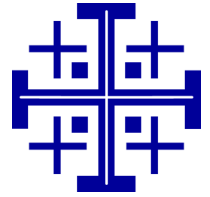




# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



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THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 5, 2021

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

*With the exception of infants and toddlers, all are requested to wear a face mask for the entirety of the service.*

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**Prelude:** Andante

William Boyce

**Greeting and Invitation to Intentional Silence**

**Opening Hymn 376:** “Joyful, joyful, we adore thee”

*found in* The Hymnal 1982

*Hymn to Joy*

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| <p>1 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,<br/>God of glory, Lord of love;<br/>hearts unfold like flowers before thee,<br/>praising thee, their sun above.<br/>Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;<br/>drive the dark of doubt away;<br/>giver of immortal gladness,<br/>fill us with the light of day.</p> <p>2 All thy works with joy surround thee,<br/>earth and heaven reflect thy rays,<br/>stars and angels sing around thee,<br/>center of unbroken praise.<br/>field and forest, vale and mountain,<br/>blooming meadow, flashing sea,<br/>chanting bird and flowing fountain,<br/>call us to rejoice in thee.</p> | <p>3 Thou art giving and forgiving,<br/>ever blessing, ever blest,<br/>wellspring of the joy of living,<br/>ocean depth of happy rest!<br/>Thou our Father, Christ our Brother:<br/>all who live in love are thine;<br/>teach us how to love each other,<br/>lift us to the joy divine.</p> |
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### 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**

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*

**Kyrie eleison**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## 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.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; 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: Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favour is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all.

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the Lord pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

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

## Psalm 125 *Qui confidunt*

- 1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, \*  
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2 The hills stand about Jerusalem; \*  
so does the Lord stand round about his people,  
from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, \*  
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
- 4 Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good \*  
and to those who are true of heart.
- 5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,  
the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; \*  
but peace be upon Israel.

## The Epistle: James 2:1-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

**Sequence Hymn 577:** “Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling” verses 1 and 3 *Ubi caritas (Murray)*  
*found in The Hymnal 1982*

- 1 Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling  
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his greeting.  
Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal.  
Loving him, let each love Christ in one another.  
*God is love, and where true love is God himself is there.*
  
- 3 Grant us love’s fulfillment, joy with all the blessed,  
when we see your face, O Savior, in its glory.  
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,  
be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises.  
*God is love, and where true love is God himself is there.*

### **The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:24-37**

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

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

The Gospel of the Lord

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. Deacon 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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.*

*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 and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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 have mercy,”  
the congregation responds with “*Christ have mercy.*”

## Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

**Clergy:** 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 the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

## Welcome and Announcements

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

**The Offertory:** O God, have mercy

Alessandro Stradella

**Allan Gervacio**, tenor

O Lord, have mercy, I call upon thee, Lord, hear my pray'r,  
grant me thy favor, hear my pray'r.  
Let not thy hand with rigor or fall, be wrathful never,  
forgiving ever, shed thy light upon me, Lord, heed my call,  
O heed my call! May I ne'er merit, that in perdition my soul may languish,  
but may contrition, and thy grace heal all.

Jehovah, O never, may I be tortured by fires eternal, for Adam's first fall.  
O Lord, have mercy, my soul is heavy,  
Lord, hear my call, grant me thy blessing,  
hear my pray'r, let not thy hand with rigor fall, be wrathful never,  
forgiving ever, shed thy light upon me, and hear my call, Lord, heed my call,  
may I ne'er merit that in perdition my soul may languish,  
but may contrition and thy grace heal all.

Jehovah, O never may I be tortured by fires eternal, for Adam's first fall;  
may grace heal all.

*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 A**

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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 him 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.


For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new  
life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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)**

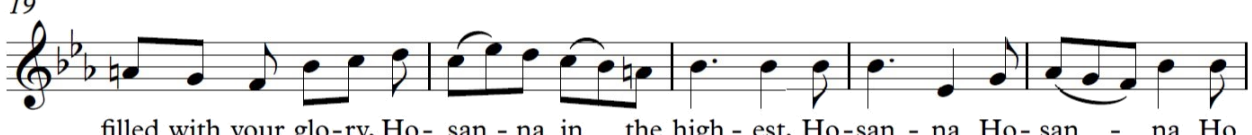
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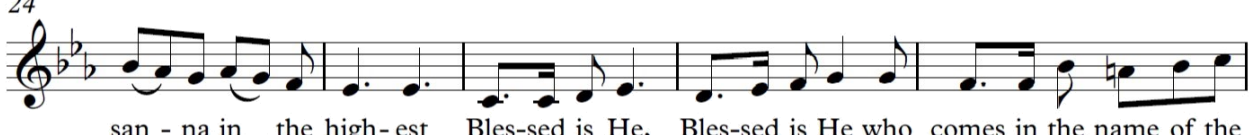
Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might Hea-ven and Earth are

