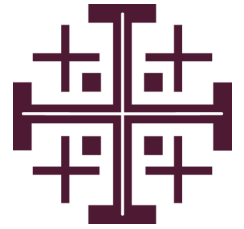




Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill
Episcopal/Anglican
Alexandria, Virginia



CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25, 2023

Holy Eucharist, 11:00 a.m.



About the Artist: MR. AIDAN HART

The Nativity icon on the cover of this bulletin was created by contemporary British iconographer Aidan Hart.

An icon transcends time and space so the iconography depicted includes several scenes. Central is the Virgin Mary reclining before a cave. Unlike many Orthodox icons in which a baby Jesus in swaddling cloths lies in the manger, Mary tenderly holds a Christ child reminiscent of Christ in Majesty, blessing with one hand and holding a scroll—emphasizing his teaching and message. The cave is black and represents hell. This icon clearly points to Christ’s death and resurrection, with the swaddling cloths in the manger pointing to the cloths left in the empty tomb.

All the elements of the Christmas story are there—the animals, angels, and Magi. The ox, a kosher animal represents the Jews and the donkey the Gentiles—united after the message of Christ. Christ’s humanity is celebrated as the midwife in the lower left corner washes the baby. The scene also foreshadows His Baptism. On the right a thoughtful Joseph gazes up at mother and child. In the traditional Nativity iconography, Joseph is approached by a old shepherd-devil who tries to sow doubt about the Incarnation. Here Hart’s presentation of a thoughtful Joseph captures the essence of the event without the need to include the old man. On top of the icon is a blue mandorla signifying the presence and mystery of God. Colors are important in icons. The red background here cries out the importance of the Incarnation—Christ’s sacrifice and resurrection.

Hart’s icons can be seen in churches across the world. He most recently designed the *Anointing Screen* for the coronation of King Charles III. His icons have been part of several important exhibits of contemporary iconography across Europe and in the United States, including at the Virginia Theological Seminary.



Photos of the *Anointing Screen* designed for the 2023 coronation of UK’s King Charles III courtesy of Mr. Hart’s website: <https://aidanharticons.com/>



Opening Hymn 96: "Angels we have heard on high"

Gloria

found in The Hymnal 1982

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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Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn of Praise 99: "Go tell it on the mountain" *found in The Hymnal 1982*

African American Spiritual

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

The Epistle: Hebrews 1:1-4

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn 87: "Hark! the herald angels sing"

found in The Hymnal 1982

Mendelssohn

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20 (*King James version*)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People: ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

Pause to honor the great mystery of the Incarnation.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

The Gospel of the Lord

People: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ***

Sermon: [The Rev. Susan D. Parsons](#)

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor and People pray responsively

My sisters and brothers in the peace of God: all the gifts we will give and receive in these days are but small tokens of the gift that shines forth in God's Word made flesh this night. With grateful hearts, let us intercede for all who find themselves longing for the deepest, truest gift.

Let us pray that the peace proclaimed by angels in the shepherds' field might be realized on every field of war and on every street of violence. We pray especially for an end to the conflicts between Russia and Ukraine, between Israel and Hamas, in the Congo, in Sudan, and in Haiti, and for peace on our own streets.

Eternal God, ***hear our prayer.***

Let us pray that the child born to us might find in our hearts a warm welcome by our openness to the needs of the homeless and the hungry. Bless the Church throughout the world, and all who celebrate Your Son's birth, remembering Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Mark and Gayle, our bishops. We pray for Immanuel, for its life, health, and growth, and its worship, outreach, witness, and fellowship. We also pray for St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Oak Grove, VA, whose building was destroyed by a fire last week.

Lord Christ, *hear our prayer.*

Let us pray that in this time of gift-giving we might grow ever more responsive to the abandoned, the despairing, and the mourning.

Holy Spirit, *hear our prayer.*

Let us pray that the joy and consolation of the Wonderful Counselor might enliven all in need of healing of any kind, especially those on our parish prayer list. We pray, as well, for those whom we name now, either silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers of petition or intercession

O holy and undivided Trinity, *hear our prayer.*

We pray in hope this night for all who have gone before us into new life, all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one. We remember especially Ann Huntington and Betty Wanamaker, and all those in whose memory the Christmas flowers and the special music have been given.

