost of \$75/person and any donation of \$100 or more is designated as a Supporter. We hope that you will work with us to advance INOVA Alexandria’s extraordinary contributions to our community’s health and welfare.



If you have any questions, feel free to contact **Barbara Ramsdell** or board President, Barbara Wells, at [bawells@verizon.net](mailto:bawells@verizon.net). Thank you for your support.

## EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: OCTOBER –NOVEMBER 2023 Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services ONLINE via Our New SignUp Genius Button



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](#) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at [www.ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) and clicking on the red button at left.

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 [sparsons@icoh.net](mailto:sparsons@icoh.net) or indicate so next to your name on the sheet. Thank you!

## IMMANUEL’S SECOND ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>—SAVE THE DATE!

We are partnering with Inova Hospital for the second time to host a blood drive on Sunday, November 19, from noon to 4pm in the Zabriskie parking lot. Please express your interest by filling out your name, email, and phone number in this form, or by contacting Katherine Maas at [katherinemaas@gmail.com](mailto:katherinemaas@gmail.com).

Blood drives are a meaningful way to help our community—one in seven people entering the hospital need blood and a single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood. The blood from our drive will likely be used within 48 hours after it ends. Please see recently updated eligibility guidance on Inova's site here and on the FDA's site here. If you are not eligible to donate, please consider volunteering at the registration table—even helping out for an hour would help! If you are considering donating for the first time, Inova has some helpful information here. Please contact Katherine with any questions or to express interest in volunteering. Thank you!!



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 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  
 Sydney Onley ..... Youth Representative (nonvoting member)  
 Caroline Bergmark ..... Registrar

**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**

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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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