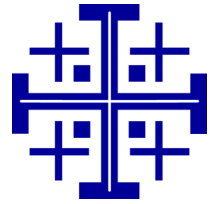




Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican
Alexandria, Virginia



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 16, 2023

Holy Eucharist Rite II with Holy Baptism, 10:30 a.m.

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

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

We welcome the Right Reverend Dabney Tyler Smith, visiting Bishop in the Diocese of Virginia, as our Celebrant and preacher this morning.

Prelude: “This is the brightest day”

Johann Sebastian Bach

Processional Hymn 174: “At the Lamb's high feast we sing”

found in The Hymnal 1982

Salzburg

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People: ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

The Celebrant then continues

People: There is one Body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God's Call to us;
Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People: ***One God and Father of all.***
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: ***And also with you.***
Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen***

from The Hymnal 1982

*This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**
*This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

The First Lesson: Acts 2:14a,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 16 *Conserva me, Domine*

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.

- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the Lord always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn 184: "Christ the Lord is risen again!"

Christ ist Erstanden

found in The Hymnal 1982

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

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

Response: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon: The Right Reverend Dabney Tyler Smith

Choral Offering: "To the Lamb on the throne"

Dan Forrest

THE IMMANUEL CHOIR

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad His wonderful name.
The Name all victorious of Jesus extol,
His kingdom victorious rules over all.
Salvation to God who sits on the throne.
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb

God rules in the height, almighty to save:
Though hid from our sight His presence we have.
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.
Then let us adore and give Him his right,
all glory and power His wisdom and might.
All honor and blessing with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing and infinite love.
Worthy the Lamb.

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

The Bishop says

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The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor: *I present Martin Bordovský Horne to receive the Sacrament of Baptism*

Celebrant: Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate: *I do.*

Parents and Godparents: *We present Alouete Marie Grace Horne and Theodore Bordovský Horne to receive the Sacrament of Baptism*

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help these children to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents: *I will, with God's help.*

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
 Answer: *I renounce them.*

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
 Answer: *I renounce them.*

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
 Answer: *I renounce them.*

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?
 Answer: *I do.*

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
 Answer: *I do.*

Question: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?
 Answer: *I do.*

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?
 People: ***We will.***

Celebrant: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?
 People: ***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
 People: ***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
 People: ***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.***

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
 People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
 People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
 People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Prayers for the Candidates

Celebrant: Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death
People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: Open their hearts to your grace and truth
People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

People: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE BAPTISM

Celebrant: *N.*, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. ***Amen.***

Bishop: *N.*, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
Amen

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People: ***We receive you into the household of God.
Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.***

The Peace

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Welcome and Announcements

The loose plate offering today is designated for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: "The Lord is my shepherd"

text: Psalm 23

Randall Thompson

THE IMMANUEL CHOIR

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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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.*

Sanctus (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier

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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.

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The Lord's Prayer

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

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier

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.

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Have mercy Have mercy Have mercy upon us.

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

If you would only like to receive the consecrated Bread please extend one hand. Crossed hands indicate you would like to receive consecrated Wine as well, either intincted (dipped) by you or by drinking from the chalice. The glass chalice is for intinction and the silver one is for drinking. If you are physically unable to come to the Altar, please let an usher know that you would like to have Communion brought to you

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION:

Hymn 209: "We walk by faith and not by sight"

found in The Hymnal 1982

St. Botolph

Choir Anthem: "Tantum Ergo"

Gabriel Fauré

EMILY RILEY, soprano
FELICITY AMOS, mezzo-soprano
SUDIE MCGAHUEY, alto

Latin text

Tantum ergo sacramentum
veneremur cernui,
et antiquum documentum
novo cedat ritui;
praestet fides supplementum
sensuum defectui.
Genitori Genitoque
laus et iubilatio,
salus, honor, virtus quoque
sit et benedictio;
procedenti ab utroque
compar sit laudatio.
Amen.

*Down in adoration falling,
Lo! the sacred Host we hail;
Lo! o'er ancient forms departing,
Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith for all defects supplying,
Where the feeble senses fail.
To the everlasting Father,
And the Son who reigns on high,
With the Holy Spirit proceeding
Forth from each eternally,
Be salvation, honor, blessing,
Might and endless majesty.
Amen.*

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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.*

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The Blessing

Closing Hymn 178: “Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord” *from* The Hymnal 1982 *Alleluia No. 1*

The Dismissal

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

People: ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

Postlude: Toccata

Johann Pachelbel

*The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of
The Right Reverend Dabney T. Smith.*

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: *Readers:* Dorothy Kellogg, David Lindsey
Intercessor: Dorothy Kellogg
Chalice Bearers: Julie Bruns, Tom Kerns
Altar Guild: Brooke Roberts
Musicians: The Immanuel Choir, Dr. Jane Tavernier
Flower Guild: Linda Serabian
Ushers: Debbie Hewson, Tom Hewson
Audio-Visual: Tamika Martin, The Rev. Jan A. Maas, Katherine Maas
Celebrant: The Right Reverend Dabney T. Smith