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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

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Lord\_ Ho- san - na, Ho- san - na, Ho- san - na in\_ the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.***

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*


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

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### *Agnus Dei* (from A Mass for Immanuel)


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

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

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### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

#### The Immanuel Summer Choir

**Led by Intercessor:** Let us now pray with those joining us from home:

Faithful God,  
in the wonder of your wisdom and love,  
you fed your people in the wilderness  
with the bread of angels  
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.  
Though we cannot all now consume these gifts  
of bread and wine together,  
we thank you that we have received Christ's presence,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit,  
may we embody your love,  
be renewed for your service,  
and be reflections of the risen Lord. Amen.



*Sung, if needed*

**Hymn 336:** “Come with us, O blessed Jesus” *from The Hymnal 1982*

*Werde Munter*

- 1 Come with us, O blessed Jesus, with us evermore to be;  
and though leaving now thine altar, let us never more leave thee.  
Be thou one with us for ever, in our life thy love divine  
our own flesh and blood has taken, and to us thou givest thine.
- 2 Come with us, O mighty Savior, God from God, and Light from Light;  
thou art God, thy glory veiling, so that we may bear the sight.  
Now we go to seek and serve thee, through our work as through our prayer;  
grant us light to see and know thee, in they people everywhere.
- 3 Come with us, O King of glory, by angelic voices praised;  
in our hears as in thy heaven, be enraptured anthems raised.  
Let the might chorus ever sing its glad exultant songs;  
let its hymn be heard for ever — peace for which creation longs.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: *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.*

**Closing Hymn 400:** “All creatures of our God and King” verses 1,3,5, and 7  
*found in The Hymnal 1982*

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 All creatures of our God and King,<br/>lift up your voices, let us sing:<br/>alleluia, alleluia!<br/>Bright burning sun with golden beams,<br/>Pale silver moon that gently gleams,<br/>O praise him, O praise him,<br/>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</li><li>3 Swift flowing water, pure and clear,<br/>make music for your Lord to hear,<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!<br/>Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,<br/>you give to us both warmth and light,<br/>O praise him, O praise him,<br/>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</li></ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>5 All you with mercy in your heart,<br/>forgiving others, take your part,<br/>O sing now: Alleluia!<br/>All you that pain and sorrow bear,<br/>praise God, and cast on him your care:<br/>O praise him, O praise him,<br/>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</li><li>7 Let all things their creator bless,<br/>and worship him in humbleness,<br/>O praise him, Alleluia!<br/>Praise God the Father, praise the Son,<br/>and praise the Spirit, Three in One:<br/>O praise him, O praise him,<br/>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</li></ol> |
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## The Blessing

