



Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



FAMILY SERVICE

March 6, 2022

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Joy Mass, a Celebration of Eucharist 9:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Communion, or Mass is the normal Sunday worship for the Episcopal Church. It is one of the sacraments, a sign and symbol of the Living God. It is instructed and instituted by Jesus, ‘Do this in remembrance of me.’ It is the center of our worship, our lives, and the universe itself—God revealed in Christ, whose body and blood is given for the healing, salvation, and redemption of the world.

Prelude:

Father Randy, piano

GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Opening song: Jesus loves me

written by Anna B. Warner

Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me!

The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know,
As He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee,
Saying, “Let them come to Me.”

Refrain

Jesus loves me still today,
Walking with me on my way,
Wanting as a friend to give
Light and love to all who live.

Refrain

Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven’s gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
Let His little child come in.

Refrain

PROCLAIM AND RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures forever.

BCP 355

The Prayer for Young Persons

BCP 829

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Psalm 104:27-30

- 27 These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
- 28 when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
- 29 When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
- 30 When you send forth your spirit,[g] they are created;
and you renew the face of the ground.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel, Luke 4:1-13

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

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Homily: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.

PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH

When God's people gather we pray for the life of the world. Prayer is our nearness to God. Prayer is our relationship with God. Hold these things, which we pray for every week, in your heart, and at the end we will say together, Lord Hear our prayer.

We pray for the whole Church, and its mission to bring God's love and peace to all people.
We pray for our Nation, and all who have authority in every nation and community.
We pray for the peace, healing, and life of the world.
We pray for those in our community, and in our lives, whose concerns are known to us.
We pray for all who suffer or are in any kind of trouble.
We pray for those who have died.

Lord Hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

*Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,*

*and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

PREPARE THE TABLE

Some of those present prepare the table; the bread, the cup of wine, and other offerings, are placed upon it.

Welcome and Announcements

This service, an Order for Celebrating the Holy Eucharist (BCP 400), is not intended as the principal Sunday service for a community. But it is extremely useful in teaching Eucharist. Children and families who are trying to make God and Church part of your lives will find the shape of what we do here is what happens at every gathering around the Lord's Table. There is only one banquet—and we inherit this way of joining it.

If you'd like to receive, we'll form a line after the prayer. Holding out your hands with the palms up indicates you would like the common bread. Hold your hands out with your palms down will indicate you require Gluten Free communion. Crossing your arms over your chest will be the way to request a blessing. If you get up there and forget which thing you want... you're also welcome to just say. We'd rather you say than feel given the wrong thing.

MAKE EUCHARIST

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.***

Holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy, you have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you formed a people for yourself and brought them time and time again out of slavery into freedom, out of exile into places of belonging. You have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. You have sent your Holy Spirit to replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

On the night Jesus was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of your Son. Sanctify this bread and wine by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again.

Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise. 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

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ
The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

Communion Song – This little light of mine.

written by Harry Dixon Loes

This little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Oh, this little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine.

Hide it under a bushel? No!
I'm going to let it shine
Hide it under a bushel? No!
I'm going to let it shine
Hide it under a bushel? No!
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine.

Don't let Satan [blow] it out!
I'm going to let it shine
Don't let Satan [blow] it out!
I'm going to let it shine
Don't let Satan [blow] it out!
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

Post Communion Prayer

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Celebrant: Let us pray,

*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

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

The Dismissal

Clergy: Let us bless the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:

Musicians: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, piano

Flower Guild: Connie Kurz

Celebrant: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

Magazine Story Call: *Sentimental Sacraments on Seminary*



Rollin and Ann Huntington
Zabriskie Chapel

Send in all of your favorite photos of **Baptisms, Weddings, Confirmations** and Homecoming Services taken at Seminary Chapel, Seminary Memorial Garden Chapel, and Zabriskie Chapel. We'll take a look back at how Seminary Chapel is still with us and how that sacred space is still used today; along with a nostalgic look at special sacraments, and events that took place at Zabriskie. Deadline for entries is May 15, 2022.

A NOTE ON THE ALMOND TREE PUBLICATIONS

Speaking of deadlines, just a reminder that both of Immanuel's publications, *The Almond Tree: In Brief* circular, and *The Almond Tree Quarterly Magazine*, share the exact same deadline: the 15th day of the month prior to publication, hence the June quarterly magazine's deadline for submissions is May 15th. The only exceptions to this deadline occur in November (due to the thanksgiving holiday, the deadline is extended), and the omission of any publication in January due to the production of our Annual Report.

Our current publication schedule for **the remainder of 2022** is as follows:

The Almond Tree Quarterly Magazine (40-64 page magazine)

March, June, September, and December

The Almond Tree: In Brief (4-8 page circular):

April, May, July, August, October, and November

Finally, we've implemented a new policy: submissions received after the 15th will automatically be scheduled for print in the *next* publication on our production calendar.

Thank you all for your creative, beautiful story submissions, patience, and understanding.