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

April 16, 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. Immanuel Chapel offers a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a pew card — located in display stands at entrances of the chapels — and give it 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: Nancy Bishop, Daphne, Edith, the Sara Fein family, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Ann Huntington, Frances Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Jessi MacLeod, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John and Louisa Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Francine Wargo, and Nancy Wise.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, the Rev. Tracy Baker, Felicia Balzano, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, John and Alice Corbett, Steve Davis, Dana De Cecco, Joseph Fabian, the Rev. Rosa Harper, Betty Harris, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, John, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Nancy Kraus, Rowena and Don Lynch, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Candy Morgan, Mary Muniz, Paul, Jim Rehnke, Sue Rehnke, George Rustigian, Ryan, Connie Smith, Roy Zartarian, and Cecile Zitelli.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Madeleine Compton, Harrison Barnes, Lila Greiner, Pam Hunt, Timo Kirby, Sofia Richter, the Rev. John Smucker, Erik Braun, Joan Raybold, Peter Whelpley, Barb Bassett, Pat Bassett, and Elizabeth MacIntosh.

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

Those who have died: Victims of the Louisville, KY shooting: Josh Barrick, Deana Eckert, Tommy Elliott, Juliana Farmer, and Jim Tutt. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Consider [MAKING A DONATION](#) to Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

As a 501(c)3 faith-based nonprofit, Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill depends on donations. If you feel inclined to help this church and its outreach initiatives, please scan the code at right to make an online donation on our website at <https://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org/ways-to-give1.html>.



Announcements

Weekday Worship Opportunities

MORNING PRAYER TUESDAY, APRIL 18th @ 10 A.M., Zabriskie Chapel : All are invited to join Immanuel staff and clergy for Morning Prayer every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in Zabriskie Chapel. This quiet, contemplative service typically lasts thirty minutes and offers each worshipper a chance to lift a person, cause, or concern in prayer while learning about any saints the Church is commemorating.

Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist returns April 19th @6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Online via Zoom: Our Weekly Bible Study resumes Thursday, April 20th @ 10:30 a.m.

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Evening Compline, Friday, April 21st, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

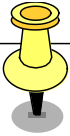
Benedictine Community Meeting, THIS TUESDAY, April 18th @ 7:00 p.m. online via Zoom: If you want more contemplation in your life, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel. We currently meet twice a month virtually via Zoom on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, from 7-8 p.m.

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. Beginning on Tuesday, April 18 we start a new book *Shaped by the End You Live For: Thomas Merton's Monastic Spirituality* by Bonnie B. Thurston -- this would be a great time to join or visit with us. As a Benedictine Community, we gather as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from a few pages from selected reading material.

If this opportunity appeals to you and for more information, please contact one of the following: Dana Hengst (Dana.Hengst@gmail.com), Barbara Fornoff (cr8vweaver@gmail.com), or David Atwood (David_Atwood@hotmail.com).

LEARN MORE ABOUT EX-OFFENDERS TRANSITIONING BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORK OF OAR TO SUPPORT THEM: Offender Aid and Restoration (OAR) is a longstanding Outreach partner of Immanuel, receiving support through our Outreach, Christmas Families, and Social Justice budgets. OAR helps prisoners and their families as they transition out of incarceration. It also administers community service programs to divert people out of the prison system. OAR staff and the people they serve have inspiring stories of lives being changed and hope being restored. You might consider registering online to take a one hour "[Virtual Tour](#)" of OAR and learn what they do. OAR serves Alexandria, Arlington and Falls Church. For more information contact, David Atwood atwooddavid@gmail.com or Jim Snow jamesbsnow@verizon.net.

FEMALE CAPITOL HILL INTERN NEEDS SAFE LODGING: Lodging needed for female Michigan State Graduate, interning on Capitol Hill, from 30 to 60 days. Looking for short-term rental starting late May 2023. Please contact Candace Quinlan at cquinlan52@yahoo.com if you know any accommodation that applies.



SENIOR MINISTRY EVENTS

APRIL 19 - LUNCHEON AT GOODWIN HOUSE: Please join us as we resume our monthly luncheon at Goodwin House-Alexandria on Wednesday, April 19 at noon in the Fillmore Room. RSVP to Mother Susan at sparsons@icoh.net.

IT'S ALL SO VERY PUZZLING...

April 25 - BROWN BAG LUNCH FEATURING WORDLE: Do you WORDLE? Like crossword puzzles, word searches or sudoku? Addicted to the NY Times' Spelling Bee? Our SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY BROWN BAG LUNCH will continue April's puzzling theme. Bring your favorite word or number game or puzzle to the Parish Hall at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25 and share your passion with others. While you eat lunch, we will make photocopies of the various puzzles to share. They say that untangling these games can help keep our brains nimble, so after lunch we can share our own experience with that effect.

Don't forget to bring your own sandwich or salad and Senior Ministry will provide beverages and dessert. There is no cost for this event and no reservation is required.