## The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

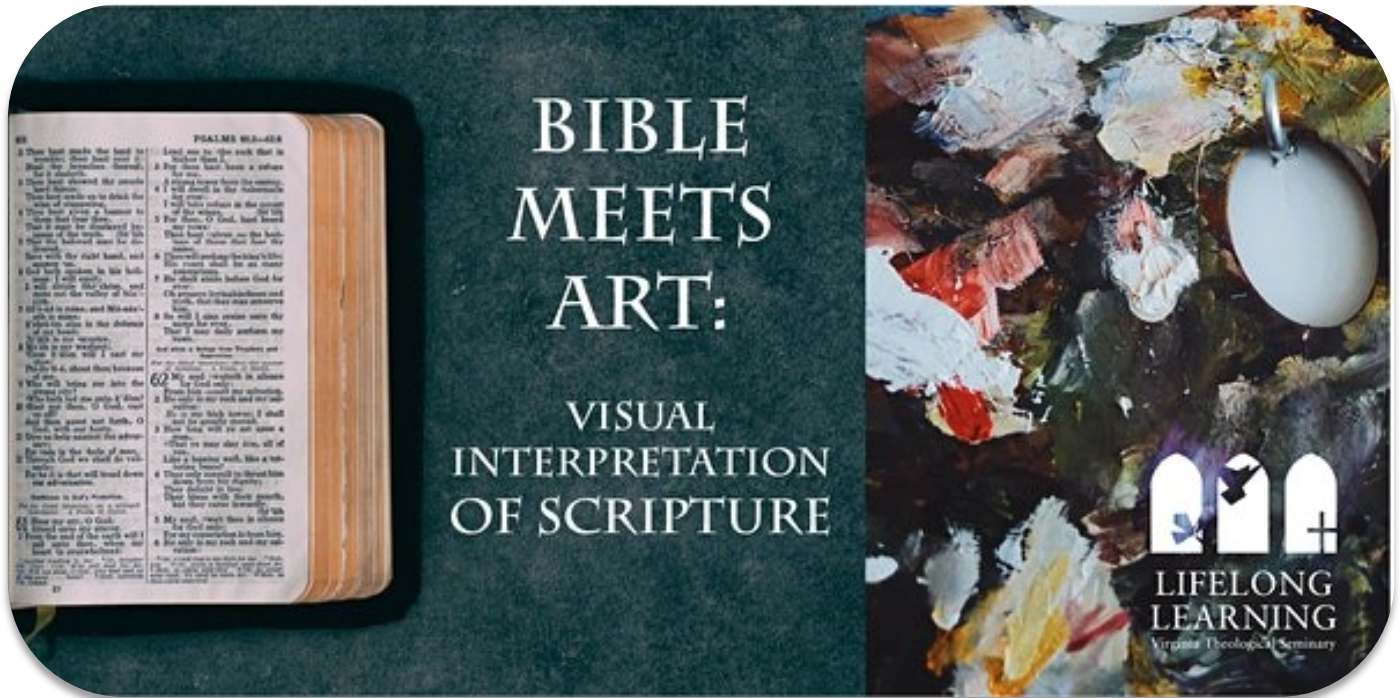
People: *Thanks be to God.*

**Postlude:** Allegro

Domenico Scarlatti

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**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:** *Readers:* Mollie Warner, Harrison Clark  
*Intercessor:* TBD,  
*Ushers:* Roz Kerns, Tom Kerns  
*Musicians:* Allan Gervacio, The Immanuel Summer Choir, Dr. Jane Tavernier  
*Audio-Visual:* John Bednar, Doug Onley, Sydney Onley  
*Flower Guild:* C. Kerry Kelly Wade  
*Coffee Hour Host:* TBD  
*Vestry Greeter and Counter:* TBD  
*Celebrant:* The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.



# "Bible Meets Art: Visual Interpretation of Scripture"

**CLASS BEGINS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

**The Department of Lifelong Learning at VTS**

Immanuel's relationship with, and proximity to, Virginia Theological Seminary present very special opportunities for the parish -- one of which is the chance to pursue lifelong learning through VTS' continuing education offerings (click here for general information).

For instance, you can join VTS Professor Dr. Stephen Cook (online or in-person) in an exploration of how the visual arts inform and enrich study of scripture in a new 6-part series beginning September 20, called "Bible Meets Art: Visual Interpretation of Scripture." There is a cost to attend. You can register or find more information about the course here (and see a video from Dr. Cook [here](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bible-meets-art-visual-interpretation-of-scripture-tickets-163241809647?aff=eand) at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bible-meets-art-visual-interpretation-of-scripture-tickets-163241809647?aff=eand>).

## The National Church's Grant to Immanuel for Criminal Justice: **WILL YOU PRAY FOR US AND FOR THOSE IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM?**

Over a number of years, several clergy and parishioners have engaged in individual efforts to be part of Jesus's call to "visit me while I was in prison," to "set the captives free," and to "let justice roll down like waters." With Father Randy's encouragement, the **Social Justice Committee** submitted a proposal in April to the national church to deepen Immanuel's engagement in criminal justice and in supporting those behind bars, their families, and those coming back into the community, with a strong element of deeper education of our own parish on these issues.

Last month Immanuel was awarded a \$6,000 grant to begin this work. A committee comprised of Karen Besser, Jamie Conrad, Katherine Smith, David Atwood, and Kathryn Jackson Haskin has done initial planning, and we have reached out to potential partners including Offender Aid and Restoration, Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy, and Alleyne AME Zion church in Old Town.

We now seek your support. Would you consider praying for those in prison, for prison guards and administration, and for a more just and merciful criminal justice system locally and in Virginia; for those you know who are in any way part of or affected by the criminal justice system; for the Social Justice Committee and our clergy as we begin to use this grant to help those affected by incarceration while trying to support a more just system; and for your own possible calling to this ministry -- or at least to learn more about it -- in confidence (not fear) of where the Lord may be leading you. Thank you.