Eternal God, *hear our prayer.*

The Celebrant concludes

Jesus Christ, holy child, glory of God revealed, by starlight we first saw your face; now by candlelight we sing your praise. Though the night is long, you are our hope. Though the path is dark, you lead the way. By your Spirit, help us to shine with the brightness of your truth and share the warmth of your great love, so that all may believe, rejoice, and give thanks, for you are the Light of the world. *Amen.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 78: "O little town of Bethlehem"

Forest Green

found in The Hymnal 1982

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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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.*

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.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei (from A Mass for Immanuel)

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.

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

If you plan to drink from the chalice please consume the Bread, as usual, and then move to the chalice to drink. If you plan to intinct, please leave the Bread in your hand, and the Chalicist will intinct for you and then place the intincted Bread back on your hand. If you are physically unable to join us at the Altar, please let an usher know that you would like to have Communion brought to you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Communion Hymn 115: "What child is this?"

found in The Hymnal 1982

Greensleeves

Sung, if needed

Communion Hymn 101: "Away in a manger, no crib for his bed"

found in The Hymnal 1982

Cradle Song



Post Communion Prayer

*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.*

The Christmas Blessing

May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one all things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 100: "Joy to the world! The Lord is come" *found in* The Hymnal 1982 *Antioch*

The Dismissal

Clergy: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude: In Dulci Jubilo Johann Sebastian Bach

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:	Crucifer:	Isaac Kubista
	Readers:	Karen Besser, Janice Corbett
	Intercessor:	Kristi Kubista-Hovis
	Musicians:	Dr. Jane Tavernier (organ, Director of Music)
	Flower Guild:	The Immanuel Flower Guild
	Ushers:	Caroline Bergmark, Stewart Skubel, Teresa
	Celebrant:	Skubel The Rev. Susan D. Parsons



UPCOMING SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMASTIDE

December 31	8:00 a.m.	First Sunday After Christmas with Holy Eucharist Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	First Sunday After Christmas with Holy Eucharist Rite II	Immanuel Chapel
January 7, 2024	8:00 a.m.	The First Sunday After Epiphany with Holy Eucharist Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Children's Epiphany Pageant with Holy Eucharist Rite II followed by a Cookie Party in the Welcome Center	Immanuel Chapel

THE CHRISTMAS BRASS TRIO

DECEMBER 24-25, 2023



Brass PATRONS

The Kirby Family

In thanksgiving our Immanuel Church Family
In memory of Joseph Louis Kirby

Ken and Chandley McDonald

In memory of Colonel and Mrs. John A. McCann
and Mrs. C.P. McDonald

Mary Ann Rehnke

In memory of Charles O. Willis

Brass SPONSORS

Sanjiv and Sujatha Augustine

In thanksgiving for family and friends

Anthony Christino and Adrienne Goins

In thanksgiving for Martha and Ruth

Leif Christoffersen

In memory of Becky Christoffersen

Kenneth R. Gerhart

In memory of Ms. Barbara Bardotz
and Mr. James C. Gerhart

Kay Hobson

In memory of Richard R.G. Hobson

Doug and Wendy John

In thanksgiving for our children,
Steve and Dave John

Danette (Dani) Gentile Kauffman

In thanksgiving for Diane Adams

Tom and Roz Kerns

In thanksgiving for our family and Immanuel

Mary Ann Rehnke

In memory of Charles Willis

The Wilsons
Darrell, Leah, Ben, and Rachel

In memory of James Arland Adrian





Christmas Greens and Flowers

Anonymous	In memory of James William "Bill" Kilpatrick
Sanjiv and Sujatha Augustine	In thanksgiving for blessings in the past year
Tom and Sally Guy Brown	In thanksgiving for our grandsons, James, Thomas and Fenton O'Neil
Jan and Hugh Campbell	In thanksgiving for our grandchildren, Hugh, Matthew, Elizabeth, Virginia, Claire and Chloe
Linda and Gil Donahue	In thanksgiving for our grandson, Parker Kenzo
Carolyn Ferguson	In thanksgiving for The Mike Ferguson Family
Kenneth Gerhart	In memory of James C. Gerhart
Douglas D. Henry	In memory of Mary Ellen Henry
Tom and Debbie Hewson	In honor of our parents Bill and Sue Davis Tom and Betsey Hewson
The Maas Hicks Family	In memory of Georgia S. Maas
Doug and Wendy John	In thanksgiving for our grandchildren, Ben and Scarlett John; Thomas and Cora John
Ann MacNamara	In memory of Lawrence and Margaret MacNamara Lawrence MacNamara, Jr., and Helen C. Angle
Ken and Mia Mason	In thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren
Ken and Chandley McDonald	In memory of Mrs. Betty S. Wanamaker
Sudie McGahuey	In memory of Harriet Bliss
Denise Freeland and Paul Smyth	In thanksgiving for our daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren
Laura and Jim Snow	In thanksgiving for our daughters, sons-in-law, and our grandchildren
Agnes Soos	In memory of Gizella and Kálmán Soos, and Grace Soos Harber
The Wilsons	In thanksgiving for Stanley Keith Twaddle
Darrell, Leah, Ben and Rachel	