MAY 2 - BIKE OR RIDE TRIP TO THE BIRD HOUSE AT THE SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL ZOO. Join us on Tuesday, May 2, to experience the wonder of the zoo's brand-new Bird House! **The Bird House** and bird plateau, under construction for six years, reopened this Spring, transforming the 1928 Bird House into a first-of-its-kind immersion into the migration journeys of western hemisphere birds. It is located just off the Panda trail.

Our van will leave Zabriskie parking lot at 10:00am, stopping at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We will have time to wander the themed, walk-through aviaries and enjoy the interactive experiences. There will also be plenty of time to visit your own favorite zoo inhabitants. Afterwards, we'll enjoy lunch on our own at the Zoo, then head back to Goodwin House and Zabriskie, arriving no later than 2pm. There is no admission fee at the Zoo, but there will be a \$20 copay to ride in the van.

Want to enjoy a May day by biking to the Zoo? A contingent of Immanuel cyclists can leave Shirlington at 9:30am. The ride is approximately 11 miles, basically flat and all on cycling paths. Riders of all levels are encouraged to join and no one will be left behind. If you've wanted to try riding into DC but didn't want to go on your own, this is a great way to start. Need a shorter option? Park at Gravelly Point where there is a Capital Bikeshare station and we will pick you up as we bike past.

Please RSVP to Karen Besser at Karen.Besser@gmail.com to reserve your seat on the van or inquire about the bike ride!

For the 13th year, **Spring2ACTion**, Alexandria's day of giving, will take place on April 26; early giving begins on April 12. Although there are many worthy nonprofits to support; I would like to highlight ALIVE!Alexandria's oldest and largest private safety net dedicated to providing emergency and basic needs support to families and individuals living in poverty -- and with hunger -- in the City of Alexandria. We need your help to make the ALIVE! campaign a success. ALIVE! needs your support this year more



than ever due to the ongoing impact of the pandemic, increased cost of food, and rollback of pandemic related relief efforts. Please consider a donation to ALIVE! for **Spring2ACTion** by visiting <https://www.spring2action.org/>

Thanks in advance for your support to help ALIVE! ensure that its services reach those who most need help in the City of Alexandria.

Spring2ACTion

Alexandria's Giving Day

Presented by ACT for Alexandria

Lisa Clausen (long-time parishioner and Immanuel's representative to ALIVE!)

NEW: Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services: ONLINE via Signup Genius



Would you like to serve as a lay minister? If so, you can now sign-up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer online via **Signup Genius** for Immanuel at the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e48a4a728a0fac61-lent#/>

Agnes Soos is managing all lay ministry signups and, in addition to weekly Sunday Eucharists, she's actively recruiting for those who can read a foreign language for **Pentecost, May 28th**. If interested, please contact Agnes at the office on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. (extension #205), 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 next to your name on the sheet. Thank you!

Coming Soon - Parish Weekend at Shrine Mont May 27-29th

We're just over a month away from Immanuel's annual weekend away at Shrine Mont. Email Kathryn Haskin at kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com to let her know if you are planning to come to Shrine Mont this year. No money down yet, but we're looking to get a sense of numbers to ensure we have space for everyone!



If you are new to Immanuel, Shrine Mont is an Episcopal retreat center in Orkney Springs, VA -- it's about a 2 1/2 hour drive from Alexandria. It holds the Cathedral Shrine of the Transfiguration, the outdoor Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia. Immanuelites go to the mountain for fellowship and rest, music and games, worship and reconnection. If you want to learn more — or need more information — call Kathryn Jackson Haskin.



Garden Helpers Unite!

Spring is here and the gardens are growing wild. Early sprouting weeds are crowding in. We need your help to stay ahead of them! The abundant rains of March are over. April's weather has been dry and warm, so watering the trees and gardens is again a priority. This is also a beautiful time of year to spend working in the garden. Flowers are blooming, the birds are singing joyfully and the bees and butterflies are emerging.

Go to Sign Up Genius at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084BADAC29ABF49-2023> to reserve spots for watering and/or weeding in the garden. We will plan a work session to review the plants and procedures soon. If you can't make it to the work session we will arrange to train you individually.

Thank you all,
Sarah Glassco (glasscos@gmail.com)
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Creation Care NEWS Alert

Visit the Creation Care website to view the *new* Clean Energy Tax Credits for Consumers (2023-2032), a benefit of the Inflation Reduction Act. These energy products and upgrades help us “reduce our climate impact and live more humbly and gently on Earth. <https://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org/creation-care-ministry.html>

SCHEDULE CHANGE: MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY **MAY 13th @ 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom**

Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, April 15th, the SECOND Saturday of the month, instead of the third. We will meet via Zoom (find this bulletin on our website under the “Worship” tab, then click on the link below) beginning at 8 AM. Our new theme this year is *Freedom*; this month we will read **Luke 4:16–22** “*He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives, sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free...*” using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please visit [our webpage “Breakfast Bible Study”](#), or contact Chrissie Crosby at cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com.

[Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553

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 Matt Haskin Worship
 Caroline Bergmark and Taylor Houck Fellowship
 Gabriella Young-Smith 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. Godly Play, Side Oratory Chapel
 inside of Immanuel Chapel

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel
 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

Online

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