### **“Once-a-Month Gardeners” Needed for Zabriskie**

If you haven't wandered the grounds of the Zabriskie complex lately, you haven't seen the wonderful new plantings in the backyard just to the left of the deck, or the landscaping off the Fairchild Room patio. As with any garden, these new starts need watering and other support until they are established, a process that takes a few years typically.

We need volunteers **to help water** (one day a week), to give a couple of hours over a weekend once a month to keep nature at bay, and others to declare war on the relentless clutter that finds its way to the church and its grounds.

If you are interested, please contact Tom Kerns ([rtkerns4@gmail.com](mailto:rtkerns4@gmail.com)), Chair of the Building and Grounds Committee, and Kevin Kirby ([casakirby@gmail.com](mailto:casakirby@gmail.com)), Trustee of the Memorial Garden Fund. Any help is greatly appreciated and will be paid back with a satisfaction of a job well done.





**IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL**  
**Parish Notes**  
**September 5, 2021**

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**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](http://www.icoh.net)).

*Learn more about us at [www.icoh.net](http://www.icoh.net).*

**PASTORAL CARE CORNER: Please remember these parishioners in your prayers:** Kevin Wensing; Eloise Payne, Katie Lloyd, Kathy Lloyd, Carol Crossmire, Kenny, Diane Adams, Francine Wargo, Tony, Ann MacNamara, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Aggie Fortune, Catherine Sinclair, Ted Walker, Lucy, Barbara, and Joan.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Ralph Fairbank, Steve Gasperek, Casey Konvalinka, Suhaila Patiño, Carroll Phillips, Jonathan Anderson, William Akins, and Cora John.

**Please also remember in your prayers** members of our extended Parish family: Charlotte Kellogg; Anthony Christino, Jr., Paul, Dorothy Phaneuf, Anne Newcomb, Sydney Bailey, Narciso, Sheri, Karen and Gwen, Lelah Ann Young, Caroline, Bert Ifill, Jeanette Beckmann, Lois Blair, Amy Wallens Green, Kelly, Cameron Pattisall, Ellen Repsher, Stephen Miller, Jill, Jack Allen, Molly Grey, Kathryn Anschutz, Thomas “Neil” Walters, Luciane Helena Borges Moreira, David Westgate, Doug Carmichael, Carol Sands, George Morris, Sandy, Jakey Newcomer, Julia Dietschak, Preston Atwood, John Matthewson, Ronald King, Marta Dimetre, Katie McGinn Centola, Margaret and Lloyd Chenoweth, Bill Anderson, Bob Dickson, Mildred Alexander, Dotty, Susan Thomas, Steve Davis, Natalie Terwillinger, Cecile Zitelli, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Alice Greenhall, Nancy, Edith Mead, Stephen, Louise Jackson, Charles Thurber, Arsine Oshagan, Emilie Brown, Sue Cleveland, David Johnson, Victoria Markin, Martin Stevens, Jeff Gorman, Jill Lane, Howard, Alice Meyer, Ron Simar, Matthew Simar, Connie Smith, Payton, Kevin Lancaster, Jennifer Ashline, Bill Ennis, Norma MacLean, Frank, Perry, John and Alycia, Sue Rehnke, Marjean Smith, Deacon Linda Murphy, Don Gobble; Judith Simpson, and The Simpson Family, David Kuck, Adele Barker, Martha Robison, Tamara, Daniela Samillan Celis, Quintus Frederick, Joey Alphonso, Victoria Dearborn, DeBora Wheeler, the Rev. Dr. M. Sam Faeth, Rick Manning and his parents Joyce and Richard Manning, Ryan Willis, Daphne, Larry Storm; Corbin, Owen, Madison, and Brighton Hovis; Sarah Minor, Judy Pavcek, Bea Daniel, Mitzi; and for the following family members of Sughra Bakhtiari, our bookkeeper, who are trying to leave Afghanistan: Amina, Sakina, Anis, Fatima, Marzia, Rahima, and Ayub.

**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 troops wounded as casualties of war, and their caregivers.

**Those who have recently died:** Police Officer Harminder Grewal. *Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.*

**Join us for Holy Eucharist**  
**Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Zabriskie Chapel**



# Announcements

The parish office will be closed next Monday, September 6, in observance of Labor Day.

