



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



THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 26, 2021

Holy Eucharist II, 9:00 a.m.

Prelude: The angel Gabriel

Hal H. Hopson

Opening Hymn 87: “Hark, the herald angels sing”

Mendelssohn

1 Hark! the herald angels sing
glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic hosts proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Refrain:
*Hark! the herald angels sing,
glory to the newborn King!*

2 Christ, by highest heaven adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time behold him come,
offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with us to dwell;
Jesus, our Immanuel! *Refrain*

3 Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Risen with healing in his wings,
Light and life to all he brings,
hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace! *Refrain*

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God
People: *Glory to God for ever and ever.*

The Collect for Purity

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 Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Hymn of Praise 91: “Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light” *from* The Hymnal 1982

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Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light, and usher in the morning;
O shepherds, greet that glorious sight, our Lord a crib adorning.
This child, this little helpless boy, shall be our confidence and joy,
the power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.

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 poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

The Word of the Lord
Response: ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 147:13-21 *Laudate Dominum*

- 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
 praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
 he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; *
 he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, *
 and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; *
 he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
 who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
 he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, *
 his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
 to them he has not revealed his judgments.
 Hallelujah!

The Epistle: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

The word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

The Holy Gospel: John 1:1-18

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

Response: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Shawn Rutledge

The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,*

*true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen*

The Prayers of the People

After the words “Lord, in your mercy,”
the congregation responds with “*Hear our prayer.*”

The Peace

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

Welcome

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 96: “Angels we have heard on high”

Gloria

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| 1 | Angels we have heard on high
singing sweetly through the night,
and the mountains in reply,
echoing their brave delight.
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i>
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i> | 3 | Come to Bethlehem and see,
him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i>
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i> |
| 2 | Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tidings did you hear?
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i>
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i> | 4 | See him in a manger laid,
whom the angels praise above;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
while we raise our hearts in love.
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i>
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i> |

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.***

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier

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

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 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 Celebrant continues:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Mary Magdalene, blessed Peter, James and John, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant:

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen***

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

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Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world

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Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world

57



Have mercy Have mercy Have mercy upon us.

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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION:

Hymn 115: "What child is this?"

Greensleeves

- 1 What child is this, who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain:

*This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the babe, the son of Mary.*

- 2 Why lies he in such mean estate
where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians, fear: for sinners here
the silent Word is pleading. *Refrain*
- 3 So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,
come, peasant, king, to own him;
the King of kings salvation brings,
let loving hearts enthrone him. *Refrain*

Organ Solo (*if needed*)

Post Communion Prayer

*After Communion, the Celebrant says
Let us pray.*

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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.*

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 100 “Joy to the world!”

Antioch

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| 1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing. | 3 No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found. |
| 2 Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;
let us our songs employ,
while fields and floods,
rocks, hills, and plains,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy. | 4 He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love. |

The Dismissal

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

Postlude: Personent hodie

Traditional

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: *Usher:* Dodd Sims
Musicians: Dr. Jane Tavernier
Audio-Visual: John Bednar, Doug Onley, Sydney Onley, The Rev. Jan A. Maas
Celebrant: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL
Parish Notes
December 26, 2021

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. Immanuel Chapel offers a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

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).

Learn more about us at www.icoh.net.

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Aggie Fortune, Ann MacNamara, Bruce Morton, Catherine Sinclair, David Stayanoff, Diana Walker, Eloise Payne, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, John Bednar, Kathy Lloyd, Kenny, Linda and Cy Murphy, Lucy, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Susan Wiard, Tony, Ted Walker, Edith, Joseph, Paul, and Doug.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Alice Meyer, Arsine Oshagan, Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, Dorothy Phanuef, Dotty Eisenhour, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Louise Jackson, Margaret and Lloyd Chenoweth, Marjean Smith, Mildred Alexander, Paul, Preston, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ann Shelly, Sarah Minor, Tom Dollard, Jim McClane, Sandy Ford, Elizabeth, Randy MacDonald; and Mr. and Mrs. Bird.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Amy Parks, Kurt Levensaler, Drew Parks, Marda Robillard, Norma Taliaferro, Mae Hunt, The Rev. Jan A. Maas, Ken McDonald, Charlotte Gehrs, Honor Fede, Derek Johnson, The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke, Marjorie Burke, and Abby Murray.