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL
Parish Notes
March 6, 2022

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, Cynthia and Bruce Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Eloise Payne, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Linda and Cy Murphy, Lucy, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Susan Wiard, Tony, Daphne, Lawrence, and Ann Huntington.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Arsine Oshagan, Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, Dorothy Phanuef, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Ben Hoge, Louise Jackson, Margaret Chenoweth, Marjean Smith, Mildred Alexander, Paul, Randy MacDonald, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ann Shelly, Sarah Minor, Tom Dollard, Jim McClane, Edith and Joseph, Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Bird, John, Alexandra, Hans, Jessica, McQuade Milligan, J.C., and Scott De Vight.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Sanjiv Augustine, Michelle Cook, Lily Hunt, Matt Haskin, Tony Rogers, Arthur Dawkins, Rob Johnson, Louisa Smucker, Reese Goldsmith, Cynthia Morton, James Hennigan, Richard Hobson, Melinda Snow Teske, and Al Waite.

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: Deputy Constable Neil Adams, Police Officer Jorge Alvarado, Police Sergeant Joshua Caudell, and Senior Police Officer Robert Duran. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

SOLAR PROJECT UPDATE: Get Ready! After a number of delays on the part of our contractor, Sustainable Energy Solutions (SES), we have been advised that the building permit package for the solar array installation and other elements of the system infrastructure is complete and has been submitted to the City of Alexandria for review. The City has a policy of a 30 day review of such documents, which suggests a mid-February decision on their part assuming no issues arise. The earliest the project would start is late February, and once the installation begins it should be complete in 10-14 days barring any weather delays. If past history is any indication, it will commence more than likely in March. The good news is the solar panels are in storage locally and, thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we have more than sufficient funds to cover the next progress payment to SES, which is due 30 days prior to installation. Answers to "Frequently Asked Questions" about the project can be found on Immanuel's website under Creation Care Ministry at <https://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org/creation-care-ministry.html>.

Announcements

9:00 a.m., About the NEW Family Service “Joy Mass”

This brief worship service is a song or two, a reading from scripture, a children's homily, and a short Eucharist. At first we are hoping to offer this service for families:

- who have children too young to mask or vaccinate,
- who want to participate in Godly Play but also want to attend church together, and
- who don't attend in person because they're worried their children might pass germs to our older congregants.

This service will be small, the adults will be asked to be masked and socially distant, and it will be the final event in Zabriskie chapel for the day (to minimize exposure for other people who use the space).

This is all in addition to planned forum hours and the February Godly Play in-person and video offerings. If this family service continues we will make sure it never conflicts with Godly Play because part of the purpose is to serve families who may want to do both! At first we'll try it simply announcing the service, and if we need to add a reservation system to make sure we maintain social distancing, that will be a problem created by an abundant blessing and we'll be happy to adjust.

Join our Lenten Series

Sundays @ 9:15a.m. - Parish Hall

Diving into the Lenten Word

Our Lenten series this year will be exploring, in depth, the Scripture readings of the five Sundays in Lent. The preacher of the day will lead the discussion, allowing lots of time for questions, responses, and musings. Though this may sound a bit like a Bible Study, the difference will be that we'll be exploring the context more fully, musing about the authors of the lessons, while also hearing from the preacher about their process as they wrote the sermon.

We'll gather at 9:15a.m. in Zabriskie Parish Hall each Sunday in Lent, both in person and online. We will miss you if you aren't there.

**Join us for the Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist Rite II
March 9th at 6:30p.m, Zabriskie Chapel**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9TH @ 6:30 PM: SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK STUDY: *Just Mercy*

We continue our 9-10 week conversation on [*Just Mercy*](#) by Bryan Stephenson as the next book to help tie our Social Justice discussions with Immanuel's Criminal Justice Initiative.

We'd love for you to join us as we explore building a vocabulary and theology around the idea that what happens to incarcerated people, both the innocent and guilty, should matter to us as Christians.

BIBLE STUDY this Thursday, March 10th @ 10:30 a.m., The Epistle of James

All are welcome to share in this exploration of James -- no prior study or participation necessary. We meet Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon online via Zoom -- look for login information in your weekly eBlast email.

Just bring your Bible (or an online version such as [Bible Gateway here](#)) and a heart open to the idea that we are meant learn from one another, that we are a people called to learn about God's love in community. You most certainly can just listen, but your witness, experience, thoughts, and beliefs are just as important and valuable as anyone else's!

Evening Compline, Friday, March 11th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom



Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship

Brown Bag Luncheon

Tuesday, March 22nd @ 12:10 p.m.
Zabriskie Parish Hall

For questions and to RSVP, contact Karen Besser at Karen.Besser@gmail.com.



Welcome to the Benedictine Community: *New Book April 5th*

If you want more contemplation during Lent and beyond, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel.

We currently meet virtually twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7 pm-8 pm. The Community reflects on the tenets of St. Benedict such as humility, silence, and prayer. Individual reflection is guided by short readings from a Benedictine-inspired book. We are starting a new book on April 5: *Benedictine Promises for Everyday People: Staying Put, Listening Well, Being Changed by God* by Rachel Srubas, but you need not wait for **April 5th** to check us out. Our focus is primarily on reflections sparked by having read a few pages from the book.

We are not a book study group, rather a Benedictine Community, gathering as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from selected reading material. We are using Zoom for our meetings, but if you are not comfortable with the video aspects of Zoom, you can simply call on the telephone and be connected to the Community by voice-only via Zoom.

If this opportunity appeals to you and for more information, please contact Dana Hengst, Barbara Fornoff, or David Atwood.

CLERGY AND STAFF

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Rachel Wilson	Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
The Rev. Sam Sheridan	Register (nonvoting member)

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel
3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA
9:00 a.m. Family Holy Eucharist, Zabriskie Chapel
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel
3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

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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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