## HOMECOMING

### HOME COMING IS NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Mark your calendar and plan to join your fellow Immanuelites next Sunday, September 12 to worship and break bread together (even at the recommended 6 feet apart), to re-connect with those who might have been away, and to welcome newcomers at Immanuel's Annual Homecoming celebration.

This happy day is also a great time to invite friends, and neighbors at the Seminary who might be looking for a church home. Please consider welcoming others to our celebration!

Weather permitting, the 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist will be held outdoors at the Grove, with special music, including the reunited Immanuel Choir with brass.

Worship will be followed by an outdoor parish picnic in the same location, and there will be games for younger parishioners nearby. Bring a blanket and/or chairs, and settle your pod for a time of fellowship within hailing distance of other parishioners.

Since COVID considerations prohibit the time-honored Immanuel pitch-in buffet, we will be providing box lunches for attendees, including special meals for younger children. Please click the blue text below to let us know if you will attend and how many are in your party, so that we can have enough meals on hand.

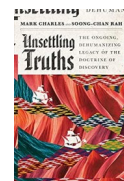
[RSVP for Immanuel's Homecoming Sunday Picnic](#)

Please come -- your community would love to see you. The more, the merrier!

(Note: If the weather does not cooperate, we plan to move worship indoors to Immanuel Chapel, and the picnic indoors to the Zabriskie Parish Hall -- with an option for folks who are not yet ready to share indoor space to pick up their box lunches and take them home, to share fellowship remotely!)

### SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK/BIBLE STUDY

After the Wednesday Evening Eucharist, join us for a weekly discussion of *Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery*, by Mark Charles and Soong-Chan Rah (<https://www.ivpress.com/unsettling-truths>). The meetings will take place via Zoom, but you'd be welcome to bring a laptop and participate from Zabriskie Chapel after Eucharist!



**COMPLINE Service on Fridays:** Join us for this **Friday Compline September 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

**New Chapters for Thursday Morning Bible Study:**

## **LETTERS TO THE EPHESIANS AND COLOSSIANS**

Join the clergy **this Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.** for a new Bible study series on the Epistle to the Ephesians and Colossians.

To log-in on your computer:

1. Visit our website [www.icoh.net](http://www.icoh.net), at the top menu select "Worship", then "Worship Service Bulletin" from the pull-down menu.

2. Click on this bulletin, then click the blue text: [Thursday Morning Bible Study via Zoom NOW](#).

3. Enter **Meeting ID: 825 5204 5029**, then Password: **312018**.

To join by phone, dial:1 (301) 715- 8592, then enter the meeting ID and passcode listed above using the keypad of your telephone.

For more information, contact one of the clergy.



**TWO Sacred Ground Dialogue Circles:**

## **IMMANUEL'S STARTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**Sacred Ground**

**A Race Dialogue Series**

**Sacred Ground Starting Monday, September 20<sup>TH</sup>:** Please consider signing up for the upcoming Sacred Ground dialogue circle, which will be biweekly on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m., from September 20 and going through January 2022 and facilitated by Chrissie Crosby. Sacred Ground offers a safe space to learn and be in dialogue about experiences, feelings, and concerns regarding personal identity, racial history and reconciliation, and justice. It has been developed by the national Episcopal Church and "field tested" by seventeen Immanuelites this past Winter and Spring. (If you want to talk to some of them or ask them questions, feel free to contact Katherine Smith, Marilyn Wilson, or Nancy Reuschel.)

Ten small group sessions -- based on intensive reading and film viewing homework -- review chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. More details are available at <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground>. Please contact [David Atwood](mailto:David Atwood) at [atwooddavid@gmail.com](mailto:atwooddavid@gmail.com), or [Kathryn Haskin](mailto:Kathryn Haskin) at [kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com](mailto:kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com) to sign up.

**VTS Tuesday Sacred Ground Curriculum begins September 21:** If you want to participate in a Sacred Ground dialogue circle, but cannot make our Monday evening discussion, the Virginia Theological Seminary's continuing education program is offering afternoon and evening remote Sacred Ground dialogue circles Tuesdays beginning September 21<sup>st</sup>. Click the word "[Registration](#)" to learn the details and costs associated with their program.



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Rachel Wilson .....	Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
Candy Levin .....	Register (nonvoting member)

### SUMMER 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  
6:00p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II  
Zabriskie Chapel Memorial Garden

#### *Online*

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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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