Serving around the world: Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Philip Smucker, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina, and Nolan Anderson. Pray for healing for US casualties and their caregivers.

Those who have recently died: Margaret Banks, high school friend of Harrison Clark. *Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.*

COMPLINE Service on Fridays

Join us for next **Friday Compline December 31st at 8:30p.m.** via Zoom. Compline is an offering of late evening prayer, sometimes referred to as the "Goodnight Prayer of the Church."

To participate, select this bulletin on our website under "Worship Service Bulletins" under the "Worship" tab, click the link: [Join Friday Night Compline Service](#), and enter the following: Meeting ID: **817 3973 7116**, Password: **029619**. To join the service by phone, dial: 1- (301) 715-8592.

Announcements

“Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9



Let Every Heart Prepare Him Room

Joy to the world and to you and your loved ones during this Christmas season!

We give thanks to all who have generously offered their time, talent, enthusiasm, and treasure to Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill in so many ways throughout this year and more.

All that you give to Immanuel helps further the wonders of his love and God’s work through Immanuel.

If you have not taken an opportunity to give thanks to God to support God’s work at Immanuel for the coming year, you can return your pledge card through the mail, place it in the offering plate, send an email to our treasurer thewson@icoh.net stating your pledge amount, or [pledge online](#).

UPCOMING SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMASTIDE

2022

January 2	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Immanuel Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Zabriskie Parish Hall
January 5	6:30 p.m.	The Feast of The Epiphany (<i>observed</i>)	Zabriskie Chapel



CELEBRATE
THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
Wednesday, January 5th @ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Please join us on January 5th at 6:30 p.m. in Zabriskie Chapel, when our regular Wednesday Holy Eucharist will be transformed into a celebration of the Feast of Epiphany, with special prayers, readings, and music.

ALIVE! ONE MONTH, TWO EVENTS

**January 14-17: The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service
Food and Reusable Grocery Bag Collection**

January 1-30th: Immanuel's Food Drive for ALIVE!

NEW for 2022.... ALIVE! will collect food in reusable bags from congregations during the MLK day of service weekend, January 14-17 and we need your help!

An ALIVE! truck will be parked in Zabriskie parking lot the weekend of January 14 and food can be placed (in REUSABLE BAGS) right into the truck from 9-5pm each day! Please invite your neighbors and friends as well to bring food (unexpired non-perishable protein, fruits, veggies; pasta/rice/oatmeal ; no glass please) to our parking lot that weekend.

Can't make it that weekend? As in the past, Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill will collect food for ALIVE! the ENTIRE month of January (one of two months a year we collect). Collection boxes will be in the narthex at both the Zabriskie Chapel and Immanuel Chapel. ALIVE! is joining the city-wide goal of moving away from plastic bags so all food donations should also be in reusable bags please!

Questions? Contact Lisa.Clausen@verizon.net



Is Your Photo Current?

Let's Update Before It's Printed January 21st



We would like to include a photo directory in the back of the print version of next month's annual report.

In anticipation of expected high demand, we ask that everyone please review your listing in our online directory to make sure that your data -- and photo -- is current. Thank you.

CLERGY AND STAFF

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THE VESTRY

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David Atwood	Adult Formation and Discipleship, Co-steward: Social Justice
Harrison Clark	Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Danette "Dani" Gentile Kauffman	Stewardship and Planned Giving
Kristi Kubista-Hovis	Outreach, and Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Brooke Roberts	Communications
Phyllis Sims	Fellowship, Senior Ministry
Francine Wargo	Worship
Shawn Whitman	Pastoral Care
Rachel Wilson	Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
Candy Levin	Register (nonvoting member)

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel
3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA
10:30a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel
3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA
1:00p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
Zabriskie Chapel Parish Hall

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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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