Special Christmas Music

Randy Alexander

In thanksgiving for the fellowship we share at Immanuel
In memory of Joe and Mildred Alexander, Edgar and Dorothy
Phaneuf,
and Connie Smith

Anonymous

In memory of James William "Bill" Kilpatrick

Jan and Hugh Campbell

In thanksgiving for our grandchildren: Hugh, Matthew, Elizabeth,
Virginia, Claire, and Chloe

Carolyn Ferguson

In memory of Mike Ferguson

Kenneth Gerhart

In thanksgiving for Dorothy R. Gerhart

Douglas D. Henry

In thanksgiving for the Choir of Immanuel Church-on-The-Hill

Tom and Debbie Hewson

In thanksgiving for our grandchildren: Audrey, Jack, and Liam

Doug and Wendy John

In thanksgiving for our grandchildren, Thomas and Cora John; Ben
and Scarlett John

Danette (Dani) Gentile Kauffman

In thanksgiving for the mission and ministry of Immanuel and its
clergy, staff, and parishioners

The Maas Hicks Family

In memory of Georgia S. Maas

Ken & Mia Mason

In memory of Karl Gold and the Rev. Richard D. Leonard

Sudie McGahuey

In memory of George Bliss

John and Edna Roberts

In memory of our parents: Bus and Vernie Knight
and Jack and Lucy Roberts

Agnes Soos Rogers and Richard
Rogers

In memory of Richard M. Rogers

Denise Freeland and Paul Smyth

In thanksgiving for Dr. Jane Tavernier

Rosi Urbine

In memory of Tony and Frances Urbine

The Wilsons

In memory of Darrell Eugene Wilson

Darrell, Leah, Ben, and Rachel

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

December 24-25, 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).

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Natalie Doyle Hennin, Rollin Huntington, Marianne Ingold, Frances Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony and Patsy Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Francine Wargo, Zuzanna and Spencer.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Alice, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, David Craig, Justine Claypoole, Jean Couban, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Cynthia, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joseph Fabian, Cathy Fick, Gerald, Linda Gill, Betty Harris, Betty Hicks, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, John, Katja, Tom Kellner, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Marcia MacDonald, Marge McGoff, Joe Miceli, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, 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, Brian Tolson, Graham Tomlinson, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Valia Amiri, Jason Donahue, Tim Gildersleeve, Debbie Hewson, Candace Quinlan, Carol Crossmire, Amy Parks, Drew Parks, Marda Robillard, Norma Taliaferro, Mae Hunt, the Rev. Jan A. Maas, and Ken McDonald.

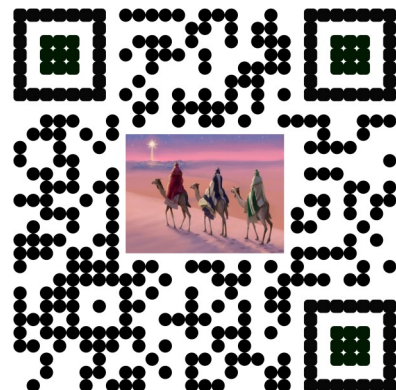
Serving around the world: Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina and Nolan Anderson, and Scott.

Those who have died: Candy Morgan, close friend of Chris von Schoening. *Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.*

Godly Play Schedule Update December-January 2023

- ☆ Godly Play will not be held through January 7th, the day of our *Children's Epiphany Pageant*, 10:30 a.m., Immanuel Chapel. All parents are encouraged to register their children to participate by scanning the QR code at right.
 - ☆ On January 14th, 21st and 28th we will have Godly Play at 10:30 a.m. in Immanuel Chapel (Octagon Room).
 - ☆ On February 4th we will return to our normal schedule, and Godly Play will move back to the Worship Center at 9 a.m.
- Questions? Contact Sarah Glassco at glasscos@gmail.com.

IMMANUEL FAMILIES:
Sign-up for the Epiphany Pageant here!



Announcements

WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Morning Prayer @ 10:00, Tuesday, January 9th, Zabriskie Chapel

Wednesday Holy Eucharist Rite II
January 10th @ 12 Noon, Zabriskie Chapel

Bible Study "*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*", Thursday, January 11th @10:30 a.m.
online via Zoom. Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

Evening Compline, Friday, January 12th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

First Forum Hour of 2024: Sunday, January 14th @ 11:45 AM, The Welcome Center (VTS Campus)

Family History: Living the Civil Rights Era, with Bryant Mitchell

Please join us on January 14, right after the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist, in The Welcome Center, for an interview with longtime parishioner Bryant Mitchell, whose civil rights experience began as a child plaintiff in a desegregation lawsuit in Charlottesville, and whose parents -- long associated with the Seminary and with Immanuel -- were actively engaged in civil rights activism, bearing witness and having impact across and beyond the State of Virginia.

Come Join Us, and Pray for Us as Immanuel's Social Justice Committee
travels to Richmond on January 17, 2024 to

Ask The General Assembly to LIMIT SOLITARY CONFINEMENT in Virginia

Jesus calls on us to care for those in prison. For a number of years, we have been doing just that through Outreach support to groups like Offender Aid and Restoration, Samaritan Ministry, and the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy. Last year, the Social Justice Committee consulted extensively with the Alexandria Sheriff, the Commonwealth's Attorney, a public defender and Immanuel's Outreach partners to see what more decisive action we could take on this issue. Based on that consultation, the Vestry encouraged us to engage with Virginia's legislature to prohibit solitary confinement for more than two weeks, something the national Episcopal Church and many other denominations have formally condemned as a form of torture. Over the course of 2023, we joined with the Interfaith Center and many houses of worship throughout the State, and our efforts produced two of the most bipartisan pieces of legislation to emerge from the General Assembly this year. The legislation didn't put a time limit on solitary confinement, but the first bill created several procedural safeguards, and the second bill funded an Ombudsman's office to oversee the Department of Corrections' compliance with those safeguards.

We are going to Richmond again on January 17 to get the office of the Ombudsman formally authorized, and to see what other improvements we might be able to make on this issue. Please consider joining us in Richmond for a day of criminal justice dialogue and visits with our state representatives. Once again we've chartered a very comfortable bus, which will depart the Immanuel parking lot at 5:45 a.m. Wednesday, January 17 and return that evening. Please contact [Kathryn Haskin](#), [Jamie Conrad](#), or [David Atwood](#).



Want to Become a Lay Reader? Lector Training Resumes January 14th!

We'll return to hosting brief Lector Training sessions each Sunday following the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist in Immanuel Chapel. The purpose is to enhance sound quality of the service and to make sure readers are comfortable, annunciate, and are prepared to serve. Those who have read before but want pointers on how to project their specific voice in a slightly echo-y spacious chapel, should feel free to join us. Send your questions and/or express your interest via email at tmartin@icoh.net, and Tamika Martin or Steven Denlinger will contact you directly. You can also sign up via the QR code at left.

Lay Reader Training

SEEKING NEW VESTRY MEMBERS

Our annual meeting is scheduled for the end of January, when we will elect new Vestry members to begin three-year terms. If you are interested in discussing what Vestry service at Immanuel entails, or if you are feeling called to stand, please contact Father Randy at ralexander@icoh.net, or Senior Warden Kristi Kubista-Hovis at kristi_kubista@yahoo.com.

EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: DECEMBER 2023 - JANUARY 2024

Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services Through January ONLINE via Our **Red Sign Up Genius Button**



Would consider serving 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 [Sign Up Genius](#) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at www.ICOH.net and clicking on the red button at left. *We especially need people to serve during the season of Epiphany.*

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. Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to sparsons@icoh.net or indicate so in the comments box under your name on the online form. Thank you!

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

EYC Shrine Mont Weekend! January 12th-15th

The EYC has reserved the Saint Andrews House at Shrine Mont during The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday weekend, January 12–15th for a fun youth program of skiing, tubing, and fellowship. We'll also offer hiking, relaxation, games, puzzles and more.

Episcopal Youth Community youths (6th – 12th graders) and families (depending on space availability) are welcome to join us for all three nights, come for one or two days, or just visit for the day.

For all interested in this trip, please scan the QR code at right to register or contact Brian Rush at james.b.rush2@uscg.mil.

Scan to Register



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 Mollie Lambert Outreach
 Kathy Lloyd Senior Ministry
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 Julie Bruns Pastoral Care
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 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
 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](#)

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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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